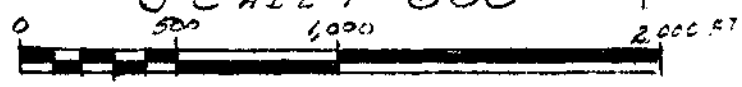


BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN

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PLAYGROUND ADJ. TO PS. 92
SOUTH OF WINTHROP ST. BET BEDFORD & ROGERS AVE
BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN 6-29-56 S.M.



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY JULY 11, 1956

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening to the general public of a playground located at Seaview Avenue between East 99th Street and East 100th Street on Seaview Avenue, adjacent to the Bayview Houses, in the Borough of Bklyn.

Located in the Canarsie section of Brooklyn, this new one acre playground, an example of close co-operation and co-ordination between city agencies, was built with NYCHA funds and will be operated by the Department of Parks.

Divided into two sections for control purposes, the northerly section contains an area for pre-school age children with slides, swings, jungle gym, wading pool, sandpit and a comfort station. The southerly section provides for handball and basketball courts.

Residents of the housing project and the surrounding community, and the pupils of adjacent P.S. 272 which is presently under construction, will now have additional outdoor recreational facilities.

Shade trees have been planted throughout the area and benches are provided for guardians of children.

With the addition of this playground there are now 664 playgrounds in the Park system.

Picture # 28985 * * * * *
Plans BL 274-101-101

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FRIDAY JULY 13, 1956

REGENT 4-1000

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening to the public of two playgrounds adjacent to the Brooklyn-Queens Expressway at Metropolitan and Marcy Avenues, and at Rodney Street between Grand and South 1st Streets, in the Borough of Brooklyn.

The Metropolitan and Marcy Avenue area, a 1.5 acre playground provides a sitting area, comfort station, swings, slides, wading pool, sandpit, seesaws and kindergarten swings.

The 0.5 acre playground at Rodney and Grand Streets, located three blocks south on the opposite side of the expressway provides swings, slides, jungle gym, sandpit, kindergarten swings, seesaws and shower basin.

665 With the addition of these two playgrounds there are now 666 playgrounds in the Park system.

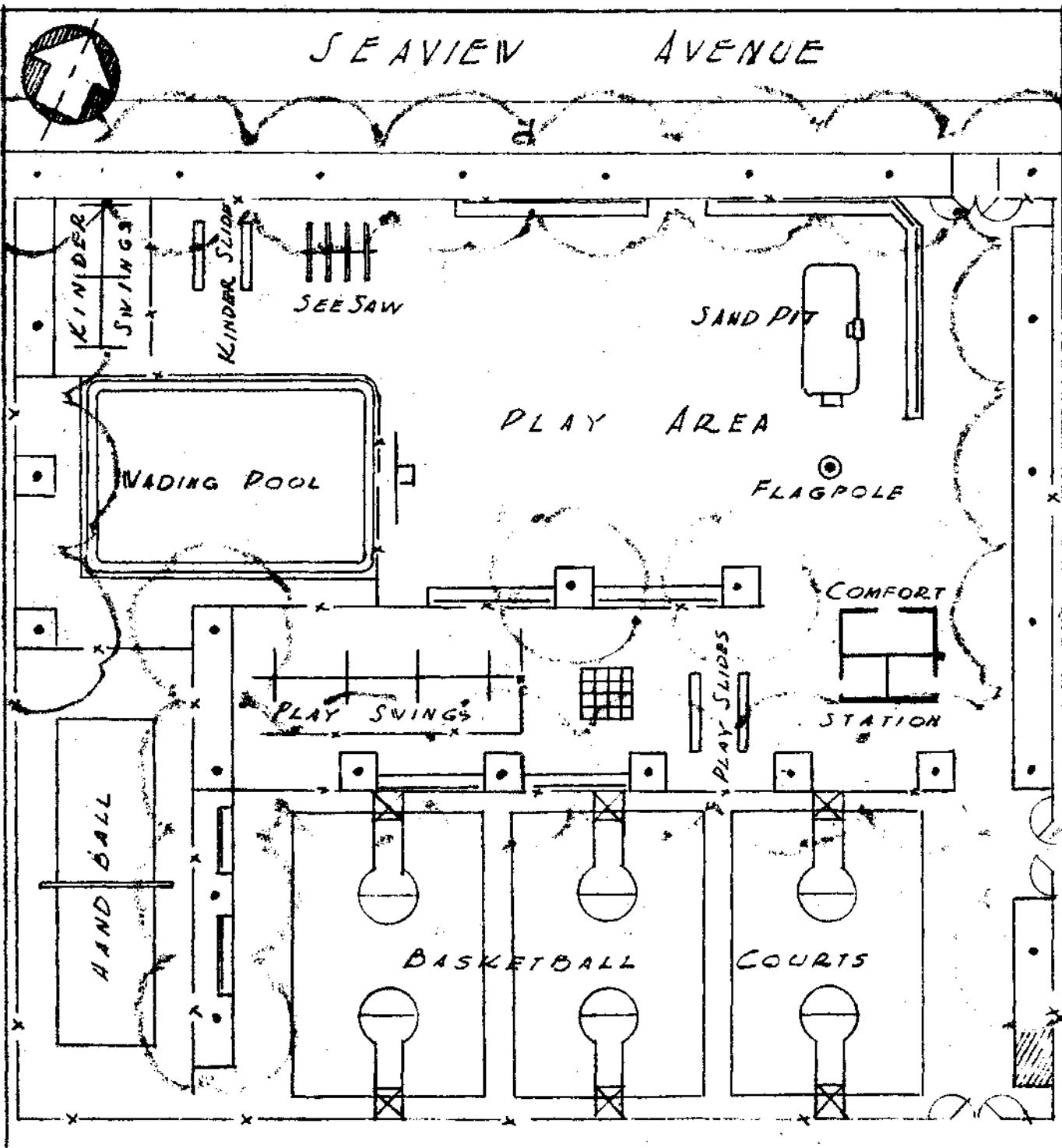
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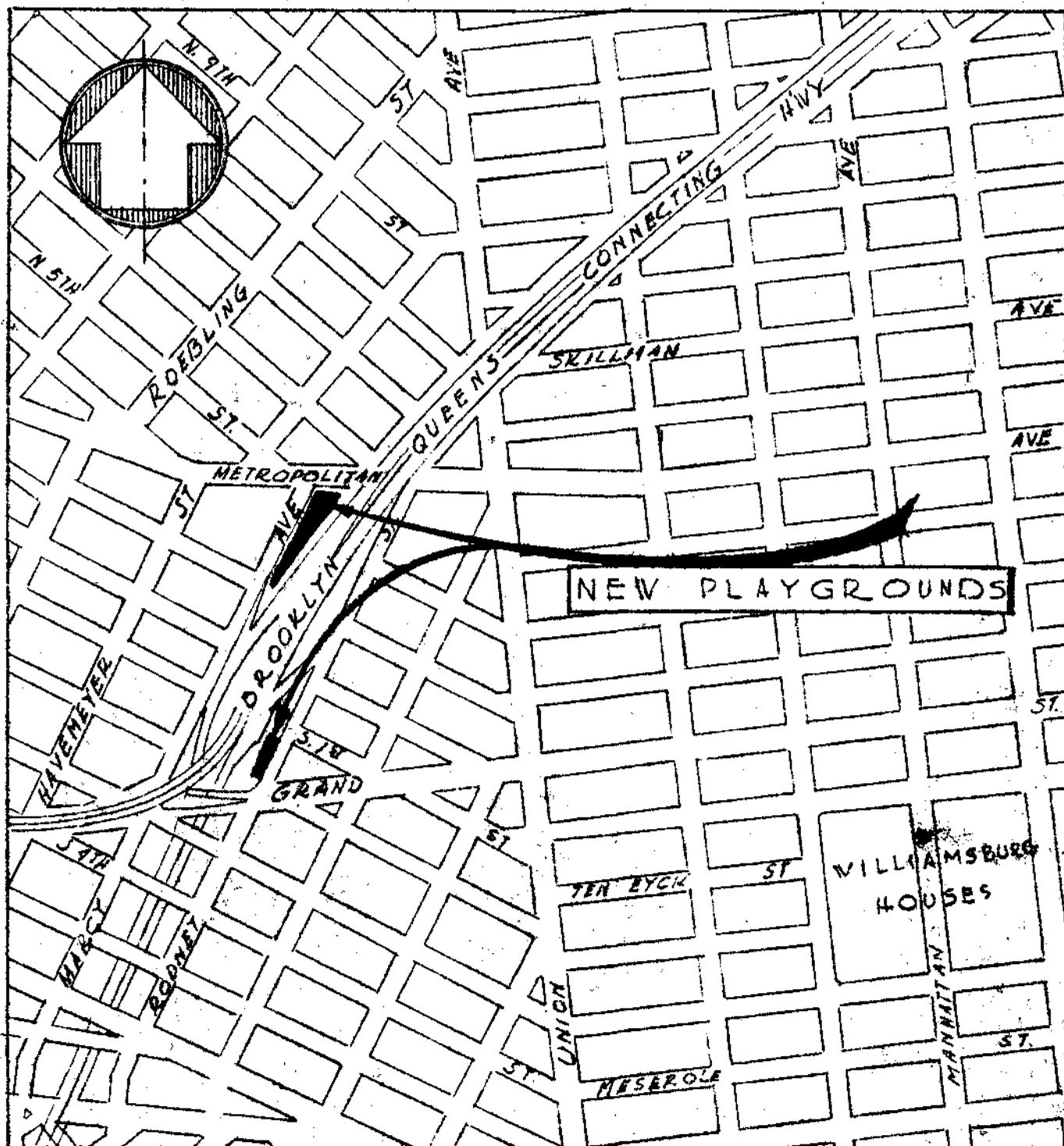
BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN

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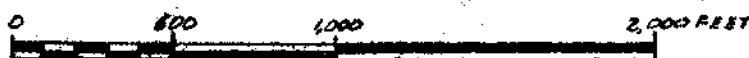
PLAYGROUND AT BAY VIEW HOUSES
SEAVIEW AVENUE ADJ TO PS. 272
BETWEEN E. 99TH & E. 100TH STS
BORO OF BROOKLYN 7-2-36 S.N.

B-2-272-100 ✓



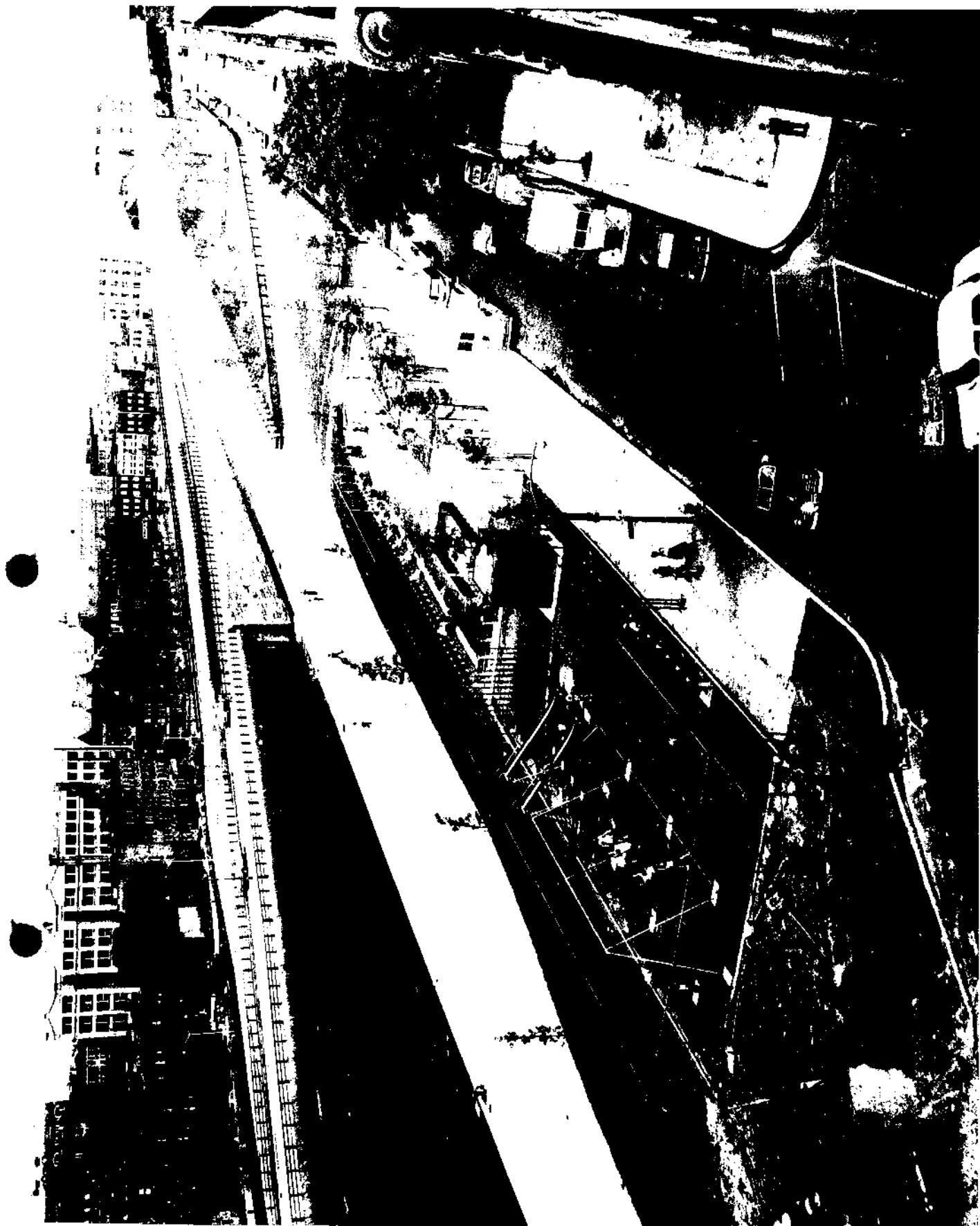
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PLAYGROUND
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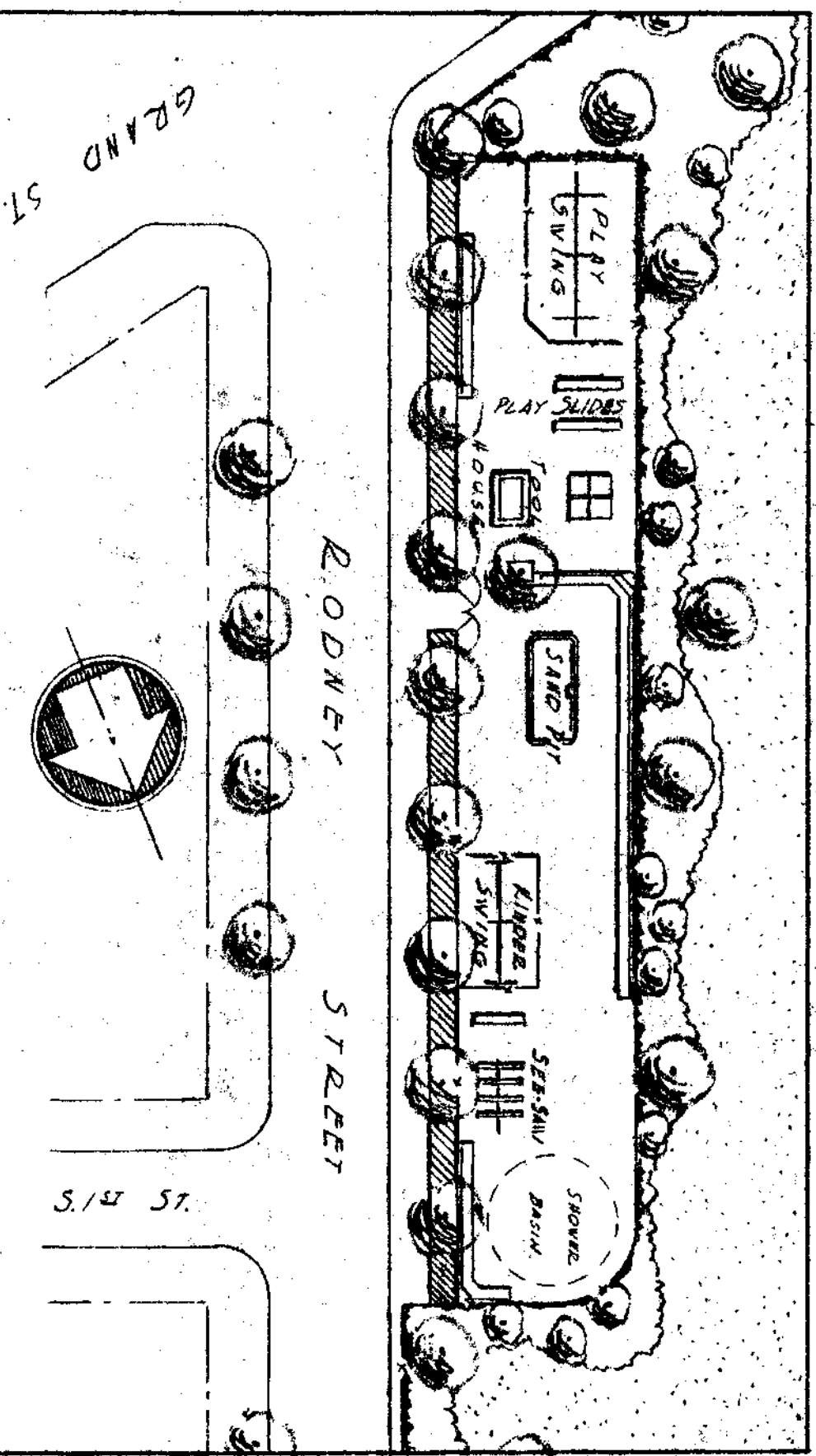
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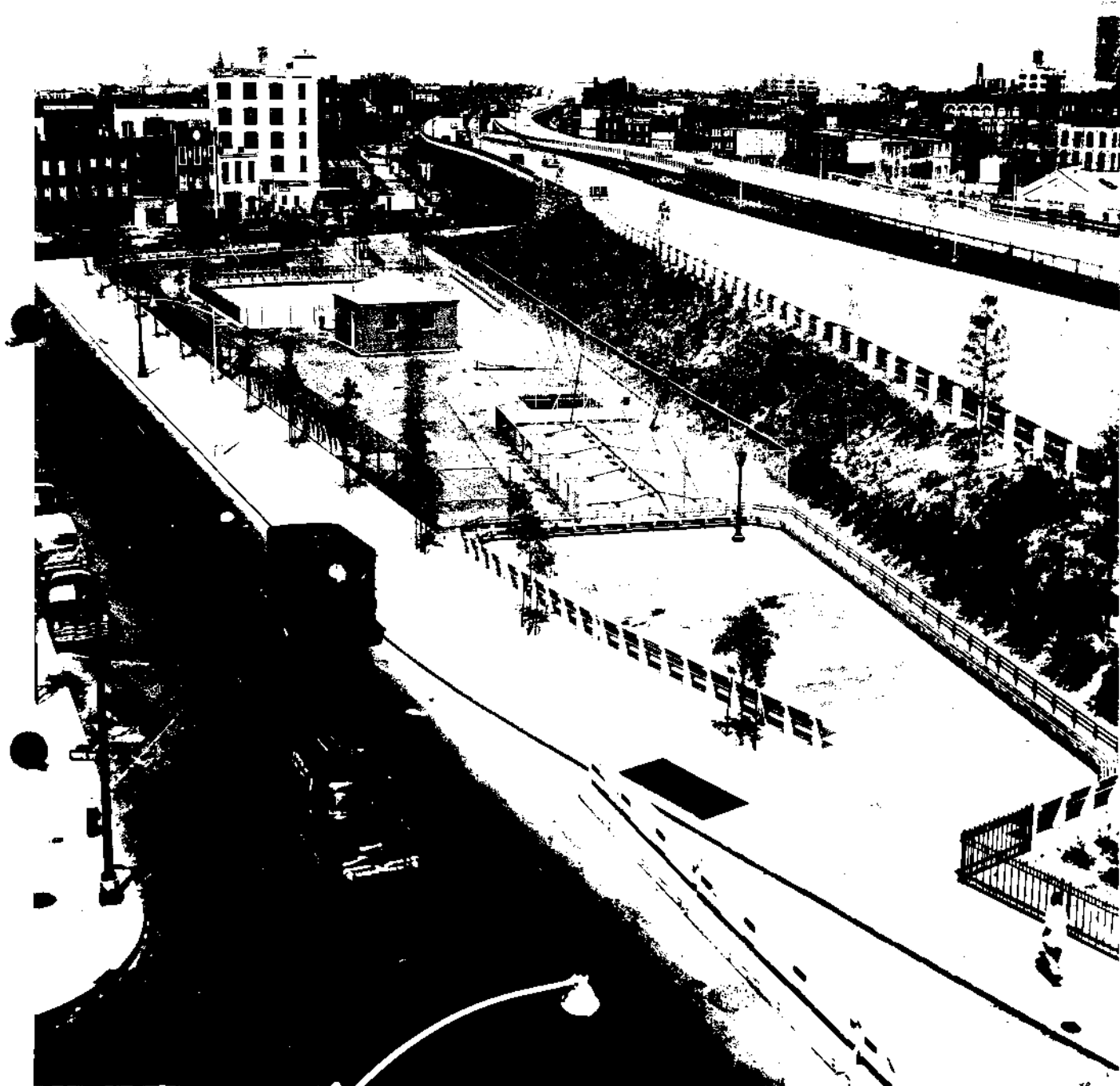


