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Immediately

The New York Athletic Club, through its Youth Athletic Council which was organized to encourage physical fitness among the youth of New York City, will sponsor four athletic meets with the cooperation of the Department of Parks on Sunday afternoons during July and August. The first of these meets for boys and girls 17 years of age and under will be held on July 8th at 2:00 P.M. at Red Hook Stadium quarter-mile track, Bay and Court Streets in Brooklyn.

Fifteen events for boys and girls are on the program for each meet as follows : boys' events, 100 lb. class- 50 yard dash; 110 lb. class- 60 yard dash; 120 lb. class- 70 yard dash; unlimited class- 100 yard dash, 220 yard dash, 440 yard run, half-mile, mile, running broad jump, running high jump, and 12 lb. shot put. Girls' events are 100 lb. class- 40 yard dash; 110 lb. class- 50 yard dash; 120 lb. class- 60 yard dash and potato race.

All of the above events will be open to all youngsters who desire to compete in them, irrespective of what organizations they are members of. However, boys and girls who have won prizes in P.S.A.L. or private high school meets or who are members of the Amateur Athletic Union are ineligible to compete in these events. This rule will be enforced in order to encourage youngsters who have never won prizes to participate in these meets. The above events will be duplicated on Saturday, July 22 at Triborough Stadium, Randall's Island; on August 5th at VanCortlandt Park Stadium, Bronx; and on August 19th at Victory Field in Queens.

In addition to these events for boys and girls 17 years of age and under, four handicap events open to athletes registered with the Metropolitan Association of the A.A.U. will be conducted. These events will be: on July 8th at Red Hook Stadium, 70 yard dash, 600 yard run and shot put for boys, and 50 yard dash for girls; on July 22nd at Triborough Stadium, 100 yard dash, 440 yard run, 2 mile, and 120 yard hurdle; on August 5th at VanCortlandt Park Stadium, 220 yard dash, one mile, running broad jump for boys, and 100 yard dash for girls; on August 19th at Victory Field, 100 yard dash, half-mile, 3 mile run, and running high jump.



The New York Athletic Club will award gold filled medals for first place, sterling silver medals for second place, and bronze medals for third place in each event.

No entry fee will be charged for entering any of these events, and the entire expense of furnishing prizes, and printing entry blanks and programs will be defrayed by the New York Athletic Club.

The organizing and conducting of the meets will be handled by the Recreation staff of the Department of Parks. Entry blanks may be secured and filed at neighborhood playgrounds and at Park Department headquarters in each of the boroughs:

Manhattan: Arsenal Building, 64 Street and Fifth Avenue, New York 21, N. Y.

Brooklyn: Litchfield Mansion, Prospect Park West and Fifth Street, Brooklyn 15, N. Y.

Bronx: Administration Building, Bronx Park East and Birchall Avenue, Bronx 60, N. Y.

Queens: The Overlook, Forest Park, Kew Gardens, Queens 15, N. Y.

Richmond: Clove Lake Field House, Clove Road and Victory Boulevard, Staten Island 1,
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FOR RELEASE IMMEDIATELY

Because of storm warnings the City-wide Finals of the Eleventh Annual American Ballad Contest for Barber Shop Quartets scheduled for this evening on the Mall in Central Park has been postponed until Tuesday evening, July 10th at 8:30 P.M.

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FOR RELEASE

Tuesday
June 26, 1945

The fourth season of Name Band Dances in the parks will open on Thursday, June 28th at 8:30 P.M., when Mitchell Ayres and his orchestra play for the first dance on the Mall, in Central Park. This will be the first in a series of fifty-four dances sponsored by Consolidated Edison System Companies for the pleasure and enjoyment of the dance fans and music lovers of New York City. Last year Name Band Dances were enjoyed by 285,000 people, including thousands of service men and women who were spending furloughs in town.

Dances are scheduled for every night, Monday through Friday, until September 14th. Dances will be held on Thursdays at the Mall, in Central Park; on Fridays at the Prospect Park Dance Area, 11th Street and Prospect Park West, Brooklyn; and on Wednesdays at Poe Park, 192 Street and Grand Concourse, in the Bronx. On Mondays and Tuesdays Name Bands will play at various parks throughout the city.

As in past seasons, nationally known bands will furnish music for the dance series. Some of the leaders who have been signed up to appear, are Mitchell Ayres, Jerry Wald, Shorty Sherock, Les Elgart, and Don Redman. The Mitchell Ayres Orchestra, which will play for the opening dance, is a top ranking musical unit, having played in motion pictures and in leading theatres, ballrooms, and hotels from coast to coast.

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FOR RELEASE Monday
June 25, 1945

The City-wide Finals of the Eleventh Annual American Ballad Contest for Barber Shop Quartets, postponed twice because of rain, will be held on the Mall in Central Park on Tuesday evening, June 26 at 8:30 P.M.

The program will open with the singing of the Star Spangled Banner by the entire audience. Judges for the contest will consist of a number of outstanding composers and public officials, including Mayor LaGuardia, Park Commissioner Moses, James F. Evans, J. Bailey Harvey, Richard H. Gerard, William C. Handy, Raymond McNulty, Geoffrey O'Hara, Douglas Paige, Charles Powell, Frank W. Smith, Sigmund Spaeth, George E. Spargo, Luther C. Steward, Paul Winslow, and Harry Armstrong.

The following quartets are entered in the competition: United States Maritime Training Station of Sheepshead Bay, United States Coast Guard of Pier #18, Staten Island, the Miller Field Four, and the Masonaires of Mason General Hospital, in the service men's division; and the Village Bowlers, the Parade Grounds Quartet, the Seward Park Four, the Knickerbocker Four, the N.Y.U. Palisaders, the Woodlawn Horseshoe Club, the Paramounteers, and the St. Mary's Horseshoers in the civilian division.

As an added attraction, the Garfield City Four who recently won the New Jersey State Championship will sing several of their favorite numbers.

The program will terminate with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" by the entire audience. Prizes will be awarded to the quartets placing first, second, and third in both service men's and civilians' groups. The prizes will be \$25.00 War Bonds for first, \$15.00 in War Savings Stamps for second, and \$10.00 in War Savings Stamps for third.

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FOR RELEASE Sunday
June 24, 1945

The following special events will take place in the parks during the coming week:

Sunday, June 24th

3:15 P.M. Concert -Associated Musicians of Greater New York, at Forest Park Music Grove, Queens.

8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.

Monday, June 25th

8:30 P.M. Square Dancing at 105th Street and Riverside Drive, Manhattan.

8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.

Tuesday, June 26th

8:15 P.M. Concert - Associated Musicians of Greater New York, at Betsy Head Playground, Hopkinson and Dumont Avenues, Brooklyn.

8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at Prospect Park Music Grove, Brooklyn.

Wednesday, June 27th

8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.

Thursday, June 28th

8:15 P.M. Concert - Associated Musicians of Greater New York at Williamsbridge Oval, East 298 Street and Bainbridge Ave., Bronx.

8:30 P.M. Dancing - Mitchell Ayres Orchestra -the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.

8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at Prospect Park Music Grove, Brooklyn.

Friday, June 29th

1:00 P.M. Junior National A. A. U. Track and Field Championships at Triborough Stadium, Randall's Island.

8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.

8:30 P.M. Dancing -Don McGrane Orchestra - Prospect Park Dance Area, 11th Street and Prospect Park West, Brooklyn.

Saturday, June 30th

1:00 P.M. Senior National A. A. U. Track and Field Championships at Triborough Stadium, Randall's Island.

2:00 P.M. City-wide Finals, Marbles Contest at Heckscher Playground, 62 Street and West Drive, Central Park, Manhattan.

8:30 P.M. Concert - City Amateur Symphony at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.

8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at Prospect Park Music Grove, Brooklyn.

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

The Department of Parks announces that 50,000 people who had intended to visit Orchard Beach and the adjoining picnic area on Hunter Island over this weekend, may be deprived of their outings because of lack of transportation.

Buses normally serving Orchard Beach from University Avenue and other points along Fordham Road and Pelham Parkway probably will not be operated on the usual summer schedule because the drivers have threatened to refuse to work over the weekend.

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TWELVE WEEKLY FREE SQUARE DANCES ON RIVERSIDE DRIVE,
STARTING MONDAY, JUNE 25, TO HELP NEW YORKERS SPEND VACATIONS AT HOME

Outdoor Dance Series under Auspices of Park Department
Made Available through Sponsorship of Pepsi-Cola Company

A weekly series of twelve free outdoor square dances, designed to help New Yorkers enjoy the summer in town and thus abide by President Truman's request for a drastic reduction in civilian travel, will be given at Riverside Drive and 105 Street (Lower Level) beginning Monday, June 25th, under the auspices of the Department of Parks, and through the sponsorship of Pepsi-Cola Company.

The dances, each of which can accommodate between five and six thousand participants, will take place on succeeding Monday nights - July 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th, August 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th, September 3rd and September 10th, from 8:30 P.M. to 11:00 P.M.

Music will be by dance caller Ed Durlacher and the "Top Hands", whose services are the contribution of the Pepsi-Cola Company through its President, Walter S. Mack, Jr.

"Everyone realizes the importance of abiding by President Truman's request for a drastic reduction in civilian travel this year, when every facility is needed to speed thousands and thousands of troops returning from the European Theatre across into the war against the Japanese enemy, and to carry discharged men back to their homes," Mr. Mack said.

"Because of this situation, the City continues to provide New Yorkers with recreational activities which will help them to spend an enjoyable summer vacation in town, we are indeed happy to add our contribution through the sponsorship of this weekly series of twelve free square dances under the stars at Riverside Drive," Mr. Mack concluded.

The program for the first square dance this Monday night includes a variety of square, contra, circle, and modern dances to such tunes as "Hinky Dinky Parlee-voe", "Loobie Loo", "Duck for the Oyster", "Candy", "Star Dust" and others.

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FOR RELEASE Immediately

The City-wide Finals of the Eleventh Annual American Ballad Contest for Barber Shop Quartets, postponed last night because of rain, will be held on the Mall in Central Park on Thursday evening, June 21 at 8:30 P.M.

The program will open with the singing of the Star Spangled Banner by the entire audience. Judges for the contest will consist of a number of outstanding composers and public officials, including Mayor LaGuardia, Park Commissioner Moses, James F. Evans, Richard H. Gerard, William C. Handy, Raymond McNulty, Geoffrey O'Hara, Douglas Paige, Charles Powell, Frank W. Smith, Sigmund Spaeth, George E. Spargo, Luther C. Steward, Paul Winslow, and Harry Armstrong.

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The program will terminate with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" by the entire audience. Prizes will be awarded to the quartets placing first, second, and third in both service men's and civilian's groups. The prizes will be \$25.00 War Bonds for first, \$15.00 in War Saving Stamps for second, and \$10.00 in War Saving Stamps for third.

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The City-wide Finals of the Eleventh Annual American Ballad Contest for Barber Shop Quartets will be held on the Mall in Central Park on Tuesday evening, June 19th at 8:30 P.M.

Through the courtesy of Captain John F. Baylis, the program will open with selections by the United States Coast Guard Band of Manhattan Beach Training Station, conducted by Chief Musician H. A. Mulder. This will be followed by the singing of the Star Spangled Banner by the entire audience.

Judges for the contest will consist of a number of outstanding composers and public officials, including Mayor LaGuardia, Park Commissioner Robert Moses, James F. Evans, Richard H. Gerard, William C. Handy, Raymond McNulty, Geoffrey O'Hara, Douglas Paige, Charles Powell, Frank W. Smith, Sigmund Spaeth, George E. Spargo, Luther C. Steward, and Paul T. Winslow, and Harry Armstrong.

A special feature of the entertainment will be selections by The Pointless Ham Four composed of the following Metropolitan artists: Lawrence Tibbett, Baritone, James Melton, Tenor, William Hargrave, Bass, and Jan Peerce, Tenor.

The following quartets are entered in the competition: United States Maritime Training Station of Sheepshead Bay, United States Coast Guard of Pier # 18, Staten Island, the Miller Field Four, and the Masonaires of Mason General Hospital in the servicemen's division; and the Village Bowlers, The Parade Grounds Quartet, the Seward Park Four, the Knickerbocker Four, the N. Y. U. Palisaders, the Woodlawn Horseshoe Club, the Paramounteers, and the St. Mary's Horseshoers in the civilian division.

Another feature will be selections by the Glee Club of Halloran Hospital. The program will terminate with the singing of "Auld Lang Syne" by the entire audience. Prizes will be awarded to the quartets placing first, second, and third in both service men's and civilians' groups. The prizes will be \$25.00 War Bonds for first, \$15.00 in War Saving Stamps for second, and \$10.00 in War Saving Stamps for third.

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FOR RELEASE Monday
June 11, 1945

The 28th season of Goldman Band concerts in the parks will open on Wednesday, June 13th at 8:30 P.M., on the Mall, Central Park; and at the Music Grove in Prospect Park on Thursday, June 14th, with Edwin Franko Goldman conducting. These free concerts are the gift of the Daniel and Florence Guggenheim Foundation for the benefit and enjoyment of the people of New York.

Concerts will be given on Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday evenings on the Mall in Central Park. On Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, the band will play at the Music Grove in Prospect Park, Brooklyn. All concerts will start at 8:30 P.M. The season will extend until August 12th.

As in former years, Mr. Goldman will devote entire programs to the works of great composers, or to selections grouped through relation to each other. Included in the schedule for this summer, are evenings of Bach, Beethoven, Wagner, Tschalkovsky, Herbert, Verdi, Dvorak, Strauss, and Gilbert and Sullivan. Other interesting programs will include American, Russian, French, English, and Italian music.

The programs at both opening concerts will consist of miscellaneous selections, with solos.

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FOR RELEASE

Sunday
June 10, 1945

Barber Shop harmony will vibrate in each of the five boroughs this week when quartets get together to sing in borough-wide contests to qualify for the city-wide finals of the Eleventh Annual American Ballad Contest for Barber Shop Quartets to be held at the Mall, Central Park, on Tuesday, June 19th.

The qualifying song fests will be held as follows, all starting at 8:30 P.M.:

Monday, June 11th, Queens, at Forest Park Music Grove.

Tuesday, June 12th, Richmond, at McDonald Playground, Broadway and Forest Avenue.

Wednesday, June 13th, Brooklyn, at Prospect Park Music Grove.

Thursday, June 14th, Manhattan, at Central Park Mall.

Friday, June 15th, Bronx, at Mullaly Recreation Building, Jerome Ave. and 162 St.

Thirty-six amateur male quartets are entered in the contest. They will sing the type ballad affectionately known as "Barber Shop" by lovers of Gay Nineties tunes. The contests will be conducted in two divisions: service men's quartets and civilian quartets. Each quartet will sing two numbers or two medleys, or a combination of one number and one medley.

Five quartets will sing in Queens on Monday in the first elimination contest. The Queens singers who will vie to represent their borough in the finals are The Melody Four, The Andrew Jackson High School Quartet, The Marauders, The City Patrol Corps of the 103 Precinct, and The Knickerbocker Four.

In Richmond on Tuesday evening, the seven quartets who will match notes are Coast Guard Quartets from the Ellis Island Station, the St. George Base and Pier #18; The American Legion Quartet, Gulf Oil Co. Quartet, Silver Lake Golf Quartet, and The LaTourette Foursome.

Nine quartets are lined up for the Brooklyn show on Wednesday night. The foursomes who will sound off in Prospect Park are The Seagate Reveille

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Quartet, The Parade Grounds Quartet, The Armaneers, The Four Caballeros, The Taaffe Quartet, The Freddie Kwartet, The Lewyt Cheers, The Troubadours, and The Pfizer Co. Quartet.

On Thursday, the Manhattan eliminations will offer eight quartets from which to pick winners. The Manhattan harmonizers will be The Seward Parkers, The Mt. Lebanon Jubilee Singers, The Houstoneers, The Amsterdam Balladeers, The Seward Park High School Quartet, The Postman Four, and two Lyons Quartets.

The Bronx singers will have their night on Friday, when seven groups will sing to qualify for a place in the finals. This will be the last elimination contest. The Bronx singers will be The Police Department Quartet, The Fire Department Quartet, Port of New York Authority Quartet, St. Mary's Horseshoers, New York State Maritime Academy Quartet, The Woodlawn Horseshoe Club Quartet, and the N.Y.U. Palisaders.

In selecting winners, the judges will consider tone, rhythm, technique, originality, expression, phrasing, and stage presence. Prizes will be awarded to the winning quartets in each division of the borough-wide contests. The best quartets in the five contests will sing again for the city-wide laurels on the Central Park Mall on Tuesday, June 19th at 8:30 P.M.

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FOR RELEASE Sunday
June 10, 1945

A splendid program of cultural, athletic and recreational activities has been arranged by the Department of Parks to help stay-at-home vacationers find greater enjoyment in their parks this summer. The sports division of the program, which includes fourteen tournaments and contests, has started in neighborhood playgrounds of the five boroughs.

The event now in progress is a marbles tournament for boys and girls, sponsored by the New York Mirror. In July, under the same sponsorship, a softball tournament for boys will get under way, and six championship swimming meets for boys will be held in Outdoor Park Department pools. The swimming program also includes Junior and Senior Metropolitan A. A. U. Championship events for boys, and a Learn to Swim Campaign. The Learn to Swim Campaign will start in July and continue through August. Those who qualify as beginners will receive awards, and additional awards will be made as the beginners progress and become more proficient.

Girls' swimming events are also planned for July. These will be sponsored by the New York Journal-American, and are now going into their second season. In connection with the girls' water program, there will also be Junior and Senior Metropolitan A. A. U. Championship events.

Among the many special events for boys and girls scheduled to start in July are the seven contests which make up the New York Community Trust Summer Sports Tournament. These are checkers, handball, horseshoe pitching, jacks, paddle tennis, shuffleboard, and table tennis. The New York Community Trust will also sponsor a set of swimming events, and a tennis tournament to be held in August.

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The annual golf tournament sponsored by the Park Association of New York, will be held in August. As in former years, play will be in three divisions: junior boys, men's, and women's, for the Park Association trophies and the Newbold Morris Cup.

To make the sports program complete, the New York Athletic Club will sponsor track meets for boys and girls in Manhattan, Brooklyn, Bronx and Queens, in the months of July and August.

On the musical side of this summer's program, there is a concert or dance scheduled for almost every evening in July and August. Goldman Band concerts, which start June 13th, will be heard at 8:30 P.M. on Sunday, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday evenings at the Central Park Mall; and on Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday at the Prospect Park Music Grove in Brooklyn. Concerts by Local 802, American Federation of Musicians are scheduled for various parks throughout the city, and will start on June 24th. Naumberg Memorial concerts will be given on the Mall, Central Park, on July 4th, 31st, and on Labor Day.

Name Band Dances sponsored by the Consolidated Edison Company, now in their fourth season, will start Thursday, June 28th on the Mall, Central Park, and will continue on Monday through Friday evenings in various parks until September 14th. Square dancing, sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company will start on Monday, June 25th, and continue on successive Monday nights until September 10th, at 104th Street and Riverside Drive in Manhattan.

In addition to these special features, the routine recreation program for adults and children will continue in the Department of Parks 492 playgrounds. In many locations this will be punctuated with special treats for youngsters in the form of visits to the playground by the Trailer Marionette Theatre, and the Magic Show, both of which will soon start on their summer tours.

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FOR RELEASE Immediately

Through the courtesy of the New York City Park Department, Heckscher Playground in Central Park, with its smooth asphalt surface, will be open on Wednesday evening, June 13th from 8 to 11 for Starlight Dances for non-commissioned Service men of the United Nations, and will continue every Wednesday evening through September 5th.

The dances will be under the supervision of the Hospitality and Welfare Committee of the New York City Defense Recreation Committee. Mrs. Harold I. Pratt is honorary chairman of the Starlight Dances, Mrs. James K. Norris is chairman, and the same group which has supervised the highly successful Monday evening dances for Service men at the Arcadia Ball Room will be present. Dancing partners are provided by this Committee.

Lights hidden in the overhanging trees cast their shadows on the dance floor and continuous music will assure a happy evening for all who attend.

Mrs. Clarence H. Mackay will have charge of the dance floor and will lead in group singing.

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FOR RELEASE Sunday
June 3, 1945

With the opening of its swimming pools and beaches last Wednesday, the Park Department is expecting extensive use of its recreational facilities during the coming summer months by millions of New Yorkers who will again spend their vacations in town. Spending a vacation at home is a contribution to victory in that it eliminates unessential travel and frees space for the transportation of the necessities of war. New York's recreational resources are boundless, and practically all facilities in the city parks are within easy reach of subway, bus, and trolley lines.

Swimming pools and beaches rate high in the favor of stay-at-home vacationers. Last summer 1,951,000 children and adults swam in the Park Department's seventeen outdoor pools, and eighty million more enjoyed the six municipal beaches. The pools, modern in design and sanitation, are located throughout the five boroughs; in Manhattan they are Hamilton Fish Pool, Colonial Pool, Highbridge Pool, Thomas Jefferson Pool, 23 Street Pool, Carmine Street Pool, 60 Street Pool, and John Jay Pool; in Brooklyn, Sunset, McCarren, Betsy Head and Red Hook Pools; in the Bronx, Crotona Pool; in Queens, Astoria Pool and Flushing Meadow Park Amphitheatre Pool; in Richmond, Faber and Tompkinsville Pools. Children under 14 years of age are admitted free of charge from 10:00 A.M. to 12:30 P.M. on weekdays and Saturdays. At other times there is a fee of nine cents for children under 12 years of age, and a charge of twenty-six cents for older children and adults.

There are ten golf courses in the parks. All of these are 18 hole and are situated in Brooklyn at Dyker Beach; in the Bronx at Mosholu, Pelham, Split Rock, and VanCortlandt; in Queens at Clearview, Forest Park, and Kissena; in Richmond at Silver Lake and LaTourette. A season permit costs five dollars. A daily playing fee of seventy-five cents is charged from Monday to Friday; on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays the fee is one dollar. Last year over 445,000 rounds were played on the municipal courses.

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For those who prefer tennis, there are over 500 courts ready for play. There is a permit charge of three dollars for this activity, entitling the permit holder to a season of play on the courts of the five boroughs.

Vacationers who are looking for quiet places amid natural surroundings will find many beauty spots in the parks, with boating and picnicking facilities. Many of these locations are equipped with fireplaces for preparing picnic meals. Some of the larger areas with such accommodations are Alley Pond and Cunningham Parks in Queens; Plum Beach on the Belt Parkway in Brooklyn; Pelham Bay Park in the Bronx; Riverside Park at 180 Street in Manhattan; and LaTourette Park in Richmond.

154 baseball diamonds and 293 softball diamonds are ready and waiting for the ball playing public, which last year amounted to 3,000,000. For those who enjoy changing scenery with their recreation, there are 29 bicycle paths and 70 miles of bridle paths in the parks.

In addition to these and other type areas designed for specialized use, the Park Department operates 492 playgrounds with facilities for taking care of recreational needs from infancy to old age. Facilities range all the way from kindergarten swings for tiny tots to tree shaded checker tables popular with old-timers. Some of the items included in the play areas designed for teen age boys and girls are 1,064 handball courts, 398 basketball courts, 443 horseshoe pitching courts, and 189 volleyball courts.

For the very youngest vacationers, there are small children's play areas, equipped with 7,000 large and small swings, 900 slides, and 1,800 see-saws. The youngsters also have sand pits, roller skating areas, and 192 wading pools at their disposal.

There is a healthful vacation for you right in your own municipal parks, no matter what your age or recreational preference; you can stick to your pet activities, or discover some new ones. Father Knickerbocker has tucked something into his park system for each of his children.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE IMMEDIATELY
Tuesday, May 29, 1945

The Department of Parks announces the opening of the seventeen outdoor swimming pools on Memorial Day, May 30th, 1945, at 10 A.M.

The swimming pools are located at:

Manhattan:

Hamilton Fish Pool	- East Houston and Pitt Streets
Colonial Pool	- Bradhurst Avenue, West 145 to 147 St.
Highbridge Pool	- Amsterdam Avenue and 173rd Street
Thos. Jefferson Pool	- 111 to 114 Streets and First Avenue
23rd Street Pool	- 23 Street and East River Drive
Carmine Street Pool	- Clarkson Street and Seventh Avenue
60th Street Pool	- 59 Street bet. Amsterdam & 11 Ave.
John Jay Pool	- 78 Street and East River Drive

Brooklyn:

Sunset Pool	- 7th Avenue and 43rd Street
McCarren Pool	- Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street
Red Hook Pool	- Clinton, Bay and Henry Streets
Betsy Head Pool	- Hopkinson, Dumont and Livonia Ave.

Bronx:

Crotona Pool	- 173 Street and Fulton Avenue
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Queens:

Astoria Pool	- 19th Street and 23 Drive
Flushing Meadow Amphitheatre	- Flushing Meadow Park

Richmond:

Faber Pool	- Richmond Terrace at Faber Street
Tempkinsville Pool	- Victory Boulevard bet. Bay Street and Murray Hulbert Avenue

From May 30th to June 30th the pools will be open for weekends only, and from July 1st until the end of the season, they will be open daily with the following operating schedule: On weekdays and Saturdays from 10 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 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.

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Groups in swimming, 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, Pelham Bay Park in the Bronx; Jacob Riis Park Beach and Rockaway Beach on the Rockaway Peninsula, Queens; Coney Island Beach, Brooklyn; and South Beach and Wolfe's Pond Park on Staten Island will also open for bathers on Memorial Day, May 30th. Bathhouse accommodations at Jacob Riis Park and Orchard Beach will be open weekends only until June 30th.

At Orchard Beach there is a total of 7796 lockers for bathhouse patrons and parking space is provided for 6,000 cars. At Jacob Riis Park the bathhouse accommodates 10,000 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 Park 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 golf balls. A special schedule of events is planned for Jacob Riis Park; there will be calisthenics on the beach daily.

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

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FOR RELEASE Sunday
May 27, 1945

The first in the series of four Naumburg Memorial concerts will be given on the Mall, Central Park, on Decoration Day, Wednesday, May 30th, at 8:15 P.M. Other concerts will follow on July 4th, July 31st, and Labor Day.

These concerts are contributed to New York's music lovers by Mr. Walter W. Naumburg and Mr. George W. Naumburg, in memory of their father, Mr. Elkan Naumburg, who for many years sponsored outdoor orchestral concerts for the people, and in 1922 donated the bandstand on the Mall.

The Decoration Day concert will be conducted by Malcolm H. Holmes with Frances Yeend, soprano, as soloist. The following program will be rendered:

Overture, "Russian and Ludmilla"	Glinka
Second Movement, Symphony No. 7	Beethoven
Aria- "Deh vieni non tardar" Marriage of Figaro Frances Yeend	Mozart
Pavane pour une Infante defunte	Ravel
Emperor Waltz	Strauss
March, "Knightsbridge"	Coates
Prayer of Thanksgiving	Kremser
Aria- "Pace, Pace Dio mio" Forza del Destino Frances Yeend	Verdi
Finale, Symphony No. 4	Tschaikowsky

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FOR RELEASE

Friday
May 25, 1945

The Department of Parks received on Wednesday, May 23rd, a new giraffe, a gift from an anonymous donor. Leo, the only giraffe in the Zoo at present, lost his mate two years ago, and he has been lonesome ever since.

The new arrival, Pauline, is a three year old female from East Africa, is twelve feet high, and weighs approximately 500 lbs.

Photographs may be taken 10:00 A.M. to 10:30 A.M. Friday, May 25th.

Twenty-four children's Pet Shows will be held on Saturday, May 26th at 2:00 P.M. in Department of Parks playgrounds throughout the city. At the latest count, 869 youngsters had entered their pets and were eagerly waiting to match their best points with all comers.

All sizes and varieties of pets are eligible to enter, and dubious ancestry will not mar the chance of any bird, beast, or fish to win one of the bright ribbons which will be awarded for first, second, and third place in the various classes. Some of the divisions in which pets will compete are: Dog with Best Tricks, Dog with Most Spots, Largest Dog, Smallest Dog, Dog with Longest Tail, Handsomest Cat, Smallest Kitten, Best Cared for Pet, and other special classes for the more unusual pets such as lizards, rabbits, birds, fish, and turtles.

Pets need not be entered in advance, but may be taken directly to the shows at the following locations:

Manhattan

Playground at Riverside Drive and 74 Street
Playground at Payson Avenue and Dyckman
Kelly Playground, West 17 Street between 8th and 9th Avenues
Colonial Playground, Bradhurst Avenue and West 148 Street
St. Gabriel's Park, East 35 Street and First Avenue
Carl Schurz Park, East End Avenue and 84 Street
Seward Park, Canal, Hester and Essex Streets

Brooklyn

Byrne Memorial Playground, 3 Street and Fourth Avenue
McCarren Park, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street
Bushwick Playground, Putnam and Knickerbocker Avenues
Lincoln Terrace Park, East New York, Buffalo and Rochester Avenues
Marine Park, Fillmore Avenue and Stuart Street
Seth Low Playground, Bay Parkway and Avenue P
Playground at Ft. Hamilton Parkway and 52 Street

Bronx

Playground at Waterbury, Edison and LaSalle Avenues
Mullaly Playground, Jerome Avenue and East 164 Street
Crotona Park, Playground at Crotona Park East and East 173 Street
St. Mary's West Playground, St. Ann's Avenue and East 147 Street

Queens

VanWyck Playground, 111 Avenue and 134 Street, Ozone Park
Highland Park, Lower Playground, Jamaica Avenue and Elton Street
30th Road Playground, 46 Street and 30 Avenue, Astoria
Playground at Jewel Avenue and Utopia Parkway

Richmond

DeMatti Playground, Tompkins Avenue and Shaughnessy Lane, Rosebank
McDonald Playground, Forest and Myrtle Avenues, West Brighton

The Eleventh Annual American Ballad Contest for Barber Shop Quartets will be conducted by the Department of Parks on the Mall, Central Park, on Tuesday, June 19th at 8:30 P.M. The contest is open to amateur male quartets, and is one of the highlights of the Park Department's adult recreation program.

The contest will be conducted in two divisions; service men's quartets and civilian quartets. All songs will be of the American Ballad or Barber Shop variety, typified by such numbers as "Meet Me To-Night In Dreamland", "Comrades", "Honey That I Love So Well", "Mandy Lee", "My Mother Was A Lady", and "Sweet Adeline." The rules of the contest will permit each quartet to sing two numbers or two medleys, or a combination of one number and one medley, the total singing time not to exceed six minutes.

The city-wide competition scheduled for June 19th on the Mall, will be preceded by contests in the five boroughs in which the ten best civilian and the five best service men's quartets will be selected for the final show. The boroughs will hold contests as follows:

Monday, June 11th - Queens, at the Forest Park Music Grove

Tuesday, June 12th- Richmond, at McDonald Playground, Broadway and Forest Avenue

Wednesday, June 13th- Brooklyn, at the Prospect Park Music Grove

Thursday, June 14th- Manhattan, at the Central Park Mall

Friday, June 15th- Bronx, at Mullaly Recreation Building, Jerome Avenue and 152 St.
All shows will start at 8:30 P.M.

In selecting the winning foursomes, the judges will consider tone, rhythm, technique, originality, interpretation, expression, phrasing, and stage presence. Prizes will be awarded to the winning quartet in each division of the borough eliminations, and to the winners of first, second, and third places in the city-wide finals.

Entry blanks may be obtained at all Park Department borough headquarters; in Manhattan at the Arsenal Building, 64 Street and Fifth Avenue; Brooklyn at Litchfield Mansion, Fifth Street and Prospect Park West; Bronx at Bronx Park East and Birchall Avenue; Queens at the Overlook, Union Turnpike and Park Lane, Kew Gardens; and Richmond at Clove Lakes Park, Victory Boulevard and Clove Road, West New Brighton.

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FOR RELEASE Immediately

The prizes for the Handcraft Contest conducted by the Department of Parks and sponsored by the New York Community Trust will be awarded on Saturday, May 19th at 2:00 P.M., at the New York Public Library, 42nd Street and Fifth Avenue, where the city-wide exhibition is now being held. The exhibition opened last Tuesday and will continue through May 24th.

Thirty-one hundred articles of great variety have been on display for the past month in thirty-one local exhibitions and five borough-wide shows from which outstanding articles in all classes were selected for the final show. The articles on display include stuffed toy animals, crocheted and knitted hats and scarves, afghans, tablecloths, place mats, pot holders, and peasant style blouses in the needlecrafts division; baskets, trays of wood, paper and reed, lamps, tie racks, ornamental shelves, pictures, chests, and book racks among the generally useful articles and articles for the home; an array of colorful paper flowers, a feathered and beaded Indian headdress, clay and plaster figures in the hobby class. Model airplanes are numerous and realistic, and are displayed in a class by themselves.

The judges who selected the prize winners are Miss Frieda Kean, Assistant Director of Home Economics, Board of Education, Mr. Edward T. Hall, Director of the Universal School of Handicrafts, Miss Mildred Derganc, Occupational Department Supervisor, the New York Association for the Blind, and Mrs. Josephine Hamm, Instructor in Handicrafts for the New York Association for the Blind.

The following are the winners of first place, each of whom will receive a \$25.00 War Bond as prize:

Junior Division, children 8 - 11 years of age:

Needlecrafts - Ragnhild Albertsen, 11 years, 5206 Sixth Avenue, Brooklyn
Crocheted hat and bag.

Hobbies- Hudelle Thau, 11 years, 405 East 72 Street, New York City
Collection of miniature shells.

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Airplanes - John Schumacher, 9 years, 367 Marion Street, Brooklyn

Generally Useful- Ernest Hayden, 11 years, 535 East 78 Street, New York City
Weathervane.

For the Home - Gerald Goldfeder, 11 years, 1944 Unionport Road, Bronx.
Wooden Tray.

Intermediate Division - 12 - 14 years of age :

Needlecrafts - Beatrice Stern, 14 years, 871 Hunts Point Avenue, Bronx
Needlepoint mat.

Hobbies - Wallace Walmsley, 14 years, 169 Stockholm Street, Brooklyn
Model truck.

Airplanes - Clement Segale, 13 years, 799 McDonald Avenue, Brooklyn

Generally Useful- Joseph Fodale, 14 years, 184 Knickerbocker Avenue, Brooklyn
Hand carved box.

For the Home- Cyril Fitzgerald, 14 years, 114-07 196th Street, Queens.
Violin.

Senior Division - 15 - 17 years of age:

Needlecrafts - Beulah Simms, 15 years, 320 Manhattan Avenue, New York City
Coat.

Hobbies - Edwin Ruda, 16 years, 926 Southern Boulevard, Bronx
Boat.

Airplanes - Michael McDonald, 16 years, 255-21 Memphis Street, Queens

Generally Useful- Samuel Hammer, 16 years, 405 East 8th Street, New York City
Book ends.

For the Home- Jerome Kirschner, 15 years, 1569 45th Street, Brooklyn.
Lantern.

The New York Community Trust is also awarding prizes of \$15.00 in
War Saving Stamps for second place, and \$10.00 in War Saving Stamps for third place
in each division.

May 17th, 1945

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Sunday
May 13th, 1945

The City-wide Handcraft Exhibition and Contest sponsored by the New York Community Trust, will be opened by the Department of Parks on Tuesday, May 15th, and will continue through May 24th, in the Main Exhibition Room of the New York Public Library, 42nd Street and Fifth Avenue. All articles displayed are the work of children under 18 years of age, and have been selected for this central exhibit from thirty-one local and five borough-wide shows in which over 3,100 articles were displayed. The Handcraft Contest is an annual feature of the Department of Parks program for youngsters, providing a climax for their months of craft activities, as well as an opportunity to display and compare skills and exchange ideas.

Among the unusual articles in this year's show are a dreamy-eyed rocking horse, a sturdy decorated toy chest, model boats, jeeps, peeps, tanks, and planes, a doll house covered with tiny clapboards and topped off with miniature shingles, stuffed animals of all descriptions, including several earnest pups with their noses to the ground, groups of ceramic figures, a painted wooden cradle, needle-point pictures, character dolls, kitchen gadgets made from discarded tin cans, and a variety of children's clothes, both sewed and knitted.

The articles will be displayed and judged in fifteen classifications. They will be divided into groups according to the age of the maker: juniors 8-11 years, intermediates 12-14 years, and seniors 15-17 years; then classified in each age group as articles for the home, generally useful articles, hobbies, airplanes, and needlecrafts. The contest judges, all handcraft experts, will consider the usefulness, originality, and workmanship of each article in selecting the winners. In each class, the New York Community Trust will award a \$25.00 War Bond for first place, \$15.00 in War Saving Stamps for second place, and \$10.00 in War Saving Stamps for third place. The Handcraft Exhibit will be open daily, May 15 - 24, from 10 A.M. to 5 P.M., except Sunday, when hours will be from 1 to 5 P.M.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Friday
 May 4, 1945

The fifth and final dance in the program of free Square Dances being given to the public, takes place this Monday, May 7th, at 8:30 P.M. at Lost Battalion Hall, located on Queens Boulevard, east of Woodhaven Boulevard. The series has been sponsored by Pepsi-Cola Company through its President, Walter S. Mack, Jr., and given under the joint auspices of the Department of Parks and the President of the Borough of Queens.

The music for this dance will again be furnished by Ed Durlacher and his "Top Hands", whose services are contributed by the Pepsi-Cola Company.

A variety of square, novelty, circle and contra dances will provide the fun for this final dance in the weekly series, including such numbers as: "Hinky Dinky Parlee-Voo", "Bumps-a-Daisy", "Loobie Loo", "Polly Wolly Doodle", "Soldier's Joy", "A Pretty Girl Is Like A Melody", and "Oh Sussanna."

The May 7th dance rounds out a weekly series of five square dances given free of charge to the public to provide much needed recreation for both civilians and Service men and women, many of whom have become acquainted with these authentic American dances at recreation and Service Centers throughout the country, where they have been adopted as a principal source of entertainment.

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FOR RELEASE Tuesday
May 1, 1945

Now that the Penn Relays have been completed the athletes in the Metropolitan District are preparing for a series of track and field events that will start next Saturday afternoon, May 5th, when the Public Schools Athletic League will open the outdoor season by conducting their Relay Carnival at the Triboro Stadium on Randall's Island.

Seven additional events are scheduled for the Triboro Stadium. On Saturday, May 12th, the Boys' High School will conduct their annual Athletic Carnival. On June 2nd, the Public Schools Athletic League Individual Championship Events will be held. On Sunday, June 3rd, the Catholic High School Athletic Association will hold their Championships. On Saturday, June 9th, the New York Athletic Club will hold their Spring Games. On Saturday, June 23, the Metropolitan A.A.U. Senior Championships will take place and on Saturday, June 30th, the Junior National Track and Field Events will be contested, while on Sunday, July 1st, the star athletes from all sections of the country will participate in the National A.A.U. Senior Track and Field Championships.

In addition to the Triboro Stadium, the Park Department has thirteen (13) quarter-mile tracks in other sections of the city.

The Junior Metropolitan A.A.U. Track and Field Championships will be held at Van Cortlandt Park Stadium on Sunday, June 17th. Other events scheduled for the Van Cortlandt Stadium are May 5th - Bronx C.Y.O. Parish Schools; May 10th - Catholic High Schools A.A., Bronx Championships; May 19th - Public Schools Athletic League High School Novice Meet; May 23rd - Public Schools Athletic League Vocational High School Championships; May 24 - Manhattan Public High Schools Championships; May 27th - Catholic High Schools Athletic Association, Novice and Freshmen Championships; May 30th - Irish Christian Brothers Schools Championships, and June 2nd - Catholic Schools

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Athletic League.

Twelve athletic meets have been scheduled for Macomb's Dam Park, Bronx. Some of the outstanding meets to be held there will be - May 5th, Boy Scout Troops; May 12th - Manhattan Catholic Youth Organization Parish Schools; May 13th - Bronx C.Y.O. Seniors; May 19th - Methodist Camp Service; May 26th - Bronx Council, Boy Scouts of America; May 29th - Metropolitan Vocational High Schools Championships.

Rice Stadium in Pelham Bay Park will be the scene of track meets on May 6th by the Young Mens' and Young Womens' Hebrew Association of the Bronx; May 11th - McBurney Schools; May 13th - Bronx House Athletic Association; May 20th - East Bronx Community Y. M., and Y. W. H. A.; May 27th - Henry Street Settlement; May 30th - Atlas Athletic Club.

In the Borough of Queens the Catholic Youth Organization will hold a Track Meet on June 5th at Victory Field.

In Brooklyn two Track Meets have been scheduled for McCarren Park. On May 8th, Brooklyn High School of Automotive Trades will conduct their annual games and on May 27th the field will be used by the National Council of Young Israel. The Catholic High Schools Athletic Association will hold a meet on May 17th, and the Catholic Youth Organization will conduct their Brooklyn Championships on June 7th.

These meets are attracting thousands of boys to the Park Department athletic fields for the purpose of training for the major events.

Sunday
April 29th, 1945

Five borough-wide handcraft exhibitions, part of the contest sponsored by the New York Community Trust and conducted by the Department of Parks, will open on May 1st and continue through May 12th, at a central location in each borough. Manhattan's show will be at Park Entrance Galleries, Metropolitan Museum of Art; Brooklyn's exhibition at Sculpture Court, Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences; the Bronx display at the Bronx County Building Lobby; Queens at the Queens Borough Hall Lobby; and Richmond at the Staten Island Institute of Arts and Sciences.

Boys and girls have been busy during the past few months in Park Department playgrounds and at home, converting discarded lumber into glove boxes, jewelry cases, doll house furniture, tabourets, and sewing kits; youthful sculptors have been creating images of outstanding characters in clay; and young ladies have been knitting and crocheting many artistic pieces, which include table scarves and cloths, doilies, afghans, carriage covers, sweaters, and mittens. Many useful articles for the home, such as table and boudoir lamps, waste paper baskets, and picture frames, have been constructed. In the airplane group, many boys have displayed considerable ingenuity in making models of the various types of planes.

The articles displayed in the five exhibits are those selected as most outstanding from over 2,700 articles entered in thirty-one preliminary contests held during the past week. Competition in the borough-wide shows will be for prizes of \$10.00 in War Saving Stamps for first place, and \$5.00 in War Savings Stamps for second place, to be awarded by the New York Community Trust. These prizes will be awarded in each of the fifteen classifications into which the handcraft articles are divided.

The items are classified according to the age of the child who made them: juniors 8-11 years; intermediate 12-14 years; seniors 15-17 years. In each age classification articles are further divided into: articles for the home, generally useful articles, hobbies, airplanes, and needlecrafts. There is no limitation on the kind of material used in making articles, and the youngsters show resourcefulness and imagination in their use of wood, cloth, leather, yarn and scrap material in their work.

In selecting the prize winning articles in the five exhibitions, the judges will consider the usefulness, originality, and workmanship of each piece. The best articles from the five boroughs will be placed on exhibition in a city-wide contest at the New York Public Library, 42 Street and Fifth Avenue, from May 15th to May 24th, competing for the final prizes of \$25.00 War Bond for first place, \$15.00 in War Saving Stamps for second place, and \$10.00 in War Saving Stamps for third place, awarded by the New York Community Trust in each division.

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FOR RELEASE Friday
April 27, 1945

The fourth in a series of square dances sponsored by Pepsi-Cola Company through its President, Walter S. Mack, Jr., and under the joint auspices of the Department of Parks and the President of the Borough of Queens, will be held Monday evening, April 30th at 8:30 P.M. at Lost Battalion Hall, Queens Boulevard east of Woodhaven Boulevard in Queens. Another dance, the closing one in the series, will be held at the same location on Monday, May 7th.

The Monday night "hoedowns" have proved extremely popular, attracting over a thousand dancers to each session. Ed Durlacher, nationally known dance caller, and the Top Hands play for all the dances. Durlacher includes traditional, original, and novelty dances in every program, and sets the pace for the evening's fun with his descriptive calls.

This Monday's program will consist chiefly of square dances, the best liked being, "Do-Si-Do and Swing", "Ladies Back to Back", "Salute As You Pass By", "Kiss Her If You Dare", "Not So Well So Do It Again", and "Bell Bottom Trousers". The program will also include several circle dances, a contra dance, and some modern numbers. Admission is free at all dances.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Sunday
April 22, 1945

Thirty-one handcraft exhibitions will be opened by the Department of Parks on Monday, April 23rd, marking the beginning of the New York Community Trust Handcraft Contest for boys and girls. All articles to be displayed in the shows are the work solely of children under 18 years of age.

The articles will be divided into three divisions according to the age of the maker: juniors 8 -11 years; intermediates 12 -14 years; seniors 15 -17 years. In each of these divisions, handcraft will be subdivided and judged in five classes: articles for the home, generally useful articles, hobbies, airplanes, and needlecrafts. The best article in each class will be awarded \$5.00 in War Saving Stamps by the New York Community Trust.

The shows, which will continue through April 28th, are at the following locations:

Manhattan Highbridge Play Center, 174 Street and Amsterdam Avenue
 J. Hood Wright Playground, W. 173 Street and Fort Washington Avenue
 Yorkville Playground, E. 101 Street between 2nd and 3rd Avenues
 East River Park, at 12th Street
 Colonial Play Center, Bradhurst Avenue and 145 Street
 Heckscher Playground, Central Park at 62nd Street
 Downing Street Playground, Carmine Street west of 6th Avenue
 Roosevelt Playground, Chrystie, Forsythe, and Houston Streets
 Mt. Morris East Playground, E. 120 Street and Madison Avenue

Brooklyn McLaughlin Park, Jay and Tillary Streets
 Betsy Head Play Center, Hopkinson and Dumont Avenues
 Red Hook Play Center, Henry and Bay Streets
 McCarren Play Center, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street
 Bill Brown Memorial Playground, Bedford Avenue and Avenue X
 Sunset Play Center, 6th Avenue and 44th Street
 Seth Low Playground, Bay Parkway and Avenue P
 Park Avenue and Taaffe Place Playground

Bronx Mullaly Recreation Building, 164 Street and Jerome Avenue
 St. James Park Playground, Jerome Avenue and 191 Street
 James Lyons Playground, Aldus Street, Bryant and Whitlock Avenues
 Crotona Play Center, 173 Street and Fulton Avenue
 Williamsbridge Oval, 208 Street and Bainbridge Avenue
 St. Mary's West Playground, 146 Street and St. Ann's Avenue

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Dry Harbor Playground, Myrtle Avenue and 79th Street
Von Dohlen Playground, 138 Street and Archer Avenue
Astoria Play Center, 19th Street and 23rd Drive
Jackson Heights Playground, 84 Street and 25 Avenue
Grover Cleveland Playground, Grandview Avenue and Stanhope Street
Raymond O'Connor Playground, 32nd Avenue and 210 Street

Richmond

McDonald Playground, Forest Avenue and Broadway, West Brighton
DeMatti Playground, Tompkins Avenue, Rosebank

Many unusual and ingenious items have been entered in the contest. The children display imagination in their use of salvaged materials in the making of small pieces of furniture, decorative items such as pictures and wood carving, clothing, toys, slippers, rugs, and jewelry.

Outstanding articles will be selected at the thirty-one shows and displayed in borough-wide exhibitions which will be held from May 1st through May 12th at Park Entrance Galleries, Metropolitan Museum of Art in Manhattan; Sculpture Court, Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences; Lobby of the Bronx County Building; Lobby of Queens Borough Hall; and Staten Island Institute of Arts and Sciences. In the borough-wide shows, winners of first place will receive \$10.00 in War Saving Stamps, and second place will receive \$5.00 in War Saving Stamps. The best articles from the five boroughs will be centered in one city-wide exhibition at the New York Public Library, 42nd Street and Fifth Avenue, from May 15th to May 24th. Here again, prizes will be awarded by the New York Community Trust, first place receiving a \$25.00 War Bond, second place \$15.00 in War Saving Stamps, and third place \$10.00 in War Saving Stamps.

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FOR RELEASE Friday
April 20, 1945

The third in a weekly series of five square dances which are free to the public, will take place this Monday, April 23rd, at 8:30 P.M., at Lost Battalion Hall, Queens Boulevard east of Woodhaven Boulevard, Queens. The dances are sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company through its President, Walter S. Mack, Jr., and are under the joint auspices of the Department of Parks and the President of the Borough of Queens.

The music for the entire series is by Ed Durlacher and the Top Hands, experts in traditional American music. Subsequent dances in the series will be held at Lost Battalion Hall on April 30th and May 7th, from 8:30 to 11:00 P.M.

This Monday's program, which features square, contra, circle, and novelty dances, will include the following: "McCloud's Reel", "Home On the Range", "Up Town and Down Town", "Loobie Loo", "Virginia Reel", "Cut Off Six" to "Little Brown Jug", a waltz quadrille, and "Gents Back to Back."

The dances are open to civilians as well as Service men and women who may be in New York on furlough.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Saturday
April 14, 1945

The Department of Parks announces that the Fall, Winter and Spring use of twelve of the seventeen swimming pools as play centers will terminate on Sunday evening, April 15, 1945. These free play centers with facilities such as handball, volley ball, paddle tennis, basketball, were used by approximately 1,500,000 children and adults since the closing of the swimming season in 1944.

The closing is necessary so that the areas can be painted and otherwise put in readiness for the forthcoming swimming season, which this year is scheduled for Memorial Day, May 30th, 1945.

Pools are located at:

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 145 to 147 Streets
Amsterdam Avenue and 173 Street
111 to 114 Streets and First Avenue
23 Street and East River Drive
Clarkson Street and 7 Avenue
59th Street bet. Amsterdam and 11 Avenues
78 Street and East River Drive

Brooklyn:

Sunset Pool
McCarren Pool
Red Hook Pool
Betsy Head Pool

7th Avenue and 43rd Street
Briggs 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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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Friday
April 13, 1945

The second in a series of square dances sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company under the joint auspices of the Department of Parks and the President of the Borough of Queens, will be held on Monday, April 16th at 8:30 P.M. in Lost Battalion Hall, Queens Boulevard east of Woodhaven Boulevard, in Queens. These dances will continue on April 23rd, 30th, and May 7th, from 8:30 P.M. to 11:00 P.M. Ed Durlacher, well known dance caller, and his Top Hands will play for the dances.

Square dancing has become increasingly popular in the past few years and large numbers of dyed-in-the-wool New Yorkers enjoy tripping through such old favorites as "Duck for the Oyster", "Bird in the Cage", and "Red River Valley." These traditional American dances are an excellent form of recreation, and provide an evening of fun and informality.

Ed Durlacher has a national reputation as a dance caller, and has published orchestrations of his original and traditional dances. Old hands at square dancing rate his calls and music as tops, and novices find them a source of delight as they follow his musical directions.

Monday night's program will consist chiefly of square dances, the most popular being "Red River Valley", "Two Head Ladies", "Hinkey-Dinkey Parlee-Voo", "Bird in the Cage", "Basket", "Duck for the Oyster", and "Marching Through Georgia". Circle and contra dances, the waltz, fox trot, polka, and a grand march will also be included in the evening's entertainment. There is no admission charge for any of the dances.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Thursday
April 12, 1945

The City-wide finals of the Department of Parks annual One Act Play Contest will be held on Saturday, April 14th at 2:00 P.M. at Mullaly Playground, 164 Street and Jerome Avenue, the Bronx. The plays to be performed in the competition are the winning dramas selected in five preliminary borough-wide contests in which seventy-six plays were presented. The young actors are all under 16 years of age, and have received their dramatic coaching from the playground directors in neighborhood Park playgrounds. Many of them have made their own costumes.

The judges who will select the winning play are Iris Vinton of the Boys' Clubs of America, Inc., Carl Glick of the Drama League of New York, and Muriel B. Smith of "Carmen Jones". In evaluating the plays, the judges will consider diction, acting, costumes, make-up, and type play.

The plays to be presented by the youngsters are:

An All-American Boy	by Mullaly Playground, Bronx
My Lady's Lace	by Hamilton Place and W. 140 St., Playground, Manhattan
The Magic Cookie Jar	by Marine Park, Brooklyn
Mrs. Magicians' Mistake	by McDonald Playground, Richmond
Mysterious Gifts	by Jackson Pond Playground, Queens

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FOR RELEASE Sunday
April 8th, 1945

Over fifteen hundred entries are now in for the Department of Parks annual Handcraft Contest for boys and girls, sponsored by the New York Community Trust. All entries must be in by April 21st in order to be included in the district exhibits which will be held from April 23rd to 28th at thirty-one locations throughout the city.

All types of handcraft are acceptable, and there is no limitation on the type of material used in the construction. Many of the entries show clever use of salvaged material in rugs, clothing, small furniture, lamps, and toys. The articles must be made by children under 18 years of age. Articles which have received awards in other contests or have been displayed in previous Park Department shows will not be allowed to enter.

The competition will be divided into three age groups: juniors 8-11 years, intermediates 12-14 years, and seniors 15-17 years. In each group, articles will be judged in five divisions: articles for the home, generally useful articles, hobbies, airplanes, and needlecrafts. The best articles in each class will be selected in the district exhibits and will be displayed at borough-wide shows from May 1st to May 12th. The borough shows will be held as follows: Manhattan -Park Entrance Galleries, Metropolitan Museum of Art; Brooklyn -Sculpture Court, Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences; Bronx -Lobby, Bronx County Building; Queens- Lobby, Queens Borough Hall; Richmond -Staten Island Institute of Arts and Sciences.

Articles will be judged again at borough-wide exhibits, and selections of winning pieces made. One city-wide show will then be held at the New York Public Library, 42 Street and Fifth Avenue, from May 15th to 24th, in which the best articles from the five boroughs will be evaluated for their usefulness, originality, and workmanship.

In all of these shows the New York Community Trust will award prizes of War Saving Stamps. In district shows, the first prize will be in the amount of \$5.00; in the borough-wide shows, prizes will be \$10.00 for first, and \$5.00 for second; city-wide winners will be awarded \$25.00 for first, \$15.00 for second, and \$10.00 for third.

Entry blanks containing detailed information and the locations of the thirty-one district shows may be obtained at all Park Department playgrounds, or at borough headquarters of the Department.

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CITY BOXING CHAMPIONSHIPS
69th Regiment Armory
26th Street & Lexington Ave.
Friday, April 6th, 1945, at 8:30 P.M.

Junior division

90 pound class

William Hazel (black trunks) Windel Watkins (purple trunks)
West 134th St. Gymnasium. Manhattan VS. Mc.Carren P.C. Brooklyn

100 pound class

Henry Watkins (black trunks) Alfonso Elliston (purple trunks)
Mc.Carren P.C. Brooklyn VS. Thomas Jefferson P.C. Manhattan

105 pound class

Gerold Mc.Hugh (black trunks) Lindy Crescitelli (purple trunks)
St.Marys P.C. Bronx VS. Faber P. C. Richmond

112 pound class

Thomas Cappiello (black trunks) Riggi Miles (purple trunks)
East 54th St. Gymnasium. Manhattan VS. McCarren P.C. Brooklyn

118 pound class

James Flood (black trunks) Sidney Bligen (purple trunks)
East 54th St. Gymnasium. Manhattan VS. West 134th St. Gymnasium. Manhattan

126 pound class

Rocco Fusco (black trunks) George Walker (purple trunks)
Faber P. C. Richmond VS. Jackson Heights Playground, Queens

135 pound class

Donald Scalzo (black trunks) William Johnson (purple trunks)
East 54th St. Gymnasium. Manhattan VS. West 134th St. Gymnasium. Manhattan

Senior division

118 pound class

James Watkins (black trunks) Clarence Brooks (purple trunks)
Mc.Carren P.C. Brooklyn VS. Thomas Jefferson P.C. Manhattan

126 pound class

Michael LaRusso (black trunks) Benito Mosca (purple trunks)
Crotona P.C. Bronx VS. Mc.Carren P.C. Brooklyn

135 pound class

Constantine Geo.Gevas (black trunks) August Vitulli (purple trunks)
East 54th St. Gymnasium. Manhattan VS. Crotona P.C. Manhattan

140 pound class

Geo. Frazer (black trunks) Thomas O'Rourke (purple trunks)
134th St. Gymnasium. Manhattan VS. McCarren P.C. Brooklyn

147 pound class

Carlo Terado (black trunks) Norman Roberts (purple trunks)
Thomas Jefferson P.C. Manhattan VS. Jackson Heights Playground, Queens

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Friday
April 6th, 1945

→ Thurs. 4/4/46

The Department of Parks announces the opening of the ten municipal golf courses on Saturday morning, April ^{6th 1946} ~~7th, 1945~~. The club houses with ~~club~~ ^{food} ~~houses~~ ^{facilities}, locker and shower accommodations and other facilities will be open 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 7th Avenue.

Bronx - VanCortlandt Golf Course - 242nd Street and Broadway, VanCortlandt Park.

Moshulu 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 - 23rd Avenue and Willets Point Boulevard, Bayside.

Kissena Golf Course - North Hempstead Turnpike and Fresh Meadow Road in Flushing.

Forest Park Golf Course - Park Lane South and Forest Parkway in Forest Park.

Richmond - Silver Lake Golf Course - Silver Lake Park on Victory Boulevard and Park Road.

LaFourette Golf Course - Forest Hill Road and London Road.

Fees for permits will be the same as last year. A \$5.00 permit plus an additional ^{daily} fee of 10 cents ~~per day~~ entitles the permit holder to play on weekdays at any of the ten courses. An additional charge of 50 cents is made on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays. ^{for own permit holders} The daily fee from Monday to Friday will be 75 cents and \$1.00 on Saturdays, Sundays, and holidays. Members of the Armed Forces of the United Nations will be permitted to play ^{again this year} free of charge on any of the courses ^{from} Monday through Friday.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Thursday
April 5th, 1945

The City-wide Championships in the senior boys' and girls' divisions of the New York Community Trust basketball tournament conducted by the Department of Parks will be held at the 69th Regiment Armory, 26th Street and Lexington Avenue, Manhattan, on Saturday, April 7th at 8:00 P.M. This double header will conclude the New York Community Trust Sports Tournament which embraced nine different sports, and in which 20,821 boys and girls under 18 years of age competed.

On the boys' half of the program, Faber Park of Richmond and Dahill Road and 38 Street Playground of Brooklyn will meet to decide the city-wide title. In the girls' division, Carmine Street Gymnasium representing Manhattan, and the St. Simon Stock Alpines, the Bronx, will get together for the five-borough feminine crown.

The four teams appearing in Saturday's games are survivors of rigid series of elimination contests in their home boroughs and in inter-borough competition. The line-up for the championship play-offs is:

Boys' Division:

Faber Park, Richmond

Robert Richards
Joe Sweeney
Dan Siracusa
Ernest Brinkman
Ray Johnson
Wilson Gearhart
Donald Mason
Greg Robillaud

Dahill Rd. and 38 St. Playground, B'klyn.

Howard Silverman
Stanley Rubin
Arthur Shapiro
Allen Horn
Bernard Thur
Frank Loffredo
Marvin Block
Irwin Rosenthal

Girls' Division:

St. Simon Stock Alpines, Bronx

Marie Hetherington
Eleanor Mullin
Grace Murray
Dolores DiFelice
Eileen O'Connor
Mary O'Connor
Lois Singer
Sylvia Tarchis
Roberta Erickson
Jane Sullivan
Nannette Clark.

Carmine Street Gymnasium, Manhattan

Bobby Schuster
Mickey Koenig
Joan Fields
Laurice Macsoud
Barbara Sykes
Carol Morse
Janet Cohen
Cherry Shapiro
Judy Garb
Mary Kahler

There is no charge for admission to the championships, and tickets may be obtained at Park Department headquarters in all boroughs.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Thursday
April 5th, 1945

A weekly series of five square dances will start on Monday, April 9th at 8:30 P.M., at Lost Battalion Hall, Queens, sponsored by the Pepsi-Cola Company through its President, Walter S. Mack, Jr., and under the joint auspices of the Department of Parks and the President of the Borough of Queens. Lost Battalion Hall is located on Queens Boulevard east of Woodhaven Boulevard. The dances will take place on succeeding Monday nights, April 16th, 23rd, 30th, and May 7th from 8:30 to 11:00 P.M. Music will be by Ed Durlacher and the Top Hands.

These square dances will provide needed recreation for both civilians and Service men and women, many of whom have become acquainted with these authentic American dances at recreation and service centers throughout the country, where they are a popular source of amusement. On previous occasions about fifteen hundred Queens residents have enjoyed square dance programs similar to the present series.

Ed Durlacher, who has been called the country's foremost dance caller, has performed with his four Top Hands for both President Roosevelt and Governor Dewey. Other appearances include the New York World's Fair, the National Folk Festival at Madison Square Garden, canteens, hospitals, and television. Durlacher has published orchestrations of his original and traditional dances, and is preparing a book on square dancing.

The first evening's program will consist of square, contra, circle, and novelty dances. Some of the best known of these will be "Ladies Back to Back", "Not So Well So Do It Again", "Paul Jones", "Salute As You Pass By", "Let's Get Acquainted", and "Bell Bottom Trousers". There is no admission charge for any of the dances.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE

Wednesday
April 4th, 1945

The City-wide Boxing Championships in the New York Community Trust Sport Tournament will be conducted by the Department of Parks at the 69th Regiment Armory, Lexington Avenue and 26th Street, Manhattan, on Friday, April 6th at 8:30 P.M. These bouts will mark the climax of a boxing tournament in which 450 boys participated during the past two months.

The boxers contending for the titles in twelve classes are all between 14 and 18 years of age, and are the winners of five-borough elimination contests, and city-wide quarter and semi-finals. There will be seven matches in the junior division, and five in the senior, and winners and runners-up will be awarded medals by the New York Community Trust. The award for first place in each class is a beautifully executed 10 karat gold medal, and second prizes are gold filled medals in the same design. An additional award, the John F. Murray Memorial Perpetual Boxing Trophy, will be presented to the gymnasium attaining the highest number of points in the finals.

The John F. Murray Trophy is a gift of the Queens employees of the Department of Parks in memory of the late John F. Murray, who at the time of his death was Supervisor of Recreation of the Borough of Queens. Mr. Murray was largely responsible for the inauguration of boxing tournaments in the Park Department, and had an enthusiasm for boxing which dated from the early days of his career. The trophy was selected as a fitting means of perpetuating his memory, and will be awarded annually. James Murray, 17 year old son of the late Mr. Murray, will make the presentation on Friday evening.

There is no admission charge for the championships, and tickets may be obtained at Park Department headquarters in all boroughs.

Contenders in the junior division for boys 14 and 15 years of age, and the senior division for boys 16 and 17 years old, are listed on attached sheet.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Friday
March 30, 1945

The winners of the Department of Parks borough-wide Table Tennis Championships in the New York Community Trust Sports Tournament, will meet to play for the city-wide titles in four divisions on Saturday, March 31st at 2:00 P.M. at Mullaly Playground, 164 Street and Jerome Avenue, the Bronx.

The boys and girls in the finals are the winners of a series of elimination contests held in Park playgrounds throughout the city in which 2,347 youngsters under 18 years of age competed. In the play-offs for the city-wide crowns each borough will be represented as follows:

Manhattan:

Jr. Boys - Marty Reisman
Sr. Boys - Harold Kupferman
Jr. Girls - Elaine Babrow
Sr. Girls - Bernice Charney

Brocklyn:

Jr. Boys - Leon Schwartzman
Sr. Boys - Walter Bilzinsky
Jr. Girls - Genevieve Wurzel
Sr. Girls - Margaret Olsen

Bronx:

Jr. Boys - Abbott Glasser
Sr. Boys - Tony Dios
Jr. Girls - Lois McIntosh
Sr. Girls - Elaine Mohr

Queens:

Jr. Boys - Frank Lukasih
Sr. Boys - Peter Philliou
Jr. Girls - Marilyn Marcelle
Sr. Girls - Janet Helfer

Richmond:

Jr. Boys - Emmett Murray
Sr. Boys - William McNee
Jr. Girls - Rose Catalano
Sr. Girls - Terry Rotunda

The New York Community Trust will award medals to the city-wide Champions and runners-up in each division.

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FOR RELEASE Friday
March 30, 1945

The city-wide junior boys' Basketball Championship will be decided on Saturday, March 31st at 2:00 P.M., when Highbridge Playground, Manhattan, and Riverdale and Snediker Avenues Playground, Brooklyn, meet in East 54th Street gym, 342 East 54th Street, Manhattan. This game will mark the close of the season's competition in the junior boys' division of the New York Community Trust Basketball Tournament, one of nine sports events which the Department of Parks is conducting and the New York Community Trust sponsoring in the parks and playgrounds of the five boroughs.

The Highbridge team qualified for the championship play-off by defeating Lyons Square Playground of the Bronx 29 - 19, while the Brooklyn team outpointed Astoria Play Center of Queens 26 - 24, after coming through difficult preliminary schedules in their own boroughs.

The line-up for the final game will be:

Manhattan:

Paul Bernaschina
Myron Jaffe
Henry Clavell
William Kerr
John Clune
Bernard McArdle
Michael Hourahan
John Burke

Brooklyn:

Stanley Novich
Marvin Mahl
Robert Solomon
Irwin Buchalter
Stanley Smolhen
Leo Gialla
Joe Reid
Paul Cherton

The New York Community Trust will award medals to the Champions and to the runners-up in Saturday's game.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Immediately

Ed Durlacher and his Top Hands, experts in music for old fashioned square dancing, will play for a series of dances to be held in Lost Battalion Hall, Queens Boulevard east of Woodhaven Boulevard in Queens, starting on Monday evening, April 9th at 8:30 P.M.

The dances will be held under the joint auspices of the Department of Parks and the President of the Borough of Queens. They will be sponsored by the Pepsi- Cola Company. The dances will continue on Monday evenings, April 16th, 23rd, 30th, and May 7th.

Ed Durlacher and his Top Hands have created an enviable reputation as one of the outstanding bands furnishing music for square dancing. Durlacher's music has been heard at USO and YMCA "hoedowns", and over the radio. A large enthusiastic crowd is expected to be on hand for the opening session on April 9th.

The first program will include such well known square dances as, "Ladies Back to Back", "Not So Well So Do It Again", and "Salute As You Pass By", and the popular circle dances, "Paul Jones", "Let's Get Acquainted", and "Looby Loo"; also contra and novelty dances.

March 29, 1945

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Monday
March 26, 1945

The John F. Murray Memorial Perpetual Boxing Trophy will be awarded on April 6th, 1945 at the 69th Regiment Armory, 26th Street and Lexington Avenue, New York City, to the gymnasium attaining the highest number of points at the city finals of the Park Department Boxing Tournament.

The trophy, a silver statue of a boxer mounted on an ornamental column and base, standing 32 inches in height, will be awarded annually. It is being offered by the Queens employees of the Department of Parks as a token of respect and esteem for their late friend and fellow worker. A committee consisting of the borough supervisory staff, in selecting a fitting means of perpetuating his memory, felt that this trophy would best typify his lifelong interest in athletics in general, and in boxing in particular.

John F. Murray, who at the time of his death was Supervisor of Recreation of the Borough of Queens, was largely responsible for the inauguration of boxing tournaments in the Department of Parks. His enthusiasm for this sport dates back to the early days of his career when he conducted boxing classes and shows for the Knights of Columbus. Many fighters who later became prominent, including Pete Burns, Lou Perfetti, Tim Quinn, Paul Berlenbach, Jim Burns, Jim Parkhill, and Joe Spatola, got their start through his tutelage.

The Department extends a cordial invitation to his friends to attend the boxing finals which, coincidentally, will be held on the first anniversary of his death, and to witness the awarding of the trophy.

Tickets for the boxing championships may be secured by applying to the Department of Parks office at the Overlook, Forest Park, Kew Gardens, Queens 15, N.Y. There will be no charge for tickets.

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FOR RELEASE Sunday
March 25, 1945

The Park Department announces the opening of the Annual Easter Flower Show at the Greenhouse in Prospect Park (Prospect Park West and Seventh Street, Brooklyn) on Good Friday, March 30th, at 10:00 A.M.

The exhibit this year is one of the finest of these annual shows. More than 300 varieties of flowers are represented by 3,000 specimens. The main feature of the show is a huge cross twenty feet high, made up of pure white Bermuda Lillies and beautiful light pink Azaleas. Genistas Shower of Gold Plant and pink Rhododendrons are banked at the side and base of the cross. Leading to the steps of the cross is a path of grass with a border of Azaleas in over fifty varieties.

As a background for the central motive, the walls of the Greenhouse are banked with a colorful display of flowers in great varieties, among which are Cinerarias, Calceolarias, Sweet Peas, Snapdragons, Camelias, and Acacias.

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Press photographs may be taken at any time starting
Wednesday, March 28th.

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One thousand entries have been received by the Department of Parks for the Annual Handcraft Contest sponsored by the New York Community Trust. With April 21st set as the closing date for entries, the contest has all the appearances of developing into the largest one held yet.

Some of the articles which the early contestants have brought in are toys, clothing, junior furniture, pictures, sewing boxes, rugs, and lamps. The youngsters display ingenuity in their handcraft, giving scrap material new life by incorporating it in useful and decorative articles.

The articles will be displayed in thirty-one district exhibits to be held throughout the city from April 23rd to April 28th. At these shows winning articles will be selected for display in borough-wide exhibitions, where selections of winners will be made again. The borough-wide shows will be held from May 1st to May 12th as follows: Manhattan - Park Entrance Galleries, Metropolitan Museum of Art; Brooklyn - Sculpture Court, Brooklyn Institute of Arts and Sciences; Bronx - Lobby, Bronx County Building; Queens - Lobby, Queens Borough Hall; Richmond - Staten Island Institute of Arts and Sciences.

These five exhibitions will be followed by a city-wide display at the New York Public Library, 42 Street and Fifth Avenue, from May 15th to May 24th, in which the best articles from the five boroughs will be displayed, and city-wide winners will be selected. In selecting winning articles, the judges will consider the usefulness, originality, and workmanship displayed in the item. The competition will be divided into three age groups: juniors 8- 11 years, intermediates 12- 14 years, and seniors 15- 17 years. Articles will be judged in five divisions: articles for the home, generally useful articles, hobbies, airplanes, and needlecrafts.

The New York Community Trust will award prizes to the winners in the various classes in all shows. In the district shows, first prize will be \$5.00 War Saving Stamps; borough-wide show prizes will be \$10.00 War Saving Stamps for first place, and \$5.00 War Saving Stamps for second place. City-wide prizes will be \$25.00 War Saving Stamps for first place, \$15.00 War Saving Stamps for second place, and \$10.00 War Saving Stamps for third place.

There is no limitation on the type material to be used in making articles. Those which have won prizes in other contests or have been displayed in previous Park Department contests will not be accepted. The articles must be the result solely of the contestant's handcraft. Articles may be made in the playground, at home, in school, club, or community center. Entry blanks for the contest have been distributed to the Girl Scouts and Boys Scouts of Greater New York, who are cooperating in this tournament. Entry blanks may be obtained at all Park playgrounds, or at the five borough offices of the Department of Parks.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Immediately

One hundred and fifty skaters from New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island are awaiting the starter's gun for the annual New York State Indoor Speed Skating Championships at the New York City Rink in Flushing Meadow Park, Queens, Sunday evening, March 25th. Trial heats will start at 5:30 P.M. This meet is sponsored by the Department of Parks.

Top ranking skaters in all age groups will compete for top honors in the seventeen events scheduled. Senior Men's division will be headed by such seasoned skaters as Joe Bree, 1945 Silver Skates Race of Champions winner, Roy Erickson, former National Indoor Champion, Herman Van Putten, recently returned from the South Pacific and 1945 New York State and Middle Atlantic Outdoor Champion, the Swordsma brothers skating under Grand Street Boys colors, and many other champions and near champions.

The Senior Women's competition will be headed by Marion Hanley, 1945 Middle Atlantic and New York State Outdoor Champion, Norma Davis of Queens the 1945 Metropolitan Indoor Champion, Andree Largo of the Massachusetts Skating Club, and Doris Sundberg of Brooklyn.

The Intermediate Boys will be ably represented by Pete Fernandez and Joe Walsh of Queens, Dick Van De Velde and Tommy Moder skating under New York City Rink colors, Linus Fobare of Saranac Lake, and the Broadhurst brothers of the Bay State Club of Massachusetts.

The Junior competition will bring together such capable skaters as Oscar Carangi of Newburgh, Fred Esser of Patterson, Herman Klarman and Percy Murnane of the City Rink Club.

Jackie Scholl, Marty Lindenauer, the Kelleher brothers, and Richard Strauss are all set to fight it out for top honors in the Juvenile boys' class; while Ronnie Oberle, Bobby Weigel, and the three Backman brothers of Massachusetts are ready to take on all comers in the Midget division.

The Girls' Intermediate and Midget events, new on this year's program, have brought out an enthusiastic group of skaters expecting to give a good account of themselves. In the intermediate class are Muriel McCarthy of Worcester, Mass., Mary Ann Lynch of Newburgh, Barbara Mooney of Schenectady, and Marion Davis of Flushing. Mary Dame of the Bay State S.C. and Joan Russell of Newburgh expect to show their skill in the Midget class.

March 22, 1945

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FOR RELEASE Immediately

The City-wide swimming championships for boys and girls under 18 years of age will be conducted by the Department of Parks at Columbia University on Friday, March 23rd at 8:00 P.M., as part of the New York Community Trust Sports Tournament.

Friday's meet will climax a season of competition in indoor Park Department pools, in which over 1,500 youngsters entered elimination events. This is one of nine sports for which the New York Community Trust is making awards this season, and boys and girls placing first, second, and third in the City-wide Championships will receive medals.

The youngsters swimming for the city-wide titles are the first and second place winners from twelve preliminary meets held during the past two months. The events, which are all freestyle, are: boys 10 years and under - 25 yards; boys 11, 12, and 13 years - 50 yards; boys 14 and 15 years - 50 yards; boys 16 and 17 years - 100 yards; girls 11, 12, and 13 years - 50 yards; girls 14 and 15 years - 50 yards; girls 16 and 17 years - 50 yards.

The Department of Parks conducts a year-round swimming program for New York City's children, offering free daily sessions for children in eight pools in Manhattan, and in one pool in Brooklyn. There is no admission charge at any indoor Park Department pool.

March 20, 1945.

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The city-wide quarter-finals of the New York Community Trust Boxing Tournament in which the winners of eliminations conducted in eight Park Department gyms will meet, will be held at Lost Battalion Hall, 93-29 Queens Boulevard, Queens, on Monday, March 19th for juniors, and on Tuesday, March 20th for seniors. Both shows will start at 8:00 P.M.

These bouts are part of a boxing program for boys between 14 and 18 years of age, which the Department of Parks has been conducting in its gyms throughout the five boroughs. It includes a program of supervised training in which 450 boys participated.

Matches in the junior division will be in the 90 lb., 100 lb., 105 lb., 112 lb., 118 lb., 126 lb., and 135 lb. class; and in the senior division in the 118 lb., 126 lb., 135 lb., 140 lb., and 147 lb. class. The winners of this week's matches will box again in the city-wide semi-finals which will be held in both divisions at Lost Battalion Hall on March 26th.

The New York Community Trust is awarding medals to the winners and runners-up in each gymnasium's eliminations, and to the winners and runners-up in the city-wide finals at the 69th Regiment Armory on April 6th.

The Borough of Manhattan will be represented in the quarter-finals junior matches by:

<u>Thomas Jefferson Park:</u>	<u>East 54th Street Gym:</u>	<u>West 134th Street Gym:</u>
John Pasciucco 90 lb.	Timothy Dillon 90 lb.	William Hazel 90 lb.
Alfonso Elliston 100 lb.	Peter McNally 100 lb.	Wilson Morgan 100 lb.
William Peretti 105 lb.	Vincent Appolo 105 lb.	Jacob Williams 105 lb.
Joseph Farina 112 lb.	Thomas Capiello 112 lb.	Al Eldridge 112 lb.
Anthony Daniele 118 lb.	John Mullen 118 lb.	Sidney Blidges 118 lb.
Adam Pastiglione 126 lb.	Rudolph Kucich 126 lb.	Bert Wilson 126 lb.
Frank Cioffi 135 lb.	Donald Scalzo 135 lb.	William Johnson 135 lb.

In the senior division, Manhattan's boxers will be:

<u>Thomas Jefferson Park:</u>	<u>East 54th Street Gym:</u>	<u>West 134th Street Gym:</u>
Clarence Brooks 118 lb.	George Nealis 118 lb.	Carlton Webb 118 lb.
Vincent Naro 126 lb.	George Marinelli 126 lb.	Arthur Irving 126 lb.
Salvator Policante 135 lb.	Rocco Sergio 135 lb.	Noel Matthews 135 lb.
Fred Schifano 140 lb.	Fred Matellaro 140 lb.	George Frazer 140 lb.
Carlo Terado 147 lb.	Joseph Sinopoli 147 lb.	Donald Zigler 147 lb.

The Borough of Brooklyn will be represented in the junior quarter-finals by:

Wardel Watkins 90 lb., of Claver Youth Center
Henry Watkins 100 lb., of Claver Youth Center
Angelo Carbono, 105 lb., of Flatbush Boys Club
Reggie Miles, 112 lb., of Claver Youth Center
John McGuire, 118 lb., of St. Francis Xavier
Gordon Rayner, 126 lb., of Claver Youth Center
Gerald Albert, 135 lb., of Claver Youth Center

In the senior division, Brooklyn's boxers will be:

James Watkins 118 lb., of Claver Youth Center
Benito Mosca, 126 lb., of McCarren Park
Jesse Apling, 135 lb., of Claver Youth Center
Tom O'Rourke, 140 lb., of Flatbush Boys Club
Kenneth Swels, 147 lb., of McCarren Park

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The Borough of the Bronx will be represented in the quarter-finals

junior matches by:

St. Mary's Park :
Charles Geraci 90 lb.
Michael Morgan 100 lb.
Gerard McHugh 105 lb.
Jack McCauley 112 lb.
Rudolf Orange 118 lb.
Caesar Watkins 126 lb.
Peter Christie 135 lb.

Crotona Park:
Leo Gagliano 90 lb.
Willie Eaton 100 lb.
Harry Jones 105 lb.
James Langhorn 112 lb.
Arthur Barbosa 118 lb.
Richard Reish 126 lb.
James Collins 135 lb.

In the senior division, the Bronx boxers will be:

St. Mary's Park:
Thomas McMurray 118 lb.
Patsy Amato 126 lb.
Joseph Gazzola 135 lb.
James Rinaldi 140 lb.
James Palladino 147 lb.

Crotona Park:
Herbert Nieves 118 lb.
Michael LaRusso 126 lb.
August Vitulli 135 lb.
Oren Davis 140 lb.

The Borough of Queens will be represented in the junior quarter-finals by:

John Salem 90 lb.
Al Rossi 105 lb.
William Knott 112 lb.
James Boyer 118 lb.

Queens senior boxer in the quarter-finals is Norman Roberts, 147 lb. Other senior matches are being decided in Queens this week.

The Borough of Richmond will be represented by the following boxers all of Faber Park:

Juniors:
Alfred "Lew" Jenkins 90 lb.
Paul Fusco 100 lb.
Lindy Crescitelli 105 lb.
Charles Freeman 112 lb.
Rocco Fusco 126 lb.

Seniors:
Rudy Terry 135 lb.

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FOR RELEASE Friday
March 16, 1945

The winners of Department of Parks borough championships in boys' and girls' handball in the New York Community Trust Sports Tournament, will play off for the city-wide championships on Sunday, March 18th at 2:00 P.M., at North Meadow, near 97th Street in Central Park, Manhattan.

The boys and girls who compete on Sunday are the survivors of a series of elimination contests held in Park playgrounds of the five boroughs, in which 1,200 youngsters between the ages of 15 and 18 years competed. The tournament is one of the nine sports for which the New York Community Trust is presenting awards this season.

The borough champions who will vie for the city-wide title in the boys' division are Bert Slobodkin of Manhattan, Charles Danilzcyk of Brooklyn, Sol Wasserman of the Bronx, Michael Taylor of Queens, and James Madalone of Richmond.

In the contest for the feminine crown, Virginia Dansby will represent Manhattan; Rose Salzillo, Brooklyn; Lois McIntosh, the Bronx; Ethel Mason, Queens; and Joan Turner, Richmond. Champions and runners-up in both divisions will receive medals.

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FOR RELEASE Friday
March 16, 1945

The city-wide roller hockey championship will be decided at Carl Schurz Park, East End Avenue and 84 Street, Manhattan, on Sunday, March 18th at 2:00 P.M., when the final game is played in the tournament which is being conducted by the Department of Parks and sponsored by the New York Community Trust. The opposing teams will be the Packers of Carl Schurz Park, Manhattan, and Victory Field of Queens.

The Packers qualified for the finals by defeating Williamsbridge Playground of the Bronx, 10 - 2 in the semi-finals, while Victory Field outplayed McKinley Park of Brooklyn, 11 - 5.

Sunday's game will climax a tournament in which 106 Park playground teams competed, and which provided enjoyment for over 8,000 spectators during its progress. The competition started with play-offs in neighborhood playgrounds, followed by schedules of district and borough-wide championship games in each of the five boroughs.

The New York Community Trust is awarding medals to the winners and runners-up in the contests for district, borough, and city-wide championships.

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FOR RELEASE Thursday
March 15, 1945

Four inter-borough basketball games in the New York Community Trust Sports Tournament will be played at East 54th Street gym, 342 East 54th Street, Manhattan, and at President Street and Fourth Avenue gym in Brooklyn. These games are part of the competitive sports program which the Department of Parks is conducting for boys and girls under 18 years of age in the playgrounds of the five boroughs. The basketball competition is divided into three divisions: junior boys 12, 13, and 14 years of age; senior boys 15, 16, and 17 years of age; and girls 15, 16, and 17 years of age. This week's games are in the junior and senior boys' divisions.

On Friday, March 16th, senior boys teams from Dahill Road and 38th Street Playground, Brooklyn, and Webb-Churchill PAL Center, Bronx, will play at East 54th Street gym at 7:00 P.M.; and Faber Park team of Richmond, and Colonel Charles Young Playground of Manhattan will meet on the same court at 8:30 P.M. The next game in this division, the finals at the 69th Regiment Armory on April 7th, will bring the winners of these two games together to play for the city-wide championship.

This week's game in the junior boys' division will be played on Saturday, March 17th at 2:00 P.M. at East 54th Street gym between teams representing Queens and Riverdale and Snediker Avenues Playground of Brooklyn. The winning team will meet the Manhattan team from Highbridge Playground for the five-borough championship on April 4th.

Medals are being awarded by the New York Community Trust to the winning teams and to the runners-up in district elimination tournaments, borough finals, and city-wide championships.

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FOR RELEASE Sunday
March 11, 1945

Two swimming meets for youngsters will be held in Department of Parks pools in Manhattan and Brooklyn this week. The events, part of the New York Community Trust Sports Tournament, will take place at East 54th Street Pool, 342 East 54 Street, Manhattan, on Monday March 12th; and at Metropolitan Pool, Metropolitan and Bedford Avenues, Brooklyn, on Friday, March 16th. Both shows will start at 7:30 P.M.

The meets are the last in a series of twelve eliminations which the Park Department conducted in the five borough in preparation for the City-wide Championships to be held at Columbia University on Friday, March 23rd.

The events are for boys and girls under 18 years of age, and are all free style, arranged in age classes. Boys' events are: 25 yards for 10 years and under; 50 yards for 11, 12, 13 years; 50 yards for 14, 15 years; and 100 yards for 16, 17 years. Girls' events are: 50 yards for 11, 12, 13 years; 50 yards for 14, 15 years; and 50 yards for 16, 17 years. Boys and girls placing first and second in the preliminary meets will qualify to swim in the City-wide Championships.

The New York Community Trust is awarding medals at all meets to the youngsters who take first, second, and third place.

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FOR RELEASE

Sunday
March 11, 1945

Elimination boxing matches for junior and senior boys will be conducted by the Department of Parks on Monday, March 12th at Crotona Park, 173 Street and Fulton Avenue, Bronx; on Tuesday, March 13th at Lost Battalion Hall, 93-29 Queens Boulevard, Queens; and on Thursday, March 15th at Faber Park, Faber Street and Richmond Terrace in Richmond. All shows start at 8:00 P.M.

The matches are part of the New York Community Trust Boxing Tournament for which over 450 boys throughout the city trained in Park Department gyms. Competition is in the 90 lb., 100 lb., 105 lb., 112 lb., 118 lb., 126 lb., and 135 lb. classes in the junior division for boys 14 and 15 years of age; and in the 118 lb., 126 lb., 135 lb., 140 lb., and 147 lb. classes in the senior division for boys 16 and 17 years old.

The winners at each eliminations will box in the quarter-finals to be held at Lost Battalion Hall, Queens, on March 19th for juniors, and on March 20th for seniors. Among the promising youngsters boxing at Crotona Park are juniors Frank Garcia, Martin Kanter, Edward Zimmerman, and Pete Christi, all of St. Mary's Park gym. In the Queens ring, outstanding performances are expected from juniors Peter Di Troia, Gerard Leone, and Vincent Orlando, and seniors Tom Engelhardt and Earl Stevenson, all of Jackson Heights Playground gymnasium. Among the Staten Islanders boxing at Faber will be juniors Alfred Jenkins, Rocco Fusco, and Vincent DeRosa.

Medals will be awarded by the New York Community Trust to the winners and runners-up at each gym, and to the winners and runners-up in the City-wide Championships to be held on Friday, April 6th at the 69th Regiment Armory in Manhattan.

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FOR RELEASE Immediately

Starting Monday, March 12th, the northbound traffic lane on the Henry Hudson Parkway from West 72nd Street to West 79th Street will be closed to traffic to permit repairs to the roadway. Northbound traffic will leave the parkway at West 72nd Street to Riverside Drive and will re-enter the parkway at West 79th Street.

This detour is necessary for public safety and to progress the resurfacing of the parkway pavement and will be adequately marked.

March 10, 1945

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FOR RELEASE Immediately

~~Two more harbingers of spring~~
~~have arrived at Central Park. On~~ *Sunday May 19*
~~Thursday, March 8th,~~ ^{*walk*} a baby camel was
born to Artie and Elly in the Central
Park Zoo. ~~Also, a baby Green monkey~~
~~was born in the Monkey House.~~

Press photographs may be taken
at the Antelope House at 10:30 A. M.
Tuesday May 22.
on ~~Saturday, March 10th.~~

*The little fellow weighed 50 lbs.
at birth and is doing well and
will be put on public display next
week end*

March 9, 1945



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FOR RELEASE

Thursday
March 8, 1945

The semi-final round of inter-borough competition in the New York Community Trust roller hockey tournament will be played on Sunday, March 11th at 2:00 P.M. at Carl Schurz Park, East End Avenue and 84 Street in Manhattan, and at Mullaly Playground, Jerome Avenue and 165 Street in the Bronx.

Williamsbridge Playground representing the Bronx, and the Packers of Carl Schurz of Manhattan, will face each other at Mullaly Playground. At Carl Schurz Park, Victory Field playing for Queens will come up against McKinley Park of Brooklyn.

Both games promise to be fast moving, as the four teams are veterans of stiff borough-wide elimination tournaments in which 106 teams started and 80 games were played. The winners of Sunday's games will meet to play for the City-wide Championship on Sunday, March 18th at 2:00 P.M. at Carl Schurz Park, Manhattan.

The New York Community Trust is awarding medals to the winning teams and to the runners-up in the district, borough-wide, and city-wide play-offs.



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FOR RELEASE Thursday
March 8, 1945

Basketball play-offs between teams representing the various boroughs in the New York Community Trust Sports Tournament will start this week-end in Park Department gyms at 342 East 54th Street, Manhattan, and at President Street and Fourth Avenue in Brooklyn.

On Friday, March 9th, senior boys' teams from Colonel Charles Young Playground in Manhattan and Astoria Heights Playground in Queens will meet in the East 54th Street gym at 7:30 P.M. On the following day, Saturday, March 10th, at 2:00 P.M., junior boys' teams from Riverdale and Snediker Avenues Playground in Brooklyn and Faber Playground in Richmond will meet at the President Street gym. At the same time, Highbridge Playground of Manhattan and the Juniors of Lyons Square Playground of the Bronx will meet at East 54th Street gym.

These games are part of the New York Community Trust basketball tournament which the Department of Parks has been conducting in three divisions: junior boys 12, 13, 14 years; senior boys 15, 16, 17 years old; and girls 15, 16, and 17 years of age. Inter-borough games in the girls' division are scheduled for later in the month.

The teams appearing in the inter-borough play-offs are the winners of borough-wide tournaments in which 6,340 boys and girls competed. Competition started in each borough with elimination contests in neighborhood playgrounds, followed by inter-playground and inter-district matches.

The New York Community Trust is awarding medals to the winning teams and to the runners-up in district, borough, and city-wide championships in each division. The winners of this week's senior game will play again at the East 54th Street gym on Friday, March 19th. The team which takes the junior game in Brooklyn will play again at East 54th Street gym on Saturday, March 17th at 2:00 P.M.



STATE COUNCIL OF PARKS
Room 777, State Office Building
80 Centre St., New York 13, N.Y.

March 5, 1945

The State Park Authorities are very
much interested in this Constitutional Amendment.

Copies of the joint statement by the
introducers, Senator Fred A. Young and Assemblyman
Harry A. Reoux, are attached.

/s/ ROBERT MOSES

Chairman

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For Release Immediate

JOINT STATEMENT BY THE INTRODUCERS OF CONSTITUTIONAL
AMENDMENT AFFECTING THE STATE FOREST PRESERVE.

Our greatest natural resource available for public recreation is the Forest Preserve. The State has 2,172,000 acres in the Adirondacks and 232,000 in the Catskills, with as fine mountain, forest and lake country as there is anywhere in the United States. Our State Constitution does not permit the use of this immense acreage for recreation excepting under the most rigid restrictions. The Constitution declares that the Forest Preserve shall be "forever wild forest land" and forbids even the most elementary improvements to make these lands accessible and usable by campers, sportsmen and vacationists generally.

This constitutional declaration was made because of public insistence half a century ago that the Forest Preserve should no longer be exploited by private waterpower, lumber and other commercial interests. Public sentiment on this subject is just as insistent today. It is prompted by a sound instinct to keep intact and unspoiled for the people what they have inherited. On the other hand, there is no reason why the Forest Preserve should be locked up against limited and controlled recreational use by the people themselves. It should not be necessary to amend the Constitution every time the State wants to provide the camping, trails and recreation and access facilities such as are furnished in the largest State and national parks.

A very involved and controversial amendment, going much further than was necessary or desirable, was submitted to the people in the fall of 1932, and was defeated. The defeat of this amendment was due in a large measure to its length, obscurity, and broad terms. We believe that today the people of the State will welcome a less drastic change. We cannot afford to restrict the use of the forest preserve to extremists who insist on keeping it a complete wilderness accessible and available only to those who have the experience, toughness and leisure to enjoy it without the elementary conveniences

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and facilities required by the average vacationist and his family. Hundreds of thousands of such vacationists are today deprived of the perfectly innocent use of the forest preserve for camping vacations, hiking and other outdoor enjoyment because they cannot sleep out in the open or in lean-tos, and cannot live in completely wild forest land.

There is every evidence of enormously increased recreational demands after the war. We are sure that there are many returning servicemen who have been leading active outdoor lives, including those suffering from disabilities traceable to the war, all of whom should be given preference in the use of the proposed camping and recreation.

If this amendment is passed at the present session of the legislature, it can be fully discussed by the people between now and 1947 which is the earliest date at which it can receive its second passage. We can, if necessary, even change the amendment in 1946, and still pass it in 1947.

A draft of the proposed Constitutional Amendment follows:

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION OF THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY

Proposing an amendment to section one of article fourteen of the Constitution, in relation to the use of the forest preserve for recreation.

Section 1. Resolved (if the Senate concur), That section one of article fourteen of the constitution be amended to read as follows:

1. The lands of the State, now owned or hereafter acquired, constituting the forest preserve as now fixed by law, shall be forever kept as wild forest lands. They shall not be leased, sold or exchanged, or be taken by any corporation, public, or private, nor shall the timber be sold, removed or destroyed. Nothing herein contained shall prevent the state from constructing, completing and maintaining any highway heretofore specifically authorized by constitutional amendment, nor from constructing and maintaining not more than twenty miles of ski trails thirty to eighty feet wide on the north, east and northwest slopes of Whiteface Mountain in Essex County. Nor shall anything contained in this section be construed to prevent any measures necessary to protect the forest

preserve against fire; nor to prohibit the state from making and maintaining paths, trails, campsites and camping facilities designed to render the forest preserve more accessible and useful to the public for healthful recreation, including the necessary clearings therefor, nor to prevent the improvement by the state of existing public roads in the forest preserve. Recreation facilities shall be maintained for the benefit of all the people on equal terms except that preference may by law be given to veterans.

RESOLVED (if the Senate concur), That the foregoing amendment be referred to the first regular legislative session convening after the next succeeding general election of members of the Assembly and, in conformity with section one of article nineteen of the constitution, be published for three months previous to the time of such election.

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FOR RELEASE Monday
March 5, 1945

The Department of Parks will conduct elimination boxing bouts in three boroughs this week as part of the New York Community Trust Winter Sports Tournament. Eliminations will be held in Manhattan at East 54th Street gym on March 6th, 8th, and 14th, for boxers from Thomas Jefferson and East 54 Street gyms. Brooklyn's show will be held at McCarren Park, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street, on March 9th. The Bronx matches will go on at Crotona Park, 173 Street and Fulton Avenue on March 6th. All shows will start at 8:00 P.M.

These bouts are being held in preparation for the City-wide Championships scheduled for April 6th at the 69th Regiment Armory in Manhattan. Over 450 boys between the ages of 14 and 18 have been training in Park Department gyms for the events. Competition is in two divisions: junior for boys 14 and 15 years of age, and senior for 16 and 17 years of age. Weights are 90 lb., 100 lb., 105 lb., 112 lb., 118 lb., 126 lb., and 135 lb. in the junior division; and 118 lb., 126 lb., 135 lb., 140 lb., and 147 lb. in the senior division.