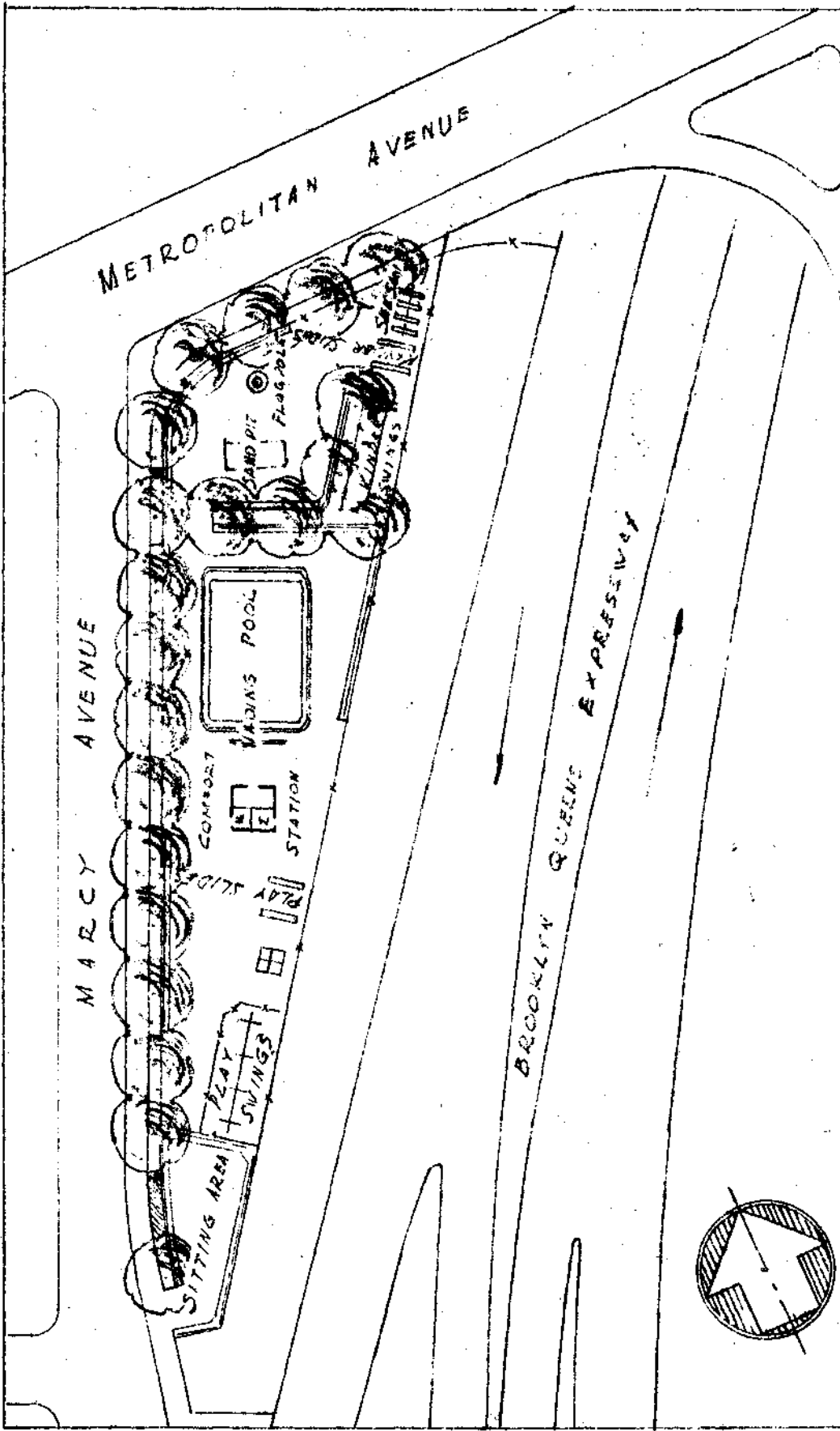
PLAYGROUND
RODNEY STREET, 651 GRAND ST. N.E. STS.
BOARD OF BROOKLYN T.C. SEC. 5K.

BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN

SCALE 1"=40'







BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN

SCALE: 1"=80'



PLAYGROUND
AT METROPOLITAN & MARCY AVES.
BORO OF BROOKLYN 6-25-56 S.H.



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

SATURDAY JULY 14, 1956

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening to the public of a playground located at 73rd Avenue and 210th Street in Cunningham Park in the Borough of Queens.

This new 1.33 acre playground provides a comfort station, jungle gym, slides, swings, sandpit and shower basin. A Little League baseball field with concrete bleachers has also been provided in this playground, however, this area is not available for use at the present time, because of an insufficient stand of grass and grading problems.

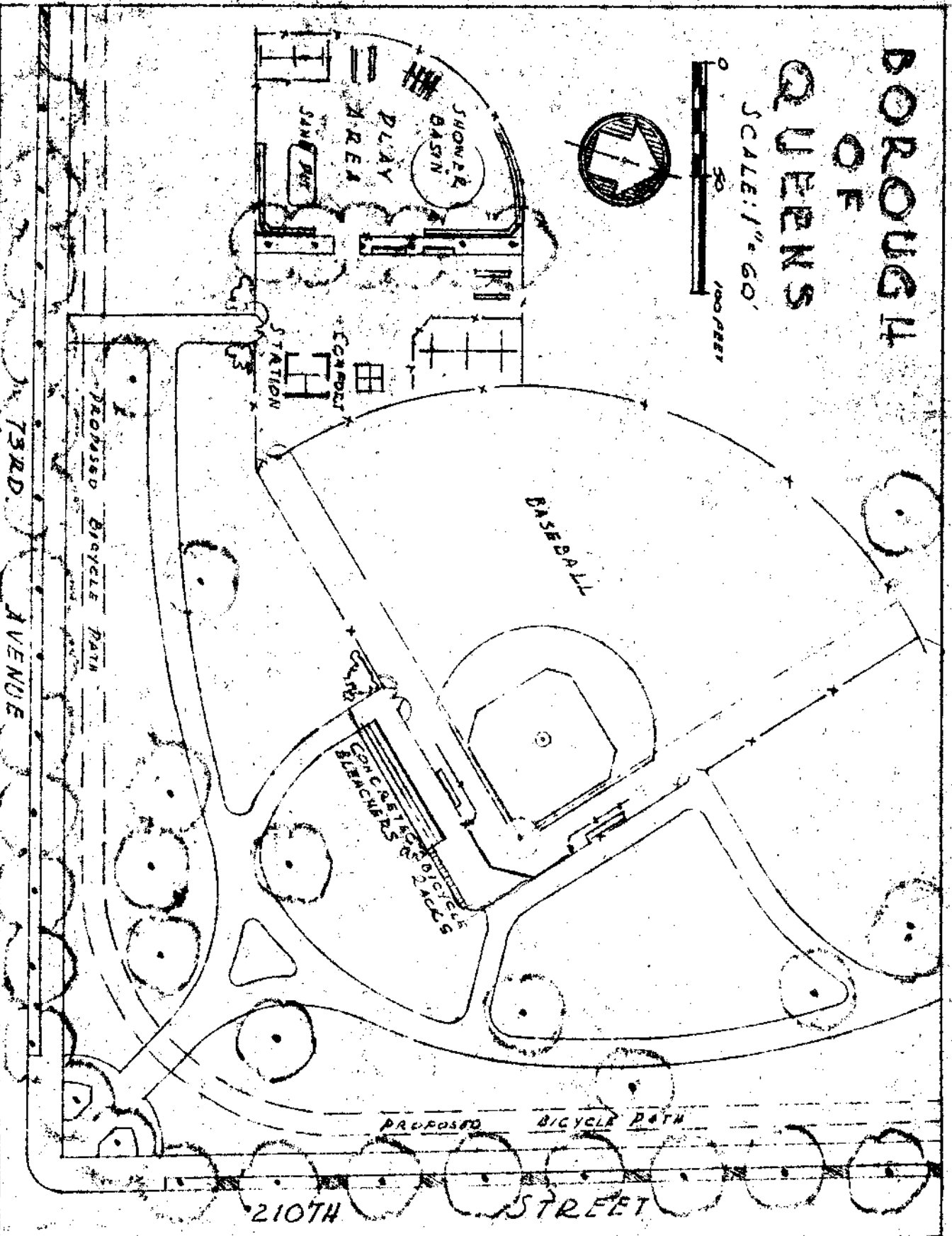
With the addition of this playground there are now 667 playgrounds in the Park system.

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BOROUGH OF QUEENS

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PLAYGROUND
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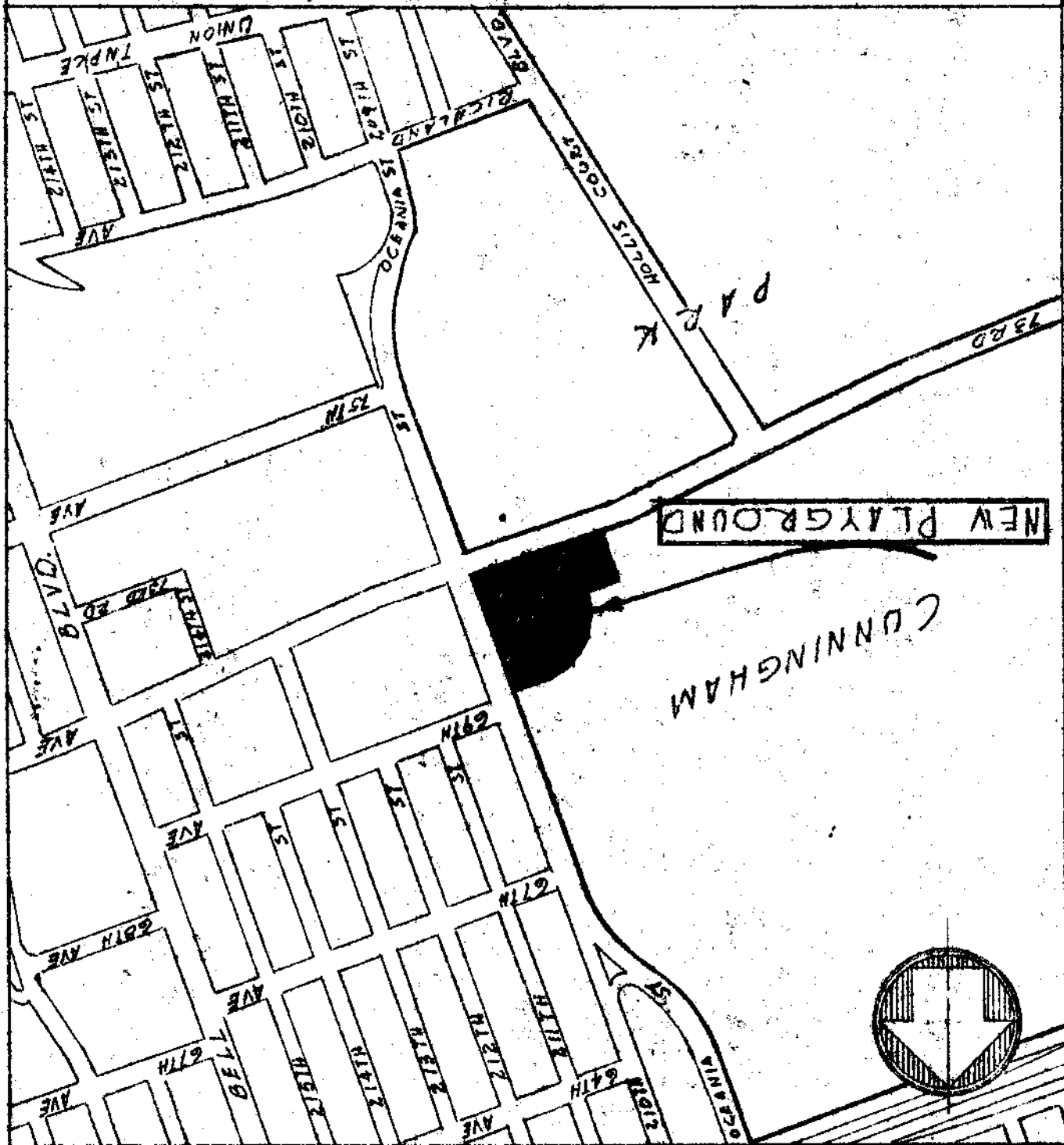
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CUMMINGS PARK
7325 AVE 21ST ST
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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 25, 1956

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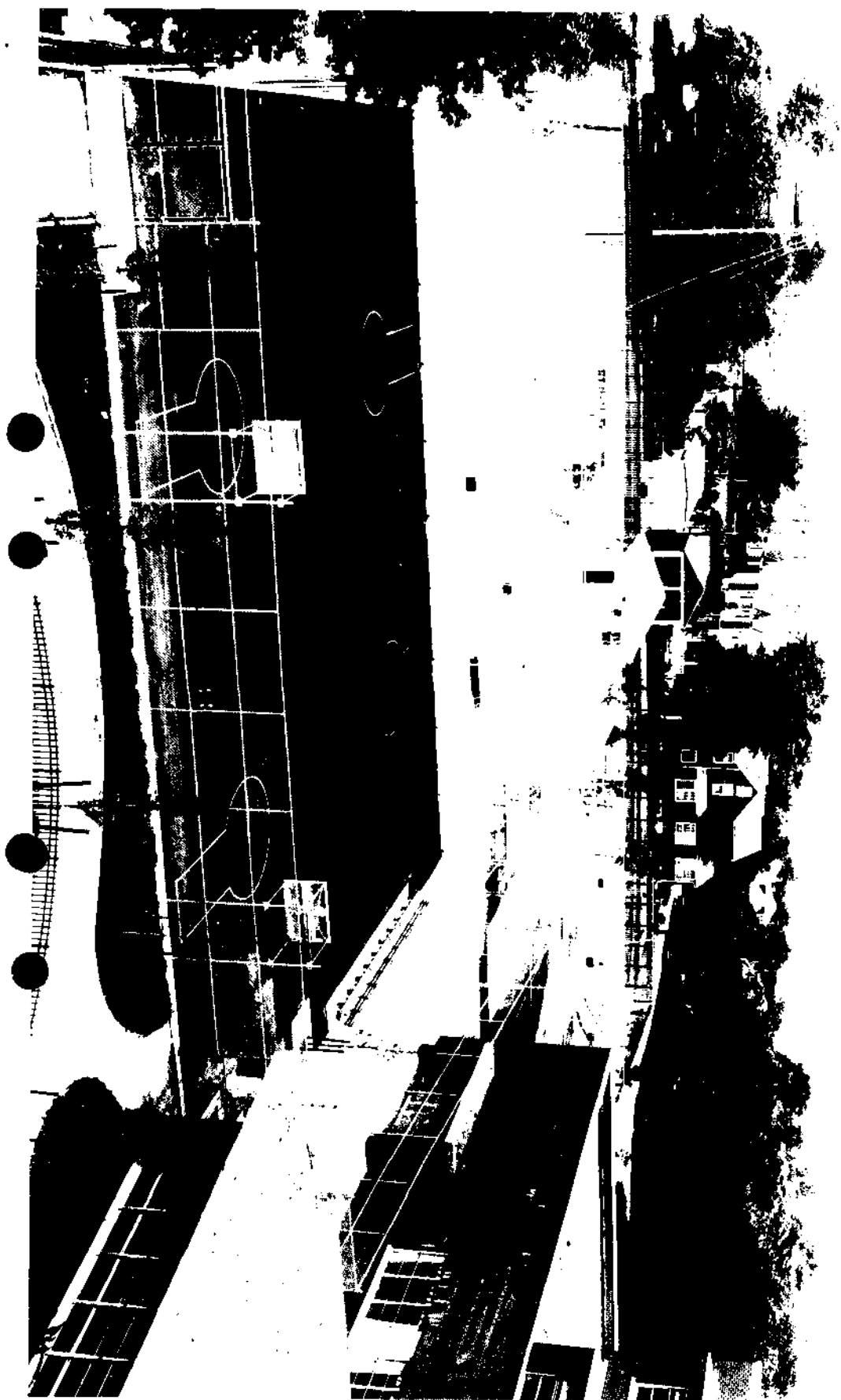
The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening to the public of a playground located at 160th Street between 75th Avenue and 75th Road, adjacent to P.S. 154, in the Borough of Queens.