Among the promising newcomers boxing at East 54th Street are Fred Schifano, 135 lb. senior; Nick Bufalino, 147 lb. senior; also two juniors, Joe Gioffi in the 135 lb. class, and John Farina in the 112 lb. class, all from Thomas Jefferson gymnasium. Some of the East 54th Street boys on the same card are Donald Scalzo, 135 lb. junior; William Daley, 112 lb. junior; and seniors George Nelis and Clifford Riley in the 118 lb. class. In the Crotona Park matches, interest centers on Arthur Barbosa, 118 lb. junior; and Frank Essinger, 140 lb. senior.

Medals will be awarded by the New York Community Trust to the winners and runners-up at each gym and at the City-wide Championships. More elimination bouts are scheduled for next week in Bronx, Queens, and Richmond. The winners at each gym show will compete in the quarter-finals at Lost Battalion Hall, Queens, on March 19th for juniors, and on March 20th for seniors.

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FOR RELEASE Monday
 March 5, 1945

The New York State indoor speed skating championships will be held on Sunday, March 25th at 5:30 P.M. at the New York City Building, Flushing Meadow Park, Queens, under the auspices of the Department of Parks. The events are sanctioned by the Middle Atlantic Skating Association and the Northern New York Skating Association of the Amateur Skating Union of the United States.

The championships are open to all registered amateur skaters. The program will consist of fourteen events. Men's events will be: for seniors 880 yards, one mile, two miles; for intermediates, under 18 years of age, 880 yards and one mile; for juniors, under 16 years of age, 880 yards and 440 yards; for juveniles, under 14 years of age, 220 yards and 440 yards; and for midgets, under 12 years of age, 330 yards and 220 yards. There will be two events for women: 880 yards and 440 yards, both in the senior division. An added race is the one mile consolation, open to any male senior skater who does not qualify in the other events.

Entries may be filed with the Middle Atlantic Skating Association, Room 464, 122 East 42 Street, New York 17, N. Y. Entries close on Saturday, March 17th. There is no entry fee for these events.

Regulation championship medals consisting of sterling silver gold plated for first, and sterling silver for second and third place will be awarded in each event.



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FOR RELEASE

Sunday
March 4, 1945

Two indoor swimming meets, part of the New York Community Trust Winter Sports Tournament, will be conducted by the Department of Parks this week at Jamaica High School, 168 Street and Gothic Drive, Queens, on Wednesday, March 7th, and at Baruch Baths, Rivington and Mangin Streets, on Friday, March 9th. Both meets will start at 7:30 P.M. These meets are for boys and girls under 18 years of age, and are part of a series of eliminations being held in preparation for the City-wide Championships scheduled for March 23rd at Columbia University.

The seven events on the program are free style, and swimmers will compete in age groups. Boys' events are: 25 yards for 10 years and under; 50 yards for 11, 12, 13 years; 50 yards for 14, 15 years; and 100 yards for 16, 17 years. Girls' events are: 50 yards for 11, 12, 13 years; 50 yards for 14, 15 years; and 50 yards for 16, 17 years.

The New York Community Trust will award medals in all meets to swimmers placing first, second, and third. Entries are still being received for next week's eliminations to be held at East 54 Street Pool, 342 East 54 Street in Manhattan, and at Metropolitan Pool, Metropolitan and Bedford Avenues in Brooklyn.

There are daily swim sessions for children at eight indoor Park pools in Manhattan from 2:00 to 6:00 P.M. Monday through Friday, and from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. on Saturday. The Brooklyn pool at Metropolitan and Bedford Avenues is open from 1:00 to 9:00 P.M. on weekdays, and from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. on Saturdays; and is reserved on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays for girls, and on all other days for boys. There is no admission charge at any indoor Park Department pool.

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FOR RELEASE Sunday
March 4, 1945

The work of resurfacing portions of the Henry Hudson Parkway, between 72nd Street and West 81st Street, will start on Monday, March 5th.

The work will be progressed so as to keep as much as is possible of the parkway open to traffic, consistent with public safety. Detours when required will be adequately marked.

The improvement provides for resurfacing with asphaltic concrete and cement concrete of portions of the parkway between West 72nd Street and St. Clair Place, Manhattan, and for repairs to the bridge at West 100th Street.

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FOR RELEASE Friday
March 2, 1945

The first inter-borough game in the New York Community Trust roller hockey tournament will be played by teams from Manhattan and Richmond Park playgrounds on Sunday, March 4th at 2:00 P.M. at Carl Schurz Park, East End Avenue and 84 Street, Manhattan.

The Packers of Carl Schurz Park will represent Manhattan, and McDonald Playground will play for Richmond. These teams won a place in the inter-borough play-offs by surviving a tough schedule of elimination games in their own boroughs.

The roller hockey tournament is part of the New York Community Trust Winter Sports Tournament which the Department of Parks is now conducting in the playgrounds of the five boroughs. To date, over 20,000 youngsters have entered the tournament, which embraces nine sports.

The winner of Sunday's game will play again in the city-wide semi-finals against a team from the Bronx, on Sunday, March 11th, at Mully Playground, in the Bronx.



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FOR RELEASE Monday
February 26, 1945

The Department of Parks will hold two swimming meets for boys and girls in Manhattan and Richmond this week. The events are scheduled for Tuesday, February 27th at Curtis High School, Hamilton Avenue and St. Mark's Place, St. George, Richmond, and Friday, March 2nd at Rutgers Pool, 5 Rutgers Place, Manhattan. Both meets will start at 7:30 P.M.

These eliminations are part of a series of twelve in the New York Community Trust Swimming Tournament for boys and girls under 18 years of age, which the Department of Parks is conducting in indoor pools throughout the city. Youngsters who place in the preliminary meets will swim for the city-wide championships at Columbia University on March 23rd.

The program at each meet consists of seven free style events for boys and girls arranged according to age. Events for boys are: 25 yards for 10 years and under; 50 yards for 11, 12, 13 years; 50 yards for 14, 15 years; and 100 yards for 16, 17 years. Girls' events are: 50 yards for 11, 12, 13 years; 50 yards for 14, 15 years; and 50 yards for 16, 17 years.

Children may still enter the swimming tournament at any Park playground or at the following pools where eliminations are scheduled as follows:

Friday, March 9th- Baruch Baths, Rivington and Mangin Streets, Manhattan

Monday, March 12th- East 54 Street Pool, 342 East 54 Street, Manhattan

Friday, March 16th- Metropolitan Pool, Metropolitan and Bedford Avenues, Brooklyn

Queens swimming entries are being received at playgrounds for the borough-wide meet which will be held at Jamaica High School, 168 Street and Gothic Drive on Wednesday, March 7th.

The New York Community Trust will award medals at all meets to the children placing first, second, and third.



Elimination bouts in the New York Community Trust Boxing Tournament in which over 450 boys have entered, will be held in two Department of Parks gyms this week.

Junior and senior eliminations will be held on Thursday, March 1st, at West 134 Street Gym, 35 West 134 Street, Manhattan. In Brooklyn, junior bouts will be held at McCarren Park, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street on February 27th and 28th, and senior matches on March 1st and 2nd; to be followed by borough semi-finals in both divisions on March 5th, and finals on March 9th. All shows will start at 8:00 P.M.

Competition in the junior division for boys 14 and 15 years of age will be in 90 lb., 100 lb., 105 lb., 112 lb., 118 lb., 126 lb., and 135 lb. classes. Senior bouts for boys 16 and 17 years old will be in 118 lb., 126 lb., 135 lb., 140 lb. and 147 lb. classes.

Outstanding on the West 134th Street card are Robert Frazier, 135 lb. senior, and George Statten in the same class. In the Brooklyn bouts, interest centers on Jimmy Devoe, 90 lb. junior and P.A.L. champion; Irving Fenessy, runner-up in last year's borough show, boxing in the 100 lb. junior class this year; and Johnny Webb, 118 lb. junior from McCarren Park, who was a borough champion last year. Foremost among the Brooklyn seniors are Frank Realmuto, Atlantic Avenue and Linwood Street Playground, in the 118 lb. class; and Richard Ponce, 135 lb., one of last year's city-wide champions.

The winners at each gym will box in the quarter-finals to be held at Lost Battalion Hall, Queens, on March 19th for juniors, and March 20th for seniors. Semi-finals in all classes will be held at the same arena on March 26th. The city-wide championships in which boxers from the five boroughs will meet, will be held on Friday, April 6th at the 69th Regiment Armory, Manhattan.

Other local eliminations will be held in Park gyms in Manhattan, Bronx, Queens, and Richmond during the next two weeks. Medals will be awarded by the New York Community Trust to the winners and runners-up at each gym, and to the winners and runners-up in the city-wide championships.

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FOR RELEASE Immediately

On Tuesday, February 20, a baby
Rhesus monkey was born to Jennie and
Jimmie in the Central Park Zoo.

Press photographs may be taken
any day from 9 A. M. to 11 A. M.

February 23, 1944



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FOR RELEASE

Tuesday,
February 20, 1945

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The Park Department has requested the Board of Estimate to accept the gift of a tract of land for a park in the Fort Wadsworth section of Richmond on Staten Island. The new waterfront park was donated by Mrs. Fay Von Briesen, Mrs. Barbara B. Tweed and Mr. Arthur V. Briesen Menken and will be known as the "Arthur Von Briesen Park."

The property, having an area of twelve acres, lies north of and adjacent to the United States Government Fort Wadsworth Reservation. Situated on a high bluff overlooking the Narrows, it affords excellent views of the upper and lower New York Harbor, as well as the skyline of lower Manhattan and downtown Brooklyn.

The site contains many large trees and valuable shrubs which will be retained in the landscape scheme. The development of the location, while providing two softball diamonds, separate recreational facilities for young and older children, a picnic area and a comfort station, will stress its scenic value with a wide terrace with benches overlooking the Narrows. Off-street parking will be provided on the Bay Street side for users of the park.

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FOR RELEASE

Monday
February 19, 1945

The Department of Parks will conduct two swimming meets for boys and girls under 18 years of age in Manhattan and Bronx this week, as part of the New York Community Trust Winter Sports Tournament. These meets are part of a series of twelve eliminations for which over 900 youngsters have signed up.

This week the events will be held on Wednesday, February 21st at the Roosevelt High School Pool, East Fordham Road and Washington Avenue, Bronx, and on Friday, February 23rd, at Carmine Street Pool, Clarkson Street and Seventh Avenue, Manhattan. Both meets will start at 7:30 P.M.

The swimmers who finish first and second at each pool will qualify to compete for the City-wide Championships at Columbia University on Friday, March 23rd. The program at each meet will consist of seven free style events. Boys' events will be 25 yards for 10 years and under; 50 yards for 11, 12, 13 years; 50 yards for 14, 15, years; and 100 yards for 16, 17 years. Girls' events will be 50 yards for 11, 12, 13 years; 50 yards for 14, 15 years; and 50 yards for 16, 17 years.

The New York Community Trust will award medals to the youngsters placing first, second and third in preliminary meets, and to those taking the first three places in the City-wide Championships.

The rest of the elimination meets are scheduled as follows:

Tuesday, February 27th - Curtis High School, Hamilton Avenue and St. Mark's Place,
St. George, Richmond.

Friday, March 2nd - Rutgers Street Pool, 5 Rutgers Place, Manhattan.

Wednesday, March 7th - Jamaica High School, 168 Street and Gothic Drive, Queens.

Friday, March 9th - Baruch Baths, Rivington and Mangin Streets, Manhattan.

Monday, March 12th - East 54 Street Pool, 342 East 54 Street, Manhattan.

Friday, March 16th - Metropolitan Pool, Metropolitan and Bedford Avenues, Brooklyn.

Entries are still being accepted at the pools listed above.

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For Release

Sunday
February 18, 1945

Four hundred fifty boys are now training in boxing classes being held in eight Department of Parks gyms in preparation for the New York Community Trust Boxing Tournament. The tournament is for boys between 14 and 18 years of age, and is divided into junior and senior divisions.

Elimination bouts will be held in each gymnasium, with junior boys 14 and 15 years of age competing in 90 lb., 100 lb., 105 lb., 112 lb., 118 lb., 126 lb., and 135 lb. classes. Seniors, 16 and 17 years of age, will box in 118 lb., 126 lb., 135 lb., 140 lb., and 147 lb. classes. Entries are still being received, and boys may join the training sessions, which include sparring, calisthenics, bag punching, rope skipping, and individual instructions, at any Park gym.

Eliminations are scheduled as follows:

Tuesday, February 27th - McCarren Park, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street, Brooklyn.
Thursday, March 1st - West 134 Street Gym, 35 West 134 Street, Manhattan
Tuesday, March 6th - Crotona Park, 173 Street and Fulton Avenue, Bronx
Thursday, March 8th - Thomas Jefferson Park, 111 Street & First Avenue, Manhattan.
Monday, March 12th - St. Mary's Park, 146 Street and St. Ann's Avenue, Bronx, which will hold its bouts at Crotona Park, Bronx.
Tuesday, March 13th - Jackson Heights Playground, 84 Street and 30 Avenue, Queens, which will hold its bouts at Lost Battalion Hall, Queens.
Wednesday, March 14th - East 54 Street Gym, 342 East 54 Street, Manhattan
Thursday, March 15th - Faber Park, Richmond Terrace and Faber Street, Richmond.

The winners in each gym will meet in quarter-finals at Lost Battalion Hall, Queens, on March 19th for the junior division, and on March 20th for the seniors. Semi-finals in both divisions will be held at the same location on March 26th. All of these shows will start at 8:00 P.M.

The finals in all classes will be held on Friday, April 6th, 8:30 P.M. at the 69th Regiment Armory, Manhattan. Medals will be awarded by the New York Community Trust to the winners and runners-up at each gymnasium, and to the winners and runners-up in the City-wide Championships.



Six hundred boys and girls will compete in Madison Square Garden this Saturday afternoon, February 17th, in the Department of Parks Track Championships. The meet will start at 1:30 P.M. This track meet is one of the nine winter sports events sponsored by the New York Community Trust. 2,500 youngsters took part in the eliminations which preceded this meet, the winners qualifying to compete in the eight Park playground events on Saturday's program.

Twenty-three high school teams will compete in the one mile P.S.A.L. relay. Brooklyn will have the heaviest representation in this event, with New Utrecht, Erasmus, Boys, Manual, Tech, Lafayette, Automotive, Fort Hamilton, and East New York Vocational in the line-up. The Manhattan teams competing will be Haaren, Stuyvesant, and Commerce. The Bronx will be represented by George Washington, Taft, Morris, DeWitt Clinton, and Science. Queens will send in teams from Adams, Bayside, Forest Hills, Newtown, and Bryant. A second P.S.A.L. event, the 60 yard dash, is also on the program.

Eight outstanding teams from Catholic high schools in the Metropolitan district are entered in the two mile relay. Starting in this event, which has all the looks of a record breaker, are teams from Bishop Loughlin, Cardinal Hayes, De LaSalle, Fordham Prep, Mt. St. Michael, LaSalle, St. Augustine, and St. Francis.

Smart competition is also expected in the two A.A.U. events, the 60 yard dash handicap and the 880 yard run. Fordham, City, and N.Y.U. will be among the schools represented in these races.

The events for Park playground boys and girls are: 50 yard dash for 100 lb. boys; 40 yard dash for 100 lb. girls; 60 yard dash and quarter-mile relay for 120 lb. boys; 50 yard dash and 220 yard relay for 120 lb. girls; and 880 yard run and half-mile relay for unlimited boys. The first three places in each event will be awarded medals by the New York Community Trust.

In making this track program possible for New York City's youngsters, excellent cooperation has been offered by all types of civic and welfare organizations. The use of the Garden for the Championships was made possible through the courtesy of the New York Athletic Club. The five preliminary meets were all held in armories through the cooperation of Lt. General Hugh H. Drum and Colonels Vollmer, Hunphries, Stanton, and Martin, who lent every assistance at the individual meets.

There is no charge for admission to the meet. Persons interested in attending may obtain tickets at the headquarters of the Park Department in each borough.

February 14, 1945.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK
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FOR RELEASE Immediately

A harbinger of spring has arrived at the Central Park Zoo. On February 8th at 5:30 P. M. a baby aoudad was born.

The new arrival was sired by Happy. Tillie, the mother, was obtained from the New York Zoological Society a year ago last November. These are the same parents who gave birth to twins last May.

Press photographs may be taken at any time.

February 13, 1945

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK
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FOR RELEASE Sunday
February 11, 1945

Six hundred youngsters are ready to compete in the City-wide Track Championships to be held at Madison Square Garden on February 17th at 1:30 P.M. The meet, which is being conducted by the Department of Parks, is part of the New York Community Trust Winter Sports Tournament for boys and girls under 18 years of age.

The meet includes events for playground boys and girls, P.S.A.L. athletes, New York City private and parochial high school teams, and A.A.U. members. The youngsters running in the eight playground events qualified in five borough-wide elimination meets in which 2,500 competed. These meets are features of the Park Department's year-round recreation program designed to make New York City's children healthier, and to furnish them with the right kind of recreational activities.

The playground events are: for boys, 100 lb.- 50 yard dash; 120 lb.- 60 yard dash and quarter-mile relay; unlimited- 880 yard run and half-mile relay. Girls' events are: 100 lb.- 40 yard dash; 120 lb.- 50 yard dash and 220 yard relay.

Highlighting the program will be the two relay events, the one mile for P.S.A.L. teams, and the two mile for private and parochial high school teams. Other events of special interest are the 60 yard dash handicap and the 880 yard run for A.A.U. athletes; and the P.S.A.L. 60 yard dash. The New York Community Trust will award medals in all events to the boys and girls placing first, second, and third.

There is no admission charge, and tickets may be obtained at Park Department headquarters in all boroughs.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK
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FOR RELEASE Sunday
February 11, 1945

The Department of Parks will conduct two swimming meets in indoor Park pools during the coming week as part of the New York Community Trust Winter Sports Tournament. These meets are for boys and girls under 18 years of age, and are two in a series of twelve eliminations which are being conducted throughout the city in preparation for the City-wide Championships to be held at Columbia University on March 23rd. Two elimination meets will be held weekly for the next month, and entries are still being received for them in all boroughs.

This week's meets will be held on Wednesday, February 14th at West 60 Street Pool, between Amsterdam and West End Avenues, and on Friday, February 16th at East 23 Street Pool, 23 Street and East River, Manhattan. Both meets will start at 7:30 P.M.

All events are free style, and are arranged according to age. Events for boys are: 25 yards for 10 years and under; 50 yards for 11, 12, 13 years; 50 yards for 14, 15 years; and 100 yards for 16, 17 years. Girls' events are: 50 yards for 11, 12, 13 years; 50 yards for 14, 15 years; and 50 yards for 16, 17 years.

Medals will be awarded by the New York Community Trust in all meets, to the youngsters placing first, second, and third. Children may enter the swimming tournament at neighborhood playgrounds, or at Park swimming pools. Free daily swim sessions for children are held in all indoor Park pools.

Other eliminations are scheduled as follows:

Wednesday, Feb. 21st- Roosevelt High School, East Fordham Road and Washington Avenue, Bronx.

Friday, Feb. 23rd- Carmine Street Pool, Clarkson Street and 7 Avenue, Manhattan.

Tuesday, Feb. 27th- Curtis High School, Hamilton Avenue and St. Mark's Place, Richmond.

Friday, March 2nd- Rutgers Street Pool, 5 Rutgers Place, Manhattan.

Wednesday, March 7th- Jamaica High School, 168 Street and Gothic Drive, Queens.

Friday, March 9th- Baruch Baths, Rivington and Mangin Streets, Manhattan.

Monday, March 12th- East 54 Street Pool, 342 East 54 Street, Manhattan.

Friday, March 16th- Metropolitan Pool, Metropolitan and Bedford Avenues, Brooklyn.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE

Tuesday
February 6, 1945

The first in a series of thirteen swimming meets for boys and girls under 18 years of age will be conducted by the Department of Parks on Wednesday, February 7th at the West 134 Street Pool, 35 West 134 Street, and on Friday, February 9th at the West 28 Street Pool, 487 West 28 Street, in Manhattan. Both meets will start at 7:30 P.M. These are elimination events, and youngsters who finish first and second will qualify to swim in the City-wide Championships at Columbia University on Friday, March 23rd.

Similar elimination meets, for which entries are still being received, are scheduled for the next five weeks as follows:

Wednesday, Feb. 14th - West 60 Street Pool, between Amsterdam and West End Avenues, Manhattan
Friday, Feb. 16th - East 23 Street Pool, East 23 Street and East River, Manhattan
Wednesday, Feb. 21st - Roosevelt High School, East Fordham Road and Washington Avenue, Bronx
Friday, Feb. 23rd - Carmine Street Pool, Clarkson Street and 7 Avenue, Manhattan
Tuesday, Feb. 27th - Curtis High School, Hamilton Avenue and St. Marks Place, St. George, Richmond
Friday, March 2nd - Rutgers Street Pool, 5 Rutgers Place, Manhattan
Wednesday, March 7th - Jamaica High School, 168 Street and Gothic Drive, Queens
Friday, March 9th - Baruch Baths, Rivington and Mangin Streets, Manhattan
Monday, March 12th - East 54 Street Pool, 342 East 54 Street, Manhattan
Friday, March 16th - Metropolitan Pool, Metropolitan and Bedford Avenues, Brooklyn

The program at each meet will consist of seven free style events for boys and girls. Boys' events will be 25 yards for 10 years and under; 50 yards for 11, 12, 13 years; 50 yards for 14, 15 years; and 100 yards for 16, 17 years. Girls' events will be 50 yards for 11, 12, 13 years; 50 yards for 14, 15 years; and 50 yards for 16, 17 years.

Medals will be awarded by the New York Community Trust to youngsters who place first, second, and third in preliminary meets, and to first, second, and third in the city-wide finals.

Entries are now being received at eight Department of Parks gyms for the Boxing Tournament, part of the New York Community Trust Winter Sports Tournament now being conducted in parks and playgrounds throughout the city. Training sessions are being held in these gyms in preparation for the bouts, and boys 14 through 17 years of age are eligible to enter.

Competition will be in 90 lb., 100 lb., 105 lb., 112 lb., 118 lb., 126 lb., and 135 lb., classes in the junior division for boys 14 and 15 years of age; and in 118 lb., 126 lb., 135 lb., 140 lb., and 147 lb., classes in the senior division for boys 16 and 17 years old. Each gymnasium will conduct its own eliminations.

Boys may join the training classes and enter the tournament at any of the gyms listed below, for which eliminations are scheduled as follows:

Tuesday, Feb. 27th	McCarren Park, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street, Brooklyn
Thursday, March 1st	West 134 Street Gym, 35 West 134 Street, Manhattan
Tuesday, March 6th	Crotona Park, 173 Street & Fulton Avenue, Bronx
Tuesday, March 6th	Jackson Heights Playground, 84 Street and 30 Avenue, Queens (Junior eliminations at Lost Battalion Hall)
Thursday, March 8th	Thomas Jefferson Park, 111 Street & First Avenue, Manhattan
Monday, March 12th	St. Mary's Park, 146 Street and St. Ann's Avenue, Bronx (Eliminations at Crotona Park instead of at home)
Tuesday, March 13th	Queens Senior Finals at Lost Battalion Hall, 93-29 Queens Blvd.
Wednesday, March 14	East 54 Street Gym, 342 East 54 Street, Manhattan
Thursday, March 15th	Faber Park, Richmond Terrace and Faber Street

All boxers will participate in eliminations at home gyms with the exception of those training at St. Mary's Park in the Bronx, and Jackson Heights Playground Queens. St. Mary's boxers will compete at Crotona Park instead of at home, and the Jackson Heights boxers at Lost Battalion Hall. The winners of the junior eliminations will box in quarter-finals on March 19th, and the senior winners on March 20th, at Lost Battalion Hall in Queens. The semi-finals in both divisions will be held at the same arena on March 26th. The city-wide championships in all classes will be held at the 69th Regiment Armory, Manhattan, on April 6th. Medals will be awarded to the winners and runners-up in each set of eliminations, and to the winners and runners-up in the city-wide finals, by the New York Community Trust.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Immediately

Joe Bree, the 1934 Silver Skates winner and the 1936 Inter-City Champion, who recently won the coveted Silver Skates at the Daily News Race of Champions in Madison Square Garden, will present ice skating prizes to the borough winners, the city-wide winners, and the winners of the Middle Atlantic Skating Association events recently held on the outdoor Park Department skating rinks, at the City Building, Flushing Meadow Park, on Friday evening, February 2 at 8:00 P.M.

Prizes which have been furnished by the New York Community Trust will be presented to 24 winners from each borough, to 24 city-wide winners, and to 21 skaters who finished first, second, and third, in the Middle Atlantic Skating Association events.

All prize winners will be guests of the Department of Parks. Immediately after the presentation of prizes they will be permitted to use the rink for the balance of the evening.

January 31, 1945

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Tuesday,
January 30, 1945

Twenty-five hundred boys and girls will compete in five elimination track meets which the Department of Parks will conduct on Saturday, February 3rd as part of the New York Community Trust Winter Sports Tournament. The entrants are playground boys and girls under 18 years of age, many running in competition for the first time. All meets will start at 2:00 p.m., and through the courtesy of Lieutenant General Hugh A. Drum, will be held on armory tracks.

Manhattan and Richmond will conduct their meets at the 22nd Regiment Armory, 168 Street and Broadway; Brooklyn at the 13th Regiment Armory, Sumner and Jefferson Avenues; the Bronx at the 8th Regiment Armory, Kingsbridge Road and Jerome Avenue; and Queens at the 4th Regiment Armory, 168 Street and 93 Avenue, Jamaica. The Colonels at these armories have been most cooperative in planning the arrangements for the meets.

The events, all for playground boys and girls, will be the same at each armory. The program will consist of: 100 lb. boys - 50 yard dash; 100 lb. girls - 40 yard dash; 120 lb. boys - 60 yard dash and quarter-mile relay; 120 lb. girls - 50 yard dash and 220 yard relay; unlimited boys - 880 yard run and half-mile relay.

Youngsters who place in these meets will qualify to represent their boroughs in the city-wide championships which will be held through the courtesy of the New York Athletic Club at Madison Square Garden on February 17th at 1:30 p.m. The winners of first, second, and third place will receive medals from New York Community Trust at all meets.

There will be no charge for admission to these meets. Persons interested in attending may secure tickets at the headquarters of the Park Department located in each borough.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Sunday
January 28, 1945

The Department of Parks announces the opening of the New York Community Trust Handcraft Contest for boys and girls under 18 years of age. Handcraft is a popular year round feature of the recreation program in the Park playgrounds, and the annual competition gives youngsters an opportunity to match skill and ingenuity and to exchange ideas in arts and crafts.

Competition will be in three age divisions: juniors 8 - 11 years, intermediates 12 - 14 years, seniors 15 - 17 years. In each age division articles will be judged in five classes: articles for the home, generally useful articles, hobbies, airplanes, and needlecrafts. Articles will be judged on the basis of usefulness, originality, and workmanship. Some of the novel articles entered last year were model automobiles, articles of children's clothing made from salvaged scrap materials, Pennsylvania Dutch cradles, hand painted sewing boxes, hat and mitten sets, stuffed toys, metal foil plaques, small pieces of furniture, and crocheted and knitted clothing.

A series of local handcraft contests will be held in thirty-one districts throughout the five boroughs. The best articles from each of these local shows will be selected for the borough-wide contests, which will in turn be followed by one large city-wide exhibition in which the best articles from all boroughs will be displayed. Prizes will be awarded by the New York Community Trust in all exhibitions. In the district shows, the winners of first place in each class will receive \$5. in War Saving Stamps. In the borough shows, prizes of \$10. and \$5. in War Saving Stamps will be awarded for first and second places respectively. In the city-wide exhibition, which will be held the last two weeks in May, the prizes to be awarded in each class will be a \$25. War Bond for first place, \$15. in War Saving Stamps for second place, and \$10. in War Saving Stamps for third place.

District exhibitions will be held the week of April 23rd through 28th
at the following locations:

- Manhattan: Highbridge Play Center, 174 Street and Amsterdam Avenue
J. Hood Wright Playground, West 173 Street and Mt. Washington Avenue
Yorkville Playground, East 101 Street, between Second and Third Avenues
Playground at East River and East 12 Street
Colonial Play Center, Bredhurst Avenue and 145 Street
Heckscher Playground, 62 Street in Central Park
Playground at Downing and Carmine Streets, west of Sixth Avenue
Roosevelt Playground, Chrystie, Forsythe and Houston Streets
Mt. Morris East Playground, East 120 Street and Madison Avenue
- Brooklyn: McLaughlin Park, Jay and Tillary Streets
Betsy Head Play Center, Hopkinson and Dumont Avenues
Red Hook Play Center, Henry Street on Gowanus Canal
McCarren Play Center, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street
Bill Brown Memorial Playground, Bedford Avenue and Avenue X
Sunset Play Center, Sixth Avenue and 44 Street
Seth Low Playground, Bay Parkway and Avenue P
Playground at Park Avenue and Taaffe Place
- Bronx: Mullaly Recreation Building, 164 Street and Jerome Avenue
St. James Park Playground, Jerome Avenue and East 191 Street
James Lyons Playground, Aldus Street, Bryant and Whitlock Avenues
Crotona Play Center, 173 Street and Fulton Avenue
Williamsbridge Oval, 208 Street and Painbridge Avenue
St. Mary's West Playground, 146 Street and St. Ann's Avenue
- Queens: Dry Harbor Playground, Myrtle Avenue and 79 Street
Von Dohlen Playground, 138 Street and Archer Avenue
Astoria Play Center, 19 Street opposite 23 Drive
Jackson Heights Playground, 84 Street and 25 Avenue
Grover Cleveland Playground, Grandview Avenue and Stanhope Street
Raymond O'Connor Playground, 32 Avenue and 210 Street, Bayside
- Richmond: McDonald Playground, Forest Avenue and Broadway, West Brighton.
Mattie Playground, Tompkins Avenue, Rosebank

Borough exhibitions will follow from May 1st to May 12th in central
locations in each borough. Entry blanks and further information may be secured
at any of the local exhibition centers listed above or at neighborhood Park
playgrounds.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Sunday
January 28, 1945.

The Park Department announces that because of previous experience and anticipated large demand for locker accommodations at the golf club houses for the 1945 season, the following procedure will be followed in assigning lockers:

Written applications will be received on or after February first at the Borough Office in the borough in which the club house is located. Letters of application postmarked prior to February first will not be considered. Applications are not to be made in person, as they will not be accepted.

The cost of the golf locker permit for the 1945 season will be the same as last year - five dollars.

The addresses of the Borough Offices are listed below:

Brooklyn	Litchfield Mansion 5th Street and Prospect Park West Brooklyn 15, N. Y.
Queens	The Overlook Few Gardens 15, N. Y.
Bronx	Administration Building Bronx Park East and Birchall Avenue Bronx 60, N. Y.
Richmond	Glove Lakes Park Glove Road and Victory Boulevard Staten Island 1, N. Y.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK
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FOR RELEASE Sunday
January 28, 1945

Over four hundred boys are now training in Department of Parks gyms for the Boxing Tournament, part of the New York Community Trust Winter Sports Tournament, in which elimination bouts will soon be held. The tournament is open to boys from 14 through 17 years of age, and is divided into two classes: a junior division for boys 14 and 15 years old, and a senior division for boys 16 and 17. Weight classes are 90 lb., 100 lb., 105 lb., 112 lb., 118 lb., 126 lb., and 135 lb. in the junior division; and in the senior division, 118 lb., 126 lb., 135 lb., 140 lb., and 147 lb.

Entries are now being received at Park gyms in the five boroughs where the boys are going through a supervised training routine in preparation for the bouts. Each gymnasium will hold its own eliminations and send winners in each class to the quarter-finals. Eliminations will be held as follows:

Tuesday, Feb. 27th - McCarren Park, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street, Brooklyn
Thursday, March 1st - West 134 Street Gym, 35 West 134 Street, Manhattan
Tuesday, March 6th - Crotona Park, 173 Street and Fulton Avenue, Bronx
Thursday, March 8th - Thomas Jefferson Park, 111 Street and First Avenue, Manhattan
Monday, March 12th - St. Mary's Park, 146 Street and St. Ann's Avenue, Bronx
Tuesday, March 13th - Jackson Heights Playground, 84 Street and 30 Avenue, Queens
Wednesday, March 14th - East 54 Street Gym, 342 East 54 Street, Manhattan
Thursday, March 15th - Faber Park, Richmond Terrace and Faber Street, Richmond

The eliminations will be followed by:

Junior Quarter-finals- Monday, March 19th, 8:00 P.M. at Lost Battalion Hall, Queens
Senior Quarter-finals- Tuesday, March 20th, 8:00 P.M. at Lost Battalion Hall, Queens
Semi-finals in both divisions- Monday, March 26th, 8:00 P.M. at Lost Battalion Hall

The finals for all classes will be held at the 69th Regiment Armory, 26th Street and Lexington Avenue, Manhattan, on Friday, April 6th at 8:30 P.M. Medals will be awarded by the New York Community Trust to the winners and runners-up at each gymnasium, and to the winners and runners-up at the city-wide finals.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK
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FOR RELEASE Immediately

The unusual cold snap of the past few days has put the 226 ice skating rinks in the city parks in excellent condition. Thousands of New Yorkers have been enjoying their winter sports, skating, skiing, and coasting, on the areas provided for this purpose by Father Knickerbocker.

The areas attracting the largest groups of winter sports enthusiasts are 59th Street Lake in Central Park, Manhattan, the lake near the Boat House in Prospect Park, Brooklyn, Kissena Park Lake in Queens, Van Cortlandt Park Lake in the Bronx, and Clove Lake Park in Richmond. The recorded music at these areas has added considerably to the enjoyment of the skaters.

Some of the largest areas flooded for ice skating are the new Col. Charles Young Playground in the Harlem section of Manhattan; Lincoln Terrace Park and Kelly Memorial Playground in Brooklyn; Waterbury and Edison Avenues Playground and Bronx Park East tennis courts in the Bronx; Victory Field and Cunningham Park in Queens; and Silver Lake parking field in Richmond. Floodlights have been provided at twenty-six areas, and where attendance warrants it, skating is permitted until 11:00 P. M.

Playground wading pools are getting a big play by young skaters who cannot travel to the larger parks, or are in the beginning stages of the sport. There are 154 of these conveniently located in neighborhood parks and playgrounds.

January 26, 1945.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Immediately

Thirteen swimming meets for boys and girls under 18 years of age will be conducted by the Department of Parks as part of the New York Community Trust Winter Sports Tournament. The meets are scheduled for the five boroughs from February 7th to March 23rd. Children may enter the events at the nine indoor Park pools where most of the meets will be held, or at neighborhood playgrounds.

Twelve of the meets will be eliminations in which first and second place winners will qualify to swim in the city-wide finals at Columbia University on March 23rd. The program of events at each preliminary meet will consist of seven free style events for boys and girls arranged according to age. The events for boys will be: 25 yards for 10 years and under; 50 yards for 11, 12, 13 years; 50 yards for 14 and 15 years; and 100 yards for 16 and 17 years. Girls' events will be 50 yards for 11, 12, 13 years; 50 yards for 14 and 15 years; and 50 yards for 16 and 17 years.

The New York Community Trust will award medals to youngsters placing first, second, and third at each preliminary meet, and to first, second, and third in the city-wide finals.

There are daily swim sessions for children at eight indoor Park pools in Manhattan, from 2:00 to 6:00 P.M. Monday through Friday, and from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M. on Saturdays. The Brooklyn pool at Bedford and Metropolitan Avenues is open from 1:00 to 9:00 P.M. on weekdays, and from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. on Saturdays; and is reserved on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays for girls, and on all other days for boys. There is no admission charge at any indoor Park pool. Thousands of youngsters make use of the pools every week, some swimming just for the fun of it, others practicing for competition, and many of the older boys getting in trim for entrance into the armed forces.

The elimination meets are scheduled as follows, starting at

7:30 P. M. :

Wednesday, Feb. 7th - West 134 Street Pool, 35 West 134 Street, Manhattan

Friday, Feb. 9th - West 28 Street Pool, 407 West 28 Street, Manhattan

Wednesday, Feb. 14th - West 60 Street Pool, between Amsterdam and West End
Avenues, Manhattan

Friday, Feb. 16th - East 23 Street Pool, East 23 Street and East River, Manhattan

Wednesday, Feb. 21st - Roosevelt High School, East Fordham Road and Washington
Avenue, Bronx

Friday, Feb. 23rd - Carmine Street Pool, Clarkson Street and 7 Avenue, Manhattan

Tuesday, Feb. 27th - Curtis High School, Hamilton Avenue and St. Marks Place,
St. George, Richmond.

Friday, March 2nd - Rutgers Street Pool, 5 Rutgers Place, Manhattan

Wednesday, March 7th - Jamaica High School, 168 Street and Gothic Drive, Queens

Friday, March 9th - Baruch Baths, Rivington and Mangan Streets, Manhattan

Monday, March 12th - East 54 Street Pool, 342 East 54 Street, Manhattan

Friday, March 16th - Metropolitan Pool, Metropolitan and Bedford Avenues, Brooklyn

The finals will be held at Columbia University on March 23rd

at 8:00 P.M.

January 25, 1945.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK
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FOR RELEASE

Tuesday
January 23, 1945.

Boxing classes are now being held in eight Department of Parks gymnasias in preparation for the Boxing Tournament, part of the New York Community Trust Winter Sports Tournament which is in progress in parks and playgrounds throughout the five boroughs.

The gyms at which the sessions are held are conveniently located so that boys who are interested may attend, no matter where they reside. In Manhattan there are three such gyms, 342 East 54 Street, 35 West 134 Street, and Thomas Jefferson Park, 111 Street and First Avenue; in Brooklyn classes are held at McCarren Park, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street; in the Bronx at two locations, Crotona Park, 173 Street and Fulton Avenue, and St. Mary's Park, 146 Street and St. Ann's Avenue; in Queens at Jackson Heights Playground, 84 Street and 30 Avenue; and in Richmond at Faber Park, Richmond Terrace and Faber Street.

The classes give young boxers an opportunity to receive instructions in the fundamentals of the sport, and to box and spar under supervision. The sessions include rope skipping, bag punching, calisthenics, and all phases of training routines.

In the tournament, boxers will be divided into a junior division for boys 14 and 15 years of age, and a senior division for boys 16 and 17 years of age. These will be divided into weight classes: 90 lb., 100 lb., 105 lb., 112 lb., 118 lb., 126 lb., and 135 lb. in the junior division, and 118 lb., 126 lb., 135 lb., 140 lb., and 147 lb. in the senior division.

Each gymnasium will conduct its own elimination bouts, the earliest set being held on February 27th, and the last on March 15th. Entries will be received at each gym up until two weeks prior to its elimination date. Medals will be awarded by the New York Community Trust to the winners and runners-up at each gymnasium, and to the winners and runners-up at the city-wide finals.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Immediately

The third Municipal Life Guard Training Course sponsored by the Park Department got under way to-day. Applications for enrollment have been sent to all schools and Red Cross Chapters in the metropolitan area.

This training course, designed to cope with the critical manpower shortage, presents an opportunity for young men, not alone to secure profitable pleasant summer positions, but also to perform an important civic duty. In addition, the training received is invaluable for those youngsters who will soon be called to the colors.

The course is open to all young men who will have reached their 17th birthday not later than July 1st of this year.

Prospective candidates can apply directly to the headquarters of the Park Department, Arsenal Building, 64 Street and Fifth Avenue, Manhattan, Regent 4-1000 for further information and application blanks.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK
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FOR RELEASE Sunday
January 21, 1945

Entries for the New York Community Trust Track Meet being conducted by the Department of Parks, will close at the end of this week. The city-wide meet, which will be held at Madison Square Garden on February 17th at 1:30 P. M., will be preceded by elimination meets for each of the five boroughs.

The five meets will be held on February 3rd at 2:00 P. M., at the 22nd Regiment Armory, 168 Street and Broadway for Manhattan and Richmond; at the 13th Regiment Armory, Sumner and Jefferson Avenues for Brooklyn; at the 8th Regiment Armory, Kingsbridge Road and Jerome Avenue for the Bronx; and at the 4th Regiment Armory, 168 Street and 93 Avenue, Jamaica, for Queens. The youngsters who qualify in these events will compete at the Garden for the city-wide championships.

To date over one thousand entries have been received for the five meets. The events which comprise the program at each elimination meet are for playground boys and girls under 18 years of age, and are divided into weight classes as follows: in the 100 lb. class, 50 yard dash for boys, 40 yard dash for girls; in the 120 lb. class, 60 yard dash and quarter-mile relay for boys, 50 yard dash and 220 yard relay for girls; in the unlimited class for boys, 880 yard run and half-mile relay.

There will be five added events on the program at the city-wide meet on February 17th. These will be a one mile high school relay and a 60 yard dash for PSAL members; a two mile relay for private and parochial high schools; and a 60 yard dash handicap and 880 yard run for AAU members.

At all meets medals will be awarded to those placing first, second, and third, by the New York Community Trust. Entries will be received through Saturday, January 27th, at all Park playgrounds and borough offices.



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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK
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FOR RELEASE

Friday
January 19, 1945

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Mayor LaGuardia will officially open the new playground bounded by Monroe and Madison Streets, Patchen and Ralph Avenues, Brooklyn, on Saturday, January 20th at 2:30 P. M. Besides ~~the Mayor~~, Genevieve B. Earle, Councilman, and John Cashmore, Borough President of Brooklyn, and the Rev. Peter A. Brady, pastor of Our Lady of Good Council Church, will participate. Commissioner Robert Moses of the Department of Parks will act as chairman.

This new recreational area will provide recreational facilities in a densely populated part of the Bedford-Stuyvesant section of Brooklyn. The need for the playground was recognized before the war but work was delayed because of difficulties in securing construction materials.

The new playground contains a wading pool, four handball courts, a softball diamond, a roller and ice skating area, basketball and volleyball courts, a comfort station, and separate areas equipped with play apparatus for pre-school and older children.

In 1934 there were 119 playgrounds in the five boroughs. There are now with this new addition, 492 playgrounds in the consolidated park system.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Sunday
January 14, 1945

Training sessions for the New York Community Trust Boxing Tournament are now in full swing in Department of Parks gymnasia in the five boroughs. Three hundred forty-six boys between the ages of 14 and 18 years are taking part in the training program which includes rope skipping, bag punching, sparring, boxing, calisthenics, and individual fundamental instructions.

In Manhattan sessions are held at 342 East 54 Street, 35 West 134 Street, and Thomas Jefferson Park, 111 Street and First Avenue; in Brooklyn at McCarren Park, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street; in the Bronx at Crotona Park, 173 Street and Fulton Avenue, and St. Mary's Park, 149 Street and St. Ann's Avenue; in Queens at Jackson Heights Playground, 84 Street and 30 Avenue; and in Richmond at Faber Park, Richmond Terrace and Faber Street.

Elimination bouts will be conducted in each gym, with boxers divided into junior and senior divisions. In the junior division for boys 14 and 15 years old, competition will be in 90 lb., 100 lb., 105 lb., 112 lb., 118 lb., 126 lb., and 135 lb. classes. In the senior division for boys 16 and 17 years, classes will be 118 lb., 126 lb., 135 lb., 140 lb., and 147 lb.

Quarter-finals in which the winners from each gym will compete, will follow the elimination bouts. The finals will be held at the 69th Regiment Armory, Manhattan, on April 6th. The New York Community Trust will award medals to the winners and runners-up at each gymnasium, and to the winners and runners-up at the city-wide finals.

Entries in all classes are now being received at the gyms listed above, at Park Department offices, and at neighborhood playgrounds. The Boxing Tournament is part of the Winter Sports Tournament which also includes competition in ice skating, track, basketball, swimming, roller hockey, handball, and table tennis.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Friday
January 12, 1945

The city-wide finals of the New York Community Trust ice skating races will be conducted by the Department of Parks on Sunday, January 14th at 2:00 P.M. at Conservatory Lake, 72 Street and Fifth Avenue in Central Park, Manhattan. The skaters in Sunday's meet will be the winners of elimination meets held in the five boroughs.

Four of these elimination ice carnivals will be held at 2:00 P.M. on Saturday, January 13th, the day preceding the finals. Manhattan will hold its meet at Conservatory Lake in Central Park, Brooklyn at Prospect Park Lake, Queens at Bowne Park Lake, and Richmond at Martling's Pond in Clove Lake Park. The Bronx eliminations were conducted last Sunday at VanCortlandt Park Lake. The winners of the first five places in each event will represent their boroughs in the city-wide finals on Sunday.

All carnival programs will consist of racing events for playground boys and girls under 18 years of age: juvenile boys 75 yards, juvenile girls 60 yards, junior boys 100 yards, junior girls 75 yards, intermediate boys 100 yards and 440 yards, intermediate girls 100 yards and 220 yards. In addition to these events, Sunday's carnival will also include events for members of the Middle Atlantic Skating Association, and a fifteen minute exhibition of figure skating and dancing by members of the Manhattan Figure Skating Club, who practice at the City Building rink in Flushing Meadow Park every Sunday morning.

Medals will be awarded by the New York Community Trust at borough carnivals and at the City-wide finals to skaters placing first, second, and third.

During the past three months, 1415 cords of firewood, made available by the hurricane, have been taken from the stock piles placed in 22 parks throughout the city. This wood has been taken for personal use by all who cared to come and get it. (4)

Removals have now become so slow that it is no longer worth while to replenish the stock piles. What is left of these stock piles after Sunday, January 14th, will be removed by Department trucks. For those who still wish to secure firewood from these sources, the locations are:

Manhattan:

Central Park - 79 Street yard at Central Park West.
Inwood Hill Park - north of Payson Avenue and Dyckman Street Playground
East River Park - East River Drive and Grand Street.

Queens:

Maurice Park - Maurice Avenue and 54 Avenue.
Forest Park - shop yard entrance through Park Drive from Myrtle Avenue and 88th Place.
Flushing Meadow Park - storeyard south of Roosevelt Avenue, just east of Grand Central Parkway.
Cunningham Park - yard on Union Turnpike west of Francis Lewis Blvd.
Rainey Park - Vernon Boulevard and 33rd Street.
St. Albans Memorial Park - along Merrick Road at Sayers Avenue.

Bronx:

Pelham Bay Park - Huntington Estate, off Stadium Avenue north of Rice Stadium.
VanCortlandt Park - at stables at Bailey Avenue and 242 Street.
Bronx Park - yard in rear of shops, Bronx Park East and Birdball Ave.
Macombs Dam Park - east side of Jerome Avenue at 162 Street alongside the tennis courts.

Brooklyn:

Prospect Park - Forestry yard at Prospect Park West and 7 Street.
Prospect Park - parking field between Parkside Avenue and Lincoln Road on the East Drive.
Dyker Beach - yard at 86th Street and 12th Avenue.
Marine Park - storeyard at Avenue U and East 35th Street.
Sunrise Highway and Atlantic Avenue, at Fountain Avenue, old pumping station property.
McCarren Park - Lorimer Street between Bedford and Driggs Avenues.

Richmond:

Willowbrook Park - Victory Boulevard and Tremont Avenue.
Wolfes Pond Park near concession stand at Cornelia and Harriet Aves.
Silver Lake Park - Greenhouse at Victory Boulevard and Park Drive.

January 10, 1945. (4)

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK
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FOR RELEASE Monday
January 8, 1945

Six hundred playground boys and girls have signed up to run in the elimination track meets sponsored by the New York Community Trust, which the Department of Parks will conduct in each of the five boroughs on Saturday, February 3rd at 2:00 P.M. Youngsters who place in these five meets will be eligible to compete in the city-wide meet at Madison Square Garden on February 17th at 1:30 P.M. (3)

The program at each elimination meet will consist of eight events for playground boys and girls under 18 years of age, arranged according to weights. In the 100 lb. class, the events are a 50 yard dash for boys, 40 yard dash for girls; in the 120 lb. class, a 60 yard dash and a quarter-mile relay for boys, 50 yard dash and 220 yard relay for girls; in the unlimited class for boys, an 880 yard run and a half-mile relay. Entry blanks for these events may be obtained at all Park playgrounds.

The five elimination meets will be held in armories. Manhattan and Richmond will hold meets at the 22nd Regiment Armory, 168 Street and Broadway; Brooklyn at the 13th Regiment Armory, Sumner and Jefferson Avenues; the Bronx at the 8th Regiment Armory, Kingsbridge Road and Jerome Avenue; and Queens at the 4th Regiment Armory, 168 Street and 93 Avenue, Jamaica.

In addition to the city-wide championships in playground events, the program of the Madison Square Garden meet will include PSAL, AAU, and private and parochial high school events. These added events will be: for PSAL, one mile high school relay and a 60 yard dash; for private and parochial high schools, a two mile high school relay. In all school events, only one entry from each school may compete in each event. Events for AAU members will consist of a 60 yard dash handicap and an 880 yard run.

At borough meets New York Community Trust medals will be awarded to youngsters placing first, second, and third. First, second, and third place winners at the city-wide meet will also receive medals. (2)

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Sunday
January 7, 1945

Two hundred seventy-six boys have entered the Department of Parks' Boxing Tournament, part of the New York Community Trust Winter Sports Tournament now being conducted in parks and playgrounds throughout the city. The Boxing Tournament is open to boys 14 through 17 years of age. (2)

Eight sets of elimination bouts will be conducted in gymnasias in the five boroughs, and will be followed by quarter and semi-finals at Lost Battalion Hall, Queens, on March 19th, 20th, and 26th. The city-wide finals, in which twelve championships will be at stake, will be held at the 69th Regiment Armory, Manhattan, on April 6th.

Entries are being accepted at Park gyms where entrants may receive boxing instructions and train. These gyms are at 342 East 54 Street, 35 West 134 Street, and Thomas Jefferson Park, 111 Street and First Avenue in Manhattan; at McCarren Park, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street in Brooklyn; at Crotona Park, 173 Street and Fulton Avenue, and St. Mary's Park, 149 Street and St. Ann's Avenue in the Bronx; at Jackson Heights Playground, 84 Street and 30 Avenue in Queens; and at Faber Park, Richmond Terrace and Faber Street in Richmond.

Boxers will be divided according to age into a junior division for boys 14 and 15 years of age, and a senior division for boys 16 and 17 years of age. Age groups will be divided further into weight classes. There will be seven classes in the junior division: 90 lb., 100 lb., 105 lb., 112 lb., 118 lb., 126 lb., and 135 lb. Seniors will be divided into 118 lb., 126 lb., 135 lb., 140 lb., and 147 lb. classes.

Medals will be awarded by the New York Community Trust to the winners and runners-up at each gymnasium, and to the winners and runners-up at the city-wide finals. (2)

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK
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FOR RELEASE Immediately

Seven hundred entries have been received for the ice skating races to be held on Park lakes in the five boroughs on Sunday, January 7th at 2:00 P.M. The carnivals, which are sponsored by the New York Community Trust in conjunction with the Department of Parks, will consist of racing events for boys and girls under 18 years of age.

The events will be conducted at 72 Street Lake in Central Park, Manhattan; Prospect Park Lake in Brooklyn; VanCortlandt Park Lake in the Bronx; Bowne Park Lake in Queens; and Martling's Pond, Clove Lake Park in Richmond.

There will be eight events on each carnival program, divided according to age: for juvenile boys 9 to 11 years, 75 yards; juvenile girls, 60 yards; for junior boys 12, 13, 14 years, 100 yards; junior girls 75 yards; for intermediate boys 15, 16, 17 years, 100 yards and 440 yards; intermediate girls, 100 yards and 220 yards.

Youngsters who have been unable to file entry blanks will be permitted to participate if they report to the lakes on Sunday afternoon at 1:30 P.M. and submit their names to the officials in charge.

The first five winners in each event will represent their boroughs in the city-wide carnival to be held in Central Park on Sunday, January 14th at 2:00 P.M. Medals will be awarded to the first, second, and third place winners in each event at the borough carnivals. At the city-wide finals, medals will be awarded to those placing first, second, and third. In addition to events for playground boys and girls, the program for the city-wide carnival will also include races for members of the Middle Atlantic Skating Association.

January 4, 1945.

July - December 1945

7/1 88 Second Neumburg Memorial Concert scheduled for July 4

7/1 89 Special events scheduled for parks this week

7/3 90 Peter Pan the Magic Man begins summer schedule

7/3 91 Marionette Theatre to begin summer touring schedule

7/8 92 Parks Department schedules special events for this week

7/8 93 Pepsi Cola square dances - Riverside Drive

7/8 94 Name Band Dances sponsored by Con Edison - third week schedule

7/9 95 Peter Pan the Magic Man - schedule

7/9 96 Marionette Theatre "Happy the Humberg" schedule for week

n.d. 97 Championship Swimming Events - Sixth Annual Summer Sports Tournament

n.d. 98 Championship Golf Matches - Sixth Annual Sports Tournament

n.d. 99 Championship Tennis Matches - Fifth Annual Sports Tournament

n.d. 100 Entry Blank for Four Athletic Meets sponsored by New York Athletic Club

n.d. 101 Entry Blank - Softball Tournament - sponsored by Department of Parks and the New York Mirror

n.d. 102 Entry Blank - New York Community Trust Summer Sports Tournament

n.d. 103 Swimming Tournament sponsored by Department of Parks and the New York Journal American - July 9 - 21

n.d. 104 Swimming Tournament for Boys - sponsored by the Department of Parks and the New York Mirror

7/13 105 Letter to the Editor of the Long Island Star Journal from Robert Moses

7/15 106 Pepsi Cola Square Dances - Riverside Drive - July 16

7/15 107 Special Events in the Parks this week

7/15 108 City-wide Finals of the American Ballad Contest for Barber Shop Quartets scheduled for July 17

7/16 109 Ten performances of the Department of Parks Magic Show scheduled this week

7/16 110 Marionette Theatre presents "Happy the Humberg" this week in Manhattan

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- 7/16 111 Name Band Dances sponsored by Consolidated Edison continue this week
- 7/17 112 New York Athletic Club sponsors track meet for Boys and Girls
- 7/19 113 1,000 entries received for Tennis Tournament
- 7/19 114 640 golfers set for championships - July 23
- 7/22 115 Pepsi Cola Square dances - Riverside Drive - July 23
- 7/22 116 Consolidated Edison Name Band dances - schedule for week
- 7/22 117 Schedule of special events in the parks this week
- 7/23 118 Marionette Theatre schedules ten performances of "Happy the Humbug"
- 7/23 119 Peter Pan the Magic Man playing in Manhattan and Bronx this week
- 7/29 120 Special events in the parks this week
- 7/29 121 Third Naumburg Memorial Concert - July 31
- 7/29 122 Consolidated Edison Name Band Dances - sixth week
- 7/29 123 Pepsi-Cola Square dances in Riverside Park - Sixth week - Monday July 30
- 7/30 124 Peter Pan the Magic Man in Bronx this week
- 7/30 125 Marionette Theatre to play six Brooklyn playgrounds
- 8/1 126 Insecticidal Fog for Flushing Meadow Park
- 8/2 127 New York Athletic Club - Third Track Meet sponsored with Department of Parks scheduled for August 5
- 8/3 128 Swimming events for boys and girls set for August
- 8/3 129 City-wide team championship golf - Aug. 5.
- 8/5 130 Con Edison Name Band Dances
- 8/5 131 Special events this week in city parks
- 8/6 132 Peter Pan the Magic Man - Bronx and Brooklyn this week
- 8/6 133 Marionette theatre - ten performances this week
- 8/9 134 N.Y.C Public Links Golf Championship for men - Aug. 11
- 8/9 135 Square Dances - Central Park Mall - Pepsi-Cola sponsoring
- 8/9 136 Fourth Annual Harvest Dance Contest now being received
- 8/9 137 650 children to participate in dance program at the Sheep Meadow

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8/12	138	Consolidated Edison Name Band Dances continuing this week
8/12	139	Special Events taking place in the Parks this week
8/13	140	Eight more swimming meets for boys and girls - N.Y. Community Trust co-sponsor with Department of Parks - Elimination meets
8/13	141	Peter Pan the Magic Man scheduled for Brooklyn playgrounds
8/13	142	Marionettes theatre presents "Happy the Humbug in Brooklyn & Queens this week
8/13	143	Pepsi Cola sponsoring dance series in Brooklyn
8/14	144	30th Children's Dance Festival to take place in Prospect Park - Aug. 18
8/16	145	Second of the series of free outdoor square dances to be held Aug. 18th on the Mall in Central Park
8/19	146	Name Band Dances continue this week
8/19	147	Special events for this week
8/21	148	Brooklyn dance series continues this week
8/23	149	Square dances and Riverside Drive dance series continue
8/23	150	Municipal Golf Championships for Women - Sunday Aug. 26
8/24	151	City-wide Horseshoe Pitching Championships - N.Y. Community Trust Summer Sports Tournament - Aug. 26
8/26	152	Special events scheduled for this week
8/26	153	City-wide N.Y. Community Trust Championship swimming event to end outdoor competitive swimming for the year
8/26	154	Name Band Dances continue
8/27	155	Happy the Humbug to be done in Queens and Bronx this week
8/27	156	Peter Pan the Magic Man - schedule for week
8/30	157	Square Dances continue
9/1	158	Closing of swimming pools - Sept. 3
9/2	159	Final Naumburg Memorial Concert - Labor Day
9/2	160	N.Y. Community Trust Model Yacht Regatta - sept. 22
9/2	161	Pepsi-Cola Brooklyn dance series continues

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9/3	162	Peter Pan the Magic Man to give closing performances of the summer schedule
9/3	163	"Happy the Humbug" to be at four Bronx playgrounds
9/4	164	City-wide Finals of the Fourth Annual Harvest Dance Contest - Sept. 6
9/6	165	City-wide Department of Park Tennis Finals for men - Sept. 8
9/9	166	End of Name Band Dances this week
n.d.	167	Pepsi-Cola square dances at Mall and Riverside Drive
9/10	168	Pepsi-Cola popular dance series ends in Brooklyn
9/13	169	Square Dancing at the Mall this week
9/13	170	Knickerbocker Handicap Golf Tournament - Sept. 16
9/13	171	City-wide Handball Championships - Sept. 16
9/13	172	City-wide paddle-tennis championships - sept. 15
9/16	173	Statistics of use of the parks
9/18	174	Finals of Knickerbocker Handicap Golf Tournament
9/18	175	Trees felled by Sept. 1944 hurricane still being removed by Park Department
9/19	176	Final Central Park Square Dance - Sept. 22
9/20	177	Table Tennis Championships-Sept. 22
9/20	178	Model yachts to race in annual regatta - Sept. 22
9/26	179	Ice and roller rinks of New York City Building, Flushing Meadow Park to reopen for season of Sept 28.
9/29	180	Ice making equipment not holding ice - rink to reopen Oct. 5, if weather permits.
10/2	181	Harvest of Children's Gardens - Oct. 4
10/8	182	report of accomplishments of past 12 years in the N. Y. C. park system (see report attached)
10/10	183	10th Annual Magic Review - Oct. 12
10/11	184	Progress made in opening to the public the privately owned waterfront on the East River between East 51st and East 54th Streets.
10/20	185	Third Annual Outdoor Chrysanthemum Display
10/22	186	Tulip Bulbs from Holland have arrived, to be planted in Manhattan, Brooklyn, Bronx and Queens parks

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10/29	187	Closing of Clay and Hard Surface tennis courts - Oct. 31
10/25	188	re: Cross Country running
11/2	189	Prospect Parks annual Fall Chrysanthemum Show - Nov. 4
11/29	190	Kangaroo comes to the zoo in Central Park
12/2	191	Golf courses and pitch putt course to close
12/4	192	Vandals remove ear from statue of W. Arthur Cunningham
12/6	193	Marionettes Theatre starts its winter tour schedule
12/10	194	Peter Pan the Magic Man to continue touring parks - 5 shows scheduled in Manhattan
12/12	195	Statement by Robert Moses on Construction Cost
12/15	196	ice skating season to start soon
12/17	197	"Happy the Humbug" to be presented six times this week
12/17	198	Annual Christmas exhibit of the season's flowers - Prospect Park greenhouse
12/18	199	Christmas Tree Dedication - City Hall Park
12/17	200	Peter Pan the Magic Man - schedule
12/20	201	Coasting slopes set aside by Park Department
12/23	202	Happy the Humbug - schedule this week
12/23	203	Ten Christmas Magic Shows to be presented
12/30	204	Peter Pan the Magic Man - schedule
12/30	205	Happy the Humbug - seven performances this week



D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

Sunday
December 30, 1945

The Department of Parks Marionette Theatre will give seven performances of "Happy the Humbug" this week for children in Manhattan. "Happy the Humbug" is the story of a funny little animal, a combination of giraffe, monkey, and turtle, who has amazing adventures with his friend, Hunkey the Monkey. The adventures include outwitting two villains known as Cock and Bull, and rescuing the ingenue, a singing and dancing Pink Elephant. A ballet of flowers, and a host of story book animal puppets also take part in the action.

This week's performances of "Happy the Humbug" are scheduled as follows:

- Wednesday, January 2nd
11:00 A.M. and 3:30 P.M. at East River Playground, East River Drive and 11th Street.
- Thursday, January 3rd
11:00 A.M. and 3:30 P.M. at Playground at Seward, Canal and Jefferson Streets.
- Friday, January 4th
3:30 P.M. Madison Square Boys Club, 301 East 29 Street.
- Saturday, January 5
11:00 A.M. and 3:30 P.M. Roosevelt Playground, Chrystie, Broome, and Forsyth Streets.

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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

Sunday
December 30, 1945

Peter Pan, the Department of Parks Magic Man, and Oscar the Rabbit, will start the New Year by giving three Magic Shows for youngsters in Manhattan playgrounds this week. Each Magic Show will include magical tricks, songs, and stories, with many opportunities for the audience to join in the fun. Peter and Oscar will continue their tour until the middle of February, and then will go into the other boroughs to entertain in the Park playgrounds.

This week, the Magic Show will be at the following playgrounds:

Wednesday, January 2
3:30 P.M. Hamilton Fish Play Center, East Houston
and Pitt Streets.

Friday, January 4
11:00 A.M. and 3:30 P.M. East River Park, East River
Drive and 11th Street.



D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

Sunday
December 23, 1945

Ten Christmas Magic Shows for children will be presented by the Department of Parks in playgrounds in Manhattan and the Bronx this week. Peter Pan and his lively assistant, Oscar the Rabbit, bring a bagful of tricks to every show and entertain with magical songs and stories in which the children are invited to participate. In his enchanted bag, Peter carries magical costumes which the young volunteer assistants don to help them give "professional" performances.

These special Christmas Magic Shows may be seen at the following playgrounds:

Manhattan:

Monday, December 24

11:00 A.M. J. Hood Wright Playground, Ft. Washington Ave. and W. 173 St.
2:30 P.M. Playground at Payson Avenue and Dyckman Street

Wednesday, December 26

11:00 A.M. Roosevelt Playground, Broome and Forsyth Streets
2:30 P.M. Seward Park, Canal, Hester, Essex, and Jefferson Streets

Thursday, December 27

11:00 A.M. Dr. Gertrude B. Kelly Playground, W. 17 St. between 8 and 9 Avenues
2:30 P.M. Chelsea Park, West 27 Street and 10 Avenue

Friday, December 28

11:00 A.M. Corlear's Hook Park, East River Drive, Jackson and Cherry Sts.
2:30 P.M. Hamilton Fish Park, East Houston and Sheriff Streets

Bronx:

Saturday, December 29

11:00 A.M. Williamsbridge Oval, Bainbridge Avenue and 208 Street
2:30 P.M. Mullaly Playground, Jerome Avenue and 165 Street



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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

IMMEDIATELY

New Yorkers need not travel to the far New England slopes for good coasting - it's right in their own back yard on the snow covered hills of the city's parks. All over town, youngsters are hurrying into the parks carrying their sleds, anxious to make tracks in the smooth, white blanket of snow.

The Department of Parks has set aside special hills for coasting in the parks of the five boroughs. These hills have been selected for their safety, and are supervised by Park personnel. Designated coasting areas are:

Manhattan:

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

Brooklyn:

Prospect Park, Lookout Hill, southwest of Music Grove, near Empire Blvd.
Prospect Park, Long Meadow opposite 1st Street and Prospect Park West
Prospect Park, Long Meadow North, on east main drive, near Union St. entrance
Prospect Park, Maryland Monument Hill, near 16 Street and Prospect Park West

Bronx:

VanCortlandt Golf Course, 18th tee and fairway, east of 242 Street and Broadway

Queens:

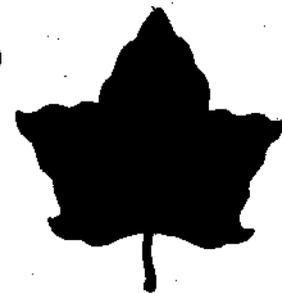
Forest Park Golf Course, old 18th tee, Park Lane South and Forest Parkway
Kissena Park Golf Course, 1st fairway, N. Hempstead Turnpike & Fresh Meadow Rd.
Crocheron Park, end of Crocheron Avenue, Bayside

Richmond:

LaTourette Golf Course, 2nd, 14th, 18th fairways, Rockland Avenue and Forest Hill Road
Silver Lake Golf Course, 7th fairway, Forest Avenue and Silver Lake Roadway

December 20, 1945.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS



FOR RELEASE

Monday, December 17, 1945

Peter Pan, the Department of Parks Magic Man, will open his bag of tricks to delight and entertain children in Park playgrounds throughout the city during the coming week. Oscar, the educated rabbit, will help Peter at each show.

The Magic Show gives youngsters a chance to play magician, as Peter and Oscar welcome audience participation, and invite help in telling magical stories, playing magical games, and performing amazing tricks. This week's Magic Shows are scheduled for:

Monday, December 17, 11 A.M. at Carl Schurz Playground, East End Avenue and East 84th Street, Manhattan.

3:30 P.M. at Thomas Jefferson Playground, 111 Street and 1st Avenue, Manhattan.

Tuesday, December 18, 3:30 P.M. at Seth Low Playground, Bay Parkway and Avenue P, Brooklyn.

Wednesday, December 19, 11 A.M. at Riverside Drive and 74th Street, Manhattan.

3:30 P.M. at Morningside Park, 123 Street, Manhattan.

Thursday, December 20, 3:30 P.M. at Corona Playground, 102nd Street, Queens.

Friday, December 21, 9:30 A.M. at Youth House, 331 East 12th Street, Manhattan.

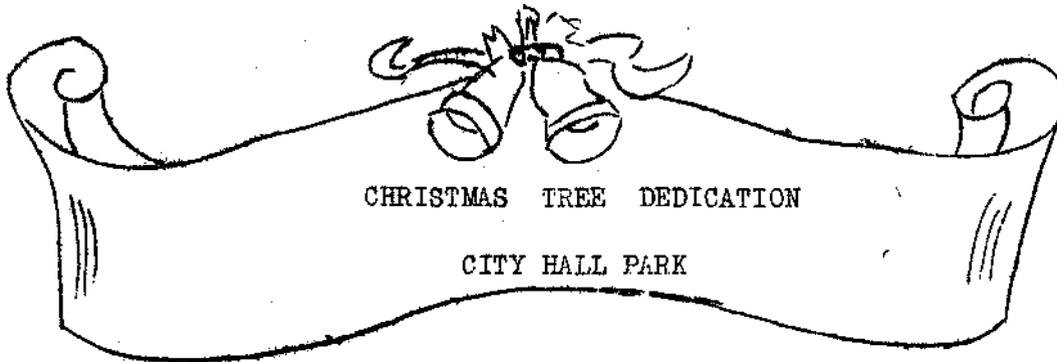
1:30 P.M. at Annunciation Playground, Amsterdam Avenue and West 135 Street, Manhattan.

3:30 P.M. at McCray Playground, West 138 Street between 5th and Lenox Avenues, Manhattan.

Saturday, December 22, 11 A.M. at Lindsey Playground, Johnson Avenue and Lorimer Street, Brooklyn.

2:30 P.M. at McLaughlin Park, Jay and Tillary Streets, Brooklyn.

CITY OF NEW YORK
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December 18, 1945

5:00 P.M.

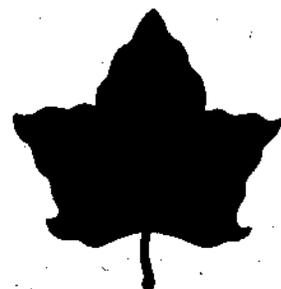
Yuletide Music	Sanitation Department Band
Processional	"Silent Night" St. Catherine of Siena Boys Choir Fire & Police Departments Glee Clubs
	Mayor LaGuardia and Speakers Appear
Arthur S. Hodgkiss	Executive Officer, Department of Parks Introduces
Hon. Newbold Morris, Chairman	President, City Council
Selections	"Angels We Have Heard on High" St. Catherine of Siena Boys Choir "Adeste Fideles" Fire & Police Departments Glee Clubs
Hon. Edgar J. Nathan, Jr.	President, Borough of Manhattan
Selections	"The First Noel" St. Catherine of Siena Boys Choir "Sanctus" Fire & Police Departments Glee Clubs
Christmas Message	Hon. Fiorello H. LaGuardia Mayor of the City of New York

LIGHTING OF THE CHRISTMAS TREE

Selections	"O Little Town of Bethlehem" St. Catherine of Siena Boys Choir "O Holy Night" Fire & Police Departments Glee Clubs
"The Star Spangled Banner"	Sanitation Department Band

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS



FOR RELEASE

IMMEDIATELY

The annual Christmas exhibit of the season's flowers is on exhibition in the Greenhouse in Prospect Park West and 9 Street, Brooklyn.

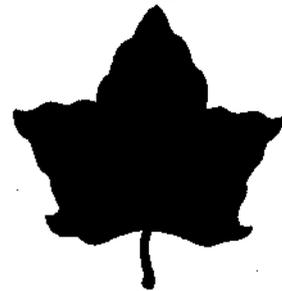
This year's display comprises over 500 Poinsettia plants in three varieties, white, pink, and red; some of the Poinsettias measure 12 to 15 inches in diameter. Other flowering plants such as the attractive and well known Cyclamen, Camelias, and Christmas Cherries have been grouped with the Poinsettias.

The exhibit will be open every day from 10:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M. starting Wednesday, December 19, 1945 to January 2, 1946.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS



FOR RELEASE

Monday, December 17, 1945

Six performances of "Happy the Humbug" will be presented by the Department of Parks Marionette Theatre for audiences of youngsters in Brooklyn and Manhattan playgrounds and institutions this week. "Happy the Humbug", with its all animal cast, is the most popular play in the Marionette Theatre's repertoire. Youngsters love the heroine, Miss Pink Elephant, who sings and dances in a most unusual way, and sheds real strawberry tears when provoked. Other capable actors are the villains, Cock and Bull, who harass the poor heroine, and Happy and Hunkey who rescue her from an unhappy fate.

"Happy the Humbug" will be presented at the following playgrounds this week:

Monday, December 17, 3:30 P.M. at Sunset Recreation Center, 42 Street and 7th Avenue, Brooklyn.

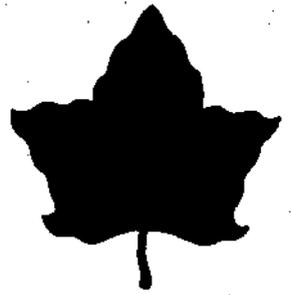
Tuesday, December 18, 3:30 P.M. at Red Hook Recreation Center, Bay and Henry Streets, Brooklyn.

Wednesday, December 19, 4:00 P.M. at First Zion Church, Tompkins Avenue and McDonough Street, Brooklyn.

Thursday, December 20, 11:00 A.M. and 3:30 P.M. at Playground at Payson Avenue and Dyckman Street, Manhattan.

Friday, December 21, 11:00 A.M. and 3:30 P.M. at J. Hood Wright Playground, 175 Street and Ft. Washington Avenue, Manhattan.

Saturday, December 22, 11:00 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. at the Museum of the City of New York, Fifth Avenue and 104 Street, Manhattan.



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Saturday, December 15, 1945

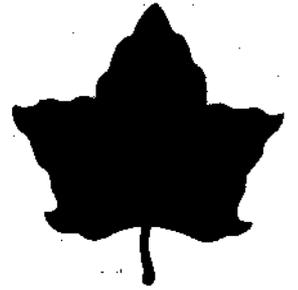
The ice skating season will soon be in full swing in New York City's parks and playgrounds. The Department requests that parents, civic groups, and schools cooperate in instructing children not to go on ice until it is safe for skating. Youngsters should be cautioned about the dangers of thin ice and the possibility of accidents and casualties.

Warning signs have been posted at all lakes and ponds, and will remain until the ice is of the proper thickness for safe skating. When the ice is ready for skating, the Park Department will announce it in the daily newspapers and on the municipal broadcasting station, WNYC.

The lakes and ponds on which there will be skating are:

- ✓ Manhattan 59th Street Lake, Central Park
72nd Street Lake, Central Park
Conservatory Lake, Central Park
110th Street Lake, Central Park
Belvedere Lake, 79th Street, Central Park
- ✓ Brooklyn Prospect Park Lake
Dyker Beach Golf Course Pond
- ✓ Bronx VanCortlandt Park Lake, 242 Street and Broadway
Twin Lakes, Bronx Park, North of Museum, Botanic Gardens
Crotona Park Lake, East 173 Street and Crotona Park East
- Queens Alley Pond Park Lake, Douglaston Parkway and Horace Harding Blvd., Hollis
Alley Pond Picnic Area Lake, Grand Central Parkway and 233 Street, Hollis
Bowne Park Lake, 32 Avenue and 158 Street, Flushing
Brookville Park Lake, Brookville Boulevard and 143 Avenue, Rosedale
Crocheron Park Lake, 35 Avenue and 214 Place, Bayside
Forest Park Hollow, Forest Park Drive and Woodhaven Boulevard, Glendale
Jackson Pond, Myrtle Avenue and 108 Street, Richmond Hill
Kissena Park Lake, Oak Avenue and 164 Street, Flushing
Linden Park Lake, 41 Avenue and 103 Street, Corona
Oakland Park Lake, Northern Boulevard and 233 Street, Bayside
Pea Pond, Hollis Court and Grand Central Parkway, Hollis
Springfield Pond, Springfield Boulevard and 147 Avenue, Springfield Gardens
Captain Tilly Park Lake, 165 Street and Highland Boulevard
Twin Ponds, Merrick Road and Brookville Boulevard, Rosedale

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FOR RELEASE

Richmond Brookville Pond, Clove Lakes Park
Clove Lake # 2, Clove Lake Park
LaTourette Golf Course Pond
Martling's Pond, Clove Lakes Park
Willowbrook Lake, Richmond Avenue and Victory Boulevard
Wolfe's Pond Park

41 additional areas, which are used in other seasons for tennis and handball, have been flooded, and 192 wading pools located in neighborhood playgrounds have also been made ready for skating. These flooded areas are filled to a depth of only six inches, and will provide absolutely safe skating for youngsters and adults.

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STATEMENT BY ROBERT MOSES ON CONSTRUCTION COST

In a recent statement Commissioner Robert Moses said:

"There is altogether too much loose talk about prohibitive construction prices and bids. Prices and wages have risen. Contractors in many cases are not bidding, or have offered estimates which are so high that prospective builders, public, semi-public and private, have been driven into hiding. On the other hand, I have personally received bids for work not only in heavy construction, but involving buildings, which have been reasonable and fair in the light of present conditions, and some which have been fairly close to 1939-1940 figures. Often such bids are obtained as the result of a conference with labor leaders, material men, and contractors in advance of advertising.

"Only the seventh son of a seventh son knows just what the situation will be three months from now, bearing in mind that nothing much happens at least in the northerly climate in mid-winter, and that by early spring those who have been hibernating and living on their fat will come out into the sunlight looking pretty thin and hungry and ready to do a whole lot of things which they spurned only a few months before.

"In the meantime no good purpose is served by belly-aching, spreading rumors and gloomy prophecies, and driving out of the construction market those who have plans and money to spend, those who make materials, the workmen on and back of the jobs, and the contractors who have to take the risks. If the gossips and loose-talkers will get ready for a big early spring construction program at reasonable prices, such a program will be almost certainly realized. This is a pretty resilient country and we will be back at work before long."

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FOR RELEASE

Monday, December 10, 1945

Peter Pan the Department of Parks Magic Man will continue his tour of Park playgrounds this week, giving five shows for children in Manhattan. When Peter opens his bag of tricks, he will be assisted by his perennial helper, Oscar the Rabbit. Magical songs, stories, games, and tricks will be included in each show, with opportunities for audience participation.

Children may see this week's Magic Shows at the following playgrounds in Manhattan:

Monday, December 10, 11:00 A.M. and 3:30 P.M. at Gulick Playground, Columbia, Delancey, Sheriff, and Broome Streets.

Wednesday, December 12, 11:00 A.M. and 3:30 P.M. at Dr. Gertrude B. Kelly Playground, West 17 Street between 8 and 9 Avenues.

Friday, December 14, 3:30 P.M. at Downing Street Playground, Carmine to Downing Streets, west of Sixth Avenue.



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FOR RELEASE

Thursday, December 6, 1945

The Department of Parks Marionette Theatre will arrive in Brooklyn on Saturday, December 8, to start on its winter tour entertaining youngsters in Park playgrounds and child caring agencies of the five boroughs. The Park puppeteers will present "Happy the Humbug", the little drama with which they delighted thousands of children in the outdoor trailer theatre during the summer.

The marionette cast of "Happy the Humbug" consists of all animal characters. The hero is Happy himself, a combination of giraffe, monkey, and turtle, who feels that nobody loves him because of his fantastic appearance. The adventuresome drama proves that Happy's fears are unfounded, and at the happy ending he is a shining hero with a host of good friends.

Happy is assisted by Miss Pink Elephant, the charming singing and dancing heroine; Hunkey the Monkey, who is Happy's best friend; the villains, Cock and Bull; and many other colorful animals who contribute to the plot's development.

"Happy the Humbug" will be presented at the following Brooklyn playgrounds and agencies this week:

Saturday, December 8, 10:30 A.M. and 2:00 P.M. at Betsy Head Play Center, Hopkinson and Dumont Avenues

Monday, December 10, 10:30 A.M. and 3:30 P.M. at McLaughlin Playground, Jay and Tillary Streets

Tuesday, December 11, 11:00 A.M. and 2:00 P.M. at St. Francis Xavier School, President Street and Sixth Avenue

Wednesday, December 12, 3:30 P.M. at McCarren Play Center, Driggs Ave. and Lorimer St

Thursday, December 13, 3:00 P.M. at Mercy Orphan Home, 273 Willoughby Avenue

Friday, December 14, 10:30 A.M. and 2:00 P.M. at St. Saviour's School, 6 St. & 8 Ave.

Saturday, December 15, 11:00 A.M. and 2:30 P.M., Brooklyn Museum, Eastern Parkway and Washington Avenue.

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December 4, 1945

Sometime between darkness on December 3, 1945 and 8 A.M. December 4, 1945 vandals with the aid of a heck saw removed the left ear from the bronze memorial to former City Comptroller W. Arthur Cunningham.

The monument stands adjacent to the Cunningham Memorial Flagpole in Cunningham Park, Queens.

Telephoned to those listed below on 12/4/45

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FOR RELEASE

Sunday December 2, 1945

The Department of Parks announces the closing of ten municipal golf courses and the pitch putt course at Jacob Riis Park, at the close of play on Sunday 2.

During the past season, more than 461,796 rounds were played over the ten courses, and approximately 18,132 rounds were played on the pitch putt course. The courses were open to the members of the armed forces free of charge and some 27,914 soldiers, sailors, marines and members of the woman's armed forces took advantage of these facilities.

The Park Department also announces that after December 2nd and through the winter months, it will not be necessary to have permits to play tennis on the hard surface courts operated by the department, but players must furnish their own tennis nets.

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be able to overcome the obstacles and difficulties of the present and the future," Arnold

"Every industrialist owes duty to himself and his sector to belong to his local Chamber of Commerce, his state organization and the Southern States Industrial Council," he said.

In this way we can build a future to re-establish and maintain institutions upon which the good of our nation are founded. Every industrialist who does not encourage organized efforts available throughout the South is definitely lacking as a good citizen."

15 States Represented

The Southern States Council represents 15 states in the South from Virginia to Maryland. It was founded 15 years ago and has grown steadily ever since that time.

The two-day conference of the council will close today with a business session following a luncheon at Jacksonville Beach this

the rest of the year. The ice on a very large scale is available as long as the firm's remaining facilities.

The Japanese destroyed the city's two largest automatic exchanges last February.

Housing Problem Finally Solved For Ousted Tennant

CHICAGO, Nov. 20—(P)—Joey, the baby kangaroo at the Brookfield Zoo whose mother gave him the brush-off when he wanted to sleep in her pouch where all kangaroo mothers carry their young, is going to leave mama.

Director Robert Bean sensing a mother-son feud a week ago when Joey, six months old, was left out in the cold by his mother, put him on the market.

The baby kangaroo is going to be sent to the Central Park Zoo in New York City.

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The Department of Parks announces the addition of a kangaroo to the Central Park Zoo.

The new arrival a seven months old male with the name of Don was born at the Brookfield Zoo in Chicago. It is a gift to the children of New York City from Mr. and Mrs. Daniel F. Rice of Chicago.

Press photographs may be obtained anytime after 10 A.M.
Friday November 30, 1945.

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FOR RELEASE Immediately

The Park Department announces that the Annual Fall Chrysanthemum Show in the Prospect Park Greenhouse will open on Sunday, November 4, 1945 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 and Smith Street carlines, Ninth Street stop, or by automobile direct to the Greenhouse by way of the east 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 four thousand pots of chrysanthemums will be on exhibition. The ground bed is laid out in groups of various formations with the popular large bloom varieties in all shades of pink, yellow, red and bronze. Some of the attractive plants are the Pockets, John S. Bush, Turners, Rise of the Day and the Melba. Surrounding this feature of the display, banked on the sides of the Show House are numerous varieties in smaller size chrysanthemums in 75 varieties, such as the Pompons, the Anemone and the single Daisy types.

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 Queen, Red Rover, Orchid Beauty, Cleopatra and New York.

NOVEMBER 2, 1945

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FOR RELEASE Immediately

The cross country course at VanCortlandt Park in the Bronx is a mecca these fall afternoons, for long distance runners training for various championship events which are to be held during the next month.

The competitive season opened last Saturday morning with the holding of the ninth annual N.Y.U. Inter-scholastic Cross Country Run, in which close to 400 boys from 57 high schools competed. Immediately after the finish of the race, a contest for second team boys was held in which 216 starters representing 28 high schools covered the two and a quarter mile course.

The Public School Athletic League cross country championship will be held on next Saturday, October 27th at 10:00 A.M. Over 200 boys from the New York City high schools will compete in this race. Among the schools having exceptionally large entries, will be Stuyvesant, George Washington and Haaren of Manhattan; Boys, Lincoln, Erasmus, Manual Training, Brooklyn Tech and New Utrecht of Brooklyn; Monroe, Morris, Clinton and Science of the Bronx; Bryant, Adams, Jamaica, Newtown, Bayside and Flushing of Queens; and Curtis, New Dorp and Port Richmond of Staten Island.

On Saturday, November 3rd, at 10:30 A.M., 500 runners are expected to face the starter's gun and run over the Parade Grounds and hills of VanCortlandt Park in the Inter-scholastic Race sponsored by the New York Athletic Club. High school runners from all over the metropolitan area have already entered this event.

Four runs are scheduled for Saturday, November 10th. The opener, which starts at 10:00 A.M. will be the Vocational High School race

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in which about 200 boys are expected to compete. This will be followed at 11:00 A.M. by the Heptagonal Championship of the I.C.A.A.A.A. in which representatives of the Ivy League schools and Army and Navy will compete. The Catholic High Schools Championship will follow at 11:30 A.M. in which approximately 300 runners will start. The final run of the day will start at 2:30 P.M., when athletes entered in the Junior Metropolitan A.A.U. Championship will toe the starting line.

Two events are scheduled for Saturday, November 17th: the Private High Schools A.A. Championship at 10:30 A.M., and the I.C.A.A.A.A. Championship at 11:00 A.M. The cross country season on the Bronx course will end on the following day, Sunday, November 18th, with the Senior Metropolitan A.A.U. run scheduled to start at 2:30 P.M.

The Park Department's cross country courses in all boroughs are used extensively for training by high school and college track teams. The Brooklyn course at the Parade Grounds, Parkside and Coney Island Avenues, is the training ground for Bishop Loughlin, St. Augustine, Manual Training, Erasmus, Hamilton, and Xavier High Schools, and Brooklyn College. DeLaSalle High School uses the running track at 74th Street and Riverside Drive in Manhattan. In Queens, John Adams and Newtown High Schools work out on the track at Victory Field, Woodhaven Boulevard and Myrtle Avenue in Forest Park; and in Richmond, Port Richmond High School trains at Clove Lakes Park.

October 25, 1945.

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FOR RELEASE Immediately

The Department of Parks announces the closing of the clay and hard surface tennis courts on Wednesday night, October 31st, 1945.

After October 31st, players who bring their own equipment, including nets, will be permitted to use the hard surface courts free of charge.

During the 1945 season, 173,043 players took advantage of the 522 tennis courts located in park areas throughout the five boroughs.

October 29, 1945

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FOR RELEASE Immediately

The Netherland Bulb Growers, through their government, have made a generous gift to the City of New York of 350,000 Holland grown tulips for planting in park areas. The bulbs arrived aboard the SS David Hewes several days ago and will be distributed immediately to the following park areas and the beds will be prepared and the bulbs planted by the Park Department Gardeners:

MANHATTAN

Washington Square Park
Park Avenue Plots - 34th to 39th Streets
Central Park Conservatory Garden (5th Ave. & 105th Street)

BRONX

Van Cortlandt Park - Dutch Garden (242nd Street & Broadway)
Mt. Eden Parkway Plots (Walton to Weeks Ave.)
Joyce Kilmer Park (E. 161st Street & Grand Concourse)
Pelham Bay War Memorial (Bruckner Blvd.)

BROOKLYN

Grand Army Plaza (northerly approach to Prospect Park)
Joseph A. Guider Park (Eastern Parkway, Washington Ave.)

QUEENS

Flushing Meadow Park

Sixty-one varieties of tulips will be planted. Of these, there will be: 30 varieties of Darwin; 2 varieties of Parrot; 1 of Rembrandt, "Cordell Hull"; 16 varieties of Cottage, and 12 varieties of Breeder. The colors cover a wide range from deep crimsons, purples and blacks through the medium tones of orange, yellow and rose, to the light tones of yellow, white and pink, with countless variations of all these colors.

The origin of the garden tulip is unknown. Tulip seeds were first introduced into Europe from Persia and Turkey in the middle ages and have been planted by all civilized nations since that time. Holland, since the 15th Century, has developed bulbs to a high degree and has introduced many new varieties to the horticultural trade.

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Saturday
October 20, 1945

Two million chrysanthemum blooms massed in colorful and vivid display throughout the city are now flowering in New York City's Third Annual Outdoor Chrysanthemum Display, the Department of Parks announced today. These flowers are now on view in five park areas in New York City: The Central Park Conservatory Gardens at Fifth Avenue and 105th Street; The Plaza at Fifth Avenue and 59th Street; Bryant Park at Sixth Avenue and 42nd Street; Riverside Park at Riverside Drive and 106th Street; Bowling Green Park; and Cadman Plaza in Brooklyn.

These permanent plantings are the gift of Mrs. Albert D. Lasker, of New York City, to the Department of Parks in memory of her Mother, and are known as the Sara J. Woodard Memorial Chrysanthemum Plantings. Mrs. Woodard, who died in New York City on January 8, 1940, was one of the founders of two public parks in Watertown, Wisconsin, and a member of the Park Association of New York City, Inc.

Thousands of visitors to the parks, as well as the people in the surrounding office buildings, hospitals and apartment houses, have enjoyed this dramatic and unique outdoor flower show for the past two years. Planted solidly in beds, some of them over 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 plants more than three feet high and three feet in spread. Bursting into bloom in spite of early frosts and at the season of the year when other flowers are withered and gone, New York City's Annual Outdoor Chrysanthemum Display is the largest and most spectacular outdoor mass planting of these chrysanthemums in the country.

Inspired by the beauty and success of the New York City

plantings, Mrs. Lasker has distributed since February 1944 over three million seeds from these chrysanthemums for use as War Memorial Planting in more than one hundred communities all over the country. Successful plantings are already established by the Park Departments of New Orleans and Niagara Falls and at Radcliffe College, Duke University and many other communities. In March 1945, Mrs. Lasker sent out seeds in answer to requests from 44 Veterans' Hospitals, 35 City Park Departments, 76 Colleges and Universities, 6 Housing Authorities and 15 Garden Clubs. It only requires one half teaspoon of seed to plant an acre of chrysanthemums, so it is anticipated that large-scale plantings will bloom this Fall for the first time in many other communities.

Of special interest among the requests for seed received by Mrs. Lasker is the one from Mr. W. D. Grant, Supervisor of Parks in General Douglas MacArthur's home town of Little Rock, Arkansas, who wished to start a planting in honor of the General. His request for such was granted.

All the plants in New York City's display are seedlings and cuttings from the "Chicago" strain of winter-hardy chrysanthemums developed by Dr. E. J. Kraus, Chairman of the Botany Department of the University of Chicago. Dr. Kraus, stimulated by the desire to create a flower that could be used by the amateur gardener to extend the blooming period of a garden by as much as six weeks, began his experiments in 1934. He wanted to develop a chrysanthemum whose flowers would withstand severe frosts, and whose plants would survive sub-zero temperatures.

Each year thousands of seedlings were grown and out of these fifty to one hundred outstanding plants were selected for further testing. In the Fall of 1941 twelve varieties were selected and made available to the public through nurserymen and commercial growers. In the Spring of 1942, Mrs. Lasker gave the seeds and the funds to establish the original plantings at the Conservatory Gardens and at Bryant Park to the New York City Park

Department. The additional plantings were made in the succeeding years.

The Park Department has found this chrysanthemum during the past three years, one of the few flowers that will bear up under heavy frost, and the only plant having a wide range of color that is suitable in this section of the country for mass planting. It is hoped that each year additional communities will take up the idea of making these plants as a simple, living and beautiful tribute to the heroes of the war. Anyone interested in doing so may secure seeds through commercial growers or by writing to Mrs. Albert D. Lasker, Chrysler Building, New York City.

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FOR RELEASE October 11, 1945.

The Commissioner of Parks and the Borough President of Manhattan announce that with the assistance of the Commissioner of Marine and Aviation substantial progress has been made in their efforts to open to the public the privately-owned waterfront along the Franklin D. Roosevelt Drive between East 51st Street and East 54th Street, in the Borough of Manhattan. The property owners in this section, the Beekman-Campanile and the River House apartments have cooperated with the city by agreeing to surrender their exclusive rights to the waterfront. Formal agreements have been submitted to the Board of Estimate and it has been urged to give its immediate approval.

At the present time, the public waterfront promenade along this section of the Drive extends from the underpass at East 49th Street and comes to a dead end at 51st Street. The portion from 51st Street to 54th Street has been restricted to the residents of the adjacent apartment houses who have made little use of the area. The acquisition of the new section of waterfront property will permit the extension of the existing public promenade from 51st Street to 54th Street. A new pedestrian overpass at 54th Street will be constructed, thus giving access to the neighborhood at the northerly end of the promenade and also providing circulation for pedestrians. The present private bridge over the Drive from the Campanile apartments will be removed and the bridge from the River House will be extended over the promenade to the private dock which will still be maintained. This work, when completed as part of the Postwar Program, will provide a highly desirable addition to the public waterfront.

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FOR RELEASE Wednesday
October 10, 1945

The Tenth Annual Magic Review will be presented by children of the park playgrounds under the direction of Peter Pan the Magic Man, on the Mall in Central Park, on Columbus Day, October 12th at 2:30 P.M. This annual program is given at the close of the outdoor magic season during which thousands of youngsters have been entertained by Peter Pan and his travelling Magic Show.

The children appearing in the Columbus Day show are thirty-six boys and girls who learned their magic in the Roosevelt Magic Club. The young magicians meet once a week throughout the year at Roosevelt Playground in Manhattan, to learn old and new tricks under the direction of Peter Pan. Each year they display what they have learned in the Columbus Day Magic Review.

The program, consisting of magic and music, will be opened by the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner", followed by the first magical act, "Scene in an Agent's Office", in which many varieties of magic will be featured. This will be followed by "Around the World with Magic", a display of international magic, "Twenty Minutes with the Opt-O-Mystics of the Roosevelt Club", "G. I. Showcase", in which former members of the Roosevelt Magic Club now in the armed service will perform, "Musical Puppets", and an exhibition of "Modern Mentalism."

That most popular of magician's assistants, Oscar the Rabbit, will also be present to add his touch of magic to the show. Throughout the program there will be musical selections by members of the Magic Club.

TO EDITORS AND EDITORIAL WRITERS:

Attached is copy of a report with illustrations summarizing what has been accomplished in the New York City park system during the past twelve years.

The booklet is a precise, condensed, accurate report of expansion, rehabilitation and improved public service financed with city, state, and federal funds through contributions from the Triborough Bridge Authority and other agencies, institutions, and individuals.

After years of neglect and indifference to the city's recreation needs, the program of park and parkway improvements began with the first LaGuardia administration in 1934 when special legislation consolidated the then five separate borough park departments and made it possible for the head of the state park system to act as city park commissioner as well as to hold additional unpaid city positions. In this way coordination of city and state parks, parkways and arterial and related developments heretofore impossible was brought about.

At first the depression of the early thirties stimulated the program; then the war interrupted it. New facilities have been erected in every part of the city, and New York City today heads American cities in municipal recreation.

Because of reduced budgets and insufficient personnel, material, and equipment, and other war restrictions, it has been impossible to maintain an acceptable standard of public service during the past three war years. This lowering of standards of upkeep and shortage of manpower have encouraged vandalism and disregard for public property. An adequate budget and a program of emergency repairs and rehabilitation are needed immediately. We also need many more policemen.

The report also outlines a flexible program of useful and necessary postwar work designed to expedite employment after the war so that leaf raking and made work need not be resorted to because of lack of detailed plans and specifications. The projects range in size from large park and parkway construction jobs

to small park buildings and small playgrounds in neglected neighborhoods. All these projects are necessary parts of a carefully planned program of park and parkway expansion and rehabilitation coordinated with other arterial improvements in the metropolitan area, and with housing, school and other construction involving recreation.