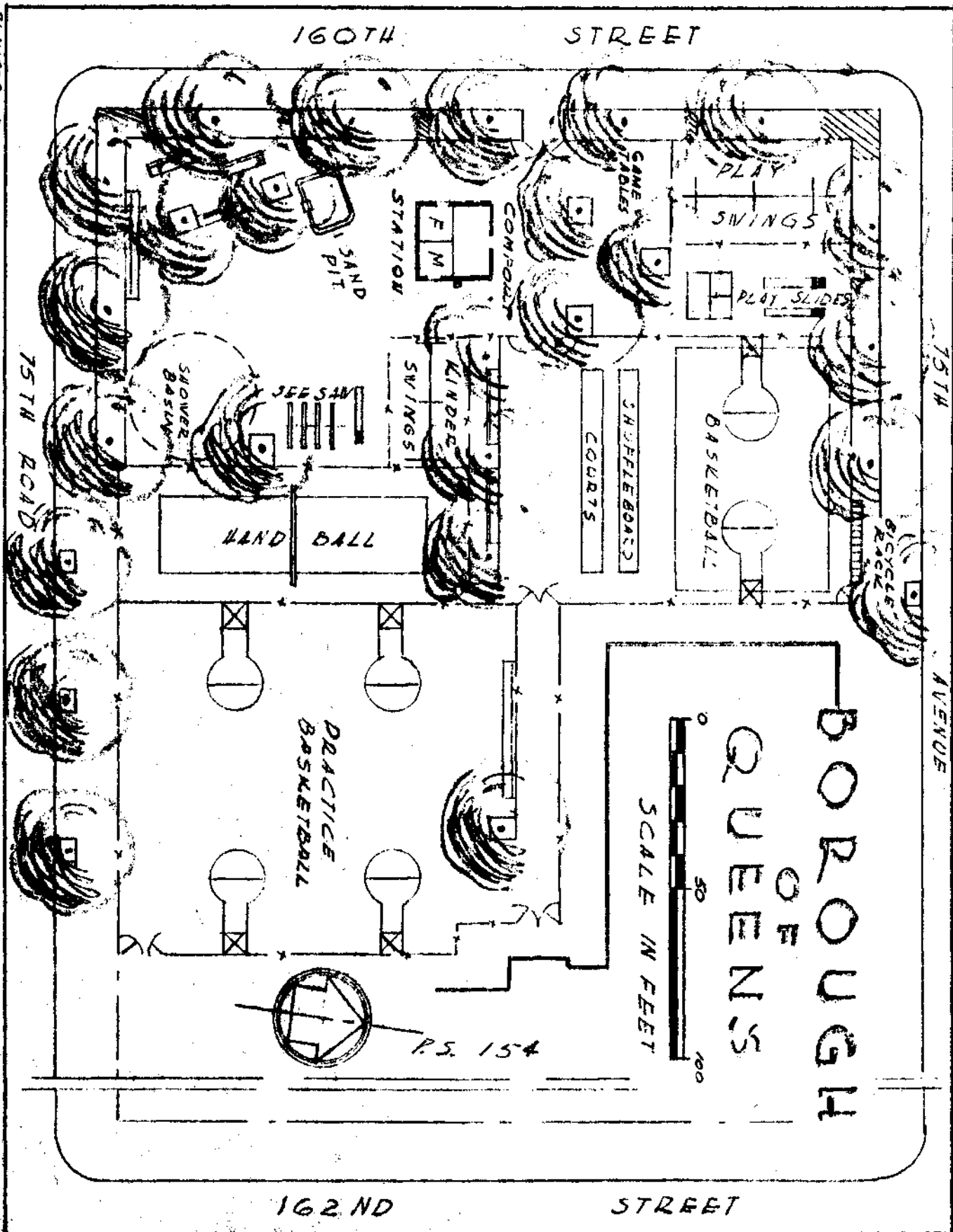
This new one-acre playground is divided into two sections for control purposes. The southerly section provides an area for small children with comfort station, slides, swings, seesaws, shower basin and sandpit. The northerly and easterly sections provide for basketball, shuffleboard, game tables, large swings, slides and two handball courts.

This is a jointly operated playground. The area for older children will be operated by the Board of Education during school hours and by the Department of Parks all other times. The area for the pre-school age children will be operated by the Department of Parks at all times.

With the addition of this playground there are now 668 playgrounds in the park system.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 1, 1956

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening to the public of two playgrounds adjacent to the Cross Bronx Expressway at Watson and Havemeyer Avenues and at Virginia and McGraw Avenues, in the Borough of the Bronx.

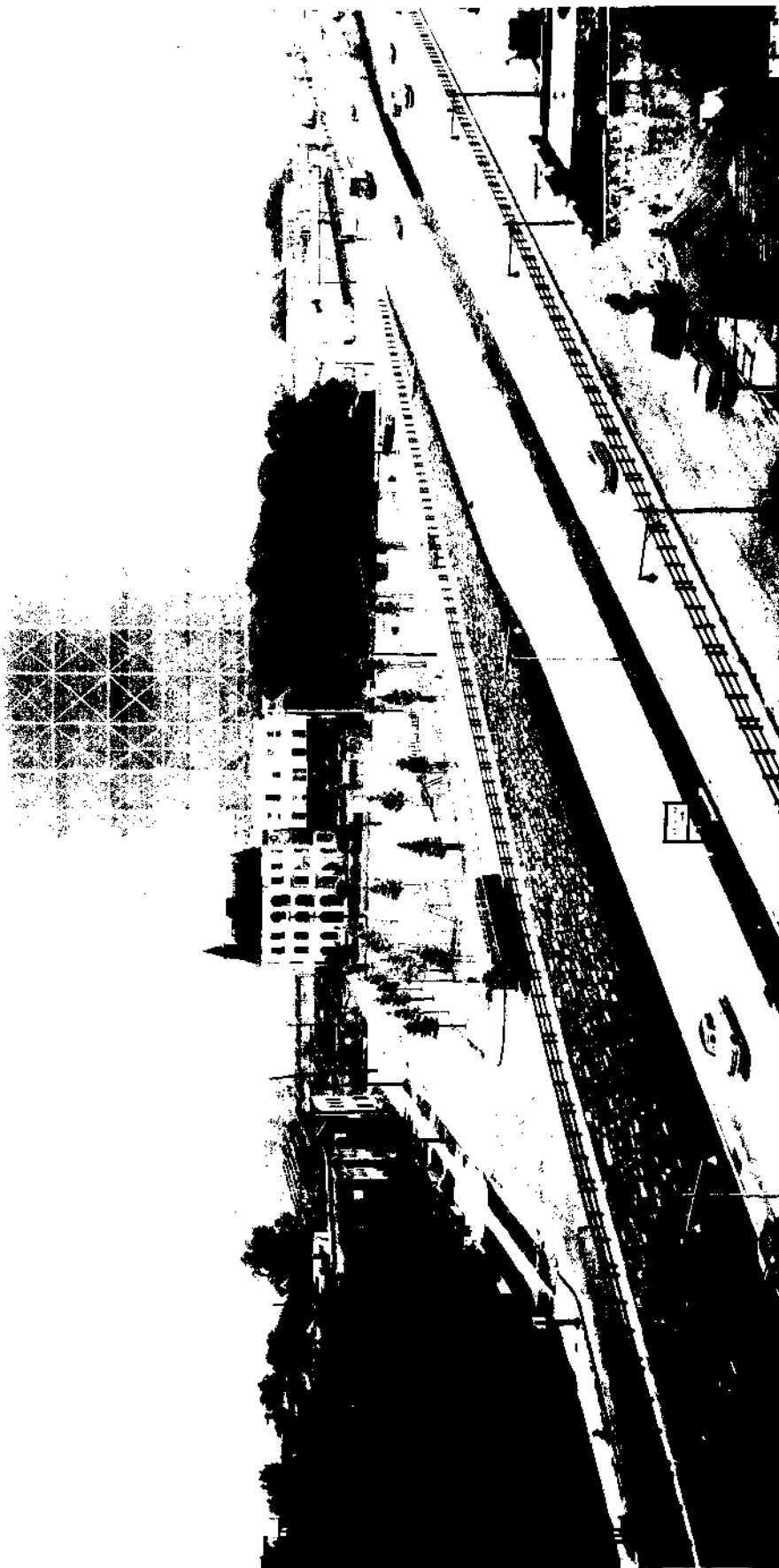
At the Watson and Havemeyer Avenue area, a one-half acre playground provides a comfort station, swings, slides, shower basin, sand pit, seesaws and kindergarten swings.

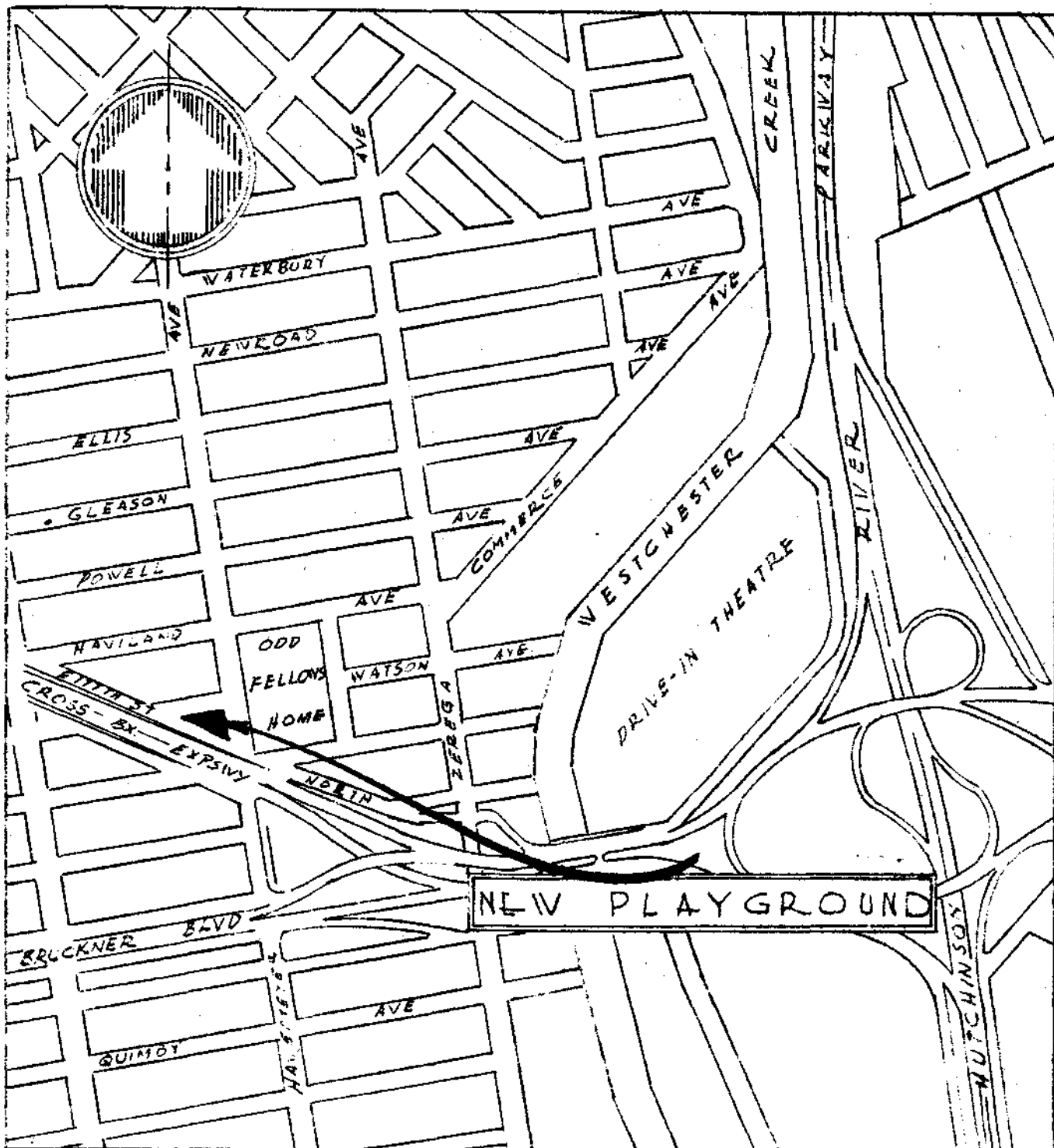
The one-quarter acre playground at McGraw and Virginia Avenues has the same facilities and is located seven blocks farther west along the expressway.

669 With the addition of these two playgrounds there are now 670 playgrounds in the park system.

Pictures 29009
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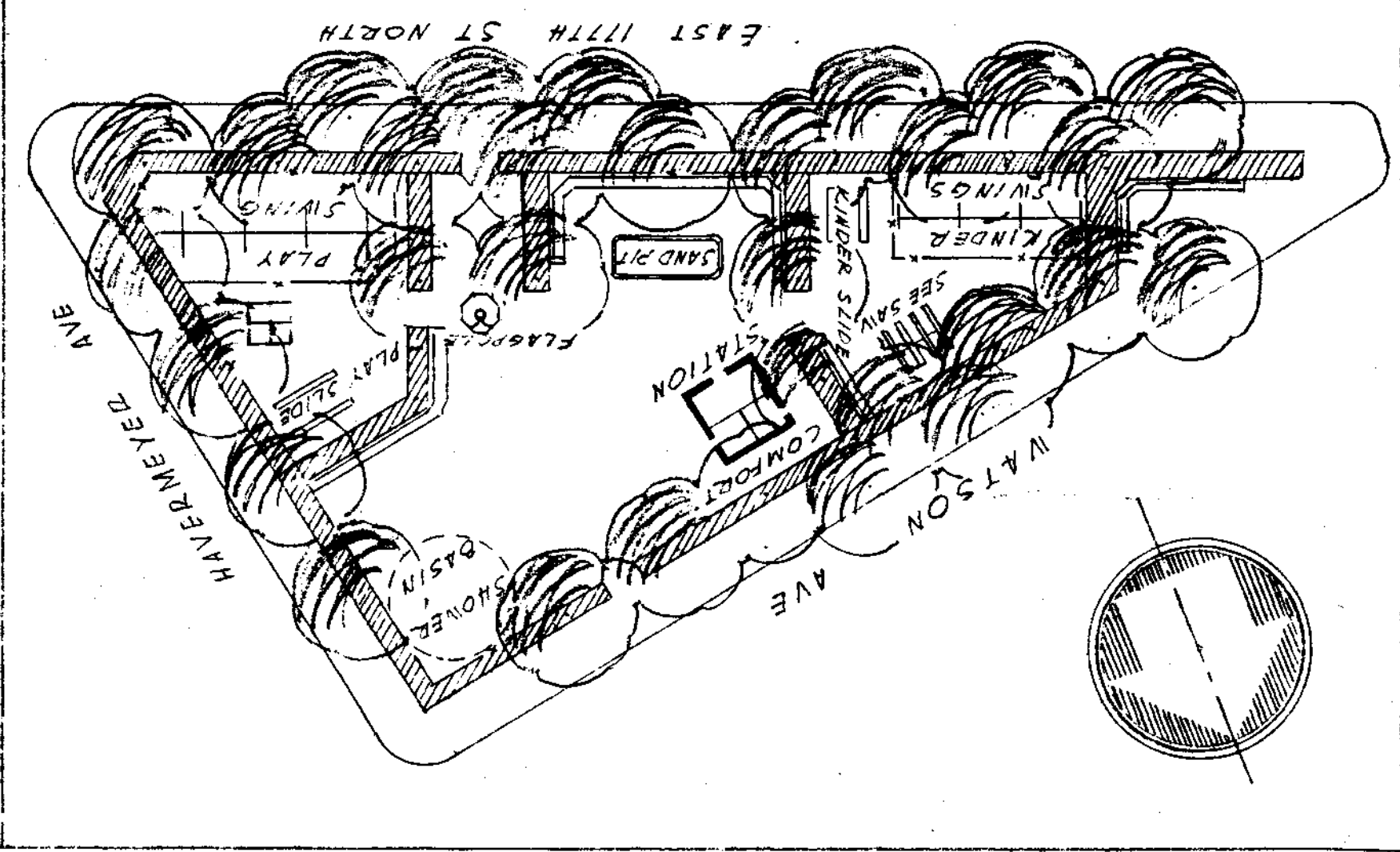
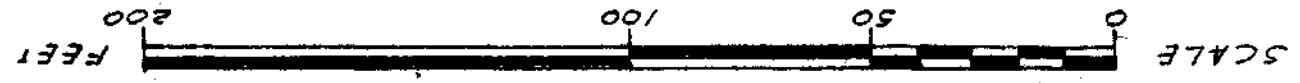
PLAYGROUND
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CROSS BRONX EXPRESSWAY
BORD OF THE BRONX 7-17-56 SH