A greatly increased demand for recreation is anticipated. This demand will come from men and women in the armed services and in war production who have become accustomed to strenuous exercise, as well as from others who have had little leisure during the war period. Our postwar program of park expansion and rehabilitation will meet their needs.

ROBERT MOSES
Commissioner

Boy and Girl Gardeners Harvest Crops They Raised This Summer in Seward Park

Harvest time came to the Lower East Side yesterday, when the annual flower and crop show was held at the Children's Garden in Seward Park, Jefferson and Canal Streets. Eighty-five gardens tended by juvenile "farmers and farmettes" ranging in age from 8 to 16 years old, who received seeds, instruction and maintenance of their plots through the Department of Parks, came prepared to "take home the pickin's." They arrived with every type of receptacle, ranging from paper shopping bags to grocery cartons.

Before gathering their crops, though, they clustered around the harvest booth to learn the results of their spring and summer farming. They studied the display of the average yield, comprising eight scallions, two ears of corn, thirty beets, 175 radishes, twenty Swiss chard, twelve kohlrabi, eighty carrots, four kale and two heads of endive.

Led by Edward J. Miller, De-

partment of Parks supervisor of the gardens, and Miss Sadie Hecht, gardener, the judges, Miss Mary R. Mackey, garden director of the National Plant, Flower and Fruit Guild, and Miss Alfaretta M. Hale, president of the Central Garden Club of Brooklyn, inspected the vegetable plots and rows of carefully tended fall flowers. Arrangements of the flowers were exhibited separately in the park recreation building.

Mordcaï Kessler, director of the Educational Alliance across the street, which has twenty gardens tended by its youngsters, presented the prizes. Harvey Vogel of 60 Hester Street, aged 9, who shared first honors with Gioia Capoforte of 31 Norfolk Street, aged 11, was given his choice of a pen-and-pencil set and a gardening book. He chose the latter, "to study up during the winter." Gioia wanted the pen and pencil because she is entering the sixth grade in school.

Today the public will be admitted.

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Tuesday
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The Annual Children's Flower Show and harvesting of crops at the Children's Garden in Seward Park, Jefferson and Canal Streets in Manhattan, will be conducted by the Department of Parks on Thursday, October 4th at 3:30 P.M.

To this congested section of the East Side it will seem like "the country coming to the city", as crops of beets, carrots, swisschard, kale, endive, and kohlrabi are harvested by the boys and girls who have attended this garden.

The Flower Show will be held in the Park Recreation Building adjoining the Garden, and youngsters up to 16 years of age will compete in classes for Miniature Arrangements, Old Fashioned Bouquets and other floral affects. There will also be displays of peanuts, okra, broom corn, cotton, tobacco, and herbs grown at the Garden.

The Garden Club of the Educational Alliance of East Broadway has participated in the work of the Children's Garden during the summer, and six awards will be presented by Mordecai Kessler, Director of the Educational Alliance, who will address the children.

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FOR RELEASE Immediately

Because of the hot weather the ice making equipment at the New York City Building, Flushing Meadow Park, Queens, can not hold the ice.

The ice rink has had to be closed, but will reopen on Friday, October 5th, 1945, if the weather permits.

The roller skating rink will remain open.

September 29, 1945.

The ice and roller rinks of the New York City Building, Flushing Meadow Park, Queens, will reopen for the 1945-46 season on Friday, September 26.

The roller rink, 150 feet long and 116 feet wide, has been resurfaced for the new season. The ice surface, 178 feet long and 116 feet wide, will be maintained in the same excellent condition as in previous years.

Special programs for both ice and roller rinks have been planned and patrons will find an interesting and diversified program for every evening session of the week. Music planned and played for skaters will be furnished again this year by Walter Litt at the console of the electric organ.

There will be daily skating periods from 2:30 to 5:30 in the afternoon and from 7:30 to 11 in the evening. Admission charges are twenty-two cents for afternoons and forty-three cents in the evenings. In addition to these sessions there will be the usual free period for youngsters under fourteen years of age every Saturday morning from 9:30 to 12 Noon. The admission price includes the use of roller skates and Federal tax. A charge of fifty cents is made for the rental of ice skates, while shoe rollers can be rented for twenty-five cents.

There is no charge for checking wearing apparel. On the skating floor there is a food bar where food and refreshments are sold at reasonable prices.

In accordance with the department's policy, admission is free to members of the armed forces.

The City Building can be reached conveniently from any point in the city on the following transportation routes:

IRT and BMT lines to 111th Street Station

Flushing-Ridgewood trolley to 52 Ave., walk one block north to park.

Independent Subway, local train "G" to Grand Avenue, then Flushing-Ridgewood trolley to Horace Harding Blvd. and Grand Central Parkway. Walk north to park.

Automobiles can enter park and reach City Building parking fields at following gates: 111th Street, and 54 Avenue and Roosevelt Avenue, east of Grand Central Parkway.

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FOR RELEASE Thursday
September 20, 1945

*To city ed.
Sports writers*

Two hundred model yachts will race this Saturday afternoon, September 22nd, in the Department of Parks annual regatta which will be conducted on Park lakes in the five boroughs at 2:00 P.M. The races are sponsored by the New York Community Trust. All skippers are boys and girls seventeen years of age and under, who own and sail their boats themselves.

Craft will be divided into six classes; Class A- 12 to 18 inches in length; Class B- 19 to 25 inches; Class C- 26 to 32 inches; Class D- 33 to 40 inches; Class E- 41 to 50 inches; Class F- homebuilt models to 30 inches. Class F boats may also race in Class A, B, or C, depending on their length. All contestants must report to the judges' booth not later than 1:00 P. M. on Saturday for measuring in of boats and assignment of race numbers. Post entries will be accepted if they comply with this rule.

Races will start at 2:00 P.M. at the following lakes:

- Manhattan - Conservatory Lake, Central Park near 72 Street and Fifth Avenue
- Brooklyn - Prospect Park Lake, Vanderbilt Street and Prospect Park Southwest
- Bronx - Crotona Park Lake, Wilkins Avenue and Crotona Park East
- Queens - Kissena Park Lake, Oak Avenue and 164 Street, Flushing
- Richmond - Clove Lakes Park, Victory Boulevard and Clove Road, Staten Island

The New York Community Trust will award medals to winners of first, second, and third place in each of the six classes at each lake.

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FOR RELEASE

Thursday
September 20, 1945

To city ed.

Sports writers

City-wide Table Tennis Championships, part of the New York Community Trust Sports Tournament which the Department of Parks is conducting, will be held at Mullaly Recreation Building, Jerome Avenue and East 165 Street in the Bronx, on Saturday, September 22nd at 2:00 P.M.

The boys and girls competing for the city-wide crowns are the winners and runners-up from five borough-wide elimination tournaments in which 2,000 players competed. The contest is divided into four classes: junior boys, senior boys, junior girls, senior girls. Juniors are 12, 13, and 14 years of age; seniors 15, 16 and 17 years of age.

In the boys' division of Saturday's matches, the junior players will be Irwin Miller and Charles Post representing Manhattan, Teddy Holmberg and Harold Schwartz playing for Brooklyn, Benjamin Payton and Morton Plonsky for the Bronx, Richard Hellfrich and Armand Trivilino for Queens, and Herbert Palace and Jackie Braisted for Richmond. Senior boys will be Leon Fleisher and Werner Blumenthal of Manhattan, Arnold Schorr and David Searles of Brooklyn, Elliot Eskenesi and Reuben Klugman of the Bronx, Gerald Lowe and Henry Bischoff of Queens, and Pete Landis and Edward McCann of Richmond.

Junior girls playing for the title will be Lillian Merriman and Ethel Adonilo of Manhattan, Dorothy Sicker and Marilyn Rosenberg of Brooklyn, Phyllis Steiner and Norma Pollack of the Bronx, Marilyn Marcelle and Mildred Blank of Queens, and Mary Lis and Minnie Moschella of Richmond. In the older girls' group the players will be Sylvia Tarchis and Constance Haywood of Manhattan, Florence Lutsky and Frances Roviaska of Brooklyn, Anna Cassara and Lois McIntosh of the Bronx, Janice Helfer and Phyllis Hellfrich of Queens, and Mary Connolly and Caroline Cicero of Richmond.

The winner and runner-up in each division of the contest will receive handsome New York Community Trust medals.

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FOR RELEASE

Immediately

FINAL SQUARE DANCE IN CENTRAL PARK THIS SATURDAY SEPTEMBER
WINDS UP TOTAL OF TWENTY-FOUR OUTDOOR DANCES HELD IN CITY UNDER JOINT AUSPICES
OF PARK DEPARTMENT AND PEPSI-COLA COMPANY

The last free outdoor square dance of the season will be held this Saturday, September 22, on the Mall in Central Park, thus concluding a total of 24 outdoor dances which have been given for New Yorkers throughout the summer under the auspices of the Department of Parks and the sponsorship of Pepsi-Cola Company through its President, Walter S. Mack, Jr.

The Central Park dance takes place from 2 P. M. to 4:30 P. M. with music by Ed Durlacher and the Top Hands.

The Department of Parks and Pepsi-Cola Company jointly sponsored seven Central Park square dances; twelve evening square dances on Riverside Drive and five popular dances for Brooklynites at Lincoln Terrace Park.

Altogether officials of the Park Department estimate that 96,000 New Yorkers attended the three series of dances.

For Saturday's final dance New Yorkers will trip to such numbers as "Oh Susanna," "Hinkie Dinkie," "Don't Fence Me In," "Arkansas Traveller," "Darling Nellie Gray," "Johnnies," and "Wearing of the Green."

September 19, 1945

Mr. Headlip
Immediately
September 18, 1945

*To all ed. writers &
city ed*

The Park Department is still engaged in the removal of trees destroyed in the hurricane of September, 1944. At that time 24,400 trees were destroyed and 17,220 trees were damaged along the city streets and in the parks. Although a part of the work was done by contract, the major portion was carried out by departmental forces with assistance from other city departments.

Over a period of months, several appropriations, totaling \$564,236.68, were made by the Board of Estimate to remove the destroyed trees and to straighten and brace those which were damaged but worth salvaging. Seven thousand seven hundred and twenty trees were straightened under contracts let by the Park Department. The balance of 9,500 salvageable trees were straightened and braced with Park forces and equipment. This salvage work required 280,000 board feet of lumber, 26,000 pounds of wire, and 9,000 pounds of undercured garden hose, at a total cost for materials of \$24,000.

Under additional contracts, 12,318 trees were removed from the city streets. Upon completion of contract work, there were still thousands of trees left to be removed. The street tree work was completed by the Park Department with the assistance of men and equipment assigned from the maintenance departments of the various Borough Presidents and from the Department of Sanitation. The removal of destroyed trees in parks throughout the city was left to the Park Department which, with the help of rented compressors, cranes and trucks, has been gradually clearing up the fallen trees and debris over the past four months. There still remain today in the parks 150 trees to be cut up and removed and 3,150 stumps to be removed. This work will be completed by December 1, 1945.

There have been many requests from citizens for the replacement of trees destroyed by the hurricane. The emergency appropriations were totally inadequate even to remove all the destroyed trees. There was no appropriation for the planting of new trees, nor is there any provision in the city's annual budget for the planting of street trees. Under these circumstances such planting must be done by the abutting property owners.

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FOR RELEASE

Immediately

To golfed, sports writers, city eds.

The final round of the Department of Parks Knickerbocker Handicap Golf Tournament will be played at Split Rock Golf Course in the Bronx, this Sunday, September 23rd. The first foursome will tee off at 9:00 A.M. Twenty golfers, top scorers from the 1,200 who competed in qualifying tournaments on the ten municipal courses, will play thirty-six holes of medal play for the handicap title. With the title, the winner will receive a prize of a \$50.00 War Bond. The runner-up will receive a \$25.00 War Bond.

The foursomes lined up for Sunday are:

Starting Time		Handicap
9:00 A.M.	A. De Angelis, Split Rock	19
	A. Henry, Pelham	8
	P. Palmieri, Mosholu	4
	W. F. Olson, Van Cortlandt	13
9:10 A.M.	D. Gilfillan, Clearview	13
	A. Dykes, Kissena	13
	W. Kupfer, Forest Park	18
	Walter Holland, Dyker Beach	9
9:20 A.M.	G. Smith, Silver Lake	4
	C. Wikstrom, LaTourette	10
	S. Jaffe, Split Rock	11
	J. Carlesi, Pelham	12
9:30 A.M.	K. Lindlaw, Mosholu	5
	W. Barlow, Van Cortlandt	7
	N. F. Bader, Clearview	14
	D. E. Martin, Kissena	14
9:40 A.M.	E. N. Steinfeld, Forest Park	20
	William Holland, Dyker Beach	7
	F. Matthews, Silver Lake	3
	W. J. Murphy, La Tourette	18

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To Sports Writers:

Results of Knickerbocker Handicap Golf Tournament to be held at Split Rock Golf Course on Sunday, September 23, may be secured by telephoning the Split Rock Golf House, City Island 8 - 1258, after 6:00 P.M.

September 18, 1945.

75,000,000 visits were made to Park Department recreation facilities during the summer, according to an announcement made by Park officials. This large attendance indicates that New Yorkers complied with the request of government officials to spend their 1945 vacations at home to reduce the strain on transportation facilities and conserve gasoline.

Over 64,000,000 people used New York City's six municipal beaches during the summer. An additional million enjoyed the Park Department's seventeen outdoor swimming pools; this includes 198,138 youngsters who were admitted free of charge during the morning period reserved for children. In the annual Learn to Swim Campaign conducted at all pools, 4,800 youngsters were taught to swim. Three series of swimming meets were conducted during July and August: six Journal-American sponsored meets for girls, six New York Mirror sponsored meets for boys, and twenty meets for boys, girls, men and women sponsored by the New York Community Trust. Junior and Senior Metropolitan A.A.U. Championship events and special events for service men were conducted in conjunction with these three swimming tournaments. Three thousand youngsters took part in the meets, many swimming in competition for the first time.

339,000 rounds of golf were played on the ten municipal golf courses during the season. Local and City-wide tournaments were conducted for men, women, and junior boys, and prizes were donated by the Park Association of New York City. A city-wide tennis tournament in which 1,300 players entered, was held on Park courts throughout the five boroughs.

14,500 children participated in the Annual Summer Sports Tournament, a special program of sports activities for girls and boys under 18 years of age, sponsored by the New York Community Trust. This tournament included handball, horseshoe pitching, swimming, paddle tennis, shuffleboard, table tennis, checkers, jacks, and model yachting. Individual contests were conducted in each of these activities, starting with elimination matches in 492 neighborhood playgrounds, then proceeding with inter-playground, inter-district, and inter-borough play-offs to determine City-wide Champions.

6,500 boys took part in a softball tournament in the Mirror league, and many thousands of additional players used the 447 softball and baseball diamonds for daily games and exercise, providing a source of recreation for a great number of spectators.

Among the most popular summer activities designed for youngsters were the marionette and magic shows. 102 magic shows and 110 marionette shows played to young audiences in playgrounds all over the city during the summer. Both travelling shows will be making fall appearances soon.

Another popular children's activity was the annual dance festival held in each of the five boroughs. Two thousand girls were taught folk, ballet, and

character dancing by playground directors in local playgrounds, and helped to make their own costumes for the affairs. 30,000 parents and friends enjoyed these demonstrations by the youngsters.

In addition to these special features, the daily recreation program consisting of arts, crafts, drama, dancing, sports, story telling, singing and group games, was carried on in the playgrounds by a staff of 650 playground directors who organized, supervised, and promoted these activities. The play program included basketball, volleyball, softball, handball, shuffleboard, paddle tennis, horseshoe pitching, the use of swings, see-saws, slides, exercise units, and the ever popular wading pool. Many New Yorkers also enjoyed boating on the lakes, riding on bridle and bicycle paths, bowling on the green, playing cricket, fishing, and model yachting at special areas provided for these sports.

A full season of concerts and dancing was provided on the musical side of the summer recreation program. A series of fifty-four Name Band Dances which concluded last Friday at Prospect Park, was sponsored by Consolidated Edison System Companies, and was enjoyed by more than 300,000 dancers and listeners. Such well known leaders as Clyde Lucas, Mitchell Ayres, Bill Bardo, Shorty Sherock, and Van Alexander led their orchestras for these public dances. The Name Band program was climaxed by a dance contest in which eliminations were held in all boroughs, and finals on the Mall in Central Park before an audience of 20,000 spectators.

Square dancing, which enjoys growing popularity, was sponsored on two evenings a week by Pepsi-Cola Company. 8,000 dancers do-si-doed every Monday night at Riverside Drive at 103rd Street, and several thousand more did likewise at Saturday afternoon hoe-downs on the Mall in Central Park. Square dancing on the Mall will continue on Saturday afternoons until September 22nd. Other outdoor dances, sponsored by various organizations in local playgrounds throughout the city, were attended by 150,000 people.

Lovers of concert music were well provided for in the past summer. The Goldman Band, marking its twenty-eighth season in the parks, rendered sixty concerts for approximately 500,000 listeners in Central and Prospect Parks. The City Amateur Symphony Orchestra, under the leadership of Hon. Leopold Prince, gave six Saturday night concerts on the Mall, entertaining 36,000. Four Naumburg Memorial Concerts were provided with conductors Malcolm Holmes, Emanuel Balaban, Richard Bales, and Nicolas Rascigno sharing the honors. Through the courtesy of Local 802 of the American Federation of Musicians, a program of thirty concerts was presented to the public, attracting a total audience of 90,000.

Last summer's Park program, with its provision for all ages, tastes, and recreational preferences is typical of the Park Department's never ending effort to provide a program of healthful activities with universal appeal. With a summer of service behind it, the Park Department is looking forward to an integrated program of fall activities for young and old.

Sept. 13, 1945

Thirty-five top-ranking paddle-tennis players from the Park playgrounds of the five boroughs will meet this Saturday, September 15th, to determine the City-wide Champions in the Summer Sports Tournament being conducted by the Department of Parks and sponsored by the New York Community Trust. The players in Saturday's championship matches are the survivors of a tournament in which over 2,000 players competed.

The tournament is being conducted in four divisions: junior boys and junior girls for players 12, 13 and 14 years of age, and senior boys and senior girls for those 15, 16 and 17 years of age. Championships in each division are scheduled for 1:30 P. M. on Saturday at the following locations:

Junior Boys at North Meadow in Central Park at 97th Street, Manhattan

Senior Boys at Hamilton Fish Playground, East Houston and Pitt Street, Manhattan

Junior Girls at Playground at Riverside Drive and 102nd Street, Manhattan

Senior Girls at Carl Schurz Park, East End Avenue and 84th Street, Manhattan

The borough representatives in the Junior Boys' division are Anthony Bellaria and Hugh Solomon of Manhattan, Thomas VanWart and Thomas Maggiore of Brooklyn, Ronnie Rubin and Ralph Capasso of the Bronx, Joseph Bassi and Carl Schmidt of Queens, and M. Bosley and A. Colgan of Richmond. In the Junior Girls' division, players will be Yetta Leitner and Lillian Merriman of Manhattan, Rose Pianto of Brooklyn, Margaret Hardecker and Anne Greenberg of the Bronx, and Carolyn Crane and Mildred Blank of Queens.

Vying for the Senior Boys' titles will be Joseph Ryan and Marvin Teitlebaum of Manhattan, Donald Schwartz and Fred Moore of Brooklyn, Carl Kaplan and Mel Buxbaum of the Bronx, Henry Bischoff and Marvin Klarman of Queens, and M. Cronin and J. Adams of Richmond. Senior girls will be Sylvia Tarchis and Dorothy Munna of Manhattan, Joan Inglise of Brooklyn, Carol Vitter and Ruth Phillips of the Bronx, Patricia Lynch and Mary Doherty of Queens, and Phyllis McCaugh of Richmond.

Sept 9/13/45 The New York Community Trust will award prizes to the winner and runner-up in each division of the tournament.

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FOR RELEASE Immediately

Sept. 13, 1945

The City-wide Handball Championships, part of the New York Community Trust Summer Sports Tournament, will be conducted by the Department of Parks on Sunday, September 16th, at 2:00 P. M., at Lincoln Terrace Playground, Eastern Parkway and Rochester Avenue, in Brooklyn.

Twenty players will match skill for the city-wide crowns in the boys' and girls' divisions of the contest. Sunday's finals will be the climax of a series of eliminations in which over 1,800 players participated on Park courts during July and August.

Keen competition is expected in the boys' half of the tournament, with the following players taking the courts for their respective boroughs: John Singleton and Ernest Ferraro of Manhattan, Edward Duffy and John Bjornson of Brooklyn, Abe Grinoch and Abe Sotnikow of the Bronx, Michael Takvor and Charles Fangman of Queens, and Philip Naglione and Louis Caccosci of Richmond.

In the feminine division of the contest, the boroughs will be represented as follows: Manhattan by Virginia Dansby and Catherine Byrnes; Brooklyn by Naomi Hanft and Mary Jane Andriola; the Bronx by Rose Cummings and Verne Rogers; and Queens by Ethelyn Mason and Dorothy Schroeder.

Winner and runner-up in each division will receive medals donated by the New York Community Trust.

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FOR RELEASE Immediately

Sept. 13, 1945

Twelve hundred players in the Knickerbocker Handicap Golf Tournament will tee off in local eliminations on the ten municipal courses on Sunday, September 16th, at 8:00 A. M. Golfers will play eighteen holes of medal play on Sunday, with handicaps assigned in accordance with attested score cards of games played on the various Park Department courses. U.S.G.A. rules will govern all play.

Local course winners and runners-up will compete for the City-wide Handicap Championship. The City-wide competition will consist of thirty-six holes of medal play, and will be conducted at Split Rock Golf Course in the Bronx, starting Sunday, September 23rd. City-wide Handicap will be adjusted after play in local course championships.

A prize of a \$25.00 War Bond will be awarded to each course winner, and \$10.00 in War Savings Stamps to each course runner-up. The City-wide champion will receive a \$50.00 War Bond, and the City-wide runner-up a \$25.00 War Bond.

Local tournaments will be conducted this Sunday at the following courses: Dyker Beach in Brooklyn; Kissena, Forest Park, and Clearview in Queens; Van Cortlandt, Mosholu, Split Rock and Pelham in the Bronx; and Silver Lake and LaTourette in Richmond.

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FOR RELEASE September 13, 1945

FREE CENTRAL PARK SQUARE DANCES CONTINUE WITH SIXTH WEEKLY DANCE
THIS SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH

Events Are Under Joint Auspices of Park Department and Pepsi-Cola Company

New Yorkers who have taken square dances to their hearts this summer, can still enjoy these free weekly outdoor dances, which are under the auspices of the Department of Parks and the sponsorship of Pepsi-Cola Company.

The sixth weekly dance takes place this Saturday afternoon, September 15, on the Mall in Central Park, from 2:00 P. M. to 4:30 P. M.

Dance caller Ed Durlacher and the Top Hands supply the music, which is the contribution of Pepsi-Cola Company through its President, Walter S. Mack, Jr.

The final dance of the season will be held next Saturday, September 22.

Pepsi-Cola Company and the Department of Parks were also joint sponsors of a free weekly square dance series on Riverside Drive which concluded last Monday night, September 10.

Featured numbers on this Saturday's program include such square and circle dances as Two Head Ladies; Salute As You Pass; Cut Off Six; Ladies Chain; Virginia Reel; Coming Round the Mountain and Nantucket.

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FOR RELEASE Sept. 10, 1945

FINAL FREE OUTDOOR POPULAR DANCE OF SERIES TAKES PLACE IN BROOKLYN
THIS WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH, AT LINCOLN TERRACE PARK

Dances Have Been under Joint Sponsorship of Park Department
and Pepsi-Cola Company

The last in the series of five free weekly popular dances which have been held on Wednesday nights at Lincoln Terrace Park (Eastern Parkway, between Rochester and Buffalo Avenues, Brooklyn) takes place this Wednesday night, September 12th, from 8:30 P.M. to 11:00 P.M.

The dances are under the auspices of the Department of Parks and the sponsorship of Pepsi-Cola Company which contributes the music, played by Albert De Joseph and his Swing Masters.

Free outdoor square dances, held in Manhattan under the Park Department and Pepsi-Cola sponsorship, continue on the Mall in Central Park on Saturday afternoons. The next dance takes place this Saturday, September 15th, from 2:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M. The final dance in the series will be held on Saturday, September 22nd.

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FOR RELEASE IMMEDIATELY

FIFTH WEEKLY SQUARE DANCE ON CENTRAL PARK MALL
THIS SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 8th

Riverside Drive Series of Twelve Dances Ends on Monday, September 10th

The free, weekly outdoor square dances which are held every Saturday afternoon on the Mall in Central Park under the auspices of the Department of Parks and sponsorship of Pepsi-Cola Company, go into their fifth week this Saturday, September 8th. The dances are held in the afternoon from 2:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M., with music by Ed Durlacher, dance caller, and his Top Hands, whose services are the contribution of Pepsi-Cola Company through its President, Walter S. Mack, Jr.

The last dance in the series of twelve free, weekly outdoor square dances, also under the joint sponsorship of the Park Department and Pepsi-Cola Company, which are held on Monday nights on Riverside Drive and 103rd Street, on the Skating Rink (Lower Level), takes place this Monday, September 10th, at 8:30 P. M.

Park Department officials estimate that Seventy thousand have participated and attended this series, which was initiated primarily to help New Yorkers spend happy vacations in town and thus alleviate transportation facilities strained by the war.

Featured numbers on Saturday's program include such square and circle dance numbers as "Oh Susanna"; "Golden Slippers"; "Rambling Wreck from Georgia Tech" and "Arkansas Traveler".

Monday night's dance on Riverside Drive, comprising circle, square and novelty dances, will be done to such numbers as "Hinkie Dinkie"; "Wearing of the Green"; "Bumps-a-Daisy"; "Loobie Loo"; "Star Dust" and "Johnnies".

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FOR RELEASE

Sunday
September 9, 1945

The 1945 season of Name Band Dances will come to a close this week, with Shorty Sherock and his Orchestra playing for the four final dances. These dances, sponsored by Consolidated Edison System Companies, provided recreation and enjoyment for over 184,000 persons during the past summer and made many stay-at-home vacations more pleasant. During the four years that Name Band Dances have been part of the Park Department's adult recreation program they have proved to have universal appeal, attracting audiences of all ages - the oldsters coming to listen, and the younger element to dance.

Shorty Sherock, trumpet-playing leader of this week's band, is a comparative newcomer to the ranks of Name Band maestros. Sherock has been trumpet man for numerous top ranking outfits, and has a wealth of radio, theatre, ballroom, and recording experience behind him. Elayne Trent is featured vocalist with the orchestra.

This week's dances are scheduled for 8:30 P. M. at the following dance areas:

Tuesday, September 11th, Playground at Broadway and 78th St., Queens

Wednesday, September 12th, Poe Park, 192 Street and Grand Concourse,
Bronx

Thursday, September 13th, the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan

Friday, September 14th, Prospect Park Dance Area, 11th Street and
Prospect Park West, Brooklyn.

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FOR RELEASE Immediately

The City-wide Department of Park Tennis Finals for men will be played this Saturday, September 8th at 2:00 P. M. on the Central Park courts at 93rd Street and West Drive, with Phil Rubel of Brooklyn, the defending champion and winner of the 1943 title, facing Al Fields of Manhattan. Rubel and Fields are the survivors of a tough elimination tournament in which 1,100 players originally started.

The winner of Saturday's tilt will receive a handsome cup donated by the New York Community Trust, and will have his name inscribed on the permanent trophy, gift of the Park Association of New York City. The runner-up will also receive a New York Community Trust cup.

Five-borough play-offs in the women's division of the tournament are scheduled to start next week.

September 6, 1945

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE

Tuesday
September 4, 1945

Sixty couples representing the five boroughs will dance in the City-wide Finals of the Fourth Annual Harvest Dance Contest to be conducted by the Department of Parks on Thursday evening, September 6th at 8:30 P.M. on the Mall in Central Park. A complete evening of entertainment awaits the audience, with music by Bob Chester and his Orchestra, and vocals by Margie Woods and Bob Anthony, and an interlude of tap dancing by Jimmy Burns.

The dancers competing for titles in the waltz, foxtrot, rhumba, and jitterbug divisions of the contest are the winners of borough-wide elimination contests held during the past two weeks. Each borough will be represented by three couples in each division. Consolidated Edison System Companies, sponsors of Name Band Dances in the parks, will award prizes of \$25.00 War Bonds to the winners of first place in each division, and suitable prizes to those placing second.

The winners of the four dance titles will compete for the All Round Championship for which an additional prize award will be made.

The judges who will pick the 1945 dance champions are Albert Butler, Donald Sawyer, Oscar Duryea, and Florence Doughty, well known dance experts and teachers.

This week there will also be dancing, with music by Name Bands, at Victory Field, Myrtle Avenue and Woodhaven Boulevard in Queens on Tuesday, September 4th; at Poe Park, 192 Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx, on Wednesday, September 5th; and at Prospect Park Dance Area, 11th Street and Prospect Park West, Brooklyn, on Friday, September 7th. All dances start at 8:30 P.M.

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FOR RELEASE Monday
September 3, 1945

"Happy the Humbug," a marionette drama, will be presented at four Bronx playgrounds this week by the Department of Parks Trailer Marionette Theatre. Performances will be given at 11:00 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. at each location.

"Happy the Humbug" 's cast is made up entirely of animal puppets, the chief actor being Happy, a dream-animal with a giraffe's neck, turtle's back, and monkey's tail. Hunkey the Monkey plays an important role as Happy's best friend. Happy and Hunkey have many adventures, culminating in the rescue of the harried heroine, Miss Pink Elephant, from the villains Cock and Bull. There are also a variety of fantastic animals, and a ballet of fairy flowers to add to the entertainment.

"Happy the Humbug" will appear at the following playgrounds:

Tuesday, September 4th - VanCortlandt Park, West 241 Street and Broadway, Bronx
Wednesday, September 5th - Playground at Bronx River Parkway and 203 St., Bronx
Thursday, September 6th - St.Mary's Park, Trinity Avenue and East 146 St., Bronx
Friday, September 7th - Playground at Watson, Gleason, and Noble Avenues, Bronx

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FOR RELEASE Monday
September 3, 1945

Peter Pan the Department of Parks Magic Man, and Oscar the educated rabbit, will give the closing performances of their summer schedule in Park playgrounds of the boroughs of Brooklyn and Queens this week. Peter and Oscar have given over a hundred performances this summer, entertaining 60,000 wide-eyed boys and girls. The Magic Show is one of the best liked features in the Park Department's recreation program, as it is designed to allow the youngsters ample opportunity to participate in magical songs, stories, and games.

This week's shows will be given at the following playgrounds:

Tuesday, September 4th

- 11:00 A.M. - Highland Park, Lower Playground, Elton Street and Jamaica Avenue, Brooklyn.
- 2:30 P.M. - Forest Park Music Grove, Queens.

Wednesday, September 5th

- 11:00 A.M. - Playground at Liberty Avenue and 102 Street, Ozone Park, Queens
- 2:30 P.M. - Playground at Atlantic Avenue and 88 Street, Woodhaven, Queens

Thursday, September 6th

- 11:00 A.M. - O'Connell Playground, 196 Street and 113 Avenue, St. Albans, Queens.
- 2:30 P.M. - Liberty Park, Liberty Avenue and 173 Street, Jamaica, Queens.

Friday, September 7th

- 11:00 A.M. - Playground at Atlantic Avenue and 125 Street, Richmond Hill, Queens.
- 2:30 P.M. - Baisley Park, 125 Avenue and 153 Street, Queens.

Peter Pan will retire for a few weeks to replenish his bag of tricks and plan a new fall show, while Oscar refurbishes his fur coat and straightens out his whiskers. Oscar and Peter will start their fall tour in October.

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Mr. Headlip

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Tuesday
September 2, 1945

FOURTH WEEKLY FREE OUTDOOR POPULAR DANCE TAKES PLACE IN BROOKLYN
WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 5th, UNDER JOINT SPONSORSHIP OF PARK DEPARTMENT
AND PEPSI-COLA COMPANY

The fourth in the series of five weekly outdoor popular dances made available free to the public through the sponsorship of Pepsi-Cola Company and held under the auspices of the Department of Parks, takes place this Wednesday September 5th, at Lincoln Terrace Park, Eastern Parkway, between Rochester and Buffalo Avenues, Brooklyn.

Dance music will be played by Albert DeJoseph and his Swing Masters from 8:30 P.M. to 11:00 P.M.

The last dance in the series will be held next Wednesday evening, September 12th.

The Park Department and Pepsi-Cola Company also sponsor free outdoor square dances which are held in Manhattan. The last in the series of twelve evening dances takes place next Monday night, September 10th at Riverside Drive and 103rd Street (Lower Level) from 8:30 P.M. to 11:00 P.M.

Saturday afternoon dances on the Mall in Central Park, from 2:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M., will be held on Saturday, September 8th, 15th and 22nd.

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FOR RELEASE Sunday
September 2, 1945

Model Yacht Regatta entries are now being received at Park Department headquarters in the five boroughs for the New York Community Trust races to be held on Saturday, September 22nd. A separate regatta will be held at 2:00 P.M. in each borough on that date.

The races are open to boys and girls 17 years of age and under who own and sail their own boats. Boats will compete in six classes: Class A - 12 to 18 inches; Class B - 19 to 25 inches; Class C - 26 to 32 inches; Class D - 33 to 40 inches; Class E - 41 to 50 inches; and Class F - homebuilt models to 30 inches. Boats will be measured for overall length from stern to bow, not including the bowsprit. Homebuilt models entered in Class F may also race in Class A or B depending on their length.

On Regatta Day, skippers from Manhattan will sail on Conservatory Lake in Central Park, Brooklyn on Prospect Park Lake, Bronx on Crotona Park Lake, Queens on Kissena Park Lake, and Richmond on Clove Lake. New York Community Trust medals will be awarded to first, second, and third place winners in each event. Entry blanks may be obtained at the following locations:

Manhattan - Arsenal Building, 64 Street and Fifth Avenue, New York 21, N.Y.

Brooklyn - Litchfield Mansion, 5th Street and Prospect Park West, Brooklyn 15, NY.

Bronx - Administration Building, Bronx Park East and Birchall Avenue, Bronx 60, NY

Queens - The Overlook, Forest Park, Kew Gardens, Queens 15, N. Y.

Richmond - Clove Lake Field House, Clove Road and Victory Boulevard, Staten Island 1, N. Y.

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FOR RELEASE Sunday
September 2, 1945

The final concert in the 1945 series of Naumburg Memorial Concerts will be given on Labor Day, September 3rd at 8:15 P.M. on the Mall in Central Park, with Nicolas Rescigno conducting. These concerts are 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 and sponsored many free concerts during his life-time. Four memorial concerts are presented to the public each year.

Mr. Resigno has selected the following program:

Overture "I Vespri Siciliani"	Verdi
First Movement, Symphony No. 4	Mendelssohn
Aria- "Una voce poco fa" from Barber of Seville	Rossini
Maria Noelte	
Capriccio Italian	Tschaikowsky
The Enchanted Lake	Liadow
Dance of the Sirens from Lorelei	Catalani
Danse Mauresque	Astori
Aria- Mad Scene from Lucia	Donizetti
Maria Noelte	
Overture to "Die Meistersinger"	Wagner

The Department of Parks announces the closing of the seventeen outdoor swimming pools at the close of business on Monday, September ^{2nd 1946} ~~3rd, 1945~~. This will mark the end of a successful season of water activities, in which ~~1,145,000~~ [?] children and adults enjoyed the swimming facilities of the pools. During the summer, over ~~3,000~~ [?] youngsters took part in swimming meets in the pools. In July ~~ten~~ [?] meets were held, ending with City-wide Championships for girls at Flushing Meadow Amphitheatre, and City-wide Championships for boys at Sunset Pool in Brooklyn. ~~Seventeen meets were held in August, climaxing in a City-wide Championship meet at McCarren Pool in which 400 youngsters took to the water.~~ Many of the young swimmers had their first taste of competitive swimming this season in these Park meets.

In addition to swimming events, the annual Learn to Swim Campaign was also held in each of the seventeen pools throughout July and August. This year's instruction was graded for beginners, intermediate, and advanced swimmers, and ~~4,000~~ [?] children learned how to swim during the campaign.

^{8th} Twelve of the outdoor pools will reopen as active play centers on Sunday, September 8th, with facilities for paddle tennis, shuffleboard, basketball, table tennis, and group games. The centers will operate free of charge. The pools which will convert to play centers are:

Manhattan:

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

Brooklyn:

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

Bronx:

Crotona Pool, 173 Street and Fulton Avenue

Queens:

Astoria Pool, 19 Street and 23 Drive

Richmond:

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

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SQUARE DANCES ON CENTRAL PARK MALL AND RIVERSIDE DRIVE
FEATURE OF NEW YORKERS' LABOR DAY WEEK END

Park Department and Pepsi-Cola Company Sponsors of Free Outdoor Entertainment

New Yorkers spending the Labor Day week end in town can still enjoy real country entertainment by attending the free outdoor square dances to be held this Saturday afternoon, September 1, on the Mall in Central Park and on Riverside Drive at 103rd Street (On the Skating Rink, Lower Level) on Labor Day night, Monday September 3, from 8:30 P.M. to 11:00 P.M.

The dances are part of the two series being held under the auspices of the Department of Parks and the sponsorship of Pepsi-Cola Company through its President, Walter S. Mack, Jr.

Dance caller Ed Durlacher and the Top Hands whose music is the contribution of Pepsi-Cola Company, provide music for both dances.

The Central Park dance is the fourth in the series of seven weekly dances on the Mall, which winds up on Saturday, September 22nd. The Riverside Drive dance is the next to the last in the series of twelve which began on June 25 and concludes on Monday, September 10th.

Featured numbers on Saturday's program include such square dances as Hinky Dinky Parlee-vo; Yankee Doodle; Ladies Chain; Coming Round the Mountain; and Duck for the Oyster.

Monday night's dance on Riverside Drive, comprising circle, square, and novelty dances, will be done to such numbers as "Oh Susanna", "Pigtown Hoedown", "Solomon Levi", "Pop Goes the Weasel", "Candy", "Beer Barrel Polka", and "Mulberry Bush."

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FOR RELEASE

Monday
August 27, 1945

The Department of Parks Magic Show, featuring Peter Pan the Magic Man, will be presented at ten Brooklyn and Queens playgrounds this week. The Magic Show, one of the Department of Park's most popular special features for children, is now in the last two weeks of its summer tour.

The show is especially designed for children, with special songs, stunts, and games in which they can participate. There is also a magician's assistant, a rabbit named Oscar, whose appearance is always greeted with squeals of delight. Oscar, who was a newcomer to show business when the summer tour started, is now a seasoned trouper and plans to remain with the show when it goes into its autumn schedule.

Peter Pan will perform at the following playgrounds:

Monday, August 27th

11:00 A.M. Crews Playground, Park Avenue east of Nostrand Avenue, Brooklyn
2:30 P.M. Playground at Lafayette and Reid Avenues, Brooklyn.

Tuesday, August 28th

11:00 A.M. Triboro Playground, Hoyt and 2nd Avenues, Astoria, Queens.
2:30 P.M. Playground at 30 Road and 45 Street, Astoria, Queens.

Wednesday, August 29th

11:00 A.M. Long Island City Playground, 21 Street and 45 Avenue, Queens.
2:30 P.M. Thomson Hill Playground, Greenpoint Avenue and 40 Road, Queens.

Thursday, August 30th

11:00 A.M. Queensbridge Playground, East River Plaza, near Vernon Boulevard, Queens.
2:30 P.M. Playground at Broadway and 78 Street, Elmhurst, Queens.

Friday, August 31st

11:00 A.M. Grover Cleveland Playground, Stanhope Street and Grandview Avenue, Queens.
2:30 P.M. Jackson Heights Playground, 84 Street and 30 Avenue, Queens.

Mr. Hendlip

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FOR RELEASE Monday
August 27, 1945

Ten performances of "Happy the Humbug" will be presented by the Department of Parks Trailer Marionette Theatre this week for audiences of children in Park playgrounds of Queens and the Bronx.

"Happy the Humbug" is the engaging tale of Happy, a combination turtle-monkey-giraffe, who in spite of his name, is very unhappy. Happy feels that he has no friends because of his fantastic appearance. He has many interesting adventures before the play reaches its satisfactory ending, in which Happy emerges as the hero who outwits the villains and rescues the fair lady in distress, the gentian-eyed Miss Pink Elephant.

Happy will rescue the harassed heroine twice daily at the following playgrounds this week:

Monday, August 27th

11:00 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. - Kissena Park, 164 Street and Oak Avenue, Flushing, Queens.

Tuesday, August 28th

11:00 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. - Queensbridge Playground, Vernon Boulevard and Bridge Plaza North, Queens.

Wednesday, August 29th

11:00 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. - Mullaly Playground, East 164 Street and Jerome Avenue, Bronx.

Thursday, August 30th

11:00 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. - Claremont Park, Teller and Mount Eden Avenues, Bronx.

Friday, August 31st

11:00 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. - Poc Park, 192 Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx.

Mr. Headly
Sunday
August 26, 1945

The current series of fifty-four Name Band Dances sponsored by Consolidated Edison System Companies, will continue in the parks this week with a different top flight orchestra lined up for each of the five dances. All dances start at 8:30 P.M. and are held out-of-doors on smoothly paved dance areas.

This week's dancing will start on Monday, August 27th at Colonial Park, Bradhurst Avenue and West 153 Street in Manhattan, with Al Cooper and his boys furnishing the music. The Cooper band is known to dancers for its versatile style, and has many successful engagements to its credit. This is Al Cooper's first Name Band date in the parks this season.

On Tuesday, August 28th, Roberta Hollywood, "First Lady of Television," will play for dancing at Victory Field, Woodhaven Boulevard and Myrtle Avenue in Queens. Miss Hollywood, a newcomer to the ranks of bandleaders, served her musical apprenticeship singing with several top flight bands before forming her own group. This eye-filling orchestra leader does her own vocals in addition to conducting.

Stan Kenton and his Orchestra will appear at Poe Park, 192 Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx, on Wednesday, August 29th. The Kenton band made its reputation on the coast, and is one of the youngest outfits to earn the "Name Band" appellation. Kenton features his own smooth piano playing, and the versatile talents of eighteen musicians, singers, and entertainers.

Clyde Lucas, one of the best known Name Band maestros, will lead his orchestra at the Mall in Central Park, on Thursday evening, August 30th. Clyde Lucas has played major theatres, hotels, and ballrooms from coast to coast, and is a top favorite with the dancing public. Lucas maintains a fresh perspective by adding new features to his organization all the time.

Brooklyn dancers at the Prospect Park Dance Area, 11th Street and Prospect Park West in Brooklyn, will dance to the rhythms of Lee Castle's Orchestra on Friday night, August 31st. Castle is one of the country's outstanding trumpeters, and leads Artie Shaw's old outfit. The Castle Orchestra plays both sweet and hot music with ease.

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FOR RELEASE Sunday
August 26, 1945

The 1945 season of outdoor competitive swimming in Department of Parks Pools will wind up this week with the City-wide New York Community Trust Championships for Boys and Girls on Tuesday, August 28th at McCarren Pool, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street in Brooklyn, and Service Men's and A.A.U. Events for Men at Astoria Pool, 19th Street and 23rd Drive in Queens, on the preceding day, Monday, August 27th. Both meets start at 5:00 P. M. During the summer, over 2,600 youngsters swam in competition in the Park Department pools of the five boroughs.

The swimmers in the McCarren meet, who will vie for city-wide crowns in sixteen events, are all winners of elimination events held in each of the seventeen outdoor Park pools during August. Events are arranged according to age, and include freestyle races for youngsters 10 years and under; 11, 12, 13 years of age; 14, 15 years of age; and 16, 17 years of age. In addition to the freestyle events, sixteen and seventeen year olds will also have breaststroke, backstroke, and diving events. Adults have not been neglected in the swim program, as there are two freestyle events for men and women over 18 years of age.

At Astoria Pool on Monday, there will be three events for service men, and four Amateur Athletic Union events for men. An interesting field has registered for this meet, with the Navy predominating among the service entries, and the New York Athletic Club among the A.A.U. swimmers. Events for service men are: 50 meter backstroke, 50 meter breaststroke, and 100 meter freestyle. The events for A.A.U. members are: 100 meter backstroke, 100 meter freestyle, 200 meter breaststroke, and three meter dive.

The New York Community Trust will award medals in each event, to winners of first, second, and third place.

The following special events will take place in the parks this week:

Sunday, August 26th

- 8:00 A.M. Junior Municipal Golf Championship at Forest Park Golf Course, Forest Parkway and Park Lane South, Queens.
- 9:00 A.M. Women's Municipal Golf Championship at Forest Park Golf Course, Forest Parkway and Park Lane South, Queens.
- 11:00 A.M. Inter-borough Softball Game, Queens vs Bronx at Macombs Dam Park, 161 Street and Ruppert Place, Bronx.
- 1:00 P.M. Track Meet - Sons of the American Legion at Hohn Adams Playground, 133 Avenue and 103 Street, Queens.
- 2:00 P.M. Inter-borough Softball Game at Parade Grounds, Coney Island and Parkside Avenues, Brooklyn.
- 3:15 P.M. Concert - Associated Musicians of Greater New York at Forest Park Music Grove, Queens.

Monday, August 27th

- 5:00 P.M. Swimming Events for Service Men and A.A.U. Events for Men at Astoria Swimming Pool, 19th Street and 23rd Drive, Queens.
- 8:30 P.M. Dancing - Al Cooper's Orchestra at Colonial Park, Bradhurst Avenue and 148 Street, Manhattan.
- 8:30 P.M. Square Dancing - Ed Durlacher's Top Hands at Riverside Drive and 103 Street, Manhattan

Tuesday, August 28th

- 5:00 P.M. City-wide Championship Swimming Events for Boys and Girls at McCarren Pool, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street, Brooklyn.
- 8:15 P.M. Concert - Associated Musicians of Greater New York at Colonial Recreation Center, Bradhurst Avenue and 146 Street, Manhattan.
- 8:30 P.M. Dancing - Roberta Hollywood's Orchestra at Victory Field, Myrtle Avenue and Woodhaven Boulevard, Queens.

Wednesday, August 29th

- 2:00 P.M. City-wide Checker Championship for Boys and Girls at McLaughlin Playground, Jay and Tillary Streets, Brooklyn.
- 8:30 P.M. Dancing - Stan Kenton's Orchestra at Poe Park, 192 Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx.
- 8:30 P.M. Dancing - Albert DeJoseph's Orchestra at Lincoln Terrace Park, Buffalo Avenue and Eastern Parkway, Brooklyn.

Thursday, August 30th

- 8:30 P.M. Dancing - Clyde Lucas' Orchestra at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan

Friday, August 31st

- 8:30 P.M. Dancing - Prospect Park Dance Area, 11th Street and Prospect Park West, Brooklyn.

Saturday, September 1st

- 2:00 P.M. Square Dancing - Ed Durlacher's Top Hands at the Mall, Central Park

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The City-wide Horseshoe Pitching Championship for boys under 17 years of age, part of the New York Community Trust Summer Sports Tournament, will be conducted by the Department of Parks on Sunday, August 26th at 2:00 P.M. at Heckscher Playground in Central Park, Manhattan.

This contest will climax a series of elimination matches in which four hundred boys competed on Park playground horseshoe pitching courts of the five boroughs. Each borough will be represented in Sunday's contest by its two top pitchers. The City-wide Champion and the runner-up will receive handsome New York Community Trust medals.

The borough representatives who will match ringers for the title, are: Thomas Goodwin and Thomas Glynn of Manhattan, Robert Cameron and Murray Beaver of Brooklyn, Nick Zauner and William Moran of the Bronx, Richard Kloos and Sam Armenia of Richmond .

August 24, 1945.

Twenty members of the fair sex, top golfers in the Municipal Golf Championships for Women being conducted by the Department of Parks, will tee off for the City-wide title on Sunday, August 26th, starting at 9:00 A.M., at Forest Park Golf Course, Park Lane South and Forest Parkway, in Queens. Sunday's contest will consist of eighteen holes of medal play.

The finalists are the winners and runners-up of the local course championships which were conducted on the ten municipal golf courses during July. Chief among the contenders for the feminine crown is Jean Stuhler of Kissena, who won the title in 1942. The city-wide champion and the runner-up will be awarded cups by the Park Association of New York City, and the winner's name will be inscribed on the handsome Park Association Bowl, the permanent trophy for this event.

The first of the fair foursomes will tee off at 9:00 A. M.

Starting time for all contenders are as follows:

9:00 A.M.	Florence Kay, Forest Park Jean Stuhler, Kissena Victoria Devoti, Clearview Helen Gilligan, Dyker Beach	9:15 A.M.	Amnette Reyl, Clearview B. Mann, Dyker Beach Caroline Lahey, Pelham Sally Schneider, Split Rock
9:05 A.M.	Marie Casella, Pelham Viola Rave, Split Rock Ann Nelson, VanCortlandt Ida Goodman, Mosholu	9:20 A.M.	Eleanor Farkosh, VanCortlandt Ida Fish, Mosholu Marjorie Gannon, Silver Lake Jean Wikstrom, LaTourette
9:10 A.M.	Ellen B. Sorge, Silver Lake Mildred Hanisch, LaTourette Rita Ryan, Forest Park Dale F. Ely, Kissena		

The city-wide finals of the Junior Municipal Golf Championships will also be held on the Forest Park course on the same day. The first of five junior foursomes will start off at 8:00 A.M., the last at 8:20 A.M., leaving clear fairways for the ladies. The junior golfers and their starting times are:

8:00 A.M.	Robert Lorenz, Forest Park Rudy Vlasak, Kissena Mark Berger, Clearview Donald Schneyman, Dyker	8:15 A.M.	Churchill Dolan, Clearview Alfred Segal, Dyker John Ward, Pelham George Eisenman, Split Rock
8:05 A.M.	Milton Berlow, Pelham Kenneth Lynch, Split Rock Edward Winter, VanCortlandt David Fingerhut, Mosholu	8:20 A.M.	Edwin Beiderman, VanCortlandt Norman Cohen, Mosholu William Walsh, Silver Lake Thomas Malone, LaTourette
8:10 A.M.	Gerald Quinn, Silver Lake Richard Huttar, LaTourette John Schatter, Forest Park Frank Blasso, Kissena		

The Junior Champion and runner-up will receive Park Association trophies, and the winner's name will be placed on the permanent Park Association Junior trophy.

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CENTRAL PARK SQUARE DANCES GO INTO 3RD WEEK WITH DANCE ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 25

Tenth in Riverside Drive Series Takes Place This Monday, August 27

Both Free Outdoor Series are Under Auspices of Park Department and
Sponsorship of Pepsi-Cola Company

The third of eight weekly free outdoor square dances being held under the auspices of the Department of Parks and the sponsorship of the Pepsi-Cola Company takes place this Saturday, August 25 on the Mall in Central Park from 2:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.

The dances which Walter S. Mack, Jr., President of Pepsi-Cola Company, says have become increasingly popular with "young people of all ages from youngsters to grandparents" will continue on succeeding Saturday afternoons through September 22.

Dance caller Ed Durlacher and the Top Hands play for the dances.

Among the featured numbers on Saturday's program are the following square, circle and novelty dances: Heads and Sides, Take a Peek, Grange Hall, Loobie Loc and Sanita Hill Circle.

The tenth in the series of twelve Riverside Drive square dances takes place this Monday night at Riverside Drive and 103rd Street (on the skating rink, lower level). This series winds up on September 10 and like the Central Park group is given under the auspices of the Park Department and the sponsorship of the Pepsi-Cola Company.

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SECOND IN POPULAR DANCE SERIES AT LINCOLN TERRACE PARK, BROOKLYN
TO BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22

Outdoor Dances Sponsored jointly by Department of Parks and Pepsi-Cola Company

The second in the series of free outdoor popular dances which attracted several thousand Brooklynites on the opening night of the series last Wednesday, will be held this Wednesday night (August 22) at Lincoln Terrace Park, at Eastern Parkway, between Rochester and Buffalo Avenues in Brooklyn.

The dances, which are under the auspices of the Department of Parks and the sponsorship of Pepsi-Cola Company through its President, Walter S. Mack, Jr., go on from 8:30 P.M. to 11:00 P.M. with music by Albert De Joseph and the Swing Masters. The series will continue through September 12, inclusive.

Free outdoor square dances under the auspices of the Park Department and sponsorship of Pepsi-Cola Company are held in Manhattan on Monday evenings to September 10th inclusive, from 8:30 P.M. to 11:00 P.M. on Riverside Drive and 103rd Street (Lower Level); and on Saturday afternoons to September 29 inclusive, from 2:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M. on the Mall in Central Park.

August 21, 1945

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The following special events will take place in the parks during the coming week:

Sunday, August 19th

- 9:00 A.M. City-wide Municipal Golf Championship Finals at La Tourette Golf Course, Richmond
- 8:15 P.M. Concert- Associated Musicians of Greater New York at Poe Park, 192 Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx
- 8:45 P.M. Water Show at Flushing Meadow Amphitheatre, Flushing Meadow Park, Queens

Monday, August 20th

- 5:00 P.M. Swimming Events for Boys and Girls at Thomas Jefferson Pool, 114 Street and First Avenue, Manhattan and at Crotona Pool, 173 Street and Fulton Avenue, Bronx.
- 8:30 P.M. Dancing - Jess Stacy's Orchestra at Bushwick Playground, Knickerbocker and Putnam Avenues, Brooklyn.
- 8:30 P.M. Square Dancing at Riverside Drive and 103 Street, Manhattan.

Tuesday, August 21st

- 5:00 P.M. Swimming Events for Boys and Girls at McCarren Pool, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street, Brooklyn.
- 8:15 P.M. Concert - Associated Musicians of Greater New York at Grover Cleveland Playground, Grandview Avenue and Stanhope Street, Queens.
- 8:30 P.M. Harvest Dance Contest, Queens Finals, with Jess Stacy's Orchestra at Playground at 30 Road and 45 Street, Queens.

Wednesday, August 22nd

- 2:00 P.M. City-wide Finals, Jacks Contest at Heckscher Playground, Central Park, Manhattan.
- 5:00 P.M. Swimming Events for Boys and Girls at Colonial Pool, Bradhurst Avenue and West 145 Street, Manhattan, and at Flushing Meadow Amphitheatre Pool, Grand Central Parkway and Horace Harding Blvd.
- 8:30 P.M. Harvest Dance Contest, Bronx Finals, with Don McGrane's Orchestra, at Poe Park, 192 Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx.
- 8:30 P.M. Dancing for Service Men at Heckscher Playground, Central Park, Man.

Thursday, August 23rd

- 5:00 P.M. Swimming Events for Boys and Girls at Highbridge Pool, West 173 Street and Amsterdam Avenue, Manhattan.
- 6:30 P.M. Inter-borough Softball Game, Manhattan vs Richmond at Walker Park, Delafield Place, Bard and Devis Avenues, Richmond.
- 8:30 P.M. Harvest Dance Contest, Manhattan Finals, with Henry Jerome's Orchestra, at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan; Richmond Finals, with Frank McCabe's Orchestra, at McDonald Playground, West Brighton, Staten Island.

Friday, August 24th

- 8:00 P.M. Choral Concert at Forest Park Music Grove, Queens
- 8:30 P.M. Harvest Dance Contest, Brooklyn Finals with Charles Peterson's Orchestra, at Prospect Park Dance Area, 11 Street and Prospect Park West, Brooklyn
- 8:45 P.M. Water Show at Flushing Meadow Amphitheatre, Flushing Meadow Park

Saturday, August 25th

- 2:00 P.M. Square Dancing at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan
- 8:45 P.M. Water Show at Flushing Meadow Amphitheatre, Flushing Meadow Park, Queens.

Name Band Dances, sponsored by Consolidated Edison System Companies in cooperation with the Department of Parks, will continue this week, with the added attraction of the Harvest Dance Contest Eliminations on four of the five evenings. The Harvest Dance Contest is an annual highlight in the Park Department's adult recreation program. Over 100 couples have signified their intention of dancing in the contest eliminations in the five boroughs.

Jess Stacy and his Orchestra will play for the first two dances of the week. On Monday, August 20, he will appear at Bushwick Playground, Knickerbocker and Putnam Avenues, in Brooklyn. On Tuesday, August 21, he will be in the playground at 30 Road and 45 Street in Queens, to play for dancing and for the Queens eliminations of the Harvest Dance Contest. Stacy has been featured pianist with several top ranking bands, and has made numerous recordings with his piano.

Don McGrane and his Orchestra will play at Poe Park, 192 Street and the Grand Concourse, Bronx on Wednesday, August 22nd, when the Bronx holds its dance eliminations. The McGrane Orchestra has played at many popular night spots in New York City, and is rated high by all types of dancers.

Henry Jerome will play for dancing and for the Manhattan Dance Contest on Thursday, August 23rd on the Mall in Central Park. The Jerome Orchestra gives a smooth performance and handles sweet and swing numbers with equal skill. The borough of Richmond will also hold its dance contest on this evening at McDonald Playground in West Brighton.

Brooklyn will hold its Harvest Dance Eliminations on Friday, August 24 at the Prospect Park Dance Area, 11 Street and Prospect Park West with Charles Peterson furnishing the music. Peterson, a recent arrival in the rank of Name Band maestros, leads a versatile group of musicians and is an all round favorite with dancers of all ages.

The dance contest is open to all amateur dancers who are at least 16 years of age. The contest will be conducted in four divisions: fox trot, waltz, rhumba, and jitterbug. Couples who place first and second and third in each division of the borough-wide contests, will qualify to compete for the city-wide championship on the Mall, Central Park on September 6th. Couples placing first in borough-wide shows will receive prizes; those who place first in city-wide finals will each received a \$25 War Bond, second place winners will receive \$10. in War Saving Stamps. All prizes are donated by Consolidated Edison System Companies.

All contests and dances will start at 8:30 P.M.

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THE SECOND OF THE NEW SERIES OF FREE OUTDOOR SQUARE DANCES WILL BE HELD ON CENTRAL PARK MALL ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 18(2-4:30 P.M.)

Sponsored by Pepsi-Cola Company under Auspices of Park Department
Dances Provide Recreation for Teen-Agers, Service Men and Adult
Civilians.

Other Series of Riverside Drive Square Dances also Continues, with Next
Dance Taking Place Monday Night (August 20th) at 8:30 P.M.

The second of the series of eight free outdoor square dances, organized primarily to provide healthful, happy recreation for teen-agers as well as for Service men and women and civilian grownups, will be held Saturday, August 18th on the Mall in Central Park.

The dances, each of which can accommodate several thousand participants, will take place on succeeding Saturday afternoons -- August 18th, 25th, September 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th, from 2:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M. Music will be by dance caller Ed Durlacher and the "Top Hands".

Mr. Walter S. Mack, Jr., President of the Pepsi-Cola Company which is providing the music and sponsoring the dances said in commenting on the program: "This outdoor summer activity is an extension of the popular program of outdoor square dances which we have been giving for young people of all ages from youngsters to grandparents on Riverside Drive on Monday nights. As far as the teen-agers themselves are concerned, the dances are another evidence of our particular and constant interest in young people and their problems. We are offering the summer dances because we think at this time of the year an even greater number would like to come to these Saturday afternoon outdoor square dances on the Central Park Mall.

The ninth in the series of twelve free outdoor square dances also sponsored by Pepsi-Cola Company, and given under the auspices of the Department of Parks, takes place on Monday night, August 20th at 8:30 P.M., at Riverside Drive and 103rd Street (on the Skating Rink, Lower Level). These dances will continue on Monday nights until September 10th inclusive, with Ed Durlacher, the well known dance caller, and his "Top Hands" playing for the dances.

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FOR RELEASE Immediately

Over a thousand children from Department of Parks playgrounds in Brooklyn will dance in the 30th Annual Children's Dance Festival on the Long Meadow in Prospect Park on Saturday, August 18th at 2:30 P.M. An audience of 15,000 is expected to witness this traditional event.

The program will consist of six folk dances and one novelty number, to be performed by girls from seventy-two playgrounds in all parts of the borough. The children not only learned their dances in neighborhood recreation areas, but have also helped to design and make their colorful costumes, under the guidance of a trained recreation staff.

The Festival will start with a procession of dancers from the Grand Army Plaza Entrance at Union Street to the Long Meadow, where the youngsters will perform. The program will open with the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner" by dancers and audience. The following dances will then be presented:

Spanish Dance, by children of the Borough Hall district.

Cuban Dance, by children of the Bay Ridge district.

Trepak, a Russian Dance, by children of the Bensonhurst district.

Raggedy Anne, by children of the Greenpoint district.

Fiesta Time, by children of the Bedford-Stuyvesant district.

Gypsy Dance, by children of the Flatbush district.

Hungarian Dance, by children of the Brownsville district.

The program will close with the singing of "God Bless America", after which the youngsters will parade to the Picnic Grounds to enjoy their annual picnic.

The general public is cordially invited to witness the **Children's** Annual Dance Festival this Saturday at the Long Meadow in Prospect Park. The festival area may be reached through the Grand Army Plaza Entrance at Union Street, or through the Third Street Entrance to the park.

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FREE POPULAR DANCE SERIES STARTS THIS WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15,
AT LINCOLN TERRACE PARK, BROOKLYN

Outdoor Entertainment Program under Auspices of Park Department,
Made Available to Brooklynites through Sponsorship of Pepsi-Cola Company

Everybody who likes to dance, to watch, or just listen to good dance music, will find a cordial welcome waiting at Lincoln Terrace Park, Eastern Parkway, between Rochester and Buffalo Avenues, Brooklyn, where the first of a weekly series of free outdoor popular dances starts this Wednesday night, August 15th, under the auspices of the Department of Parks and the sponsorship of Pepsi-Cola Company through its President, Walter S. Mack, Jr.

The dances will go on from 8:30 P.M. to 11:00 P.M., with music by Albert De Joseph, his Solo Sax, and Swing Masters.

"Everybody loves to dance -- it's almost a universal language," Mr. Mack said, "and since the square dances we are putting on under the auspices of the Park Department are going over with great success in Manhattan in Central Park and Riverside Drive, we thought city residents would also enjoy an opportunity to attend popular dances in equally pleasant outdoor surroundings.

"We hope these Brooklyn dances at Lincoln Terrace Park will afford a particularly welcome diversion to the many people who have so heartily cooperated with President Truman's request for a drastic reduction in civilian travel this year, by forgoing out-of-town vacations."

The free outdoor square dances are held Monday Evenings to September 10th inclusive, from 8:30 P.M. to 11:00 P.M. on Riverside Drive and 103rd Street (Lower Level); and on Saturday Afternoons to September 29th inclusive, from 2:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M. on the Mall in Central Park.

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Monday
August 13, 1945

A cast of gay marionette animals will entertain youngsters in Brooklyn and Queens this week, when the Department of Parks Trailer Marionette Theatre presents ten performances of "Happy the Humbug" in Park playgrounds of those boroughs.

"Happy the Humbug" is unusual in that all the puppet actors are animals. The principal actor is Happy, a composite of giraffe, turtle, and monkey, who feels that nobody loves him because of his fantastic appearance. Happy is not without friends, however, for a charming, pink, lady elephant, and a monkey named Hunkey are loyal and true to him. The play has a happy ending in spite of the machinations of the inevitable villains, who in this case are two rascals named Cock and Bull.

"Happy the Humbug" will be presented at the following playgrounds this week:

Monday, August 13, 11:00 A.M. & 2:30 P.M., Playground at Fort Hamilton Parkway and 52nd Street, Brooklyn

Tuesday, August 14, 11:00 A.M. & 2:30 P.M., Grover Cleveland Playground, Grandview Avenue and Stanhope Street, Ridgewood, Queens

Wednesday, August 15, 11:00 A.M. & 2:30 P.M., Highland Park, Lower Playground, Jamaica Avenue and Elton Street, Brooklyn

Thursday, August 16, 11:00 A.M. & 2:30 P.M., Juniper Valley Playground, Dry Harbor Road and 63rd Street, Elmhurst, Queens

Friday, August 17

11:00 A.M. Forest Park, Music Grove, Main Drive near Woodhaven Boulevard, Glendale, Queens

2:30 P.M. The Overlook, Park Lane and Union Turnpike, Kew Gardens, Queens

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Peter Pan, the Department of Parks Magic Man, will perform for audiences of youngsters in eleven Brooklyn playgrounds this week. Peter will be ably assisted by Oscar the Rabbit at all shows, and will invite the audience to enter into the fun and participate in songs, stories, stunts, and games.

Peter and Oscar will open their bag of tricks at the following playgrounds:

Monday, August 13

11:00 A.M. Crispus Attucks Playground, Fulton Street and Classon Avenue
2:30 P.M. Playground at Prospect Place and Underhill Avenue

Tuesday, August 14

11:00 A.M. Gravesend Playground, 18th Avenue and 56 Street
2:30 P.M. McKinley Park, 75 Street and 7th Avenue

Wednesday, August 15

11:00 A.M. Playground at 10th Avenue and 43 Street
2:30 P.M. Playground at Dahill Road, and 38 Street

Thursday, August 16

11:00 A.M. Playground at Ocean Parkway and Avenue P
2:30 P.M. Playground at Albany and East New York Avenues

Friday, August 17

11:00 A.M. Playground at Avenue V. and East 13 Street
2:30 P.M. Playground at Avenue L. and East 18 Street

Saturday, August 18

11:00 A.M. Brower Park, Prospect Place and Brooklyn Avenue
2:30 P.M. " " " " " "

The Magic Show will continue its tour of Brooklyn Park playgrounds through Friday, August 24th.

Eight more swimming meets for boys and girls in the series of twenty which the New York Community Trust is sponsoring in cooperation with the Department of Parks, will be held in outdoor swimming pools throughout the city during the week. These elimination meets are part of the Department of Parks Sixth Annual Sports Tournament which has been arranged to provide the city's youngsters with healthful recreational activities during the summer months.

This week's meets will be held as follows, all starting at 5:00 P.M.:

Monday, August 13, John Jay Pool	78 Street and East River Drive, Manhattan
Monday, August 13, Faber Pool	Richmond Terrace and Faber Street, Richmond
Tuesday, August 14, West 60 Street Pool	60 Street West of Amsterdam Ave. Manhattan
Tuesday, August 14, Red Hook Pool	Bay and Henry Streets, Brooklyn
Wednesday, August 15, Astoria Pool	19 Street and 23 Drive, Queens
Wednesday, August 15, Tompkinsville Pool	Arietta Street at Pier No. 6, Richmond
Thursday, August 16, Hamilton Fish Pool	East Houston and Pitt Streets, Manhattan
Thursday, August 16, Sunset Pool	43 Street and Seventh Avenue, Brooklyn

Sixteen novice events are on the program for each meet. Boys events are for 10 years and under - 25 Meter Freestyle; 11, 12, 13 years - 50 Meter Freestyle; 14, 15 years - 50 Meter Freestyle; 16, 17 years - 100 Meter Freestyle, 50 Meter Backstroke, 50 Meter Breaststroke; and for boys 17 years of age and under, 3 Meter Dive. Events for girls are: for 10 years and under - 25 Meter Freestyle; for 11, 12, 13 years - 50 Meter Freestyle; for 14, 15 years - 50 Meter Freestyle; for 16, 17 years - 50 Meter Freestyle, 50 Meter Backstroke, 50 Meter Breaststroke. The program also includes a 50 Meter Freestyle event for women 18 years of age and over, and a similar event for men 18 years and over.

There is no entry fee for any of the events, and entries may be filed at Department of Parks swimming pools in the five boroughs.

The New York Community Trust will award medals to winners of first and second place in all events, and winners will qualify for the City-wide Finals to be held on August 28, at McCarren Pool, in Brooklyn.

The following special events will take place in the parks during the coming week:

Sunday, August 12th

- 9:00 A.M. City-wide Municipal Golf Championships Eliminations at LaTourette Golf Course, Richmond.
- 10:00 A.M. Boy Scouts' Athletic Meet at Astoria Park, 19 Street and 23 Drive, Queens.
- 1:00 P.M. Quarter-Finals, City-wide Municipal Golf Championships at LaTourette Golf Course, Richmond
- 8:15 P.M. Concert - Associated Musicians of Greater New York at Thomas Jefferson Park, 113 Street and East River Drive, Manhattan.
- 8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.

Monday, August 13th

- 5:00 P.M. Swimming Events for Boys and Girls at John Jay Pool, 78 Street and East River Drive, Manhattan, and at Faber Pool, Richmond Terrace and Faber Street, Richmond.
- 8:30 P.M. Dancing - Dean Hudson's Orchestra at Colonial Park, 153 Street and Bradhurst Avenue, Manhattan.
- 8:30 P.M. Square Dancing at 103 Street and Riverside Drive, Manhattan

Tuesday, August 14th

- 5:00 P.M. Swimming Events for Boys and Girls at West 60 Street Pool, 60 Street west of Amsterdam Avenue, Manhattan, and at Red Hook Pool, Bay and Henry Streets, Brooklyn.
- 8:15 P.M. Concert - Associated Musicians of Greater New York at Sunset Recreation Center, 43 Street and 7 Avenue, Brooklyn.
- 8:30 P.M. Dancing - Dean Hudson's Orchestra at Victory Field, Myrtle Avenue and Woodhaven Boulevard, Queens.

Wednesday, August 15th

- 5:00 P.M. Swimming Events for Boys and Girls at Astoria Pool, 19 Street and 23 Drive, Queens, and at Tompkinsville Pool, Arletta Street at Pier #6, Richmond.
- 8:30 P.M. Dancing - Dean Hudson's Orchestra at Poe Park, 192 Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx.
- 8:30 P.M. Dancing for Service Men at Heckscher Playground, Central Park.

Thursday, August 16th

- 3:15 P.M. Concert - Associated Musicians of Greater New York at Orchard Beach, Bronx.
- 5:00 P.M. Swimming Events for Boys and Girls at Hamilton Fish Pool, East Houston and Pitt Streets, Manhattan, and at Sunset Pool, 43 Street and 7 Avenue, Brooklyn.
- 8:30 P.M. Dancing - Dean Hudson's Orchestra at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.

Friday, August 17th

- 8:30 P.M. Dancing - Roberta Hollywood's Orchestra at Prospect Park Dance Area, 11 Street and Prospect Park West, Brooklyn.

Saturday, August 18th

- 9:00 A.M. Semi-Finals, City-wide Municipal Golf Championship at LaTourette Golf Course, Richmond.
- 2:00 P.M. Square Dancing at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.
- 2:30 P.M. Children's Dance Festival at Long Meadow, Prospect Park, Brooklyn.

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FOR RELEASE Sunday
August 12, 1945

Name Band Dances. sponsored by Consolidated Edison System Companies in cooperation with the Department of Parks, have attracted over 102,000 dancers and spectators to date this season, and have added immeasurably to the pleasure and enjoyment of many New Yorkers who are spending vacations at home. The dances will continue in the parks this week, with Dean Hudson's and Roberta Hollywood's orchestras supplying the music.

Dean Hudson will play on four successive evenings, appearing on Monday August 13th at Colonial Park, 153 Street and Bradhurst Avenue, Manhattan; on Tuesday, August 14th at Victory Field, Woodhaven Boulevard and Myrtle Avenue, Queens; on Wednesday, August 15th at Poe Park, 192 Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx; and on Thursday, August 16th at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan. All dances start at 8:30 P.M.

Dean Hudson leads an outfit which has proven its versatility through a wide variety of dates, including colleges, theatres, hotels, the radio, Army Camp shows, war plants, and Bond Rallies. The Hudson orchestra is a whole show in itself, featuring several singers, instrumental soloists, and special novelty and comedy effects.

Roberta Hollywood and her Orchestra will play for dancing at the Prospect Park Dance Area, 11th Street and Prospect Park West in Brooklyn, on Friday, August 17th at 8:30 P.M. Miss Hollywood is known as the First Lady of Television. She is a newcomer to the ranks of bandleaders, but is known for the fine vocalizing she has done with other top-flight orchestras.

Mr. Heaslip

Six hundred and fifty children from fifty-four Park Department Playgrounds in Manhattan will participate in a program of dances on the Sheep Meadow in Central Park near the 67th Street and Central Park West entrance on Saturday, August 11th at 2:30 P.M.

The event will be the annual summer dance festival of the children who attend the Park Department Playgrounds in various sections of the Borough of Manhattan.

The children have been rehearsing their dances under the guidance of the directors in charge of the neighborhood Park playgrounds for the past six weeks. All of the dancers will be dressed in gay and colorful costumes that have been designed and made at the playgrounds with the help of the youngsters and the assistance of their big sisters and mothers.

The festival will start with a grand procession in which six hundred and fifty children will parade around the meadow to form a horseshoe in which all the dances will take place. It is anticipated that 10,000 spectators including parents and friends of the children will be present. The program will open with the singing of the Star Spangled Banner. The following dances will then be presented:

"Bathing Beauties"	Children of the Chelsea, Chelsea Roof, McCaffrey, West 45th Street, DeWitt Clinton, St. Gabriel's, and East 24th Street Playgrounds.
"Treasure Chest"	Girls of Colonial, Harlem Housing, Hamilton Place, St. Nicholas, Annunciation and Carmansville Playgrounds.
American Square Dances "Skip to My Lou" "Bow Belinda"	Youngsters from the J. Hood Wright, Fort Tryon, Payson Avenue, Highbridge 167th Street, Highbridge 180th Street, Highbridge 189th Street Playgrounds.
"La Jesucita"	Dancers from Seward, Roosevelt, Gulick, Lewis & Rivington, 95 Thompson Street, and Columbus Playgrounds
"Scotch Lassies"	Children from Corlears Hook, Downing Street, East River Drive, Sauer Memorial, Tompkins Square and Kelly Playgrounds
"Ferdinand, The Bull"	Youngsters from Harlem Health Roof, Mt. Morris East, Mt. Morris West, West 130th & 5th Avenue, McCray, West 140th & Lenox, and Colonel Charles Young Playgrounds.
American Country Dances "Pop Goes The Weasel" "Virginia Reel" "The Merry Haymakers"	St. Catherine's, John Jay, Carl Schurz, Yorkville, 105th & Lexington, East River & 103rd, East River-119th Street, Thomas Jefferson, East River-125th Street Playgrounds.

"Yankee Doodle Dandy"

Children from Heckscher, Mary Harriman Rumsey, 74th & Riverside, 82nd & Riverside, 97th & Riverside, 148th & Riverside, Morningside 123 Street Playgrounds.

The program will conclude with the singing of "God Bless America."

Another dance festival will be held at Clove Lakes Park in Richmond on Saturday afternoon. One hundred and fifty children will take part in the following dances: English Country Dance, Minuet, Russian Two-Step, Swedish Dance, Czechoslovakian Rustic Dance, Tarantella, Russian Willow Basket, American Square Dances.

Twelve hundred children from Park Department Playgrounds in the Borough of Brooklyn will hold their annual dance festival on the Long Meadow, Prospect Park on Saturday, August 18th at 2:30 P.M.

The Department of Parks extends an invitation to the general public to view the children's dances at these festivals.

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Entries for the Fourth Annual Harvest Dance Contest, one of the most popular summer events conducted by the Department of Parks are now being received. Borough elimination contests will be held in accordance with the following schedule: Tuesday, August 21 at 30th Road and 45th Street Playground, Queens; Wednesday, August 22 at Poe Park, 192 Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx, Thursday, August 23 at the Mall, Central Park and at McDonald Playground in Richmond; and on Friday, August 24 at Prospect Park Dance Area in Brooklyn. There will be four divisions, waltz, fox-trot, rhumba, and jitterbug.

To be eligible to enter the contest, dancers must be amateurs not having received money for giving exhibitions, and must be at least 16 years of age. Couples placing first in each division in the borough eliminations will receive prizes. Dance teams finishing first, second, and third in each division in each borough will be eligible to compete in the city-wide finals on the Mall, Central Park, on Thursday, September 6 at 8:30 P.M.

Prize awards for the city-wide finals will be a \$25. War Bond to each member of the winning team in each division, and \$10. in War Saving Stamps to the members of the teams finishing second. The prizes are contributed by the Consolidated Edison Company.

At the finals on the Mall in Central Park, an All Round Championship will be conducted. The city-wide champions in each dance division will be eligible to compete in this event to determine the best all round dance team. Special prizes will be awarded to the winners.

Entry blanks for the dance contest may be secured at any of the borough offices of the Department of Parks, or by writing to the Arsenal, 64 Street and Fifth Avenue, New York 21, N. Y.

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Immediately

NEW SERIES OF FREE OUTDOOR SQUARE DANCES TO BE HELD ON CENTRAL PARK MALL
BEGINNING SATURDAY, AUGUST 11 (2 -4:30 P.M.), ORGANIZED TO GIVE TEEN
AGERS WHOLESOME AFTERNOONS OF FUN

Sponsored by Pepsi-Cola Company under Auspices of Park Department
Dances Provide Recreation for Service Men and Adult Civilians as Well.

Other Series of Riverside Drive Square Dances also Continues, with Next
Dance Taking Place Monday Night (August 13th) at 8:30 P.M.

A new series of eight free outdoor square dances, organized primarily to provide healthful, happy recreation for teen agers as well as for Service men and women and civilian grownups, starts this Saturday, August 11th, on the Mall in Central Park under the auspices of the Department of Parks and the sponsorship of Pepsi-Cola Company.

The dances, each of which can accomodate several thousand participants, will take place on succeeding Saturday afternoons -- August 11th, 18th, 25th, September 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, and 29th, from 2:00 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.

Music will be by dance caller Ed Durlacher and the "Top Hands", whose services are the contribution of Pepsi-Cola Company through its President, Walter S. Mack, Jr.

"We are particularly happy to be able to provide these square dances on the Mall in Central Park at this time when it is so exceedingly important to give young people a means of spending their recreation hours with friends in a healthy and enjoyable atmosphere and in suitable activities," Mr. Mack said in commenting on the program.

"This outdoor summer activity is an extension of the popular program of outdoor square dances which we have been giving for young people of all ages from youngsters to grandparents on Riverside Drive on Monday nights. As far as the teen agers themselves are concerned, the dances are another evidence of our particular

and constant interest in young people and their problems. For the past few months we have been able to give teen agers a place to enjoy themselves through the Pepsi-Cola Junior Clubs which we have set up as neighborhood contributions in Astoria, Inwood and Harlem, and where we give the youngsters a chance to enjoy dancing, games and other recreation in a congenial atmosphere. Now we are offering the summer dances because we think at this time of the year an even greater number would like to come to these Saturday afternoon outdoor square dances on the Central Park Mall."

"Of course," Mr. Mack continued, "the square dances are not limited to teen agers - we want everyone, young and old, civilian and Service man, to come and enjoy this new series in Central Park just as they have been coming to the dances on Riverside Drive, which continue on Monday nights from 8:30 P.M. to 11:00 P.M."

Saturday's dance program includes a variety of square, contra, circle and modern dances to such tunes as "Hinky Dinky Parlee-Voo", "Loobie Loo", "Duck for the Oyster", "Candy", "Star Dust", and others.

The eighth in the series of twelve free outdoor square dances also sponsored by Pepsi-Cola Company, and given under the auspices of the Department of Parks, takes place on Monday night, August 13th at 8:30 P.M., at Riverside Drive and 103rd Street (on the Skating Rink, Lower Level). These dances will continue on Monday nights until September 10th inclusive, with Ed Durlacher, the well known dance caller, and his "Top Hands" playing for the dances.

Dance numbers for Monday night's affair include such numbers as "Oh Susanna", "Don't Fence Me In", "Frankies", "Wait for the Wagon", "Rig-a-jig-jig", and medleys of folk tunes and marches.

August 9, 1945

Play for the New York City Public Links Golf Championship for men will start at the LaTourette Golf Course, Richmond Road, Staten Island, on Saturday, August 11th at 1:00 P.M.

The cream of the golfers who use the ten Park Department courses will play in this tournament. They are the 32 low gross scorers who shot 36 holes in the team championship at Forest Park last Sunday. The games on Saturday and Sunday will be eliminations, 18 holes of match play. The semi-finals and finals that are to be played on the following week-end will consist of 36 holes of match play.

Charles Amandoles from LaTourette Golf Course, the defending champion, will have as his two top opponents, Edward Daddara from Kissena, who shot 146 for 36 holes last Sunday beating Amandoles by one point, and Ensign H. J. Civello from Forest Park, who shot 149. The following is the draw for Saturday's schedule of twosomes:

1:00 P.M.	E. Daddara, Kissena	VS	D. Stoddard, LaTourette
1:05 P.M.	J. Keane, Pelham	"	J. Tatum, VanCortlandt
1:10 P.M.	L. Sorge, LaTourette	"	T. Jones, Pelham
1:15 P.M.	C. Fingerhaut, Mosholu	"	J. Persichetti, Silver Lake
1:20 P.M.	Ens.H.J.Civello, Forest Pk "	"	G. Finley, Pelham
1:25 P.M.	K. Fisher, Kissena	"	C. Joyce, Mosholu
1:30 P.M.	G. Baskiel, Forest	"	A. G. Shaw, Clearview
1:35 P.M.	J. O'Connor, Kissena	"	W. Holland, Dyker Beach
1:40 P.M.	C. Amandoles, LaTourette	"	C. C. Cantelli, Clearview
1:45 P.M.	A. Reinert, Clearview	"	J. Maxwell, Dyker Beach
1:50 P.M.	J. Reilly, LaTourette	"	E. Clark, Silver Lake
1:55 P.M.	J. Costello, Forest Pk.	"	J. Singleton, Pelham
2:00 P.M.	M. Gwardyak, Kissena	"	F. Hahn, LaTourette
2:05 P.M.	S. A. Wood, Clearview	"	T. Cataliato, Mosholu
2:10 P.M.	P. DeCaprio, Split Rock	"	B. Kahn, Pelham
2:15 P.M.	R. Gardner, Forest Park	"	R. Vlasek, Kissena

A silver cup will be presented to the winner and runner-up in this tournament. The winner will also have his name inscribed on the sterling silver trophy donated by Newbold Morris, the President of the City Council. This trophy has been in competition since 1940. Former champions who have had their names inscribed on the cup : 1940 - Thomas Strafaci, Dyker Beach; 1941 - Joseph Sage, Split Rock; 1942 - Joseph Sage, Split Rock; 1943 - Arnold Gray, Clearview; and 1944 - Charles Amandoles, LaTourette.

To Sports Writers:

Results of the New York City Public Links Golf Championship for Men to be held at LaTourette Golf Course on Saturday, August 11th, may be secured by telephoning the LaTourette Golf House, DOnagan Hills 6 - 1572 after 6:30 P.M.

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FOR RELEASE

Monday August 6
August 6, 1945

The Department of Parks Trailer Marionette Theatre will continue its summer tour of the Park playgrounds, giving ten performances in Brooklyn this week.

The miniature drama to be presented is "Happy the Humbug," a play telling of the comic woes of Happy, an animal out of a dream-world, Happy is a combination of giraffe, monkey, and turtle. Hunkey, the Monkey plays the important role of Happy's best friend. The rest of the cast consists of animal marionettes, assisted by a corps-de-ballet of bright flowers.

"Happy the Humbug" will be presented at 11:00 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. at the following Brooklyn playgrounds:

Monday, August 6 - Playground at Atlantic Avenue and Linwood Street

Tuesday, August 7 - Bushwick Plgd., Putnam, Irving and Knickerbocker Avenues

Wednesday, August 8 - Lindsay Plgd., Lorimer Street and Johnson Avenue

Thursday, August 9 - Sunset Plgd., 6th Avenue and 44th Street

Friday, August 10 - Playground at 34th Street and 3rd Avenue

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FOR RELEASE Monday
August 6, 1945

Ten performances of the Department of Parks Magic Show will be given by Peter Pan, the Magic Man, for audiences of playground youngsters in the Bronx and Brooklyn during the week.

The Magic Show is one of the most popular special features in the playgrounds, and always plays to a large audience of wide-eyed boys and girls. Oscar, the educated rabbit, assists Peter at all performances, and conducts himself with the aplomb of a seasoned trouper. Each Magic Show includes magical songs, stories, stunts and games.

This weeks shows will be given at:

Monday, August 6

11:00 A.M. Crotona Park, Plgd. at Crotona Park North & Marmion Avenue, Bronx
2:30 P.M. Crotona Park, Plgd. at Crotona Park East & 173rd Street, Bronx

Tuesday, August 7

11:00 A.M. Playground at East 147th Street & Brook Avenue, Bronx
2:30 P.M. St. Mary's West Plgd., St. Ann's Ave. & East 147th Street, Bronx

Wednesday, August 8

11:00 A.M. McLoughlin Plgd., Jay & Tillary Sts., Brooklyn
2:30 P.M. Carroll Park, Smith & Carroll Sts., Brooklyn

Thursday, August 9

11:00 A.M. James J. Byrne Park, 3rd Street & 4th Ave., Brooklyn
2:30 P.M. Douglass St. & 3rd Ave., Brooklyn

Friday, August 10

11:00 A.M. Red Hook Plgd., Richard & Pioneer Sts., Brooklyn
2:30 P.M. Playground at Union & Van Brunt Sts., Brooklyn

The following special events will take place in the parks during the coming week:

Sunday, August 5th

- 8:00 A.M. - City-wide Golf Team Championships at Forest Park Golf Course, Queens
- 2:00 P.M. - Track Meet for Boys and Girls at Van Cortlandt Park Stadium, Broadway and 242 Street, Bronx
- 3:15 P.M. - Concert - Associated Musicians of Greater New York, at Forest Park Music Grove, Queens.
- 8:30 P.M. - Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.

Monday, August 6th

- 8:30 P.M. - Dancing - Johnny Long's Orchestra, at Playground at Ocean Parkway and Avenue P, Brooklyn.
- 8:30 P.M. - Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.
- 8:30 P.M. - Square Dancing - 105 Street and Riverside Drive, Manhattan.

Tuesday, August 7th

- 5:00 P.M. - Swimming Events for Boys and Girls at Corrine Street Pool, Clarkson Street and 7 Avenue, Manhattan.
- 8:30 P.M. - Dancing - Johnny Long's Orchestra at Jackson Heights Playground 84 Street and 25 Avenue, Queens.
- 8:30 P.M. - Concert - Goldman Band at Prospect Park Music Grove, Brooklyn.

Wednesday, August 8th

- 5:00 P.M. - Swimming Events for Boys and Girls at Betsy Head Pool, Hopkinson and Dumont Avenues, Brooklyn.
- 8:30 P.M. - Dancing - Jess Stacy's Orchestra at Poe Park, 192 Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx.
- 8:30 P.M. - Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan
- 8:30 P.M. - Dancing for Service Men, Heckscher Playground, Central Park, Manhattan.

Thursday, August 9th

- 5:00 P.M. - Swimming Events for Boys and Girls at East 23 Street Pool, East 23 Street and East River Drive, Manhattan.
- 8:30 P.M. - Dancing - Jess Stacy's Orchestra at the Mall Central Park Manhattan
- 8:30 P.M. - Concert - Goldman Band at Prospect Park Music Grove, Brooklyn.

Friday, August 10th

- 8:30 P.M. - Dancing - Jess Stacy's Orchestra at Prospect Park Dance Area, 11 Street and Prospect Park West, Brooklyn.
- 8:30 P.M. - Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.

Saturday, August 11th

- 1:00 P.M. - Men's City-wide Golf Championships, at LaTourette Golf Course, Richmond.
- 2:30 P.M. - Children's Dance Festival at Sheeps Meadow, Central Park, Manhattan.
- 8:30 P.M. - Concert - Goldman Band at Prospect Park Music Grove, Brooklyn.

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FOR RELEASE Sunday, August 5, 1945.

Two more top-flight Name Bands will play for dancing in the parks this week as part of the program of fifty-four Name Band Dances which Consolidated Edison Systems Company is sponsoring for the entertainment and enjoyment of New Yorkers in cooperation with the Department of Parks.

Johnny Long and his Orchestra will play on Monday, August 6th, at Ocean Parkway and Avenue P Playground in Brooklyn, and on Tuesday, August 7th at Jackson-Heights Playground, 84th Street and 25th Avenue in Queens. Johnny Long is well known to New York's dancers, having made record-breaking hotel appearances, played at top theatres, and turned out numerous dance recordings here. Long is an accomplished violinist, and emphasizes sweet music in arranging his program.

Jess Stacy, another top-ranking maestro, will be on hand for three dances, playing on Wednesday, August 8th, at Poe Park, 192 Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx; on Thursday, August 9th, at the Mall in Central Park, Manhattan; and on Friday, August 10th, at the Prospect Park Dance area, 11 Street and Prospect Park West, Brooklyn. The Stacy orchestra is a versatile musical unit, with a long line of successful ballroom, theatre, and hotel engagements to its credit. Stacy will present an added attraction in Lee Wiley, vocalist, who has sung at several jazz concerts at Carnegie Hall.

All dances start at 8:30 p.m., and will continue to be held on Mondays through Fridays, until September 14th.

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Friday
August 3, 1945

Eighty of the outstanding players using the ten municipal golf courses will tee off at Forest Park Golf Course, Park Lane South and Forest Parkway, Queens on next Sunday morning at 8:00 A.M. to compete in the city-wide team championship.

The competitors have been selected from a field of 640 players who shot 18 holes of medal play on their local courses two weeks ago in order to qualify. Each contestant will play 36 holes Sunday. The 32 low gross scorers in the team championship play will qualify for the city-wide individual match play championship to be held at La Tourette Golf Course in Richmond on the week-ends of August 11 and 18. Each of the eight members of the course team which wins the championship will be presented with a gold filled medal furnished by the Park Association of New York City, Inc., which is sponsoring the tournament.

Among the players to tee off Sunday will be the golfers who finished with the lowest score at their local courses, Harry Rohrs of Forest Park, Rudy Vlassek of Kissena, Sal A. Russo of Clearview, A. Tartaglia of Dyker Beach, Richard Thomas of Pelham, Joseph Sage of Split Rock, Edward Searle of Van Cortlandt, Ed Kohn of Mosholu, Robert Smith of Silver Lake, and Charles Amandoles of La Tourette. Amandoles from La Tourette was last year's city-wide champion and is leading the squad from La Tourette this year. On last Sunday, Amandoles defeated Marcus McGarry of Branch Brook, and won the Metropolitan Golf Association Public Links Championship.

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To Sports Writers:

Results of the Municipal Golf Tournament Team Championship to be held at Forest Park Golf Course on Sunday, August 5 may be secured by telephoning the Forest Park Golf House, Virginia 9 - 9145 after 3 P.M.

The Department of Parks announced today that an elaborate program of swimming events for boys and girls has been arranged for the month of August in the seventeen outdoor Municipal Swimming Pools conducted by the Department of Parks.

Sixteen events for youngsters in various age groups are scheduled for each of the pools.

The competition will start on Tuesday, August 7, at Carmine Street Swimming Pool, Clarkson Street and Seventh Avenue, Manhattan, and will continue in accordance with the following schedule:

Wednesday-August 8, Betsy Head.....Hopkinson and Livonia Avenues, Brooklyn
Thursday-August 9, East 23rd Street...23rd Street and East River Drive, Man.
Monday-August 13, John Jay.....78th Street and East River Drive, Man.
Monday-August 13, Faber.....Richmond Terrace and Faber Street, Rich.
Tuesday-August 14, West 60th Street...60th Street W. fo Amsterdam Ave., Man.
Tuesday-August 14, Red Hook.....Bay and Henry Streets, Brooklyn
Wednesday-August 15, Astoria.....19th Street and 23rd Drive, Queens
Wednesday-August 15, Tompkinsville....Arietta Street at Pier No. 6, Richmond
Thursday-August 16, Hamilton Fish.....East Houston and Pitt Streets, Manhattan
Thursday-August 16, Sunset.....43rd Street and Seventh Ave. Brooklyn
Monday-August 20, Thomas Jefferson....114th Street and First Ave. Manhattan
Monday-August 20, Crotona.....173rd Street and Fulton Avenue, Bronx
Tuesday-August 21, McJarren.....Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street, Brooklyn
Wednesday-August 22, Colonial.....Pradhurst Avenue and W. 145 St. Manhattan
Wednesday-August 22, Flushing Meadow..Grand Central Parkway and Horace Harding
Rlvd., Queens
Thursday-August 23, Highbridge.....West 173 Street and Amsterdam Ave., Man.

The following events will be conducted at each pool:

1. 25 meters free style for boys 10 years and under; 2. 25 meters free style for girls 10 years and under; 3. 50 meters free style for boys 11, 12 and 13 years; 4. 50 meters free style for girls 11, 12 and 13 years; 5. 50 meters free style for boys 14 and 15 years; 6. 50 meters free style for girls 14 and 15 years; 7. 100 meters free style for boys 16 and 17 years; 8. 50 meters back stroke for boys 16 and 17 years; 9. 50 meters breast stroke for boys 16 and 17 years; 10. Springboard diving for boys 17 years and under (3 meter board); 11. Springboard diving for girls 17 years and under (3 meter board); 12. 50 meters free style for girls 16 and 17 years; 13. 50 meters back stroke for girls 16 and 17 years; 14. 50 meters breast stroke for girls 16 and 17 years; 15. 50 meters free

style for women 18 years and over; 16. 50 meters free style for men 18 years and over.

The prizes for the events are being donated by the New York Community Trust. They will be awarded to the competitors finishing first and second in each event at all of the swimming pools. First and Second prize winners at each pool will qualify to compete in the city-wide championships to be held at McCarren Park Swimming Pool, Brooklyn, on Tuesday, August 28, at 5:00 P.M. Prizes will be awarded to the boys and girls finishing first, second and third in the city-wide championships.

In addition to the events for younger boys and girls, events are also scheduled for servicemen and members of the A.A.U. These events will be held at Astoria Swimming Pool on Monday, August 27, at 5:00 P.M.

Entry blanks for all of the swimming contests may be secured at all of the swimming pools or by writing to the Department of Parks, Arsenal Building, 64th Street and 5th Avenue, Central Park, New York City.