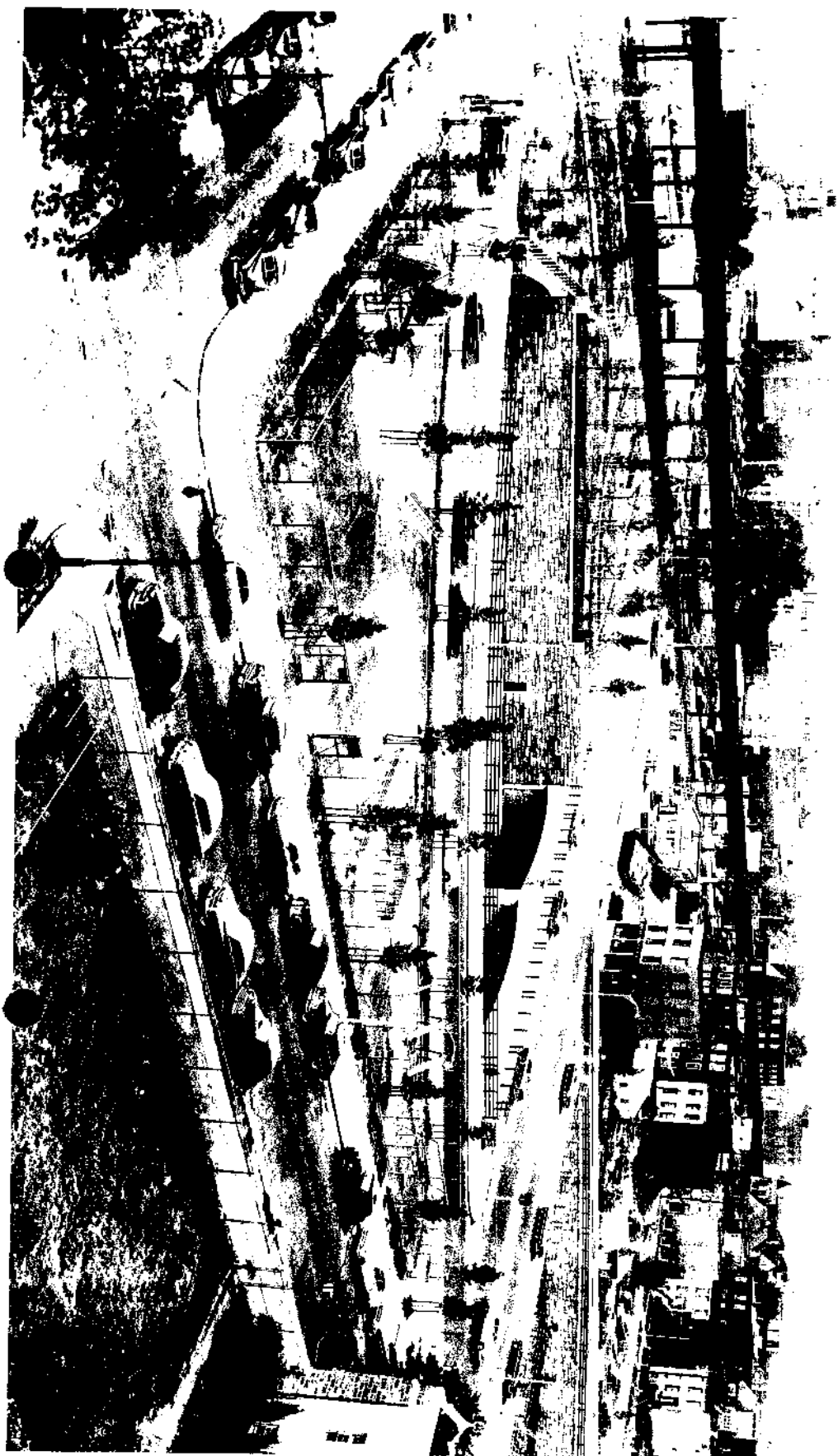
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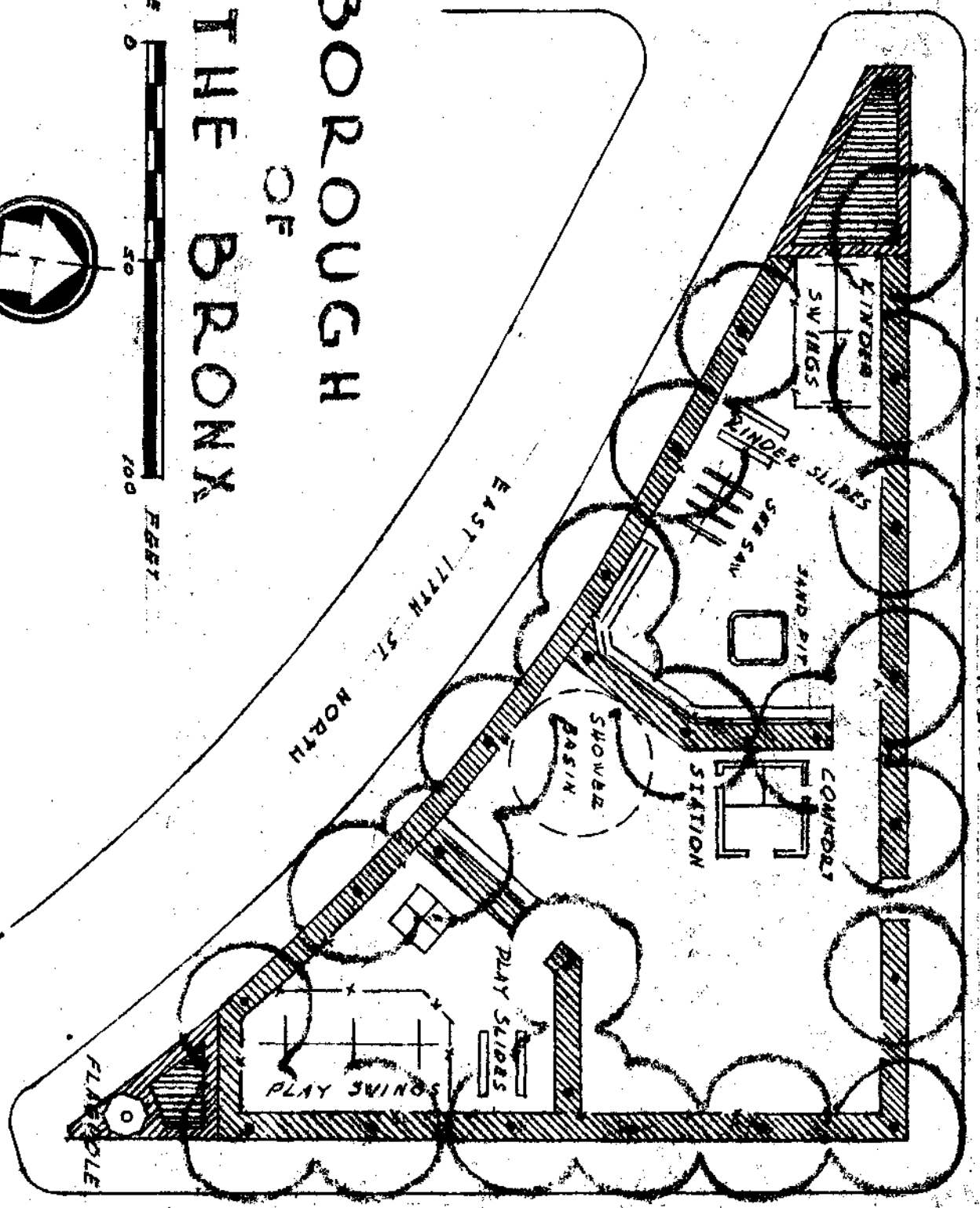


Mc GRAY AVENUE

VIRGINIA AVENUE

BOROUGH OF THE BRONX

SCALE



PLAYGROUND
VIRGINIA AVE, Mc GRAY AVE & E 177th ST NORTH
CROSS BRONX EXPRESSWAY
BORO OF THE BRONX 7-18-50

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BOROUGH OF THE BRONX

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PLAYGROUND
 VIRGINIA AVE, MCGRAW AVE & E 177 ST NORTH
 CROSS BRONX EXPRESSWAY
 BORO OF THE BRONX 7-18-56 SN

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

REGENT 4-1000

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TUESDAY, AUGUST 14, 1956

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening to the public of a playground located at 6th Avenue and 55th and 56th Streets in the Borough of Brooklyn.

Located in the Sunset section of Brooklyn, this 0.46-acre playground provides outdoor recreational facilities which were previously lacking in this neighborhood.

Divided into 3 sections for control purposes, the easterly section provides for 2 handball courts. The northwesterly section provides for a basketball court. The southwesterly section is an area for pre-school age children with sandpit, seesaws, swings, slides, shower basin, junior gym, comfort station and benches for guardians of children.

The entire perimeter has been landscaped with shade trees. With the addition of this playground there are now 671 playgrounds in the park system.

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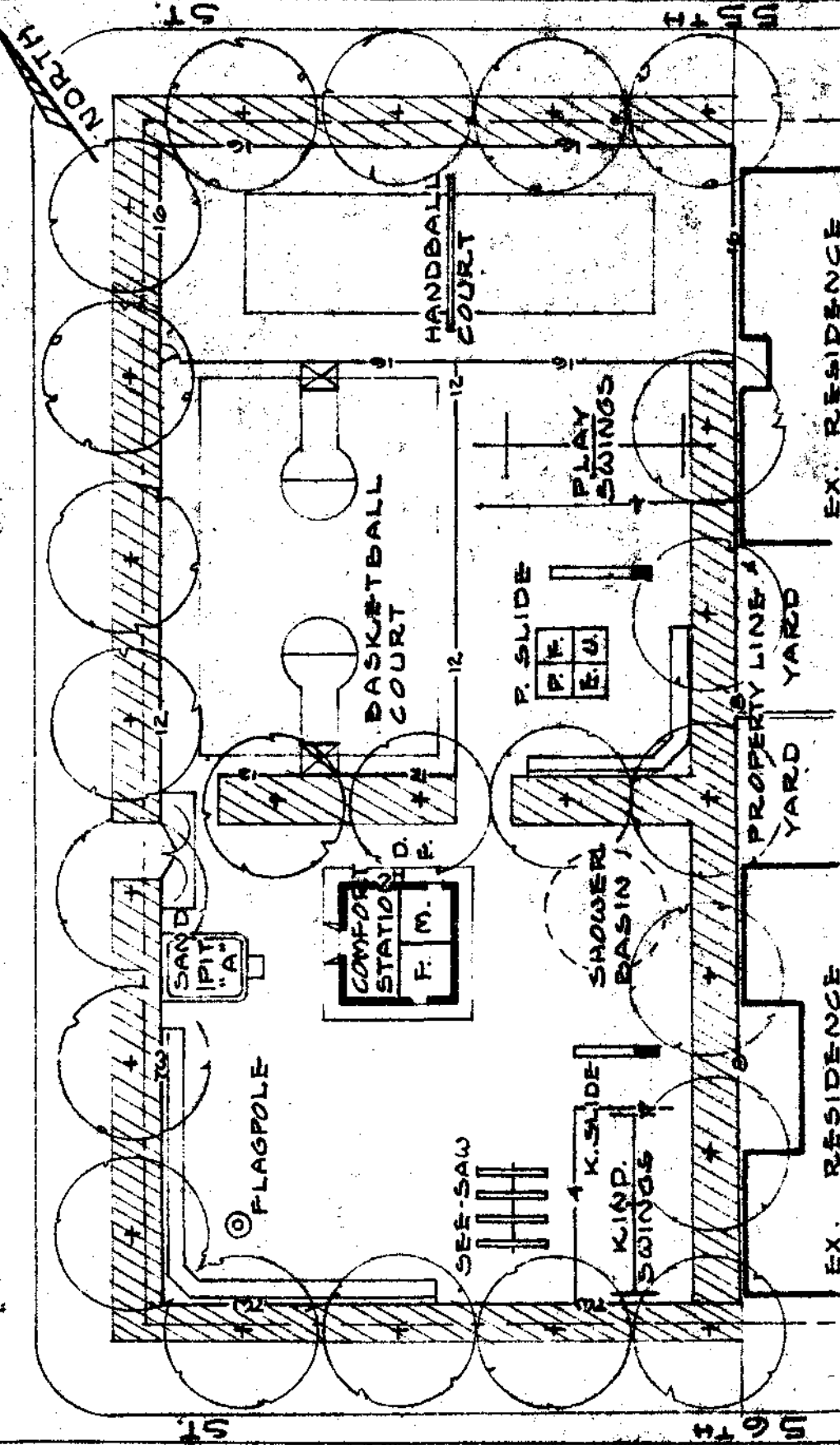
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PLAYGROUND - AT 55TH & 56TH ST. , EAST SIDE OF 6TH AVE.
 BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN R.S.M. 6-31-36

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SIXTH

AVE.



BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN

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SCALE IN FEET

PLAYGROUND AT 55TH & 56TH STREET
EAST SIDE OF 6TH AVE. - C.A.R. 7-2-56



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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

TUESDAY, AUGUST 14, 1956

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening to the public of a playground located at 207th and 208th Streets and Hillside Avenue, adjacent to P.S. 135 in the Borough of Queens.

This new 1.2 acre playground provides an area for small children with comfort station, slides, swings, seesaws, shower basin, game tables and sandpit. The remaining area provides large swings, slides, 4 handball courts, 4 practice basketball backboards and a basketball court.

In line with the jointly operated playground policy, the area for older children will be operated by the Board of Education during school hours and by the Department of Parks all other times. The area for the pre-school age children will be operated by the Department of Parks at all times.

With the addition of this playground there are now 672 playgrounds in the park system.

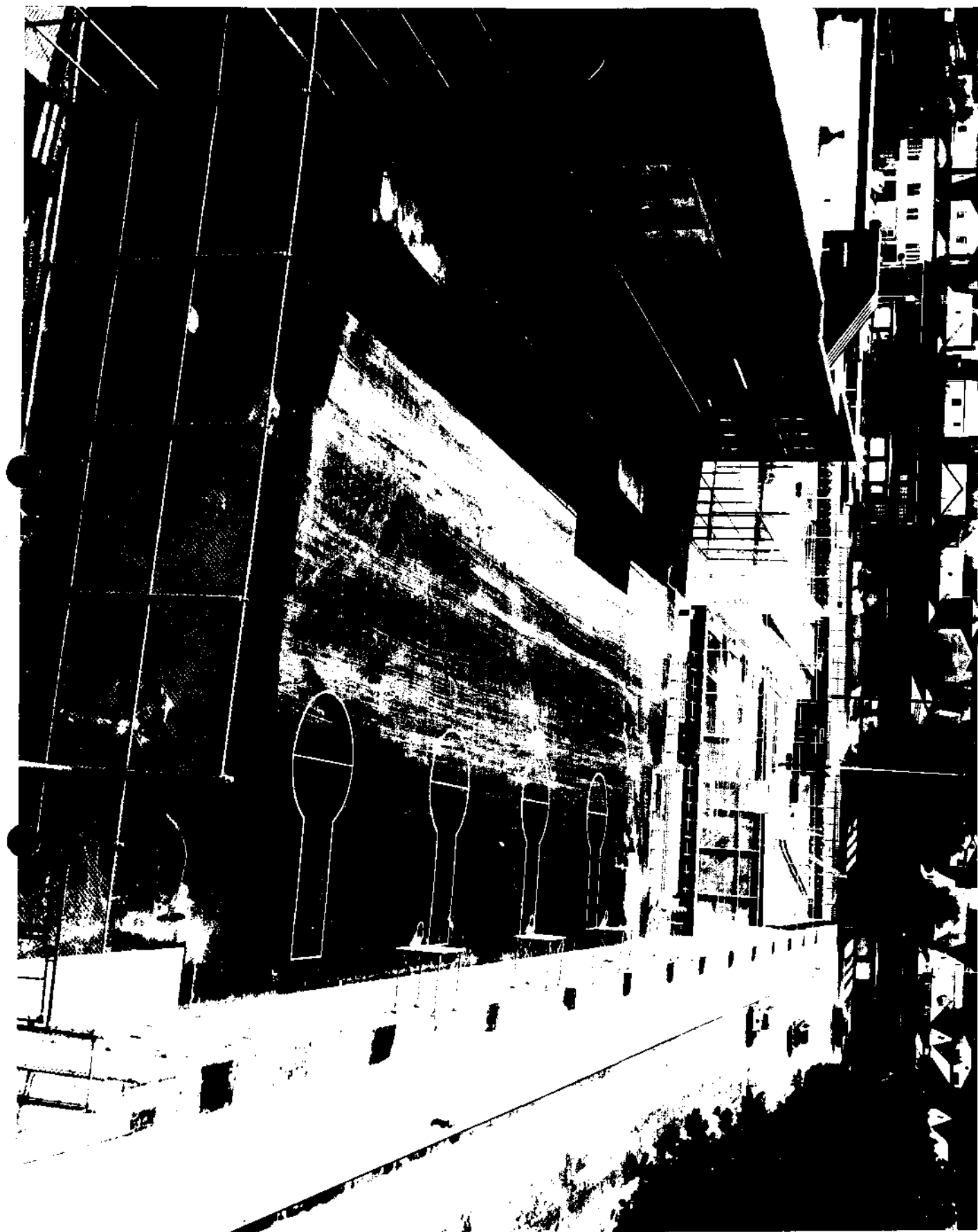
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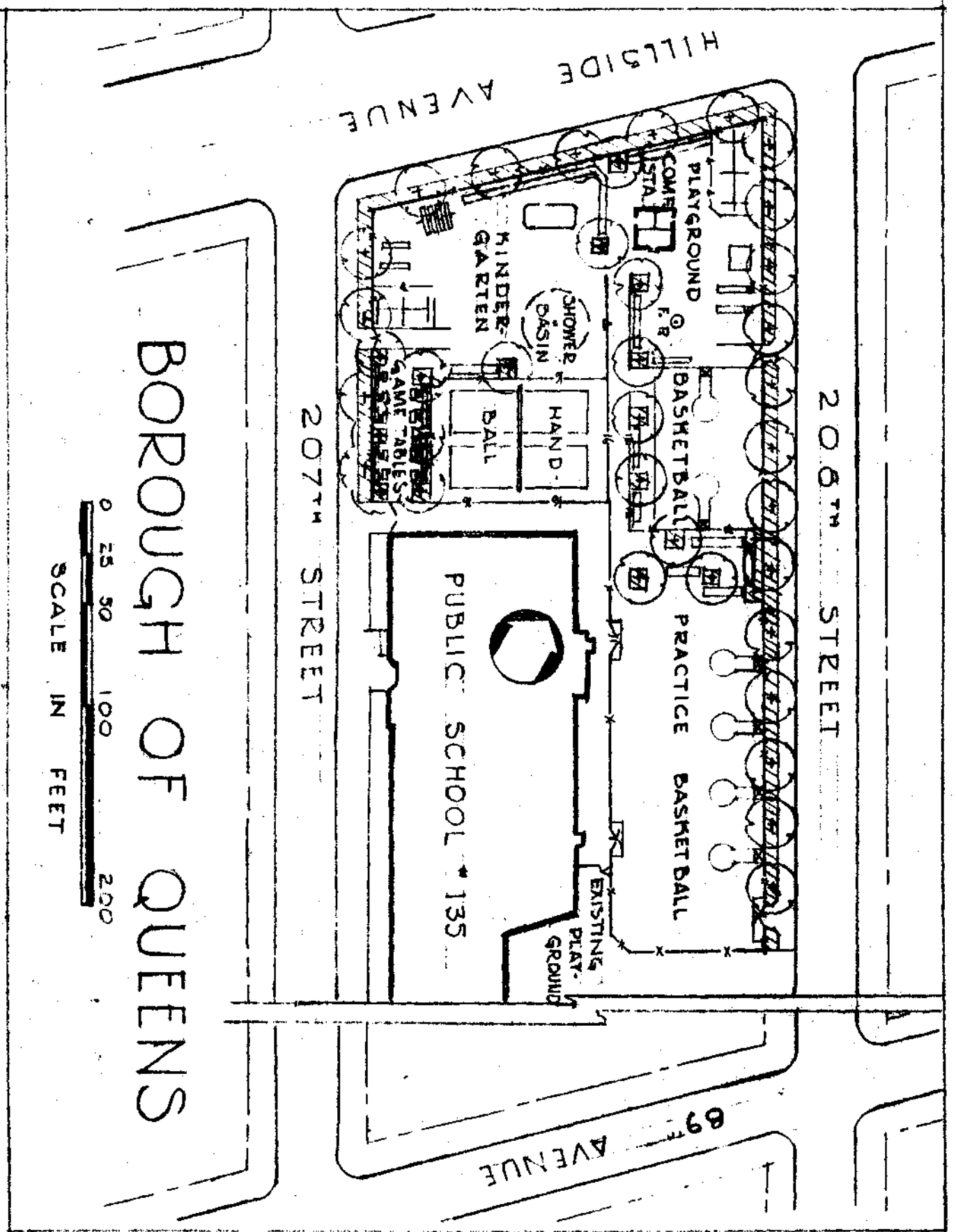
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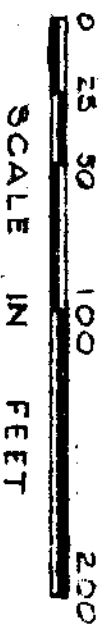