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FOR RELEASE Immediately

The third in a series of four Track Meets sponsored by the New York Athletic Club in cooperation with the Department of Parks will be held at Van Cortlandt Park Stadium, 242 Street and Broadway, Bronx, on Sunday, August 5th at 2:00 P.M.

Seven hundred boys and girls who have been recruited from Park Department playgrounds will face the starter's gun in fifteen events which have been divided into four different weight classes as follows: for boys, 100 lb. class - 50 yard dash, 110 lb. class - 60 yard dash, 120 lb. class - 70 yard dash, unlimited class - 100 yard dash, 220 yard dash, 440 yard run, half mile, one mile running broad jump, running high jump, and 12 lb. shot put; for girls, 100 lb. class - 40 yard dash, 110 lb. class - 50 yard dash, 120 lb. class - 60 yard dash, and potato race.

In addition to the events for playground boys and girls, the 220 yard dash, one mile run, and running broad jump for boys, and the 100 yard dash for girls will be held for members of the Amateur Athletic Union.

Prizes which have been furnished by the New York Athletic Club will consist of gold filled medals for first place, sterling silver medals for second place, and bronze medals for third place in each event.

The fourth and last track meet to be sponsored by the New York Athletic Club will be held at Victory Field in Forest Park, Queens, on Sunday, August 19th at 2:00 P.M. Entry blanks for this meet may be secured at any of the Park Department playgrounds or from the Park Department headquarters at the Arsenal Building, 64th Street and Fifth Avenue, New York City.

August 2, 1945

MEMORANDUM
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
CITY OF NEW YORK

August 1, 1945

TO: A. S. HODGKISS

FROM: J. W. HEASLIP, JR. *[Handwritten initials]*

SUB: INSECTICIDAL FOG
FLUSHING MEADOW PARK *[Handwritten: as amended]*

Todd asked Schweizer if they could send out a release on the fogging of D.D.T. I suggested they submit a copy, which is attached, before we committed ourselves at all. I see no harm except that in the last paragraph we should substitute "Park authorities" in place of Schweizer's and Donnelly's names.

[Handwritten signature]
JOHN W. HEASLIP, JR.
Assistant Director of
Maintenance & Operation

JWH:MLC

- James A. McCloskey ●
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Mr. Hatham
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Would you be good
enough to phone me
your approval or
suggestions?

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press where to meet
the officials in charge.

Thanks -
J McCloskey

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The first tests in New York City of the Todd Insecticidal Fog Applicator, using DDT-oil solution, will be held in the afternoon and evening of Friday, August 3, at the Flushing Meadows Park Amphitheatre, ~~and swimming pool (the World's Fair Aquacium)~~ and adjoining fields, for the purpose of mosquito control. The amphitheatre, which seats 8,000 persons, will be fogged at 2:30 p.m. and the surrounding meadows at 8 p.m., before crowds arrive for the evening vaudeville and aquatic performances.

Tests of the fog machine, developed by the Combustion Equipment division of Todd Shipyards Corporation to screen battle fleets and armies, will be under the direction of ~~David Schweizer, Director of Horticulture of the New York City Department of Parks, and Warren C. Donnelly, Borough of Queens Director of the Department of Parks.~~

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FOR RELEASE

Monday
July 30, 1945

The Department of Parks Trailer Marionette Theatre will appear at six Brooklyn playgrounds this week, giving performances at 11:00 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. at each location.

The Trailer Theatre's presentation this summer is, "Happy the Humbug", a tale involving a cast of amazing animals, led by Happy, the hero. The ingenue is a dainty, pink elephant who sheds copious and luscious strawberry tears. Hunkey the Monkey plays the role of Happy's best friend with feeling. There are many other animal marionettes, assisted by a ballet of colorful flowers who perform to music.

"Happy the Humbug" will be presented at the following playgrounds this week:

Monday, July 30th

11:00 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. at Gravesend Playground, 56 Street and 18 Avenue

Tuesday, July 31st

11:00 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. at Seth Low Playground, Bay Parkway and Avenue P

Wednesday, August 1st

11:00 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. at Marine Park, Fillmore Avenue and Stuart Street

Thursday, August 2nd

11:00 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. at Lincoln Terrace Playground, Buffalo and East New York Avenues

Friday, August 3rd

11:00 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. at New Lots Playground, Sackman Street and Riverdale Avenue

Saturday, August 4th

11:00 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. at Playground at Howard Avenue, Pacific and Dean Streets

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FOR RELEASE

Monday
July 30, 1945

Peter Pan, the Department of Parks Magic Man, will give twelve performances this week for children in park playgrounds of the Bronx. Peter will be assisted in all shows by his popular helper, Oscar the Rabbit. Oscar is a bunny with a personality, and is always greeted with whoops of joy when he appears.

The show consists of magical songs, stunts, games and stories, in which the children are invited to participate. This week's shows are scheduled for:

Monday, July 30th

11:00 A.M. Playground at East 183 Street and Ryer Avenue
2:30 P.M. Devco Playground, Fordham Road and University Avenue

Tuesday, July 31st

11:00 A.M. St. James Playground, 192 Street and Jerome Avenue
2:30 P.M. Playground at Bailey Avenue and 234 Street

Wednesday, August 1st

11:00 A.M. Mosholu Playground, Mosholu Parkway North and Kossuth Avenue
2:30 P.M. Williamsbridge Oval, East 209 Street and Bainbridge Avenue

Thursday, August 2nd

11:00 A.M. P. S. #21 Playground, White Plains Road, Barnes Avenue and 225 St.
2:30 P.M. Zimmerman Playground, Olinville Avenue and Britton Street

Friday, August 3rd

11:00 A.M. Playground at Waterbury, Edison and LaSalle Avenues
2:30 P.M. Pelham Bay Park, Playground at Bruckner Boulevard and Buhre Ave.

Saturday, August 4th

11:00 A.M. Playground at Watson, Gleason and Noble Avenues
2:30 P.M. Playground at East 177 Street and Noble Avenue

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FOR RELEASE Sunday, July 29th,
1945

SQUARE DANCE ON RIVERSIDE DRIVE MONDAY NIGHT BRINGS FREE
OUTDOOR SERIES TO HALF WAY MARK

Enlarged Orchestra Will Highlight Park Department Entertainment
Sponsored by Pepsi-Cola Company

The half way mark in the series of twelve weekly free outdoor square dances being held on Riverside Drive under the auspices of the Department of Parks and the sponsorship of Pepsi-Cola Company, will be reached with the dance which takes place Monday night, July 30th, at 8:30 P.M.

The dances, which will continue on Monday nights until September 10th inclusive, are given at Riverside Drive and 105th St. on the roller skating rink, on the lower level of the Drive.

Monday Night's dance will inaugurate the use of an augmented orchestra, to make the second half of the series even livelier and more tuneful than was the first.

In addition to dance caller Ed Durlacher and his four "Top Hands" who have been playing for the dances up to now, there will be a bass fiddler and two saxophones.

Music for the dances is the contribution of Pepsi-Cola Company through its President, Walter S. Mack, Jr.

Featured numbers of Monday night's dance include square, circle and novelty dances to the tunes of: "Red River Valley"; "Little Brown Jug"; "Bloom On the Sage"; "Dreams"; "Waves of the Danube", and a Medley of Folk Tunes and Marches.

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FOR RELEASE

Sunday
July 29, 1945

Name Band Dances sponsored by Consolidated Edison System Companies, continue to attract thousands of dancers nightly in the parks throughout the city, as they go into their sixth week of the season.

The McFarland Twins and Mal Hallett will be on hand this week to furnish music for the five nights of dancing. The McFarland Twins will play on Monday, July 30th at Williamsbridge Oval, East 208 Street and Bainbridge Avenue, Bronx; on Tuesday, July 31st at the Playground at Jewell Avenue and Utopia Parkway in Queens; and on Wednesday, August 1st at Poe Park, 192 Street and Grand Concourse in the Bronx.

The McFarland Twins, who feature both swing and sweet music, are unusual in that they both stand before the band at the same time, and direct it. Though young in years, the twins have been on the musical scene for years, having played in top ranking bands and appeared in the film musical, "Varsity Show" before they organized their own band. Their numerous recordings rank among the nation's best sellers.

Mal Hallett and his orchestra will play for the two remaining dances of the week, at the Mall in Central Park, on Thursday, August 2nd; and at the Prospect Park Dance Area, 11 Street and Prospect Park West, Brooklyn, on Friday, August 3rd. The Hallett Orchestra has ranked among top flight musical outfits for many years, and is known to dancers from coast to coast through its engagements in famous hotels, ballrooms and theatres. Hallett is both a capable master of ceremonies and an astute leader, and has started many promising musicians on their careers by placing them in his own orchestra.

Name Band Dances will continue in the parks through September 14th.
All dances start at 8:30 P.M.

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The third in the 1945 series of Naumburg Memorial Concerts will be given on the Mall in Central Park on Tuesday, July 31st at 8:15 P.M. Each year four of these concerts are presented to the music lovers of New York 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 in 1922.

During his lifetime, Mr. Naumburg sponsored many outdoor orchestral concerts in the cause of bringing good music to the people.

The program for Tuesday's concert is:

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| Lament, from "Dido and Aeneas" | Purcell |
| In memory of Elkan Naumburg, founder of these concerts. | |
| 1. Prelude, Chorale and Fugue | Bach-Abert |
| 2. Symphony in D minor--First movement | Franck |
| 3. Aria--"Non piu andrai" from "Marriage of Figaro" | Mozart |
| Val Pattachi | |
| 4. Slavonic Dances Nos. 1 and III | Dvorak |
| 5. Prelude to Act III of "Meistersinger" | Wagner |
| 6. a) Czardas from "Coppelia" | Delibes |
| b) Adagio for Strings | Barber |
| c) Procession of the Sirdar | Ippolitow-Ivanow |
| 7. Aria--"Ella giammai m'amo" from "Don Carlo" | Verdi |
| Val Patacchi | |
| 8. Waltz--"Artist Life" | Strauss |

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FOR RELEASE

Sunday
July 29, 1945

The following special events will take place in the parks during the coming week.

Sunday, July 29th

8:15 P.M. Concert - Associated Musicians of Greater New York at Tompkins Square Park, 10 Street and Avenue A, Manhattan

8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.

Monday, July 30th

8:00 A.M. Local Golf Tournament for Junior Boys at all Park Department courses.

8:30 P.M. Square Dancing - 105 Street and Riverside Drive, Manhattan

8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan

8:30 P.M. Dancing - McFarland Twins' Orchestra at Williamsbridge Oval, East 208 Street and Bainbridge Avenue, Bronx.

Tuesday, July 31st

8:15 P.M. Naumburg Memorial Concert at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan

8:15 P.M. Concert - Associated Musicians of Greater New York at Lincoln Terrace Playground, Boonesbor and East New York Avenues, Brooklyn.

8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at Prospect Park Music Grove, Brooklyn.

8:30 P.M. Dancing - McFarland Twins' Orchestra at Playground at Jewell Avenue and Utopia Parkway, Flushing, Queens.

Wednesday, August 1st

5:00 P.M. Senior Metropolitan A. A. U. Swimming Championships for Women, at Astoria Swimming Pool, 19 Street and 23 Drive, Queens.

8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan

8:30 P.M. Dancing - McFarland Twins' Orchestra at Poe Park, 192 Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx

Thursday, August 2nd

8:15 P.M. Concert - Associated Musicians of Greater New York at Carl Schurz Park, 84 Street and East End Avenue, Manhattan

8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band, at Prospect Park Music Grove, Brooklyn.

8:30 P.M. Dancing - Mal Hallett's Orchestra at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan

Friday, August 3rd

8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan

8:30 P.M. Dancing - Mal Hallett's Orchestra at Prospect Park Dance Area, 11 Street and Prospect Park West, Brooklyn.

Saturday, August 4th

2:00 P.M. Elimination Tennis Tournament, Women's Singles, all Park Department Tennis Courts

8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at Prospect Park Music Grove, Brooklyn.

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FOR RELEASE Monday
July 23, 1945

Peter Pan the Magic Man, assisted by that seasoned trouper, Oscar the Rabbit, will perform at Park Department playgrounds in Manhattan and in the Bronx this week. The Magic Show includes magical songs, stories, stunts, and games, with ample opportunity for audience participation. Peter invites the children to join him and help in dramatizing magical tales such as Three Little Pigs, and Cinderella, with the aid of magical props and costumes.

The Magic Show will be presented at the following playgrounds this week:

Monday, July 23rd

11:00 A.M.

McCray Playground, West 138 Street between 5th and Lenox Avenue, Manhattan.

2:30 P.M.

Annunciation Playground, West 135 Street and Amsterdam Avenue, Manhattan.

Tuesday, July 24th

11:00 A.M.

Ft. Tryon Playground, Ft. Washington and Northern Avenues, Manhattan.

2:30 P.M.

Highbridge Playground, West 167 Street and Edgecombe Avenue, Manhattan.

Wednesday, July 25th

11:00 A.M.

Playground at Payson Avenue and Dyckman Street, Manhattan.

2:30 P.M.

Highbridge Playground, West 189 Street and Amsterdam Avenue, Manhattan.

Thursday, July 26th

11:00 A.M.

Carmansville Playground, ~~151st Street and Amsterdam Avenue,~~
Manhattan.

2:30 P.M.

J. Hood Wright Playground, West 173 Street and Fort Washington Avenue, Manhattan.

Friday, July 27th

11:00 A.M.

Playground at Macombs Road and Goble Place Playground, Bronx.

2:30 P.M.

Playground at East 166 Street and Morris Avenue, Bronx.

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FOR RELEASE

Monday
July 23, 1945

The Department of Parks Trailer Marionette Theatre will give ten performances of "Happy the Humbug" this week, for the entertainment of the youngsters in Park playgrounds of Manhattan and Brooklyn.

The gaily painted trailer theatre is very popular with young audiences as it presents entertainment especially designed for children. All the marionette actors in this season's presentation are animals such as we have never before seen. Happy the Humbug, the hero of this miniature drama, is the most fantastic of all, being a composite of all the most amusing features of monkey, giraffe, and turtle. Happy's friends include Hunky the Monkey, and a Pink Elephant who sheds strawberry tears.

This week, "Happy the Humbug" will be presented at:

Monday, July 23rd

11:00 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. - Hamilton Fish Park, Pitt, Houston and Stanton Streets, Manhattan

Tuesday, July 24th

11:00 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. - Roosevelt Playground, Chrystie and Forsythe Streets, Manhattan

Wednesday, July 25th

11:00 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. - Chelsea Park, 28 Street and Eighth Avenue, Manhattan

Thursday, July 26th

11:00 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. - Playground at Prospect Park West and 11 Street, Brooklyn

Friday, July 27th

11:00 A.M. and 2:30 P.M. - Playground at Neptune Avenue and West 28 Street, Brooklyn

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The following special events will take place in the parks during the coming week:

Sunday, July 22

- 8:00 A.M. Men's and women's Golf Championships, at all Park Department Golf Courses
- 2:00 P.M. Athletic Meet for boys and girls at Triborough Stadium, Randall's Island.
- 8:15 P.M. Concert - Associated Musicians of Greater New York at Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx.
- 8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan

Monday, July 23rd

- 2:00 P.M. Elimination Tennis Tournaments, Junior Boys' Singles, at all Park Department tennis courts.
- 8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band, at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan
- 8:30 P.M. Square Dancing - 105 Street and Riverside Drive, Manhattan
- 8:30 P.M. Dancing - "Hot Lips" Page's Orchestra at Colonial Park, Bradhurst Avenue and 153 Street, Manhattan

Tuesday, July 24th

- 5:00 P.M. Swimming Events for Boys at McCarren Pool, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street, Brooklyn
- 8:15 P.M. Concert - Associated Musicians of Greater New York at Betsy Head Playground, Hopkinson and Dumont Avenues, Brooklyn.
- 8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at Prospect Park Music Grove, Brooklyn
- 8:30 P.M. Dancing - Bill Bardo's Orchestra at Marooni Playground, 155 Street and 108 Avenue, Queens.

Wednesday, July 26th

- 8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan
- 8:30 P.M. Dancing - Bill Bardo's Orchestra at Poe Park, 192 Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx.

Thursday, July 26th

- 8:15 P.M. Concert - Associated Musicians of Greater New York at Williamsbridge Oval, East 208th Street and Bainbridge Avenue, Bronx
- 8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at Prospect Park Music Grove, Brooklyn.
- 8:30 P.M. Dancing - George Paxton's Orchestra at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.

Friday, July 27th

- 8:00 P.M. Choral Concert at Forest Park Music Grove, Queens.
- 8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan
- 8:30 P.M. Dancing - Bill Bardo's Orchestra at Prospect Park Dance Area, Prospect Park West and 11 Street, Brooklyn.

Saturday, July 28

- 5:00 P.M. City-wide Finals, Boys' Swimming Tournament, at McCarren Pool, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street, Brooklyn.
- 8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at Prospect Park, Music Grove, Brooklyn
- 8:30 P.M. Concert - City Amateur Symphony at the Mall, Central Pk.

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FOR RELEASE Sunday, July 22, 1945

Five more Name Band Dances in the series of fifty-four which Consolidated Edison Systems Company is sponsoring, will be held in parks throughout the City this week. Name Band Dances are now in their fourth year, and continue to rate as one of the most popular forms of evening recreation in the parks, each session attracting thousands who attend to dance and listen to the music.

Lined up to play this week are "Hot Lips" Page, Bill Bardo, and George Paxton. All dances start at 8:30 P.M.

The Page Orchestra will play on Monday, July 23rd, at Colonial Park, Bradhurst Avenue and 153 Street, in Manhattan. Oren Page is well known as a trumpet player and leads a hot swing outfit. Page has made recordings for many agencies and has a long line of club and hotel engagements to his credit.

Bill Bardo and his orchestra will play for three dances, appearing at Marconi Playground, 155 Street and 108 Avenue in Queens on Tuesday, July 24th; at Poe Park, 192 Street and Grand Concourse, in the Bronx on Wednesday, July 25th; and at Prospect Park Dance Area, 11 Street and Prospect Park West in Brooklyn on Friday, July 27th. Bill Bardo leads a versatile musical group, each member of the outfit having a specialty in addition to playing in the band.

Dancers on the Mall in Central Park, will hear George Paxton and his orchestra on Thursday evening, July 26th. The Paxton group, a recent arrival in name band ranks, has won a top rating through successful hotel and ballroom engagements. Paxton does a good job on the trombone and saxophone, and does his own arranging.

Name Band Dances will continue in the parks, every Monday thru Friday at 8:30 P.M., until September 14th.

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FOR RELEASE Sunday,
July 22, 1945

SQUARE DANCE NUMBER FIVE TAKES PLACE
ON RIVERSIDE DRIVE THIS MONDAY NIGHT (JULY 23)

New Yorkers Swing Their Partners At Free Outdoor Entertainment
Sponsored by Pepsi-Cola Company and Held Under Park Department Auspices

"Swing your partner" will again be heard on Riverside Drive and 105th Street (Lower Level) this Monday night (July 23) at 8:30 P.M. as the fifth in the series of twelve free outdoor square dances sponsored by Pepsi-Cola Company through its President, Walter S. Mack, Jr., and given under the auspices of the Department of Parks gets under way.

Ed Lurlacher, dance caller, and his "Top Hands" will provide music for the dance as well as the succeeding ones to be held on July 30th; Monday nights in August; September 3rd and September 10th.

This Monday's dance will include Virginia Reels; Square Dances; Circle Dances; Waltz Quadrilles; Contra Dances and popular numbers and marches.

Musical numbers include: "Bunps-a-Daisy"; "Golden Slippers"; "Pennsylvania Polka"; "Arkansas Traveler"; "Oh Susanna"; "My Dreams are Getting Getting Better"; "Lady 'round Lady" and other tunes.

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FOR RELEASE Immediately

640 golfers will tee off in men's local championships which will be held on the ten municipal golf courses of New York City, on next Sunday, July 22nd. The contests will consist of 18 holes of medal play, and will be held at the following courses: Dyker Beach in Brooklyn; Van Cortlandt, Moshulu, Pelham and Split Rock in the Bronx; Clearview, Kissena, and Forest Park in Queens; and Silver Lake and LaTourette in Richmond.

The eight low gross scorers in each tournament will qualify for the City-wide Team Championships to be held at Forest Park Golf Course on Sunday, August 5th. This will consist of thirty-six holes of medal play.

Women's local championships will also be held on July 22nd at all courses. In the feminine contests, the winner and runner-up will qualify for city-wide championship play. Junior boys' eliminations are scheduled for July 30th. In each local contest, prizes will be awarded to the winner and runner-up in each division.

In the men's division, a City-wide Championship, consisting of 36 holes of match play, will be held at LaTourette in Richmond on the week ends of August 11th and August 18th. The players in this contest will be the 32 low gross scorers in the City-wide Team Championships held earlier in the month. Play in these matches will be for the Newbold Morris Trophy. In all other competition, awards will be made by the Park Association of New York City.

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FOR RELEASE Immediately

Over a thousand entries have been received for the Tennis Tournament which the Department of Parks is conducting for men, women, and junior boys at forty-five tennis areas throughout the five boroughs. The local men's tournament at the tennis courts in each park will start next Saturday, July 22nd. All matches will be singles.

Some of the larger contests will take place at Central Park and Fort Washington Park in Manhattan; Fort Greene Park and McKinley Park in Brooklyn; Mullaly Park and St. James Park in the Bronx; Flushing Memorial, Forest Park, and Kissena Park in Queens; and Silver Lake Park in Richmond. Junior boys' local matches will start on July 23rd, and women's on August 4th.

All quarter-finalists at local tournaments will qualify for the borough championships which will be held in the men's division from August 11th to August 19th; in the junior boys' division from August 13th to August 17th; and in the women's division from August 25th to September 2nd. City-wide Championships will follow in all divisions.

Prizes will be awarded by the New York Community Trust to the winner of each local tournament, to the winner and runner-up in borough championships, and to the winner and runner-up in the city-wide championships. The name of the winner in each division will be inscribed on the permanent trophies donated by the Park Association of New York City.

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One thousand boys and girls have entered the track meet to be held at Triborough Stadium, Randall's Island on Sunday, July 22nd at 2:00 P.M. This will be the second in a series of four athletic meets sponsored by the New York Athletic Club through its Youth Athletic Council. They are part of a sports activities program intended to encourage physical fitness among the youth of New York City.

Fifteen events for boys and girls are on the program for each meet as follows: boys' events, 100 lb. class- 50 yard dash; 110 lb. class- 60 yard dash; 120 lb. class- 70 yard dash; unlimited class- 100 yard dash, 220 yard dash, 440 yard run, half-mile, mile, running broad jump, running high jump, and 12 lb. shot put. Girls' events are 100 lb. class- 40 yard dash; 110 lb. class- 50 yard dash; 120 lb. class- 60 yard dash and potato race.

The above events will be open to all youngsters who desire to compete, irrespective of what organizations they are members of. However boys and girls who have won prizes in P.S.A.L. or private high school meets or who are members of the Amateur Athletic Union are ineligible to compete in these events. This rule will be enforced in order to encourage youngsters who have never won prizes to participate in these meets.

In addition to the events for boys and girls 17 years of age and under, four handicap events open to athletes registered with the Metropolitan Association of the A.A.U. will be conducted. These events will be: 100 yard dash, 440 yard run, 2 mile, and 120 yard hurdle.

Prizes consisting of gold filled medals for first place, sterling silver medals for second place, and bronze medals for third place, are being furnished by the New York Athletic Club for each event.

The meets are being organized and conducted by the Recreation Staff of the Department of Parks, and the expense of furnishing prizes and printing entry blanks is being defrayed by the New York Athletic Club. There is no entry fee for entering any of the events. There is no charge for admission to the meets, and the general public is invited to attend. Similar meets will be held on August 5th at VanCortlandt Stadium in the Bronx, and on August 19th at Victory Field in Queens.

Entry blanks may be secured and filed at neighborhood playgrounds and at Park Department headquarters in each of the boroughs.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK
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FOR RELEASE MONDAY
JULY 16, 1945

Name Band Dances sponsored by Consolidated Edison Systems Company will continue in the parks during the coming week, with Jerry Wald, Van Alexander and Shorty Sherock conducting. These dances are part of a series of fifty-four which are scheduled for the summer to put greater enjoyment and variety into the vacations of patriotic stay-at-home New Yorkers.

Shorty Sherock will start the week's dancing on Monday, July 16th at 8:30 P. M., when he leads his orchestra at Williamsbridge Oval, East 208th Street and Bainbridge Avenue, in the Bronx. The Sherock Orchestra, a recent arrival in the ranks of Name Bands, has a versatile style, and is lead by a brilliant trumpet player.

Jerry Wald and his Orchestra will follow, playing a double date, on Tuesday, July 17th, at the playground at 30th Road and 45th Street, in Queens, and on Wednesday, July 18th, at Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse in the Bronx, both starting at 8:30 P. M. Jerry Wald's Orchestra is rated one of the finest in the field, and has earned widespread popularity through numerous ballroom, radio, and hotel engagements.

Van Alexander and his Orchestra will play for the remaining Name Band Dances of the week, performing on Thursday, July 19th, at the Mall in Central Park, and on Friday, July 20th, at the Prospect Park Dance Area, 11th Street and Prospect Park West, Brooklyn. Van Alexander is well-known as a composer, arranger, and pianist, and leads a musical group which has become one of the top favorites of the day.

Name Band Dances will continue in the parks through September 14th.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK
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FOR RELEASE Monday
July 16, 1945

The Department of Parks Trailer Marionette Theatre, presenting "Happy the Humbug", will continue its summer schedule of one day stands in Park playgrounds throughout the city, appearing in Manhattan this week.

"Happy the Humbug", a fantastic play in which all the actors are animal puppets, has been received with enthusiasm by the youngsters at each showing this season. Happy, the hero, a composite of giraffe, turtle, and monkey, is surrounded by a cast of gay animals, the chief among them being Hunkey the Monkey and the Pink Elephant. There is also a ballet sequence in which a group of colorful flowers dance to fairy music.

A performance will be given at 11:00 A.M. and at 2:30 P.M. at each of the following playgrounds:

Monday, July 16th Playground at Riverside Drive and 103 Street
Tuesday, July 17th Playground at Riverside Drive and 74 Street
Wednesday, July 18th Heckscher Playground, Central Park near 66 Street
Thursday, July 19th Kelly Playground, 17 Street and Eighth Avenue
Friday, July 20th Mt. Morris East Playground, 123 Street and Madison Avenue
Saturday, July 21st Thomas Jefferson Park, 112 Street and East River Drive

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE

Monday
July 16, 1945

Ten performances of the Department of Parks Magic Show will be given this week for the entertainment of youngsters in Park playgrounds in the borough of Manhattan. Peter Pan, the Magic Man, will open his bag of tricks and pull out magical games, stories, songs, and stunts, aided by his able assistant, Oscar, the Rabbit.

These performances are part of Peter's and Oscar's summer tour, during which they will give shows for children in the playgrounds of the five boroughs. This week's shows are scheduled as follows:

Monday, July 16th

11:00 A.M. St. Gabriel's Playground, East 35 Street and First Avenue
2:30 P.M. Playground at East River and 24 Street

Tuesday, July 17th

11:00 A.M. St. Catherine's Playground, East 67 Street and First Avenue
2:30 P.M. Carl Schurz Playground, East 84 Street and East End Avenue

Wednesday, July 18th

11:00 A.M. Yorkville Playground, East 101 Street and Second Avenue
2:30 P.M. Playground at 105 Street and Lexington Avenue

Thursday, July 19th

11:00 A.M. Morningside Playground, West 123 Street and Morningside Avenue
2:30 P.M. Ramsey Playground, 71 Street and East Drive, Central Park

Friday, July 20th

11:00 A.M. Playground at Riverside Drive and 97 Street
2:30 P.M. Playground at Riverside Drive and 82 Street

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After four postponements because of inclement weather, the City-wide Finals of the American Ballad Contest for Barber Shop Quartets are scheduled for Tuesday, July 17th at 8:30 P.M. on the Mall in Central Park. Arrangements have been made to hold the contest indoors at Hunter College Auditorium, 695 Park Avenue near 68th Street in Manhattan, in the event that it again rains on the night of the contest.

The program will open with selections by the United States Coast Guard Band of Manhattan Beach Training Station, through the courtesy of Captain John F. Baylis. This will be followed by the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner" by the entire audience.

Twelve quartets will sing in the contest, which will be conducted in two divisions: service men's quartets, and civilian quartets. The service quartets who will sing for city-wide honors are the United States Maritime Training Station of Sheepshead Bay, United States Coast Guard of Pier #18 Staten Island, the Miller Field Four, and the Masonaires of Mason General Hospital. In the civilian division, the singers will be the Village Bowlers, the Parade Grounds Quartet, the Seward Park Four, the Knickerbocker Four, the N.Y.U. Palisaders, the Woodlawn Horseshoe Club, the Paramounteers, and the St.Mary's Horseshoers.

As an added attraction, the Garfield City Four, recent winners of the New Jersey State Championship, will sing several of their favorite numbers. The Police Department Quartet will also render several selections.

The judges for the contest will consist of a number of outstanding composers and public officials, all experts in evaluating Barber Shop harmony. The judges will be Mayor LaGuardia, Park Commissioner Moses, James F. Evans, J. Bailey Harvey, Richard H. Gerard, William C. Handy, Raymond McNulty, Geoffrey O'Hara, Douglas Paige, Charles Powell, Frank W. Smith, Signumd Spaeth, George E. Spargo, Luther C. Steward, Paul Winslow, and Harry Armstrong.

Prizes will be awarded to the members of quartets placing first, second, and third, in each division of the contest. First place winners will receive \$25.00 War Bonds, second place will receive \$15.00 in War Saving Stamps, and third place \$10.00 in War Saving Stamps.

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The following special events will take place in the parks during the coming week:

Sunday, July 15

- 3:15 P. M. Concert - Associated Musicians of Greater New York at Forest Park Music Grove, Queens.
- 8:30 P. M. Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.

Monday, July 16

- 5:00 P. M. Swimming Events for Girls at Crotona Pool, East 173rd Street and Fulton Avenue, Bronx.
- 8:30 P. M. Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.
- 8:30 P. M. Dancing - Shorty Sherock's Orchestra at Williamsbridge Oval, East 208th Street and Bainbridge Avenue, Bronx.
- 8:30 P. M. Square Dancing - 105th Street and Riverside Drive, Manhattan.

Tuesday, July 17

- 5:00 P. M. Swimming Events for Boys at Astoria Pool, 19th Street and 23rd Drive, Astoria, Queens.
- 8:15 P. M. Concert - Associated Musicians of Greater New York at Crotona Recreation Center, East 173rd Street and Fulton Avenue, Bronx.
- 8:30 P. M. Dancing - Jerry Wald's Orchestra at Playground at 30th Road and 45th Street, Queens.
- 8:30 P. M. Concert - Goldman Band at Prospect Park Music Grove, Brooklyn.

Wednesday, July 18

- 5:00 P. M. Swimming Events for Girls at Highbridge Pool, Amsterdam Avenue and West 173rd Street, Manhattan.
- 8:30 P. M. Dancing - Jerry Wald's Orchestra at Poe Park, 192nd Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx.
- 8:30 P. M. Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.

Thursday, July 19

- 5:00 P. M. Swimming Events for Boys at Tompkinsville Pool, Victory Boulevard and Bay Streets, Richmond.
- 8:15 P. M. Concert - Associated Musicians of Greater New York at Hamilton Fish Playground, East Houston & Sheriff Sts., Man.
- 8:30 P. M. Dancing - Van Alexander's Orchestra at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.
- 8:30 P. M. Concert - Goldman Band at Prospect Park Music Grove, Bklyn.

Friday, July 20

- 8:30 P. M. Dancing - Van Alexander's Orchestra at Prospect Park Dance Area, 11th Street and Prospect Park West, Brooklyn.
- 8:30 P. M. Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.

Saturday, July 21

- 1:00 P. M. Elimination Tennis Tournaments, Men's Singles, at all Park Department tennis courts.
- 5:00 P. M. City-wide Finals, Swimming Events for Girls at Flushing Meadow Park Amphitheatre Swimming Pool, Queens.
- 8:30 P. M. Concert - City Amateur Symphony at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.
- 8:30 P. M. Concert - Goldman Band at Prospect Park Music Grove, Brooklyn.

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FOR RELEASE SUNDAY
JULY 15, 1945

NEW YORKERS CAN ENJOY SQUARE DANCE UNDER THE STARS
ON RIVERSIDE DRIVE, MONDAY NIGHT (JULY 16th)

Free Outdoor Entertainment for Civilians and Members of the Armed Forces
Made Possible through Auspices of Park Department and Sponsorship of Pepsi-Cola Co.

Hudson River breezes provide natural "air conditioning" for the weekly series of twelve free outdoor square dances at Riverside Drive and 105th Street (Lower Level), the fourth of which will be held this Monday, July 16th, at 8:30 P. M.

Held under the auspices of the Department of Parks, and made possible by the sponsorship of the Pepsi-Cola Company, through its President, Walter S. Maek, Jr., the dance series provides civilians and service men and women on furlough in New York with needed summer recreation.

Succeeding days for the series are Monday nights, July 23rd, July 30th, August 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th, September 3rd and September 10th.

Authentic music for the dances is by Ed Durlacher, well-known dance caller, and his "Top Hands".

For next Monday night's affair the numbers will include a variety of square, novelty and contra dances to such numbers as "Beer Barrel Polka", "Coming Round the Mountain", "Wait for the Wagon", "Hinky Dinky Parlee-voo", "Saturday Night", "Possum", and the "Gold and Silver Waltz".

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July 13, 1945

The Editor
Long Island Daily Star Journal
Star Square
Long Island City 1, New York

Dear Sir:

Certain newspapers have recently printed statements not emanating from reliable army official sources, concerning the use of the Roosevelt Boardwalk at Staten Island by wounded veterans which indicate lack of accurate information. Recently a story coming from the Bethlehem Shipyards was printed repeating misinformation previously given the press. This story came from a man who claimed that we would not permit any wounded veterans at one of our beaches, but neglected to say he had been refused a permit for a beer party for badly wounded veterans to be held under the boardwalk, and that this plan had been opposed both by the Red Cross and the Army.

Very truly yours,

Commissioner

CC: CENTRE ST. FILE
MR. HODGKISS
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July 13, 1946

STATEMENT BY ROBERT MOSES

An unusual amount of publicity has been given to the alleged refusal of the Department of Parks to permit disabled veterans in wheelchairs to use park boardwalks. There is no general rule against such use.

The boardwalk signs referred to by certain critics and placed there before the war state that no vehicles except baby carriages are permitted. These signs were aimed at bicycles, velocipedes and scooters which are prohibited under Section 45 of the Park Rules and Regulations, except at times and locations designated by the department. They were not aimed at individual veterans or invalids in wheelchairs, and, as a matter of fact, such wheelchairs are licensed at Coney Island where a similar sign is posted. These signs will now be changed and will read:

PROHIBITED USE

Any vehicle except baby
carriages and wheelchairs for invalids.

The Halloran incident referred to by the press is in a totally different category. I have given a report on this subject to the Mayor, who released it to the newspapers. An additional copy is attached. In this report, it is pointed out that the department had made arrangements to permit this group to use the boardwalk, but that impossible last minute impositions of the volunteer sponsors made it impossible for us to comply. You will see that General Devoe, Commanding Officer at Halloran Hospital, in his statement to the press said that he felt that our actions

were justified. Please note particularly this sentence in General Devoe's statement:

"The second choice of location offered a swimming pool with safety enclosures, facilities for cooking and serving a picnic supper, making it thus a secluded and well-accommodated outing for a helpless group of wounded soldiers."

We must control large parties and groups, whether composed of civilians or servicemen, by licenses and permits. I want to emphasize that we never raised a question about individual wounded veterans using the boardwalk. We were asked to permit a group of 26 seriously wounded men, with a retinue of nearly 100 attendants, nurses, and doctors, to hold a picnic on the boardwalk and to bring in refreshments and food for a party of this size. This meant additional arrangements and precautions on our part for the benefit and protection of the veterans themselves. The sponsors did not find these acceptable.

I have always, as the City and State Park head, cooperated with official representatives of the Armed Forces in an effort to make the recreational facilities of the City available to all servicemen temporarily on leave, stationed at one of the many posts within the City and Metropolitan Region, or confined to one of the convalescent hospitals.

Some time ago, the Park Department gave Halloran Hospital the exclusive use of a section of Willowbrook Park as a picnic grounds and a place of outdoor recreation. Special provision has been made for the convalescents at Halloran Hospital so that they may enjoy fishing in the lake at Willowbrook Park. Two years ago at Coney Island, a section of the beach at the Half Moon Hotel was set aside solely for naval convalescents and their friends. Servicemen are permitted to use our golf courses, tennis

courts and the ice and roller skating rink at Flushing Meadow Park on weekdays, and the swimming pools and bath houses at Orchard Beach and Jacob Riis on weekdays and on Saturdays and Sundays, all without charge. They are admitted to the Aquacade at Flushing Meadow Park at half price. Last year, we arranged with the War Department for an army show in Central Park, not to speak of servicemen actually quartered in our parks on emergency defense work. Since 1944, a special dance has been held weekly at Heckscher Playground in Central Park for servicemen and women only. In such activities as the Barber Shop Quartet Contest and the Harvest Dance Contest special divisions with prizes are set up for servicemen and women so that they do not compete against civilian groups who may have been organized for a long period of time.

Since the beginning of the war emergency, all the resources of the City Park Department have been made available to the Armed Forces and to all federal agencies such as the Treasury Department in the war bond drives. Similar arrangements have been made at Jones Beach and in other state parks in the Metropolitan Region.

I will do everything in my power to carry out the request of responsible officers of the Armed Forces. It is, however, our policy to work only with accredited government officials. We cannot deal with volunteers who speak without authority and whose actions are often repudiated by the Officers in Charge. That was the trouble with the recent Halloran incident. From now on, as to this hospital, we shall work with General Devoe and shall be happy to continue close cooperation with him. If General Devoe wants the exclusive use of individual park areas for certain hours, doubtless it can be arranged.

ROBERT MOSES

July 3, 1945

STATEMENT BY COMMISSIONER MOSES

Certain volunteer workers at Halloran Hospital have made an entirely false statement to the press to the effect that wounded veterans in wheelchairs are excluded from City parks and specifically from boardwalks and beaches. There is no such ruling and thousands of veterans are being accommodated in both City and State parks including convalescents in wheelchairs. In addition, all sorts of special facilities have been made available and entertainments have been provided in cooperation with the doctors in charge of these and other service men.

The particular incident which led to this discussion occurred at Halloran Hospital, Staten Island. A doctor in charge of a ward in which there are badly wounded men, still in serious condition, conceived the idea of taking these men to beaches together with nurses, doctors and attendants. The first thought of this doctor and the various volunteer agencies, including the Red Cross, was to take these men to Jones Beach. It was pointed out that this was a two and one-half hour trip each ~~day~~, that the men would be exhausted and that it would be a tough journey even for people in the best of health.

At this stage, an appeal was made to me, and I directed our executives to try in every possible way to work out something satisfactory, as an experiment, either at Roosevelt Beach or at Wolf's Pond, Staten Island. After a field inspection with representatives of the volunteer groups, we offered a section of the Roosevelt boardwalk with adequate access. Our information was that the party was to consist of twenty-six wounded veterans

and sufficient nurses, doctors and attendants to raise the total to one hundred twenty-five people. Not only was a great deal of time and effort given to making this experiment a success, but I personally began a study of other means of entertaining men in this location especially through boat excursions.

Just before the time came for the experiment, additional conditions were imposed and arbitrary demands by the Halloran volunteer group which would have made it impossible for us successfully to carry out the plan. It turned out that the idea back of the experiment was that these veterans should mingle with public crowds in the face of the fact that they are seriously wounded cases requiring constant attention of a large number of nurses and doctors, especially on park trips of this kind. Under these circumstances, the park officials must find means of protecting them from curiosity seekers, small children, etc. The success of an experiment of this sort depends not only upon knowledge of nursing but of park operation. Under the conditions, we were forced to notify the hospital people that we could not attempt the experiment in the face of the arbitrary and unworkable orders they insisted upon.

It may be noted in passing that precisely the opposite conclusion as to recreation for seriously wounded men has been reached by practically all of the other doctors in the armed services with whom we have had contacts. For example, we have provided for Navy convalescents at the Half Moon Hotel a section of beach roped off at the insistence of the Navy doctors who said it would be impossible to care for these men adequately

and to preserve order unless they had a beach exclusively for their use.

General Devoe, the head of Halloran General Hospital, has disclaimed any responsibility for the false publicity given the press. He says that he has no criticism of the Park Department and that he is well satisfied with the arrangements finally made under which the hospital takes care of this problem at another location not involving the problems encountered at a public beach. He further certifies that the statements criticising park policy in this case did not originate from official sources and do not have his sympathy.

General Devoe's statement to the Associated Press reads as follows:

"Whatever restrictions Commissioner Moses has outlined in the use of the Franklin D. Roosevelt Boardwalk for the good of the greatest number are considered justifiable by this installation. We are certain that if we had requested a special concession for an outing for patients from Halloran General Hospital on an organized Red Cross recreational trip that complete cooperation would have been extended. At this time, however, a substitute was found that provided many more comforts and facilities to the patients. It was decided, therefore, to change the locale of the outing to where they would have the best time. The second choice of location offered a swimming pool with safety enclosures, facilities for cooking and serving a picnic supper, making it thus a secluded and well accommodated outing for a helpless group of wounded soldiers."

The City Park Department will continue to do everything humanly possible to provide recreation for veterans, well or wounded, but with the immense crowds in the City, shortage of help, and other problems including travel regulations which prevent people from leaving town on their normal vacations, the

needs and demands of all the various groups and ages which make up the City's population, permanent and transient, must be reconciled. No other city has anything like New York's summer recreation problems. No other city has done as much in recent years to expand its recreation system.

Under these conditions, no purpose is served by malicious statements, baseless criticisms and attempts by irresponsible busybodies to stir up antagonisms and create friction. The critics have no monopoly of interest in wounded and other service men. This is an enthusiasm shared by every red-blooded American.

ROBERT MOSES

Commissioner

Swimming Tournament For Boys

Sponsored Jointly by DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
and the NEW YORK MIRROR

at

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS OUTDOOR SWIMMING POOLS

July 10 to July 28, 1945

EVENTS FOR BOYS WHO ARE NOT REGISTERED WITH THE METROPOLITAN ASSN. A.A.U.

Boys up to and including 11 years of age.....	25 Meter Freestyle	
Boys 12, 13 years of age.....	50 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

Trials of above events will be held in each borough in accordance with the following schedule:

Tuesday, July 10	5:00 P.M.	Crotona Pool, East 173rd Street and Fulton Avenue, Bronx
Thursday, July 12	5:00 P.M.	Thomas Jefferson Pool, First Avenue and East 111th Street, Manhattan
Tuesday, July 17	5:00 P.M.	Astoria Pool, 19th Street, opp. 23rd Drive, Queens
Thursday, July 19	5:00 P.M.	Tompkinsville Pool, Victory Boulevard and Bay Street, Richmond
Tuesday, July 24	5:00 P.M.	McCarren Pool, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street, Brooklyn

Demonstrations and exhibitions by outstanding diving and swimming stars will be held at the above pools in addition to the swimming events at Sunset Pool, 42nd Street and 7th Avenue, Brooklyn, Saturday, July 28, at 5:00 P.M.

PRIZES will be awarded to boys finishing first, second and third in each event.

1st Place, 10Kt. Gold Medal — 2nd Place, Gold Filled Medal — 3rd Place, Sterling Silver Medal

Boys finishing first and second in each pool will qualify to swim in the Finals to be held
JULY 28 at 5:00 P.M. — SUNSET POOL, 42nd Street and 7th Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

PRIZES will be awarded to boys finishing first, second and third in each final.

1st Place, Large 10Kt. Gold Medal — 2nd Place, Large Gold Filled Medal — 3rd Place, Large Sterling Silver Medal

JUNIOR METROPOLITAN A.A.U. CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS — Finals — Boys must be registered with the Metropolitan Association Amateur Athletic Union in order to compete in these events. All shows start at 5:00 P.M.

Tuesday, July 10 — Crotona Pool East 173rd Street and Fulton Avenue, Bronx	100 Meter Breast Stroke 150 Meter Medley Relay 400 Meter Freestyle Relay
Thursday, July 12 — Thomas Jefferson Pool First Avenue and East 111th Street, Manhattan	100 Meter Back Stroke 150 Meter Individual Medley
Tuesday, July 17 — Astoria Pool 19th Street opp. 23rd Drive, Queens	100 Meter Freestyle 400 Meter Freestyle
Thursday, July 24 — McCarren Pool Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street, Brooklyn	50 Meter Freestyle 200 Meter Freestyle 200 Meter Breast Stroke 1 Meter Dive, Low Board

SENIOR METROPOLITAN A.A.U. CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS — Finals — Boys must be registered with the Metropolitan Association Amateur Athletic Union in order to compete in these events.

SATURDAY, JULY 28, at 5:00 P.M. — SUNSET POOL, 42nd Street and 7th Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

100 Meter Freestyle	300 Meter Individual Medley	3 Meter Dive, High Board
1500 Meter Freestyle	800 Meter Freestyle Relay	100 Meter Back Stroke
200 Meter Breast Stroke	300 Meter Medley Relay	

PRIZES — Regulation Championship Medals and Bars for first, second and third in each event.

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TO DIRECTOR OF SPORTS TOURNAMENT:
(File as per instructions at the bottom of this blank.)

Please enter me in the following events which have been sanctioned by the Metropolitan Association of the Amateur Athletic Union.

	Check Which Group
Borough Non Amateur Athletic Union Events	_____
Boys up to and including 11 years of age	_____
Boys 12, 13 years of age	_____
Boys 14, 15 years of age	_____
Boys 16, 17 years of age	_____
Junior Metropolitan A. A. U. Championship Events	_____
Senior Metropolitan A. A. U. Championship Events	_____

Enter Me At _____
(Name of Swimming Pool)

in the Following Events _____ 1. _____
2. _____ 3. _____

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, the New York Mirror, the Amateur Athletic Union, the Metropolitan Assn. of the A. A. U., the directors of this meet, their agents, representatives, and assigns, for any and all injuries suffered by me at said swimming meet.

Competitor's Name _____ Age _____

Address _____

Name of Organization _____

A.A.U. Registration Number _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____

No entry fees charged for Non A.A.U. Events. Entries for events for boys not registered with the Amateur Athletic Union should be sent to the Supervisor of the pool at which contestant desires to compete. Boys will be permitted to enter only in the borough in which they reside, and may swim only in the age group in which they belong. Entries close three days before date on which event is to be held.

Entries for the Junior and Senior Metropolitan A.A.U. Championships close one week before date on which events are to be held. A.A.U. rules require an entry fee for championships. These fees, 50c for individual events and \$1.50 for relay events must be mailed together with entry direct to Metropolitan Association of the A.A.U., Woolworth Building, New York City 7, N. Y. (Room 2683.)

Swimming Tournament For Girls

Sponsored jointly by DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
and the NEW YORK JOURNAL-AMERICAN

at
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS OUTDOOR SWIMMING POOLS

July 9 to July 21, 1945

EVENTS FOR GIRLS WHO ARE NOT REGISTERED WITH THE METROPOLITAN ASSN. A. A. U.

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

Trials of above events will be held in each borough in accordance with the following schedule:

Monday, July 9, 5:00 P.M.—Astoria Pool, 19th Street, opposite 23rd Drive, Queens

Wednesday, July 11, 5:00 P.M.—Tompkinsville Pool, Victory Boulevard and Bay Street, Richmond

Friday, July 13, 5:00 P.M.—Sunset Pool, 42nd Street and 7th Avenue, Brooklyn

Monday, July 16, 5:00 P.M.—Crotona Pool, East 173rd Street and Fulton Avenue, Bronx

Wednesday, July 18, 5:00 P.M.—Highbridge Pool, Amsterdam Avenue and West 173rd Street, Manhattan

Aquatic clinics, demonstrations and exhibitions by outstanding diving and swimming stars will be held at the above pools in addition to the swimming events at Flushing Meadow Pool, July 21.

PRIZES will be awarded to girls finishing first, second and third in each event.

1st Place—10 Kt. Gold Medal 2nd Place—Gold Filled Medal 3rd Place—Sterling Silver Medal

Girls finishing first and second in each pool will qualify to swim in the Finals to be held at
FLUSHING MEADOW PARK AMPHITHEATRE SWIMMING POOL, July 21, 5:00 P. M.

PRIZES will be awarded to girls finishing first, second and third in each final.

1st Place—Large 10 Kt. Gold Medal 2nd Place—Large Gold Filled Medal 3rd Place—Large Sterling Silver Medal

JUNIOR METROPOLITAN A.A.U. CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS — Finals — Girls must be registered with the Metropolitan Amateur Athletic Union in order to compete in these events. All shows start at 5 P.M.

Monday, July 9—Astoria Pool
19th Street, opposite 23rd Drive, Queens

150 Meter Medley Relay
100 Meter Breast Stroke
400 Meter Freestyle Relay

Friday, July 13—Sunset Pool
42nd Street and 7th Avenue, Brooklyn

800 Meter Freestyle
100 Meter Backstroke
150 Meter Individual Medley

Monday, July 16—Crotona Pool
East 173rd Street and Fulton Avenue, Bronx

100 Meter Freestyle
300 Meter Individual Medley
400 Meter Freestyle

Wednesday, July 18—Highbridge Pool
Amsterdam Avenue and West 173rd Street, Manhattan

200 Meter Freestyle
50 Meter Freestyle
200 Meter Breast Stroke

SENIOR METROPOLITAN A.A.U. CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS — Finals — Girls must be registered with the Metropolitan Association Amateur Athletic Union in order to compete in these events.

Saturday, July 21, 5:00 P.M.—Flushing Meadow Park Amphitheatre Swimming Pool

100 Meter Freestyle
3 Meter Dive

100 Meter Backstroke
800 Meter Relay

100 Meter Breast Stroke
300 Meter Individual Medley

PRIZES—Regulation Championship Medals and Bars for first, second, and third in each event.

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TO DIRECTOR OF SPORTS TOURNAMENT:

(File as per instructions at the bottom of this blank.)

Please enter me in the following events which have been sanctioned by the Metropolitan Association of the Amateur Athletic Union.

Check Which Group

Borough Non Amateur Athletic Union Events

Up to and including 11 years of age

Girls 12, 13 years of age

Girls 14, 15 years of age

Girls 16, 17 years of age

Junior Metropolitan A. A. U. Championship Events

Senior Metropolitan A. A. U. Championship Events

Enter Me At _____
(Name of Swimming Pool)

in the Following Events 1. _____
2. _____ 3. _____

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, the New York Journal-American, the Amateur Athletic Union, the Metropolitan Assn. of the A. A. U., the directors of this meet, their agents, representatives, and assigns, for any and all injuries suffered by me at said swimming meet.

Competitor's Name _____ Age _____

Address _____

Name of Organization _____

A.A.U. Registration Number _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian _____

No entry fees charged for Non A.A.U. Events. Entries for events for girls not registered with the Amateur Athletic Union should be sent to the Supervisor of the pool at which contestant desires to compete. Girls will be permitted to enter only in the borough in which they reside, and may swim only in the age group in which they belong. Entries close three days before date on which event is to be held.

Entries for the Junior and Senior Metropolitan A.A.U. Championships close one week before date on which events are to be held. A.A.U. rules require an entry fee for championships. These fees, 50c for individual events and \$1.50 for relay events must be mailed together with entry direct to Metropolitan Association of the A.A.U., Woolworth Building, New York City 7, N. Y. (Room 2683.)

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SUMMER SPORTS TOURNAMENT

1945

Sponsored by
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BOYS AND GIRLS UP TO 18 YEARS

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| CHECKERS <input type="checkbox"/> | HORSESHOE PITCHING <input type="checkbox"/> | SHUFFLEBOARD <input type="checkbox"/> |
| HANDBALL <input type="checkbox"/> | JACKS <input type="checkbox"/> | TABLE TENNIS <input type="checkbox"/> |
| | PADDLE TENNIS <input type="checkbox"/> | |

Rules Governing the Tournaments

- Check event you wish to enter and give entry blank to Park Department Playground Director or send your entry to the Supervisor of Recreation at:
 - Manhattan—Arsenal Building, 64th Street & Fifth Avenue, New York 21, N. Y.
 - Brooklyn —Litchfield Mansion, Prospect Park West & Fifth Street, Brooklyn 15, N. Y.
 - Bronx —Administration Building, Bronx Park East & Birchall Avenue, Bronx 60, N. Y.
 - Queens —The Overlook, Forest Park, Kew Gardens, Queens 15, N. Y.
 - Richmond—Clove Lake Field House, Clove Road & Victory Boulevard, S. I. 1, N. Y.

- ELIGIBILITY**—All contestants must compete in their own age division. July 1, 1945 will determine the eligibility as to the age of the contestant. Contestants who have won prizes in open A.A.U. competition or other National or Sectional tournaments are ineligible to compete. **ENTRIES CLOSE ONE WEEK BEFORE THE START OF THE TOURNAMENTS.**

3. AGE DIVISIONS

					<i>Playground Eliminations Start</i>
CHECKERS	Jr. — 12, 13, 14 yrs.	Boys <input type="checkbox"/>	Girls <input type="checkbox"/>		Thursday, July 5
	Sr. — 15, 16, 17 yrs.	Boys <input type="checkbox"/>	Girls <input type="checkbox"/>		
HANDBALL	Sr. — 15, 16, 17 yrs.	Boys <input type="checkbox"/>	Girls <input type="checkbox"/>		Saturday, July 7
HORSESHOE PITCHING	Sr. — 15, 16, 17 yrs.	Boys <input type="checkbox"/>			Saturday, July 7
JACKS	Jr. — 12, 13, 14 yrs.		Girls <input type="checkbox"/>		Thursday, July 12
PADDLE TENNIS	Jr. — 12, 13, 14 yrs.	Boys <input type="checkbox"/>	Girls <input type="checkbox"/>		Saturday, July 14
	Sr. — 15, 16, 17 yrs.	Boys <input type="checkbox"/>	Girls <input type="checkbox"/>		
SHUFFLEBOARD	Sr. — 15, 16, 17 yrs.	Boys <input type="checkbox"/>	Girls <input type="checkbox"/>		Saturday, July 14
TABLE TENNIS	Jr. — 12, 13, 14 yrs.	Boys <input type="checkbox"/>	Girls <input type="checkbox"/>		Saturday, July 21
	Sr. — 15, 16, 17 yrs.	Boys <input type="checkbox"/>	Girls <input type="checkbox"/>		

- ELIMINATION AND GAME SCHEDULE**—Eliminations will be held in each playground, district, and borough prior to the interborough city-wide finals. Contestants will be notified where and when to report for games.

Playground Eliminations	July 1 - 21
District Eliminations	July 23 - August 4
Borough Eliminations	August 20 - September 30

CITY-WIDE FINALS—All games start at 2:00 P.M.

Jacks	Heckscher Playground, Central Park	Wednesday	August 22
Horseshoe Pitching	Heckscher Playground, Central Park	Sunday	August 26
Checkers	McLaughlin Park, Brooklyn	Wednesday	August 29
Table Tennis	Mullaly Playground, Bronx	Sunday	September 9
Paddle Tennis	North Meadow Playground, Central Park	Saturday	September 15
Handball	Lincoln Terrace Playground, Brooklyn	Sunday	September 16
Shuffleboard	North Meadow Playground, Central Park	Saturday	September 29

- PRIZES**—Medals will be awarded to contestants placing first and second in the district, borough and city-wide finals.

PLEASE ACCEPT MY ENTRY IN THE EVENTS CHECKED ABOVE.

NAME:.....AGE:.....DATE OF BIRTH:.....19.....

ADDRESS:.....BOROUGH:.....

PLAYGROUND:.....CLUB:.....

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SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT

Summer Season 1945

Sponsored jointly by

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS

and

THE NEW YORK MIRROR

at

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS PLAYGROUNDS

For Boys—14 - 15 - 16 and 17 years of age

Playground Eliminations	July 9 to July 21
District Eliminations	July 23 to August 11
Borough Eliminations	August 13 to August 23
City-wide Championship Contests	August 25 to September 8

PRIZES

District	1st Place— Sterling silver gold plated medals
	2nd Place— Sterling silver medals
Borough	1st Place— 1/10 10K gold on sterling silver medals
	2nd Place— Sterling silver gold plated medals
City-wide	1st Place— 10K gold medals
	2nd Place— 1/10 10K gold on sterling silver medals

To enter fill out form on back of this sheet. Fifteen boys will be permitted to enter on each team. Boys ages will be determined as of July 1, 1945. Entries close July 7, 1945.

Give this entry blank to Park Department Playground Director or send your entry to the Supervisor of Recreation in the borough in which you live:

Manhattan — Arsenal Building, 64 Street and Fifth Avenue, New York 21, N. Y.

Brooklyn — Litchfield Mansion, Prospect Park West and 5 Street, Brooklyn 15, N. Y.

Bronx — Administration Building, Bronx Park East & Birchall Avenue, Bronx 60, N. Y.

Queens — The Overlook, Forest Park, Kew Gardens, Queens 15, N. Y.

Richmond — Clove Lake Field House, Clove Road and Victory Blvd., S. I. 1, N. Y.

Official rules of softball approved by the Joint Rules Committee are to govern all games.

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To Director of Sports Tournament:

Please enter the _____ Softball Team in the Department of Parks --
New York Mirror Softball Tournament.

Name of Player	Address	Age on July 1, 1945
1. _____	_____	_____
2. _____	_____	_____
3. _____	_____	_____
4. _____	_____	_____
5. _____	_____	_____
6. _____	_____	_____
7. _____	_____	_____
8. _____	_____	_____
9. _____	_____	_____
10. _____	_____	_____
11. _____	_____	_____
12. _____	_____	_____
13. _____	_____	_____
14. _____	_____	_____
15. _____	_____	_____

No substitutes will be permitted to play on teams after the tournament starts.

Manager

Manager's Address

CITY OF NEW YORK DEPARTMENT OF PARKS

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FOUR ATHLETIC MEETS

Sponsored by

NEW YORK ATHLETIC CLUB

YOUTH ATHLETIC COUNCIL

To encourage physical fitness among our youth.

BROOKLYN - MANHATTAN

BRONX - QUEENS

Sunday, July 8, 1945 at 2 P.M.

Brooklyn—Red Hook Stadium, Bay and Columbia Sts.

Sunday, July 22, 1945 at 2 P.M.

Manhattan—Triborough Stadium, Randall's Island

Sunday, August 5, 1945 at 2 P.M.

Bronx—Van Cortlandt Park Stadium, Broadway & 242 St

Sunday, August 19, 1945 at 2 P.M.

Queens—Victory Field, Myrtle Ave. & Woodhaven Blvd

PLAYGROUND EVENTS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS

17 years of age and under

NOT MEMBERS OF METROPOLITAN ASS'N. AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION

BOYS EVENTS

120 lb. class, 50 yard dash

120 lb. class, 50 yard dash

120 lb. class, 70 yard dash

100 yard dash

220 yard dash

Running Broad Jump

1/2 Mile

1 Mile

1 lb. Shot Put

Running High Jump

440 yard Run

GIRLS EVENTS

100 lb. class, 40 yard dash

110 lb. class, 50 yard dash

100 yard dash

Potato Race

HANDICAP EVENTS FOR ATHLETES REGISTERED WITH

METROPOLITAN ASS'N. AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION

JULY 8

JULY 22

AUGUST 5

AUGUST 19

RED HOOK STADIUM

TRIBOROUGH STADIUM

VAN CORTLANDT STADIUM

VICTORY FIELD

BROOKLYN

MANHATTAN

BRONX

QUEENS

70 yard dash

100 yard dash

220 yard dash

100 yard dash

600 yard run

440 yard run

1 Mile

1/2 Mile run

Shot Put

2 Mile run

Running Broad Jump

3 Mile run

50 yard dash — girls

120 yard hurdle

100 yard dash Girls

Running High Jump

Sanctioned by the Metropolitan Association Amateur Athletic Union

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RULES GOVERNING THE MEET

1. Check event you wish to enter and give entry blank to Park Department Playground Director or send your entry to the Supervisor of Recreation at:

MANHATTAN —Arsenal Building, 64th St. and Fifth Ave., New York 21, N. Y.

BROOKLYN —Litchfield Mansion, Prospect Park W. & 5th St., B'klyn 15, N. Y.

BRONX —Administration Bldg., Bronx Park E. & Birchall Ave., Bronx 60, N. Y.

QUEENS —The Overlook, Forest Park, Kew Gardens, Queens 15, N. Y.

RICHMOND —Clove Lake Field House, Clove Rd. & Victory Blvd., S. I. 1, N. Y.

2. No entry fee will be charged for entering any of the events. Entries will close ten days prior to date of events.
3. All contestants must compete in their own weight class.
4. Boys who have won prizes at P.S.A.L. or private high school meets or who are members of the A.A.U. are ineligible to compete in Park Playground events.
5. Gold filled medals will be awarded for first place; sterling silver medals for second place; bronze medals for third place in each event.

PLEASE ACCEPT MY ENTRY IN THE EVENTS CHECKED ABOVE

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, the New York Athletic Club, the Amateur Athletic Union, the Metropolitan Association of the A.A.U., the directors of this meet, their agents, representatives, and assigns, for any and all injuries suffered by me at said meet.

NAME AGE DATE OF BIRTH

ADDRESS BOROUGH

PLAYGROUND CLUB

Athletes entering A.A.U. events must give registration number, and give record of best performances on bottom of this entry blank for handicapper.

CITY OF NEW YORK - DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
FIFTH ANNUAL SPORTS TOURNAMENT

1945

CHAMPIONSHIP TENNIS MATCHES

Prize Awards donated by
THE NEW YORK COMMUNITY TRUST

ENTRIES

All entry blanks must be in the hands of Park Attendants or New York Public Parks Tennis Association Committeemen at parks where players plan to play in eliminations not later than Monday, July 16th for Men's Singles, Junior Boys' Singles and Women's Singles.

LOCAL TOURNAMENTS

At all parks with tennis facilities listed on the reverse side of this blank.
All players having Park Department Tennis Permits are eligible to enter.

July 21st.....Men's Singles
July 23rd.....Junior Boys' Singles
Boys who have not reached their 18th birthday before January 1, 1945.
August 4th.....Women's Singles

Draw sheets and schedules of play will be posted on bulletin board at each area.
No further notice will be given.

BOROUGH CHAMPIONSHIPS

All quarter-finalists of local tournaments qualify.

August 11th to 19th.....Men's Singles
August 13th to 17th.....Junior Boys' Singles
August 25th to September 2nd.....Women's Singles

Borough Championships will be held at the following parks:

Manhattan — Men—Central Park, 93rd Street and West Drive
 Juniors and Women—Central Park, 93rd Street and West Drive
Brooklyn — Men—McKinley Park, 75th Street and 7th Avenue
 Junior and Women—Lincoln Terrace Park, Eastern Parkway and Buffalo Avenue
Bronx — Men—Mullaly Park, 161st Street and Jerome Avenue
 Juniors and Women—St. James Park, 193rd Street and Jerome Avenue
Queens — Men—Forest Park, Park Lane South and 89th Street.
 Juniors and Women—Kissena Park, 164th Street and Oak Avenue
Richmond — Men—Walker Park, Bard Avenue and Delafield Place.
 Juniors and Women—Silver Lake Park, Hart Boulevard and Revere Street

BOROUGH CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES

Best of Three Sets
Men's Singles Junior Boys' Singles Women's Singles

All entries will continue matches on the following days on regular schedule to be arranged by the Committee; players must report to the referee's desk before leaving the grounds each day to receive their assignments of matches for the following day. The Committee will endeavor to conduct all matches on Saturdays and Sundays. If necessary, week day matches will be played at 6 P.M.

*All quarter-finalists of borough tournaments qualify to play in the
City-Wide Championships at Central Park, New York City*

CITY-WIDE CHAMPIONSHIPS CENTRAL PARK — ALL DIVISIONS

Saturday, August 25th, 2 P.M.....Junior Boys' Singles
Saturday, September 8th, 2 P.M.....Men's Singles
Saturday, September 15th, 2 P.M.....Women's Singles

CITY-WIDE MATCHES

Men's Singles Junior Boys' Singles Women's Singles
Best of Three Sets
Men's Semi-finals and Finals
Best of Five Sets

PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to the winner of each local tournament, and to both the winner and runner-up at each borough championship and in the city-wide championship.

The name of the winner in each division will be inscribed on the permanent trophies donated by the Park Association of New York City, Inc.



TENNIS COURTS

PARK	LOCATION	No. of Courts	No. of Lockers	PARK	LOCATION	No. of Courts	No. of Lockers
MANHATTAN:				QUEENS:			
CENTRAL PARK	—93d St. & West Drive.....	30	1270	ALLEY POND	—Grand Central Parkway & Winchester Boulevard.....	16	160
EAST RIVER PARK	—Rivington St., Stanton & East River Drive.....	12		ASTORIA PARK	—25th Ave. & 21st Ave., Astoria	14	
	63RD STREET & YORK AVENUE.....	4		BAISLEY PARK	—155th St. & 118th Ave.	8	
HARLEM HOUSING PLAYGROUND	—150th St. & Seventh Ave.	8		BROOKVILLE	—Brookville Boulevard & So. Conduit Highway, Rosedale.....	6	
RANDALL'S IS.	—East of Triboro Stadium....	23		CROCHERON	—East of 215th Place & South of 33rd Avenue, Bayside.....	10	86
FT. WASHINGTON PARK	—W. 172nd St. & Riverside Drive.....	11		CUNNINGHAM	—Union Turnpike, North of 193rd Street, Jamaica.....	15	148
RIVERSIDE PARK	—W. 161st St. & Riverside Drive	2		FLUSHING MEMORIAL	—150th St. & Bay-side Ave., Flushing.....	8	
INWOOD HILL PARK	—207th St. & Seaman Ave.	12		FOREST PARK	—Park Lane South & 89th Street, Woodhaven.....	14	66
BROOKLYN:				HIGHLAND	—Jamaica Ave. & Cleveland St., Ridgewood	26	
DYKER BEACH PARK	—Bay 8th Street & Cropsey Ave.	12		HOWARD BEACH	—Nolan & Thatford Aves.	3	
CONEY ISLAND	—Neptune Avenue & West 25th Street	12		KISSENA	—164th St. & Oak Ave., Flushing....	12	
FT. GREENE PARK	—DeKalb Avenue & Washington Park	6		LIBERTY PARK	—172nd St. & Liberty Ave., Jamaica	10	
GRAVESEND	—56th Street & 18th Avenue....	9		WAYANDA	—Hollis Ave. & Springfield Blvd., Hollis	2	
KELLY MEMORIAL	—Avenue S & East 14th Street	7		EQUITY PLAYGROUND	—89th Ave. & 90th St., Woodhaven	4	
LIEV EIRIKSSON	—66th St. & 7th Avenue	10		RICHMOND:			
LINCOLN TERRACE	—Eastern Parkway & Buffalo Ave.	11		WALKER PARK	—Bard Ave., Delafield Place, Davis Ave.	9	344
McCARREN	—Lorimer St. & Driggs Ave.	14		SILVER LAKE	—Hart Blvd., Silver Lake Park	4	24
McKINLEY	—75th St. & 7th Ave.	9					
MARINE PARK	—Fillmore Ave. and Marine Parkway	18					
PROSPECT PARK	—Prospect Park West & 9th Street	25	300				
RED HOOK	—Columbia & Halleck Streets....	18					
SUNSET	—5th Avenue & 43rd Street.....	3					
BRONX:							
BRONX PARK	—Brady Ave. & Bnx. Park E.	6					
CROTONA PARK	—E. 173rd St. & Crotona Avenue	25	258				
MULLALY PARK	—E. 164th St. & Jerome Av.	15	188				
PELHAM BAY PARK	—Rice Stadium.....	10					
ST. JAMES PARK	—E. 193rd St. & Jerome Ave.	12					
ST. MARYS PARK	—E. 146th St. & Trinity Av.	5					
VAN CORTLANDT PARK EAST	—233rd St. & Jerome Ave.	16					
WILLIAMSBRIDGE OVAL	—Bainbridge Ave. and 208th Street.....	8	684				

TENNIS FEES

A fee of Three (\$3.00) Dollars is required for the issuance of a Tennis Permit for one season for tennis playing only.

A season locker for one Borough only is Two (\$2.00) Dollars. Daily locker Twenty-five (\$.25) Cents.

A duplicate permit will not be issued unless another fee is paid.

Please accept my entry in Local Tournament at.....

in.....

(EVENT)

Name..... Address..... Permit No.....

Name..... Address..... Permit No.....

Entries should be given to Park Department Tennis Court Attendant or New York Public Parks Tennis Association Committeemen.

CITY OF NEW YORK
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
SIXTH ANNUAL SPORTS TOURNAMENT
1945
CHAMPIONSHIP GOLF MATCHES

Prize Awards for Women and Junior Tournaments donated by
THE PARK ASSOCIATION OF NEW YORK CITY, Inc.

ENTRIES

Players must be residents of New York City and have permit to play on municipal courses. Entry blanks for Women and Junior Divisions must be filed with Supervisor of local course previous to July 15th. In Men's Division attested score cards will be accepted by Supervisor until July 15th, inclusive. Tournament score cards will be posted daily in Men's Division.

The 64 low gross scorers will qualify for the local course championship.

LOCAL COURSE CHAMPIONSHIPS

18-HOLES OF MEDAL PLAY

Men Sunday, July 22nd
Women Sunday, July 22nd
Junior Monday, July 30th

Boys who have not reached their 18th birthday before January 1, 1945.

Eight low gross scorers in Men's Division qualify for City-Wide Team Championship. Winner and runner-up in Junior and Women Course Championships qualify for the City-Wide Championships in these divisions.

Prizes to winner and runner-up in each division.

CITY-WIDE TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS

FOREST PARK GOLF COURSE

Men's Division Sunday, August 5th
36 holes of medal play.

The 32 low gross scorers in Team Championship qualify for City-Wide Match Play Championship.

Prize to winning team to remain at local golf house.

CITY-WIDE CHAMPIONSHIP

Men La Tourette Golf Course... Week Ends—August 11th and August 18th
Women .. Forest Park Golf Course... Sunday, August 26th
Junior ... Forest Park Golf Course... Sunday, August 26th

City-Wide Championship for Men will be in match play. Semi-final and final rounds to be matches of 36 holes. All other matches will consist of 18 holes of match play. Play in these matches will be for the Newbold Morris Trophy.

The Women and Junior City-Wide Championships will be 18 holes of medal play.

Prizes to winner and runner-up in each division.

ENTRY BLANK

GOLF

JUNIOR, WOMEN AND MEN

Date.....1945.

Please accept my entry in the.....Division, of the Sixth Annual Sports Tournament.

Course

Name

Address

Entries should be filed with supervisor at the municipal golf course at which you desire to play.

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GOLF COURSES

Brooklyn:

DYKER BEACH GOLF COURSE — 18 holes, 6624 yds., par 72.
Located at 86th Street and 7th Avenue.

Bronx:

VAN CORTLANDT GOLF COURSE — 18 holes, 5118 yds., par 66.
Located at 242nd Street and Broadway, Van Cortlandt Park.

MOSHOLU GOLF COURSE — 18 holes, 5145 yds., par 65. Located
at Jerome Avenue and Holley Lane at Woodlawn.

PELHAM - SPLIT ROCK GOLF COURSE—Located on Shore Road,
North of Hutchinson River Parkway, Pelham Bay Park.

Pelham—18 holes, 6559 yds., par 72.

Split Rock—18 holes, 6636 yds., par 71.

Queens:

CLEARVIEW GOLF COURSE — 18 holes, 6456 yds., par 71. Located
at Belt Parkway, Bayside.

KISSENA GOLF COURSE — 18 holes, 4750 yds., par 64. Located
at North Hempstead Turnpike and Fresh Meadow Road in Flushing.

FOREST PARK GOLF COURSE — 18 holes, 5905 yds., par 69.
Located at Park Lane South and Forest Parkway in Forest Park.

Richmond:

SILVER LAKE GOLF COURSE — 18 holes, 6108 yds., par 70.
Located in Silver Lake Park on Victory Boulevard and Park Road.

LA TOURETTE GOLF COURSE — 18 holes, 6681 yds., par 72.
Located at Forest Hill Road and London Road.

GOLF FEES:

Season permit \$5.00 An additional charge of 10 cents is made on
season permits for weekday play. On Saturdays, Sundays and holidays an additional
charge of 50 cents per day is made.

Single day permit—Monday to Friday inclusive \$.75 — Saturdays, Sun-
days and holidays \$1.

Season Lockers \$5. Daily Lockers \$.25.

FREE PARKING SPACE AT ALL COURSES.

CITY OF NEW YORK
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS

Sixth Annual Sports Tournament

1945

CHAMPIONSHIP SWIMMING EVENTS

NOVICE EVENTS FOR PATRONS OF DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
SWIMMING POOLS
and
SWIMMERS REGISTERED WITH THE AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION
SPECIAL EVENTS FOR SERVICE MEN

Prize awards donated by
THE NEW YORK COMMUNITY TRUST

Schedule of dates and locations of swimming pools where novice eliminations will be held

Competition at all pools will start at 5:00 P.M.

Tuesday—August 7, Carmine Street.....Clarkson Street and Seventh Avenue, Manhattan
Wednesday—August 8, Betsy Head.....Hopkinson and Livonia Avenues, Brooklyn
Thursday—August 9, East 23rd Street.....23rd Street and East River Drive, Manhattan
Monday—August 13, John Jay.....78th Street and East River Drive, Manhattan
Monday—August 13, Faber.....Richmond Terrace and Faber Street, Richmond
Tuesday—August 14, West 60th Street.....60th Street W. of Amsterdam Avenue, Manhattan
Tuesday—August 14, Red Hook.....Bay and Henry Streets, Brooklyn
Wednesday—August 15, Astoria.....19th Street and 23rd Drive, Queens
Wednesday—August 15, Tompkinsville.....Arietta Street at Pier No. 6, Richmond
Thursday—August 16, Hamilton Fish.....East Houston and Pitt Streets, Manhattan
Thursday—August 16, Sunset.....43rd Street and Seventh Avenue, Brooklyn
Monday—August 20, Thomas Jefferson.....114th Street and First Avenue, Manhattan
Monday—August 20, Crotona.....173rd Street and Fulton Avenue, Bronx
Tuesday—August 21, McCarren.....Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street, Brooklyn
Wednesday—August 22, Colonial.....Bradhurst Avenue and West 145th Street, Manhattan
Wednesday—August 22, Flushing Meadow.....Grand Central Parkway and Horace Harding Blvd., Queens
Thursday—August 23, Highbridge.....West 173rd Street and Amsterdam Avenue, Manhattan

**SANCTIONED BY THE METROPOLITAN ASSOCIATION OF THE
AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION**

Service Men's and Men's Amateur Athletic Union Events

Monday, August 27, Astoria.....19th Street and 23rd Drive, Queens

City Wide Championship Finals—Boys' and Girls'—Women's and Men's Novice Events

Tuesday, August 28, McCarren.....Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street, Brooklyn

Women's Amateur Athletic Union Events

Wednesday, August 29, Astoria.....19th Street and 23rd Drive, Queens

NOVICE EVENTS FOR PATRONS OF DEPARTMENT OF PARKS SWIMMING POOLS

Extract from A.A.U. Rules: "An athlete shall be held to be a novice until he or she shall have won a place prize, as distinguished from a team prize, other than a survivor's token, in a competition open to the members of two or more clubs, colleges, preparatory or high schools."

1. 25 meters free style for boys 10 years and under
2. 25 meters free style for girls 10 years and under
3. 50 meters free style for boys 11, 12 and 13 years
4. 50 meters free style for girls 11, 12 and 13 years
5. 50 meters free style for boys 14 and 15 years
6. 50 meters free style for girls 14 and 15 years
7. 100 meters free style for boys 16 and 17 years
8. 50 meters back stroke for boys 16 and 17 years
9. 50 meters breast stroke for boys 16 and 17 years
10. Springboard diving for boys 17 years and under (3 meter board—4 options)
11. Springboard diving for girls 17 years and under (3 meter board—4 options)
12. 50 meters free style for girls 16 and 17 years
13. 50 meters back stroke for girls 16 and 17 years
14. 50 meters breast stroke for girls 16 and 17 years
15. 50 meters free style for women 18 years and over
16. 50 meters free style for men 18 years and over

Age to be determined as of August 1, 1945

Contestants may swim only in the age group in which they belong and may compete at only one swimming pool.

Prizes will be awarded to competitors finishing first and second in each event at all swimming pools. First and second place winners will also qualify to compete in the New York City Championships to be held at McCarren Park Swimming Pool, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street, Brooklyn, on Tuesday, August 28, 1945 at 5:00 P.M.

Additional prizes will be awarded to competitors finishing first, second and third in City championships.

See front page for schedule of dates and locations of swimming pools, where novice eliminations will be held.

Entry blanks for novice events must be filled out and left with the Supervisor of the pool at which you desire to compete, three days prior to the day on which the meet is scheduled.

No entry fee will be charged for novice and service men's events.

SERVICE MEN'S EVENTS

ASTORIA SWIMMING POOL
19th Street and 23rd Drive, Astoria, Queens

Monday, August 27, 1945 at 5:00 P.M.

1. 50 Meters Back Stroke
2. 50 Meters Breast Stroke
3. 100 Meters Free Style

Prizes to competitors finishing first, second and third in each event.

Entries close Monday, August 20, 1945. No entry fee charged for Service Men's Events.

Fill out and mail entry blank to Director of Recreation, Department of Parks, Arsenal, 64th Street and Fifth Avenue, New York 21, N. Y.

AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION EVENTS FOR MEN

ASTORIA SWIMMING POOL
19th Street and 23rd Drive, Astoria, Queens

Monday, August 27, 1945 at 5:00 P.M.

1. 100 Meters Free Style..... Open
2. 100 Meters Back Stroke..... Open
3. 200 Meters Breast Stroke..... Open
4. Springboard Diving—3 Meter Board..... Open

AMATEUR ATHLETIC UNION EVENTS FOR WOMEN

ASTORIA SWIMMING POOL
19th Street and 23rd Drive, Astoria, Queens

Wednesday, August 29, 1945 at 5:00 P.M.

1. 100 Meters Back Stroke..... Open
2. 200 Meters Breast Stroke..... Senior Metropolitan Championship
3. 300 Meters Medley Relay..... Senior Metropolitan Championship
4. 400 Meters Free Style..... Senior Metropolitan Championship
5. Springboard Diving—3 Meter Board..... Invitation

Prizes for competitors finishing first, second and third in A.A.U. Events. Regulation Championship Medals and Bars for first, second and third in Championship events. Entries for the men and women's Amateur Athletic Union events close Monday, August 20, 1945. A.A.U. rules require an entry fee of 10 cents for individual events and \$1.50 for relay events—this must be mailed together with entry direct to Metropolitan Association of the A.A.U., Woolworth Building, New York 7, N. Y., Room 2683.

TO DIRECTOR OF RECREATION:

(File as per instructions.)

Please enter me in the following events which have been sanctioned by the Metropolitan Association of the Amateur Athletic Union.

Check Which Group

Novice Park Swimming Pool Events

Service Men's Events

Men's Metropolitan A.A.U. Open Events

Senior Metropolitan A.A.U. Women's Championship Events

Enter Me At.....
(Name of Swimming Pool)

in the Following Events 1.....

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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, The New York Community Trust, the Amateur Athletic Union, the Metropolitan Assn. of the A.A.U., the directors of this meet, their agents, representatives, and assigns, for any and all injuries suffered by me at said swimming meet.

Competitor's Name..... Age.....

Address.....

Name of Organization.....

A.A.U. Registration Number.....

For Novice Events..... Birthday.....
Month Day Year

Signature of Parent or Guardian.....

No entry fees charged for Service Men and Novice Events. Entries for events for competitors not registered with the Amateur Athletic Union should be sent to the Supervisor of the pool at which contestant desires to compete. Boys and girls will be permitted to enter only in the borough in which they reside, and may swim only in the age group in which they belong. Entries close as stated under each class of events.

Keep first sheet of this blank so that you will have complete information regarding dates, starting time location of pools, etc. No further notice will be sent to you.

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
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FOR RELEASE Monday
July 9, 1945

The Department of Parks Trailer Marionette Theatre will continue its summer tour of the park playgrounds, giving two daily performances of "Happy the Humbug" for the entertainment and delight of young audiences.

"Happy the Humbug" is a fantasy in which all the actors are animal puppets. The most active of these is Happy, the hero, who motivates the plot and keeps the rest of the cast busy helping him solve his comic problems. Hunky the Monkey, who is Happy's best friend, and a Pink Elephant who cries real strawberry tears, frolic through the play and add to the fun.

The Marionette Theatre will give performances at the following playgrounds in Richmond and Manhattan during the week:

Monday, July 9

11:00 A.M. Lincoln Avenue Playground, Midland Beach, Richmond.
2:30 P.M. Schmil Playground, Wilde Avenue, Travis, Richmond.

Tuesday, July 10

11:00 A.M. Columbus Park, Baxter and Worth Streets, Manhattan.
2:30 P.M. Columbus Park, Baxter and Worth Streets, Manhattan.

Wednesday, July 11

11:00 A.M. J. Hood Wright Playground, 175 St. & Ft. Washington Ave., Man.
2:30 P.M. J. Hood Wright Playground, 175 St. & Ft. Washington Ave., Man.

Thursday, July 12

11:00 A.M. Colonial Playground, Bradhurst Avenue & 150 Street, Manhattan.
2:30 P.M. Colonial Playground, Bradhurst Avenue & 150 Street, Manhattan.

Friday, July 13

11:00 A.M. Playground at Riverside Drive and 148th Street, Manhattan.
2:30 P.M. Playground at Riverside Drive and 148th Street, Manhattan.

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FOR RELEASE Monday
July 9, 1945

Peter Pan, the Magic Man, will continue his tour of Park Department playgrounds this week, entertaining audiences of youngsters with magical games, stories, and stunts. Peter will be assisted in his tricks by his friend, Oscar the Rabbit. The show has many new features this year, and the magician's bag is crammed with unusual songs, stunts, and games.

The Magic Show gives the audience many opportunities to participate in the magic which Peter creates, and to dramatize magical stories such as "Cinderella" and "The Three Little Pigs", with the aid of costumes and props.

Magic Show performances will be given at the following playgrounds this week:

Monday, July 9

11:00 A.M. Playground at 83 Roosevelt Street, Manhattan
2:30 P.M. Gulick Playground, Columbia, Delancey, and Sheriff Sts., Man.

Tuesday, July 10

11:00 A.M. Playground at 95 Thompson Street, Manhattan.
2:30 P.M. Seward Playground, Canal, Hester, and Essex Streets, Manhattan.

Wednesday, July 11

11:00 A.M. Tompkins Square Playground, 10 Street and Avenue A, Manhattan.
2:30 P.M. Playground at East River Drive and 12th Street, Manhattan.

Thursday, July 12

11:00 A.M. Downing Street Playground, Downing Street west of 6th Ave., Man.
2:30 P.M. Corlears Hook Playground, Cherry and Jackson Streets, Manhattan.

Friday, July 13

11:00 A.M. McCaffrey Playground, West 43rd St. and 8th Ave., Manhattan.
2:30 P.M. DeWitt Clinton Playground, West 53rd St. and 11th Ave., Man.

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FOR RELEASE Sunday
July 8, 1945

Name Band Dances sponsored by Consolidated Edison Systems Company go into their third week when Don Redman and his orchestra play at Colonial Park, Bradhurst Avenue and 153 Street, on Monday evening, July 9th, at 8:30 P.M.

Don Redman has ranked with top flight bands for over a decade, and has a musical background which includes years of successful appearances from coast to coast leading an excellent outfit, and arranging scores for his own and for other leader's bands. This is in the nature of a return engagement for the Redman Orchestra, as they played for Name Band Dances in the parks last year.

Les Elgart and his Orchestra will play for the four dances scheduled for the remainder of the week, to be held at Jackson Heights Playground, 84 Street and 25th Avenue, Queens on Tuesday, July 10th; at Poe Park, 192 Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx on Wednesday, July 11th; at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan, on Thursday, July 12th; and at the Prospect Park Dance Area, 11th Street and Prospect Park West, Brooklyn, on Friday, July 13th. All dances start at 8:30 P.M.

The Les Elgart band is a young outfit, recently arrived in the upper strata of dance bands. The band emphasizes sweet music, and Elgart plays a "singing trumpet" as he leads. Elgart and his trumpet served their musical apprenticeship with such well known bands as Harry James, Bunny Berrigan, Sonny Dunham, and Charlie Spivak.

Fifty-four Name Band Dances, all to be held outdoors in the parks, are scheduled for this summer. Dances will continue through September 14th.

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FOR RELEASE Sunday
July 8, 1945

RIVERSIDE DRIVE SQUARE DANCES GO INTO THIRD WEEK
WITH DANCE ON MONDAY, JULY 9TH

Free Entertainment for New Yorkers under Auspices of Park Department
Made Available through Sponsorship of Pepsi-Cola Company

The third of a dozen weekly free outdoor square dances, designed to help New Yorkers spend a happy summer vacation in town, which are being held under the auspices of the Department of Parks and sponsored by Pepsi-Cola Company through its president, Walter S. Mack, Jr., takes place Monday night, July 9th, at 8:30 P.M., at Riverside Drive and 105th Street (Lower Level). The dances will be held on succeeding Monday nights, up to and including September 10th.

The music for the entire series is by dance caller Ed Durlacher and the "Top Hands". This Monday evening's program especially features circle dances and will also include square dances, a contra dance and a circle fox trot. Among the numbers to be played are "Oh Susanna", "Casey Jones", "Billy Boy", "Nellie Bly", "Don't Fence Me In" and novelty medleys.

Commenting on his Company's sponsorship of the dance series, Mr. Mack said:

"Pepsi-Cola Company is happy to help New Yorkers to spend an enjoyable summer vacation in town through the contribution of this weekly series of twelve free square dances under the stars at Riverside Drive."

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FOR RELEASE Sunday
July 8, 1945

The following special events will take place in the parks
during the coming week:

Sunday, July 8

- 2:00 P.M. Athletic Meet at Red Hook Stadium, Bay and Columbia Streets, Bklyn.
Metropolitan A. A. U. and Playground events for boys and girls.
- 8:15 P.M. Concert - Associated Musicians of Greater New York at King Park,
Jamaica Avenue and 150th Street, Queens.
- 8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.

Monday, July 9

- 5:00 P.M. Swimming Events for girls at Astoria Pool, 19th Street and
23rd Drive, Queens.
- 8:30 P.M. Square Dancing at 105 Street and Riverside Drive, Manhattan.
- 8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.
- 8:30 P.M. Dancing - Don Redman's Orchestra at Colonial Playground, 153rd
Street and Bradhurst Avenue, Manhattan

Tuesday, July 10

- Noon Concert - Associated Musicians of Greater New York at Union
Square Park, Manhattan.
- 5:00 P.M. Swimming Events for boys at Crotona Pool, East 173rd Street and
Fulton Avenue, Bronx.
- 8:30 P.M. Dancing - Les Elgart's Orchestra at Jackson Heights Playground,
84th Street and 25th Avenue, Queens.
- 8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at Prospect Park Music Grove, Brooklyn.

Wednesday, July 11

- 8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.
- 8:30 P.M. Dancing - Les Elgart's Orchestra at Poe Park, 192nd Street and
Grand Concourse, Bronx.

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Thursday, July 12

- 5:00 P.M. Swimming Events for boys at Thomas Jefferson Pool, First Avenue and 111th Street, Manhattan.
- 8:15 P.M. Concert - Associated Musicians of Greater New York at East River Park at Rivington Street.
- 8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at Prospect Park Music Grove, Brooklyn.
- 8:30 P.M. Dancing - Les Elgart's Orchestra at the Mall, Central Park, Man.

Friday, July 13

- 5:00 P.M. Swimming Events for girls at Sunset Pool, 43rd Street and Seventh Avenue, Brooklyn.
- 8:00 P.M. Choral Concert at Forest Park Music Grove, Queens.
- 8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.
- 8:30 P.M. Dancing - Les Elgart's Orchestra at Prospect Park Dance Area, 11th Street and Prospect Park West, Brooklyn.

Saturday, July 14

- 1:00 P.M. Barn Dance at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.
- 8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at Prospect Park Music Grove, Brooklyn.
- 8:30 P.M. Concert - Amateur City Symphony at the Mall, Central Park, Man.

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FOR RELEASE Tuesday
July 3, 1945

The Department of Parks Trailer Marionette Theatre will start its summer tour of Park playgrounds on July 5th with a performance at 11:00 A.M. at Faber Park in Richmond. These summer performances, now in their fifth year, are given for the entertainment of the city's youngsters. They will continue through September 9th.

The Marionette Theatre's presentation this season, "Happy the Humbug," is a departure from the usual fairy-tale drama. The play is crowded with a cast of fantastic animals, the chief one being Happy, a composite creature with the freckled head and neck of a giraffe, the horny back of a turtle, and the tail of a monkey. Among the other animal puppets who contribute to the gaiety and help Happy over the rough spots of his comic life to a happy ending, are Hunky the Monkey, his best friend, and a very gay Pink Elephant who sheds real, strawberry tears. Of course, there is the inevitable villain, a rascal known as B. Steer. In addition to the main characters there is a corps de ballet of flowers which performs to sprightly music.

This week's performances are scheduled as follows:

Thursday, July 5th

11:00 A.M. Faber Park, Richmond Terrace and Faber Street, Richmond.

2:30 P.M. Willowbrook Park, Victory Boulevard and Richmond Avenue, Richmond.

Friday, July 6th

11:00 A.M. Levy Playground, Jewett and Castleton Avenues, Richmond.

2:30 P.M. Clove Lakes Park, Victory Boulevard and Clove Road, Richmond.

Saturday, July 7th

11:00 A.M. Walker Park, Bard Avenue and Delafield Place, Richmond.

2:30 P.M. Westerleigh Park, Willard and Maine Avenues, Richmond.

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FOR RELEASE Tuesday
July 3, 1945

Peter Pan, the Department of Parks Magic Man, with a bag full of new tricks, will make his first appearance this summer on July 5th at 11:00 A.M., when he performs for youngsters at McDonald Playground, Forest Avenue near Broadway, in Richmond. This will mark the beginning of Peter Pan's summer tour, in which he will visit 102 playgrounds in the five boroughs.

This season's show consists of magical games, stories, songs and stunts, with many opportunities for the children of the audience to participate in the fun. A new rabbit, Oscar, has joined the act, taking the place of the older Oscars who have retired from hectic show business to quiet lives in the Elysian carrot fields.

Other performances are scheduled for the Borough of Richmond this week as follows:

Thursday, July 5, 2:30 P.M. - Mariners Harbor Playground, Harbor Road, Mariners Harbor.

Friday, July 6, 11:00 A.M. - Winter Avenue Playground, Winter Avenue near Bismark Street, New Brighton.

Friday, July 6, 2:30 P.M. - Mahoney Playground, Beechwood and Crescent Avenues, New Brighton.

Saturday, July 7, 11:00 A.M.- DeMatti Playground, Tompkins Avenue and Chestnut Lane, Rosebank.

Saturday, July 7, 2:30 P.M.- Kaltenmeier Playground, Virginia Avenue, Rosebank.

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FOR RELEASE Sunday
July 1, 1945

The following special events will take place in the parks during the coming week:

Sunday, July 1st

8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.

Monday, July 2nd

8:30 P.M. Square Dancing at 105th Street and Riverside Drive, Manhattan.

8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.

8:30 P.M. Dancing - Shorty Sherock's Orchestra at Grover Cleveland Playground, Grandview Avenue and Stanhope Street, Queens.

Tuesday, July 3rd

8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at Prospect Park Music Grove, Brooklyn.

8:30 P.M. Dancing - Mitchell Ayres' Orchestra at Poe Park, 192 Street and Grand Concourse, Bronx.

Wednesday, July 4th

3:15 P.M. Concert - Associated Musicians of Greater New York at Orchard Beach, Bronx.

8:15 P.M. Naumburg Memorial Concert at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.

Thursday, July 5th

8:15 P.M. Concert - Associated Musicians of Greater New York at Lincoln Terrace Playground, Rochester and East New York Avenues, Brooklyn.

8:30 P.M. Dancing - Jerry Wald's Orchestra at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.

8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at Prospect Park Music Grove, Brooklyn.

Friday, July 6th

8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.

8:30 P.M. Dancing - Jerry Wald's Orchestra at Prospect Park Dance Area, 11th Street and Prospect Park West, Brooklyn.

Saturday, July 7th

8:30 P.M. Concert - City Amateur Symphony at the Mall, Central Park, Manhattan.

8:30 P.M. Concert - Goldman Band at Prospect Park Music Grove, Brooklyn.

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FOR RELEASE Sunday
July 1, 1945

The second in the 1945 series of Naumburg Memorial Concerts will be given on the Mall, Central Park, on Monday, July 4th at 8:15 P.M. The two remaining concerts will be heard on July 31st and on Labor Day.

The Naumburg Memorial Concerts are presented to New York's music lovers each year by Mr. Walter W. Naumburg and Mr. George W. Naumburg, sons of Mr. Elkan Naumburg who donated the bandstand on the Mall to the city in 1922, and who for many years contributed orchestral concerts for the enjoyment of the people.

The July 4th concert will be conducted by Richard Bales, with Dorothy Averell, violinist, soloist. The program will be as follows:

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| 1. Overture to "The Royal Fireworks Musick" | Handel-Harty |
| 2. Second and Fourth Movements from "New World" Symphony | Dvorak |
| 3. The Londonderry Air | Grainger |
| 4. Polovetzian Dances from "Prince Igor" | Borodin |
| 5. Symphonie Espagnole First Movement | Lalo |
| Dorothy Averell | |
| 6. Salute to the Infantry | Godfrey-Bales |
| First New York Performance | |
| 7. Waltz - The Beautiful Blue Danube | Strauss |
| 8. American Fantasie | Herbert |

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