NEW PLAYGROUND ADJ. P.S. # 135
BOROUGH OF QUEENS R.S.M. 8-6-56

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BOROUGH OF QUEENS



PLAYGROUND ADJACENT TO P.S. #135
BOROUGH OF QUEENS R.S.M. 8-4-56



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

FOR RELEASE

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 17, 1956

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening to the public of a playground located at the intersection of the Bronx River Parkway and the Cross Bronx Expressway at East 174th Street and Metcalf Avenue in the Borough of the Bronx.

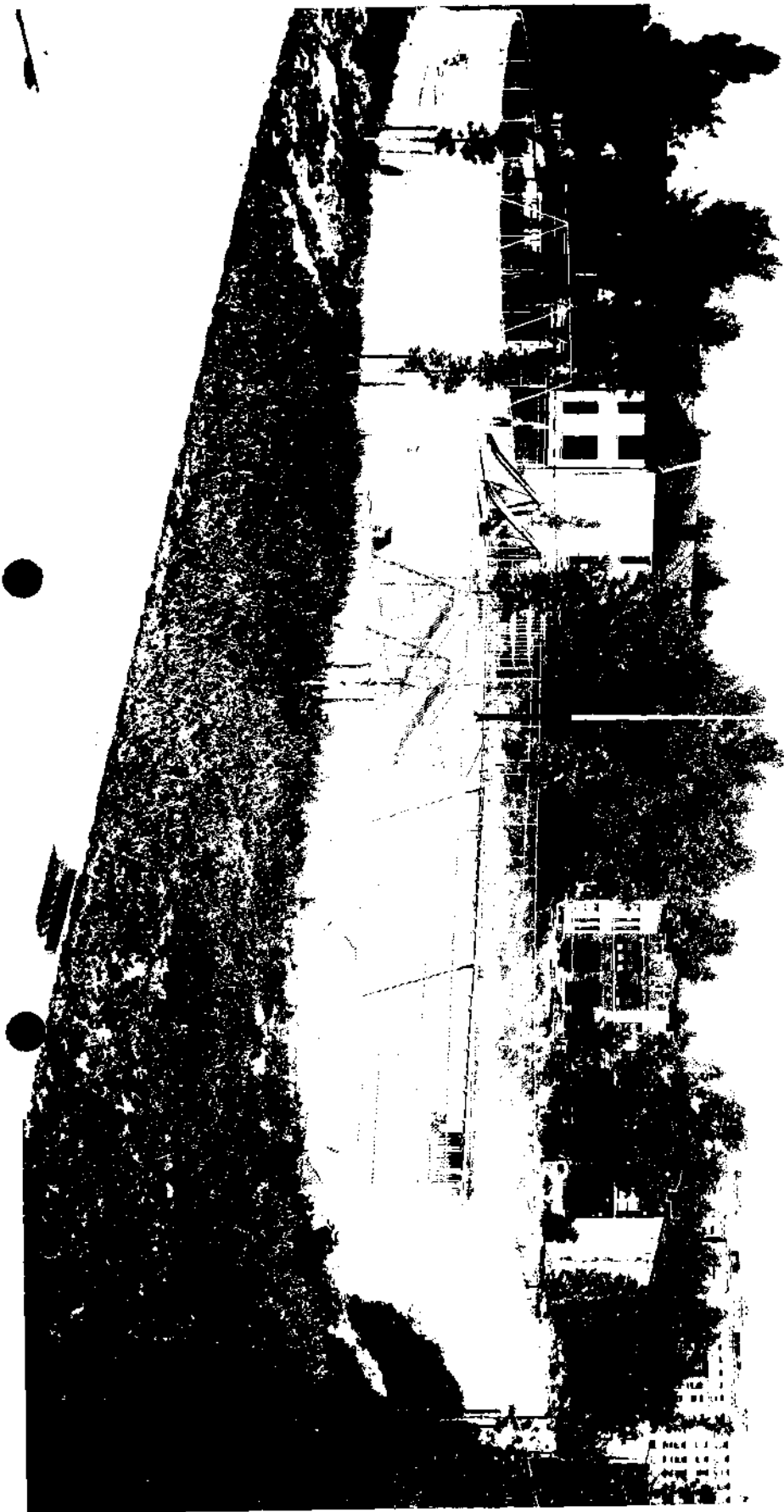
This new 1/3 acre playground is divided into two sections for control purposes. The northerly section is an area for older children and provides for swings, slides, jungle gym and a shower basin. The southerly section is for small fry and contains saw-saws, sandpit, slides and swings.

With the addition of this playground there are now 673 playgrounds in the park system.

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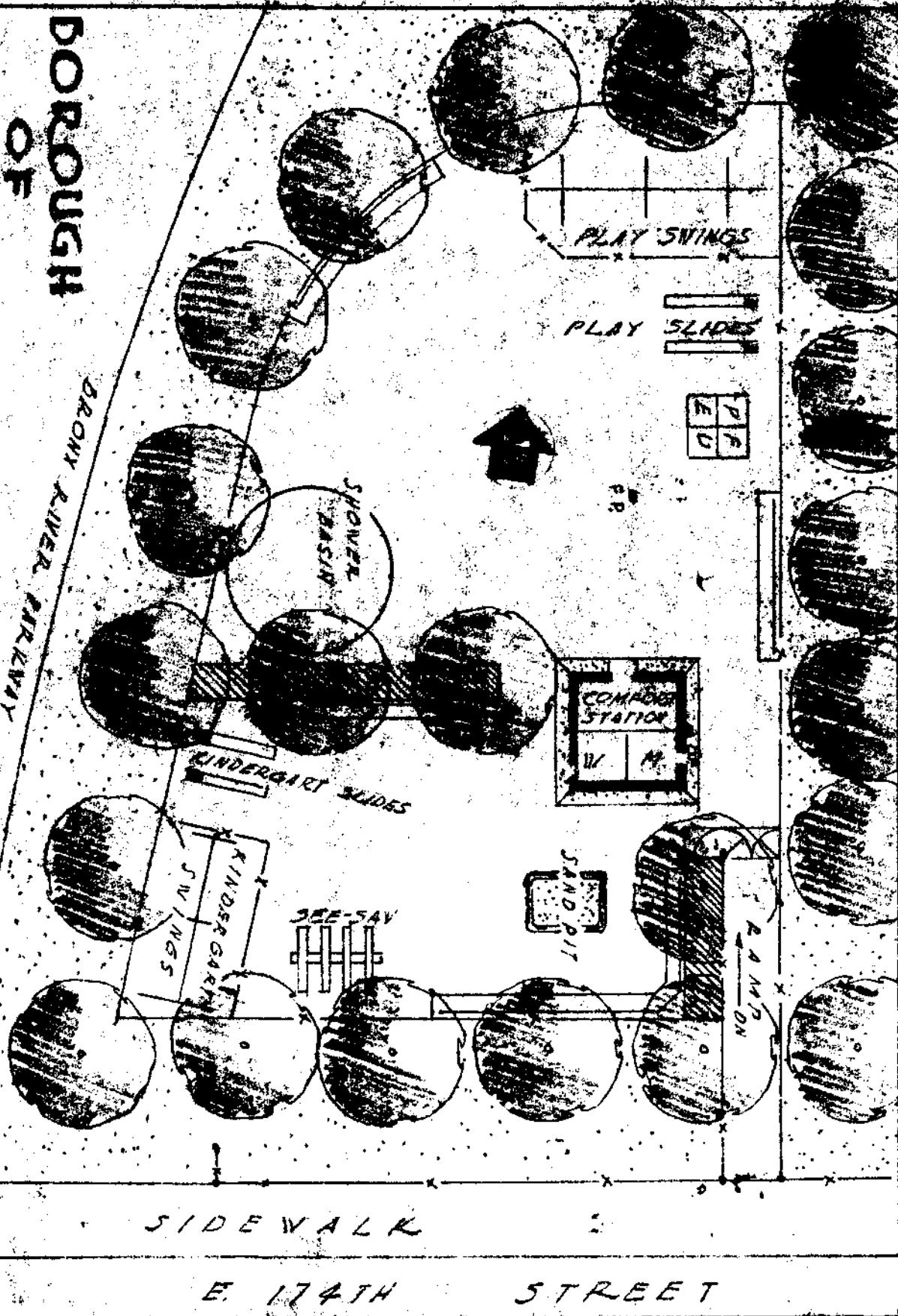
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BOROUGH OF THE BRONX

100 FEET IN FEET

NOTE: COMFORT STATION
WILL BE CONSTRUCTED
IN THE NEAR FUTURE



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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

MONDAY, AUGUST 20, 1956

*Hand Delivery 1030 AM
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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening to the general public of a playground located at Lee Avenue and Taylor Street, adjacent to P.S. 16 in the Borough of Brooklyn.

Located in the Williamsburg section of Brooklyn, this new 1.025-acre playground is divided into four sections for control purposes. The westerly section contains a school garden and an outdoor classroom area. Adjacent to this section is an area for pre-school age children with swings, slides, sandpit, jungle gym, seesaws, and a comfort station. The two easterly sections provide for softball field, roller skating area, practice basketball and handball courts.

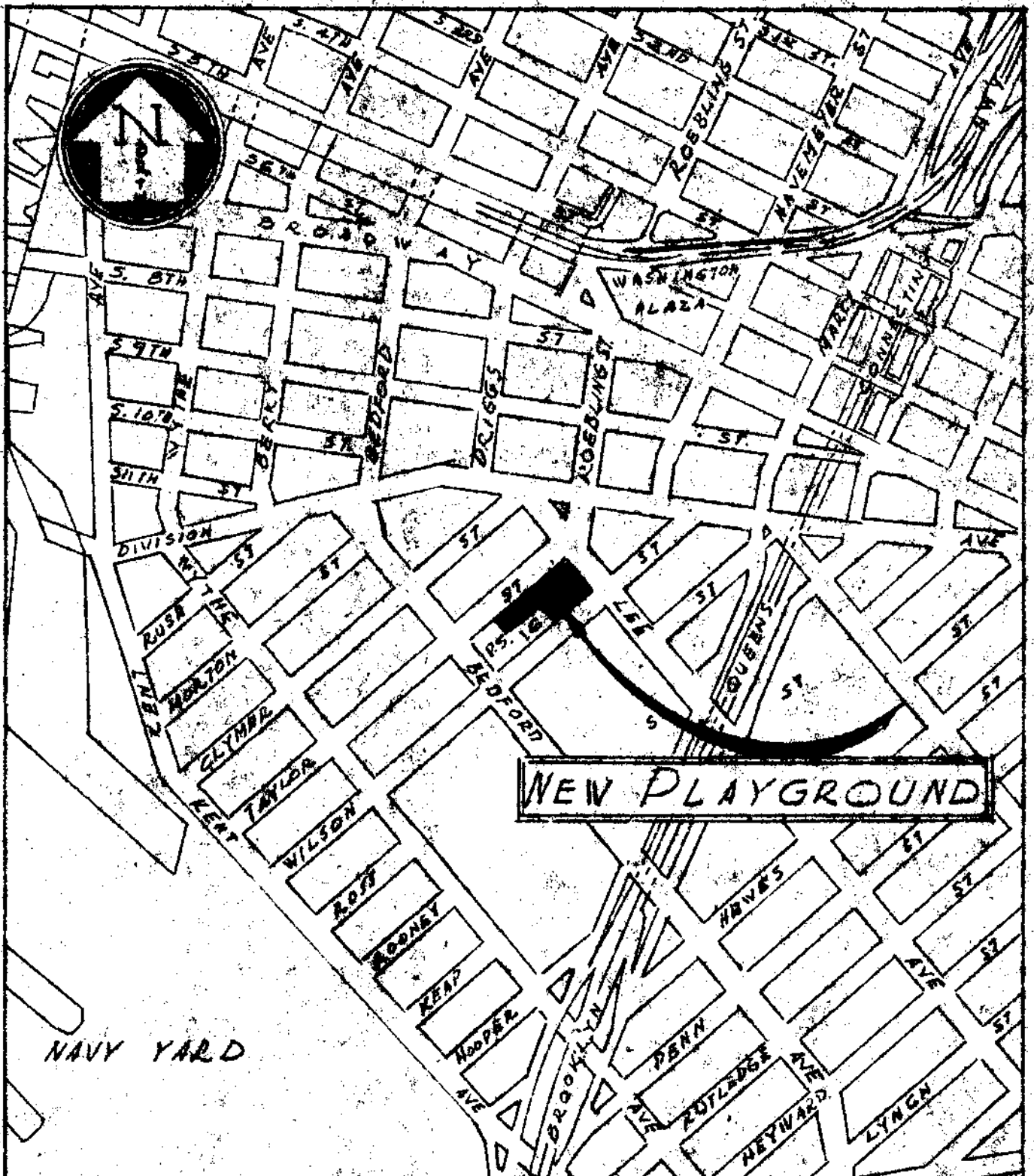
In accordance with the policy of joint operation, the Board of Education will operate the school garden and outdoor classroom areas at all times. The area for pre-school age children will be operated by the Department of Parks at all times. The areas for older children will be operated by the Board of Education during school hours and by the Department of Parks when school is not in session.

The entire perimeter has been landscaped with shade trees. With the addition of this playground there are now 674 playgrounds in the expanding park system.

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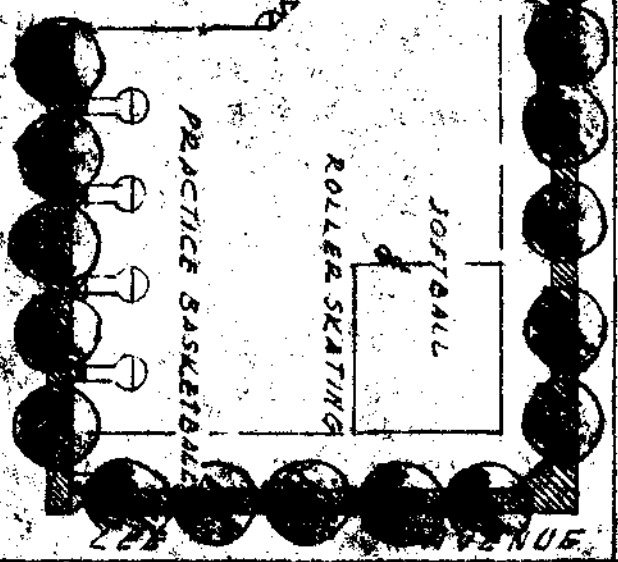
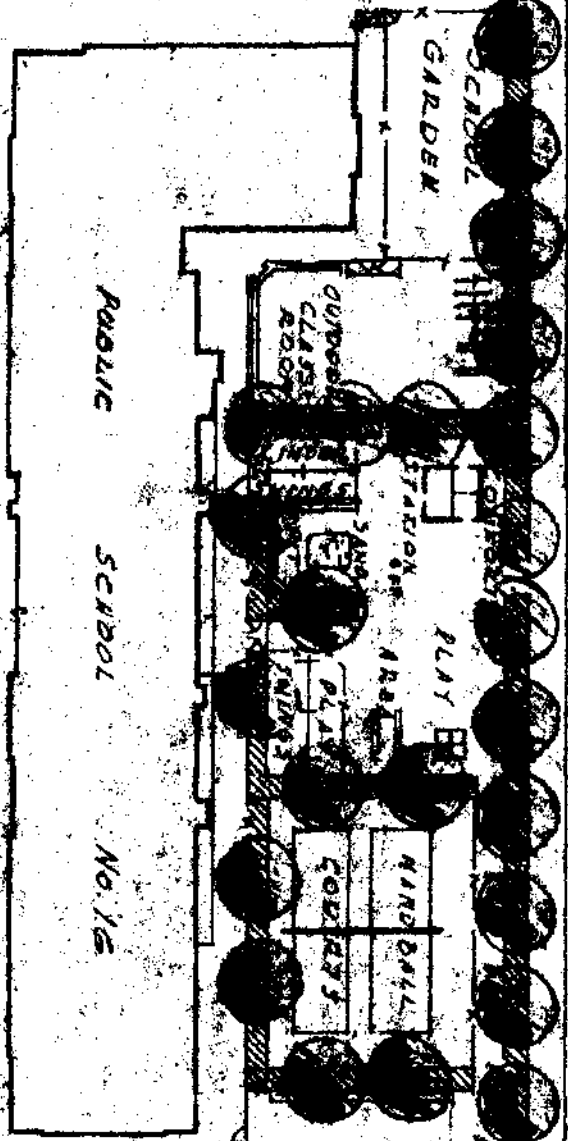
PLAYGROUND
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BORO OF BROOKLYN B-13-56 SH.

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BEDFORD AVENUE



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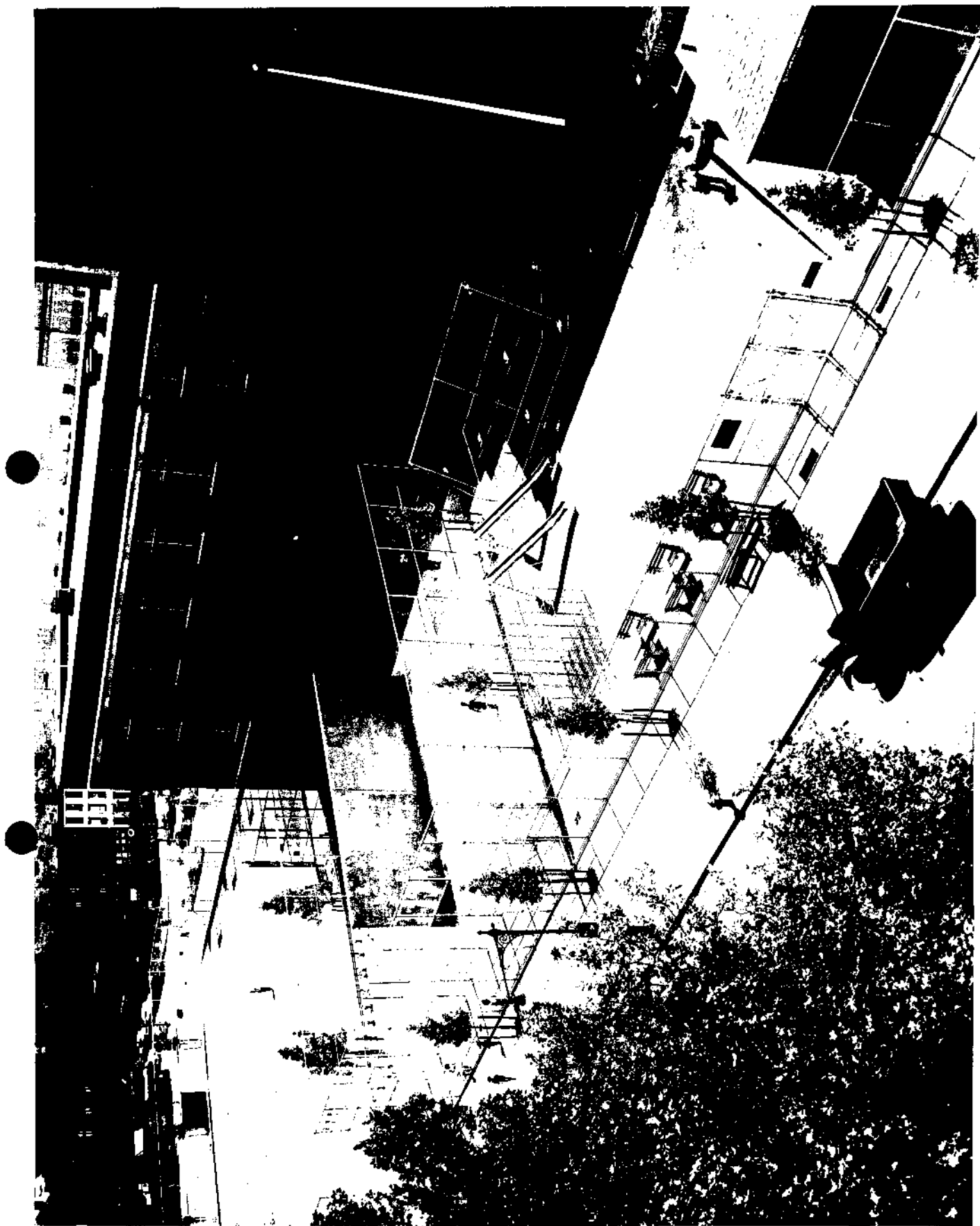
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BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN



SCALE IN FEET

PLAYGROUND
ADJ. TO S. 16
TAYLOR ST.
BORG OF BROOKLYN S.A.S.C. S.H.





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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

FOR RELEASE

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 1956

REGENT 4-1000

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening to the general public of a playground located at Hillcrest Avenue between Lindenwood Avenue and Park Terrace, adjacent to P.S. 8 in the Borough of Richmond.

Located in the Great Kills section this 1.38-acre playground is divided into two sections for control purposes, the northerly section provides for basketball, paddle tennis and shuffleboard. The southerly section provides for slides, swings, shower basin, comfort station and an area for small fry with a sand pit, swings, see-saws and slides. Benches have been provided for guardians of children.

The area for small fry will be operated by the Department of Parks at all times and the other areas will be operated by the Board of Education during school hours and by the Department of Parks at all other times.

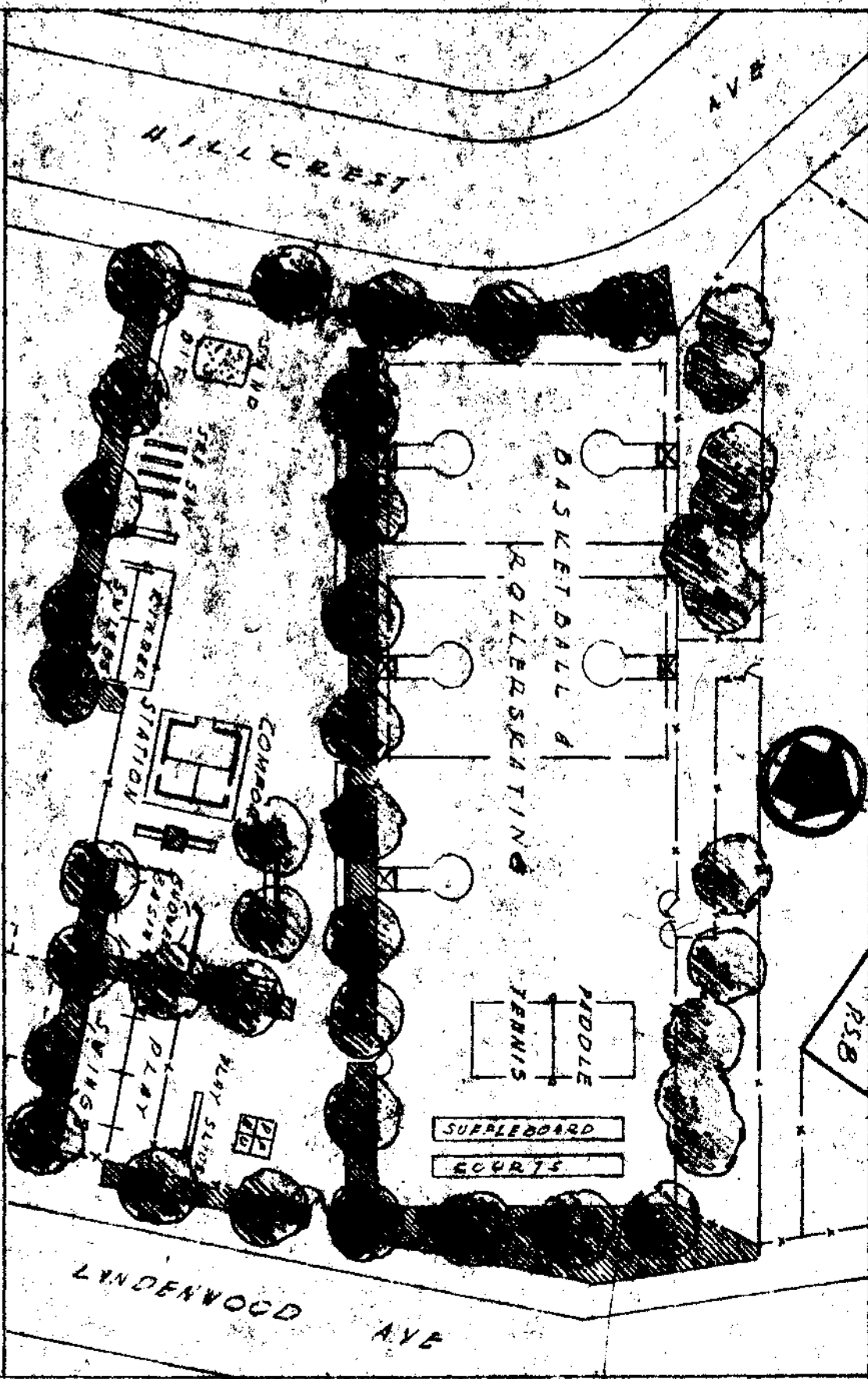
Shade trees have been planted within the area and around the perimeter. With the addition of this playground, there are now 675 playgrounds in the park system.

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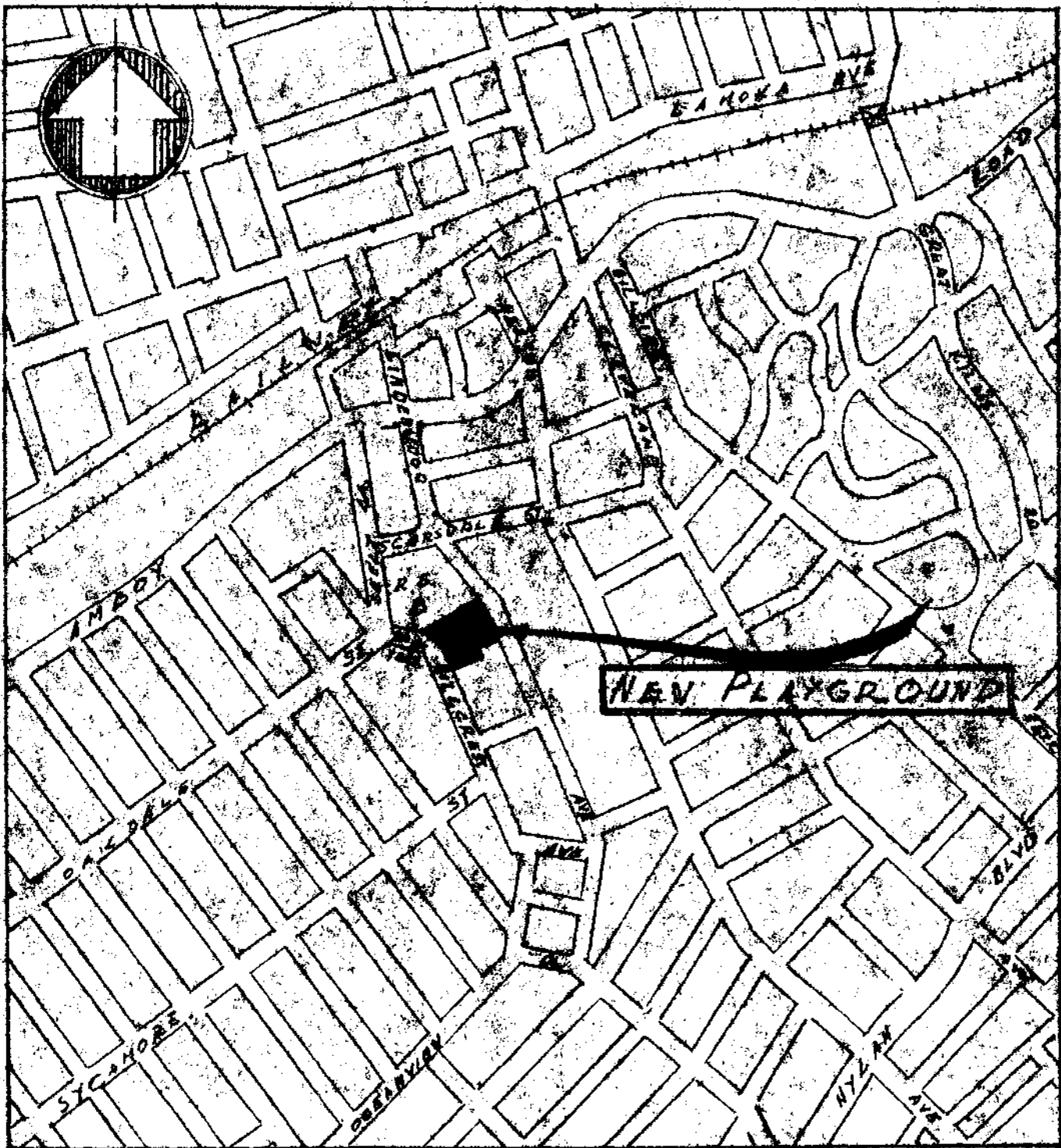
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BOROUGH OF RICHMOND



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FROM LINDENWOOD AVE TO HILLCREST
BOROUGH OF RICHMOND - 5-8-56



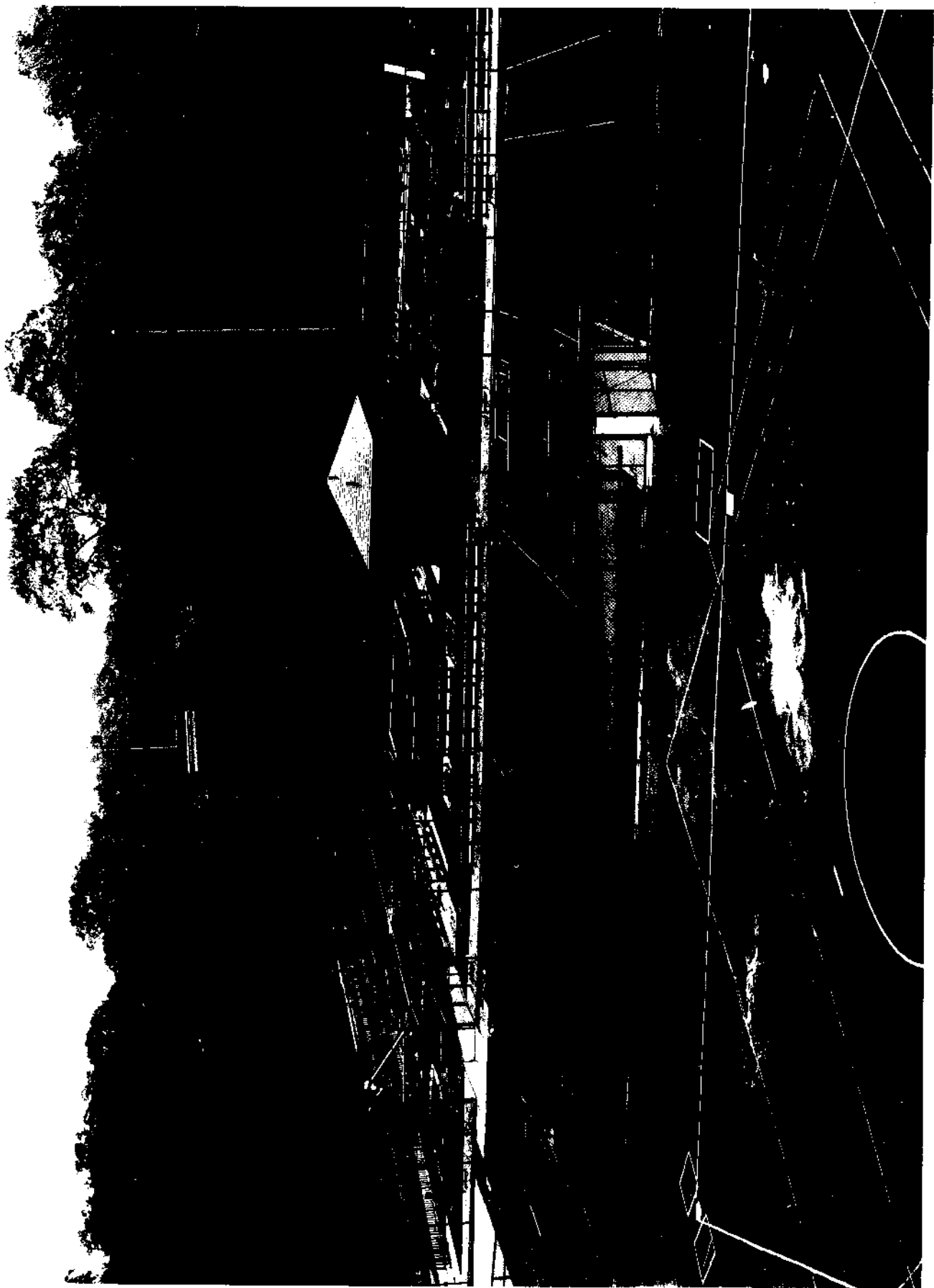
BOROUGH OF RICHMOND



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PLAYGROUND
ADJ. TO P.S. 8
FROM LINDWOOD AVE TO HILLCREST AVE & PARK TERRACE
BOROUGH OF RICHMOND, S.D. 56 21

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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1956

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening to the public of a playground located west of 211 Street between 46 Avenue and 46 Road, adjacent to J.H.S. 158 in the Borough of Queens.

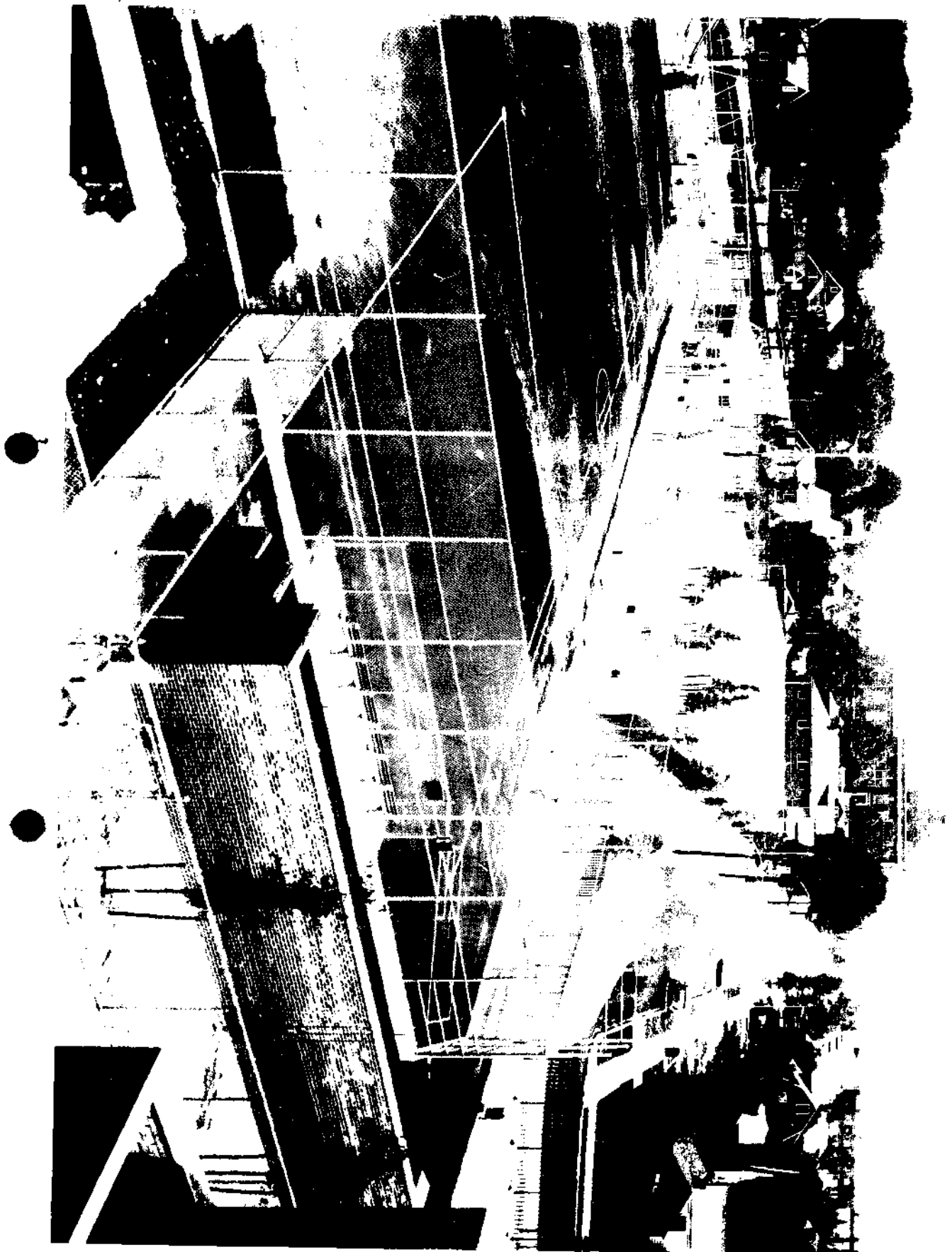
Located in the Bayside section of Queens, this new 2.415-acre playground provides for a softball field with bleachers, practice basketball, shuffleboard, handball and basketball courts, comfort station, sandpit, wading pool, slides, swings, see-saws, school garden area, and a quiet games area with tables. Benches are provided throughout the entire area.

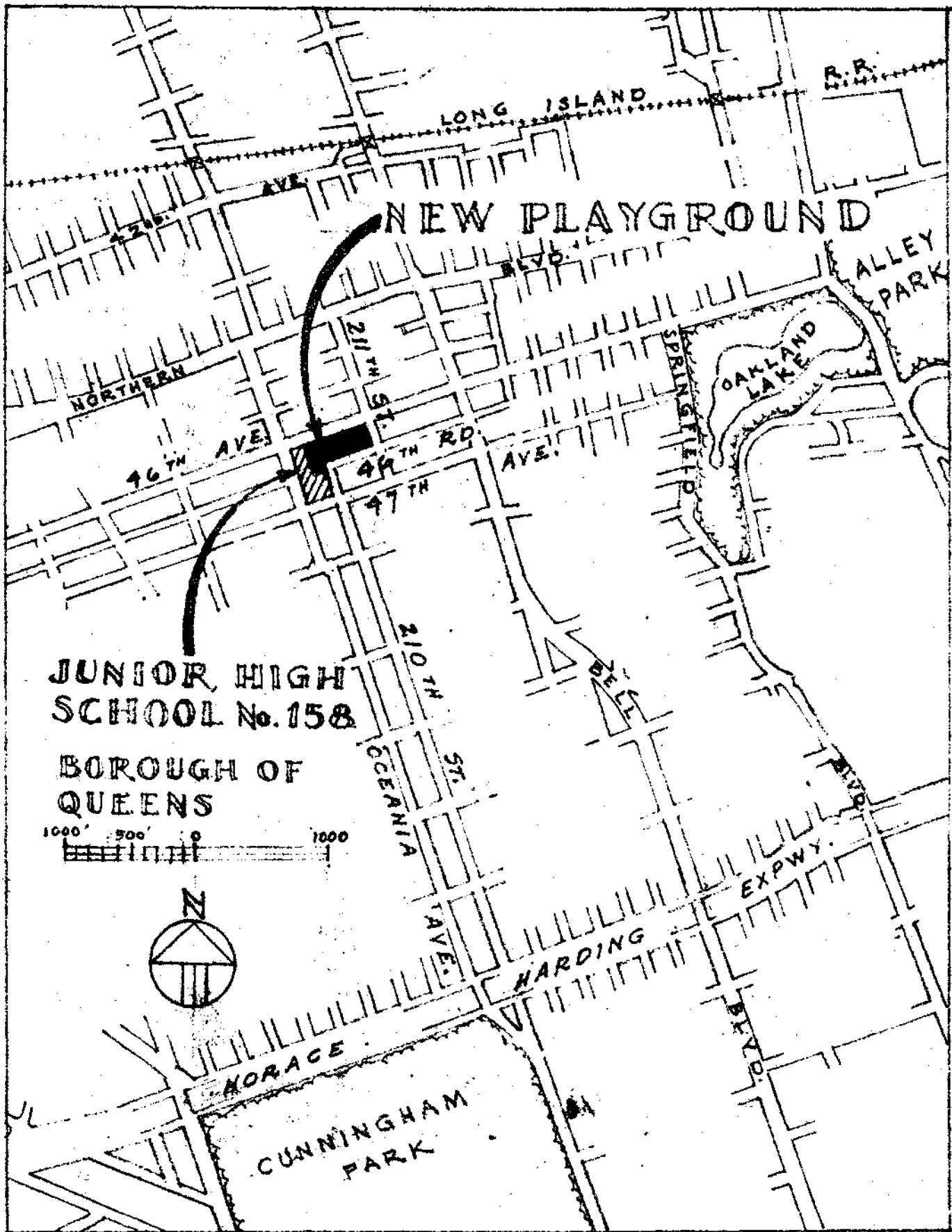
The Board of Education will operate the school garden area at all times and the areas for older children during school hours. The Department of Parks will operate the area for pre-school age children at all times and the areas for older children when school is not in session.

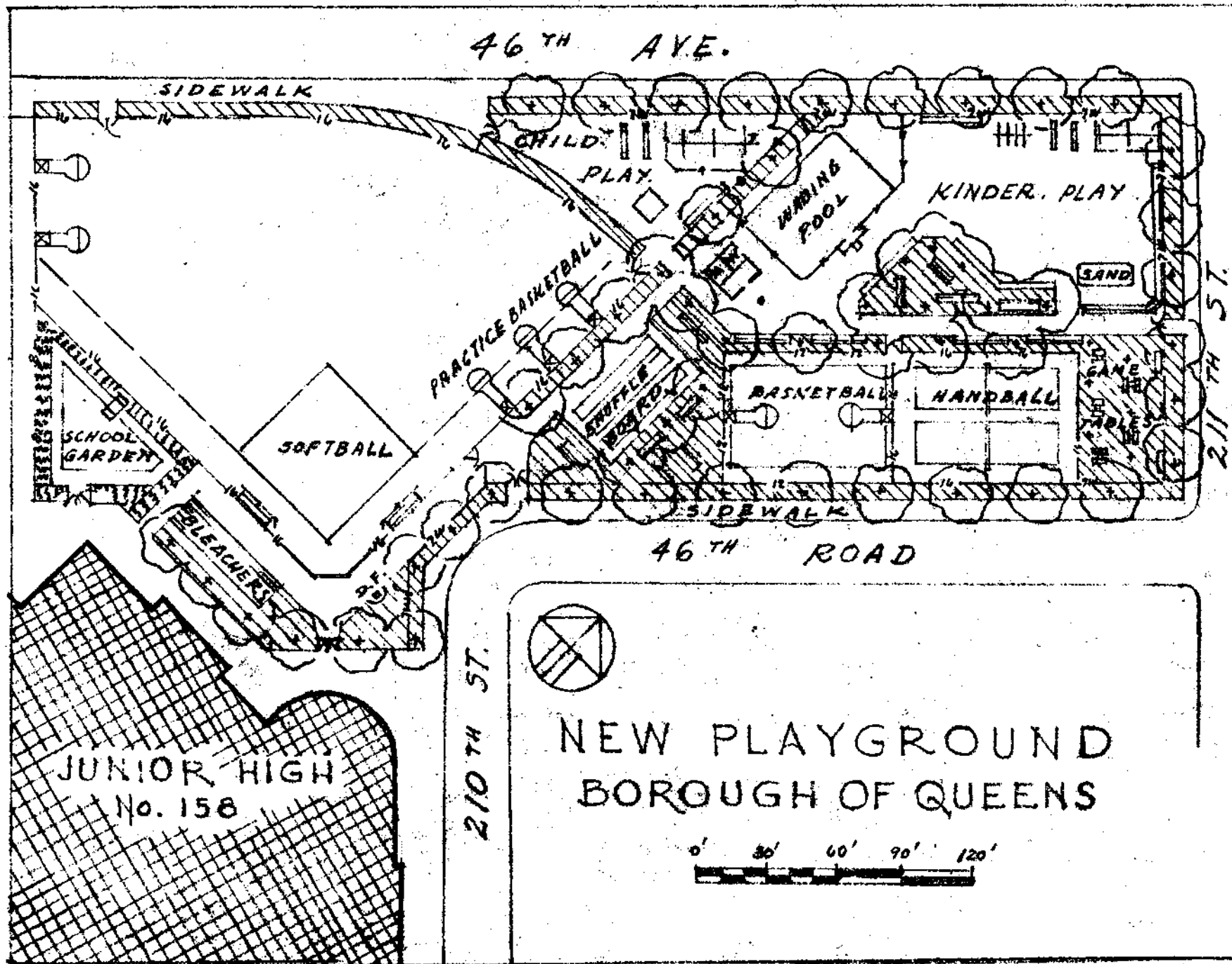
Shade trees have been planted within the area and around the perimeter. With the addition of this playground, there are now 676 playgrounds in the park system.

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NEW PLGD. W. OF 211 ST. BETWEEN 46 AVE. & 46 RD. - QUEENS.
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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

REGENT 4-1000

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9/12/56 - 2 P.M.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 1956

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening to the public of a playground located between West 116th Street and West 119th Street, west of Morningside Avenue in Morningside Park in the Borough of Manhattan.

Divided into three sections for control purposes, the southerly section is an area for small fry with slides, swings, see-saws and a wading pool. The adjacent section provides facilities for older children with shuffleboard, jungle gym, slides and swings in operation. Included in this area is a comfort station and a quiet games area with tables and benches. The northerly section contains three basketball courts.

With the addition of this playground, there are now 677 playgrounds in the park system.

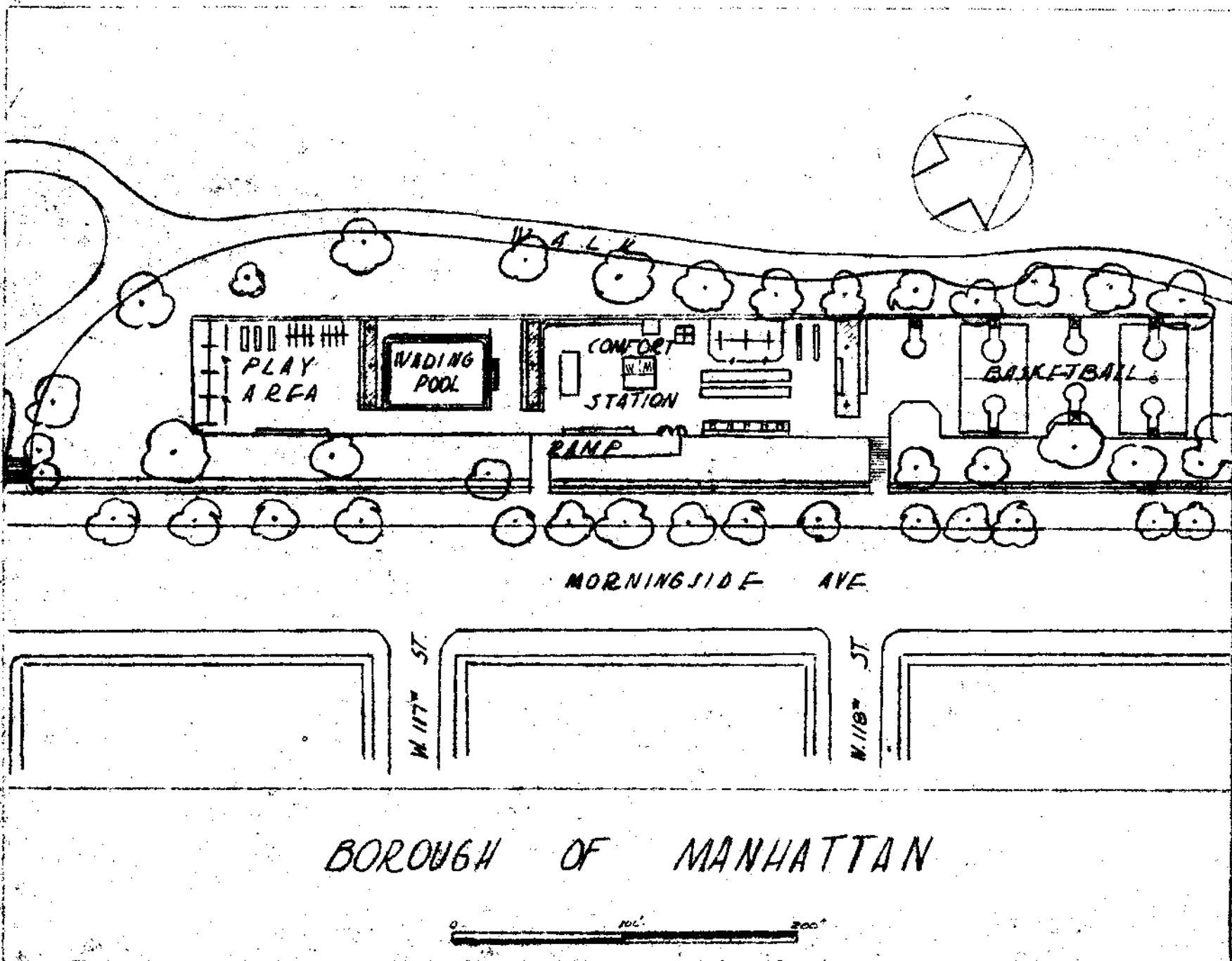
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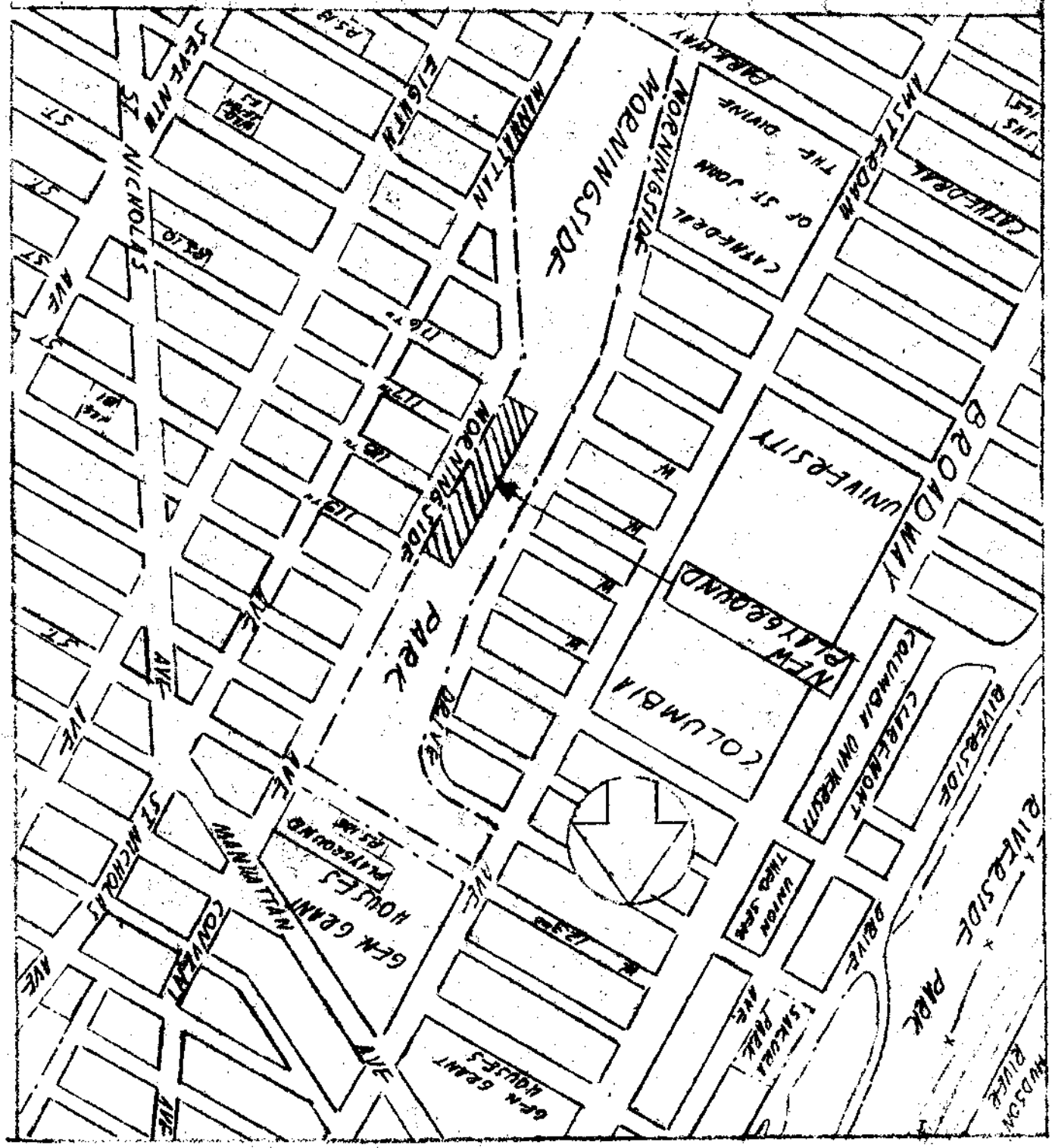
NEW PLAYGROUND MORNINGSIDE PARK
 BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN
 6.M.D. 24-55

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NEW PLAYGROUND IN MORRISIDE PARK
BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN
G.M.D. 6-24-55



BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN





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

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1956

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening to the public of a playground located between Avenue of the Americas and MacDougal Street, north of West Houston Street in the Borough of Manhattan.

Located in the Greenwich Village section of Manhattan, this 0.607-acre playground provides for practice basketball and an open play area.

Shade trees have been planted around the perimeter and benches are provided within the area.

With the addition of this playground, there are now 678 playgrounds in the park system.

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PICTURE 29023

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AVE. OF THE AMERICAS

SUBWAY

PRIVATE PROPERTY

PRACTICE BASKETBALL

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OPEN PLAY AREA

BENCH

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WEST HOUSTON ST.

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BOROUGH OF
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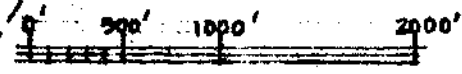


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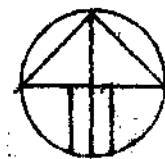
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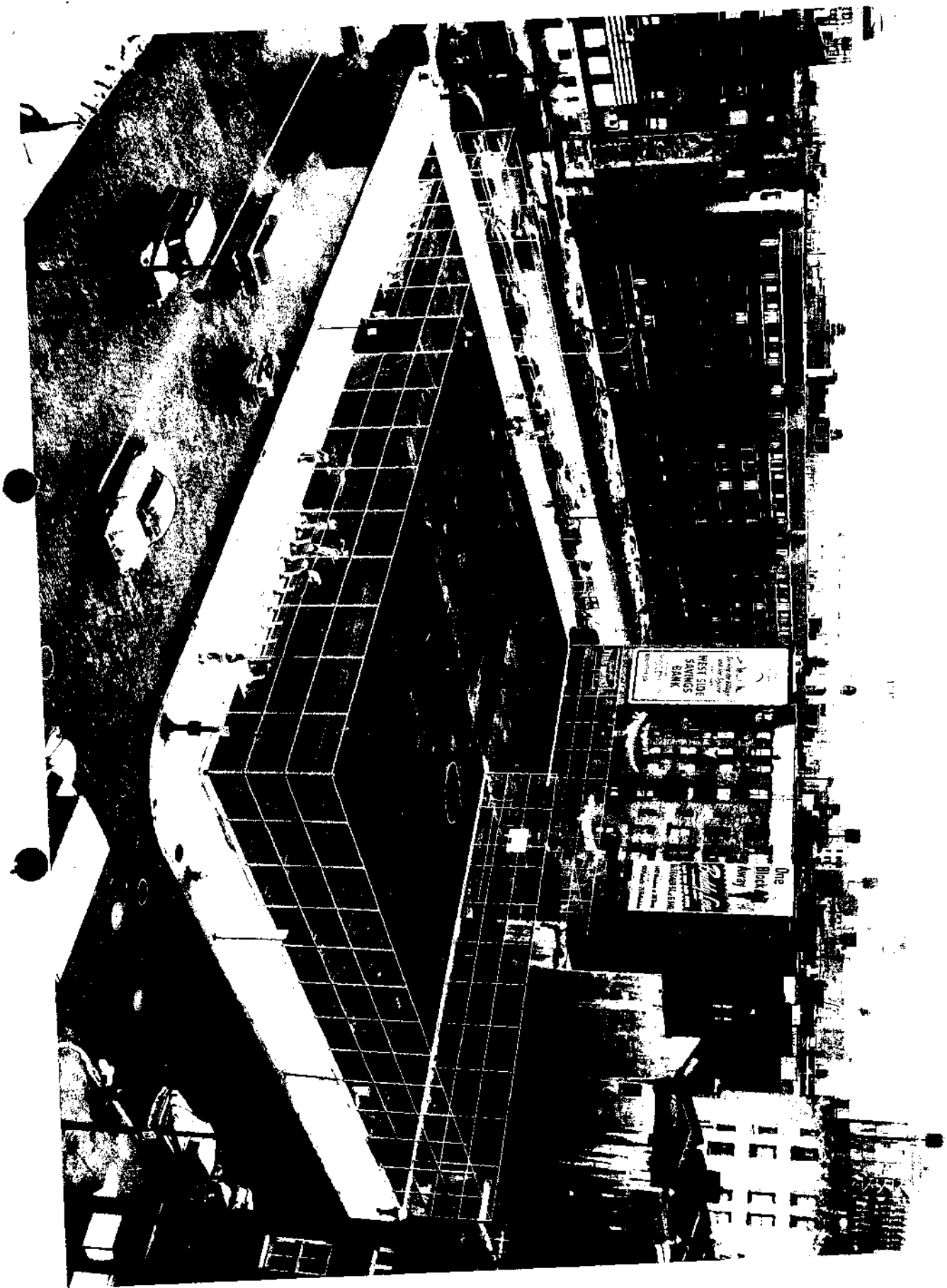
NEW
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BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN



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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

FOR RELEASE

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WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 19, 1956

9/18/56 REGENT 4-1000

B. J. Kelly
Hand Delivery 2 P.M.
Mail Delivery 2 P.M.

The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening to the public of a playground located between 230 and 233 Streets, south of 67 Avenue and adjacent to P.S. 213 in the Borough of Queens.

Located in the Bayside section of Queens, adjacent to Alley Park, this new 2.355-acre playground is divided into three sections for control purposes.

The westerly section contains a wading pool, slides, swings, shuffleboard, sandpit, see-saws, and a comfort station. Benches are provided for guardians of small children in this section which will be operated by the Department of Parks at all times. The adjacent area provides for basketball and handball courts and the easterly section contains a baseball field. These two sections will be operated by the Board of Education when school is in session and by the Department of Parks at all other times.

Shade trees have been planted within the area and around the perimeter. With the addition of this playground, there are now 679 playgrounds in the park system.

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67TH

AVENUE

230TH STREET

PUBLIC SCHOOL # 213

WADING

PLAYGROUND
COMFORT STA.

BASKETBALL

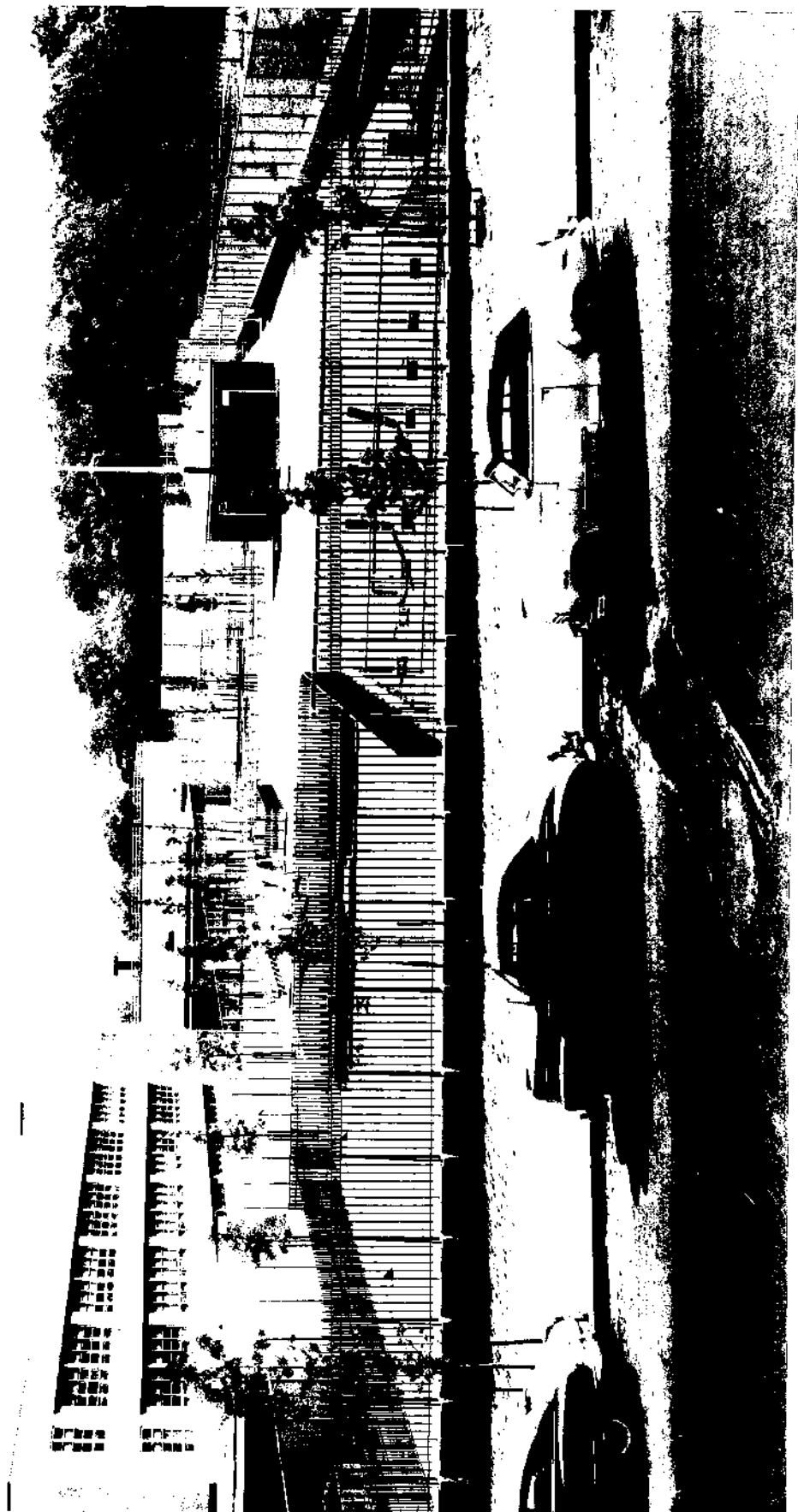
HAND BALL
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BASEBALL
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SKATING

BOROUGH OF QUEENS

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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 1956

REGENT 4-1000

B. Felix
9/26/56 Hand Delivery 1:30 P.M.
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The Department of Parks announces the completion and opening to the public of a playground located at West 77th Street between Columbus and Amsterdam Avenues, adjacent to P.S. 87 in the Borough of Manhattan.

This new 0.738-acre playground is divided into two sections for control purposes. The westerly section which will be operated by the Department of Parks at all times is an area for pre-school age children and provides for slides, swings, shower basin, jungle gym, see-saws, sandpit and a comfort station. The easterly section, which will be operated by the Board of Education when school is in session and by the Department of Parks at all other times, contains practice basketball areas, handball courts, a quiet games area, and open play area.

With the addition of this playground, there are now 680 playgrounds in the park system.

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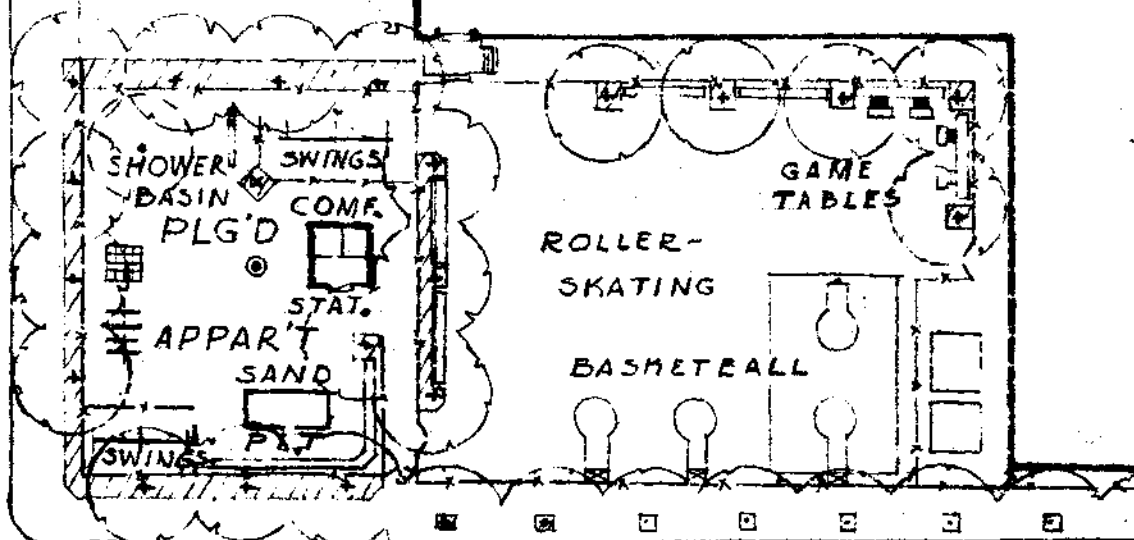
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AMSTERDAM AVENUE

WEST 78TH STREET

PRIVATE
PROPERTY

PUBLIC SCHOOL #87



WEST 77TH STREET

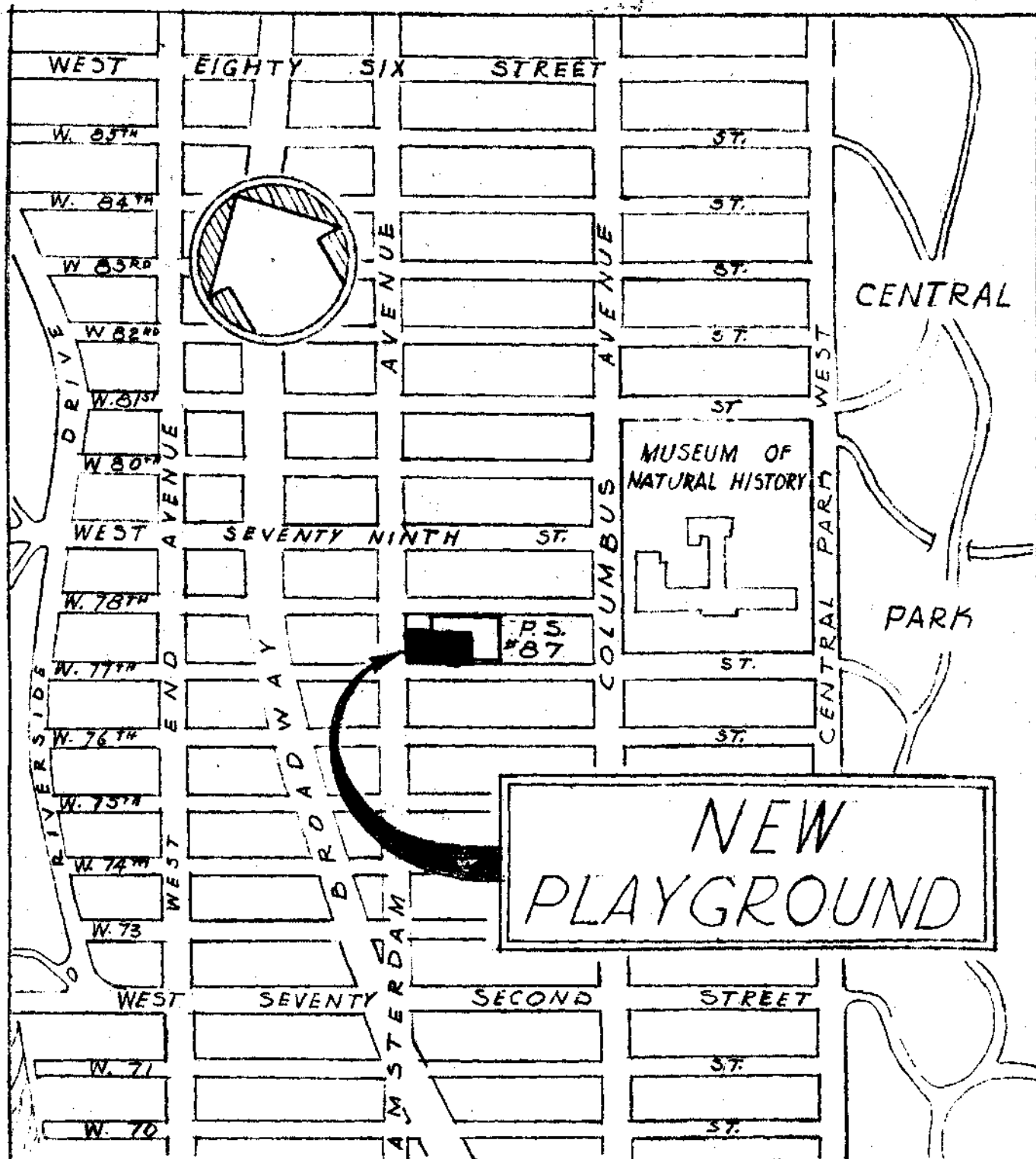
COLUMBUS AVENUE

NEW PLAYGROUND
BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN

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BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN · R.S.M. · AUG. 14 '56

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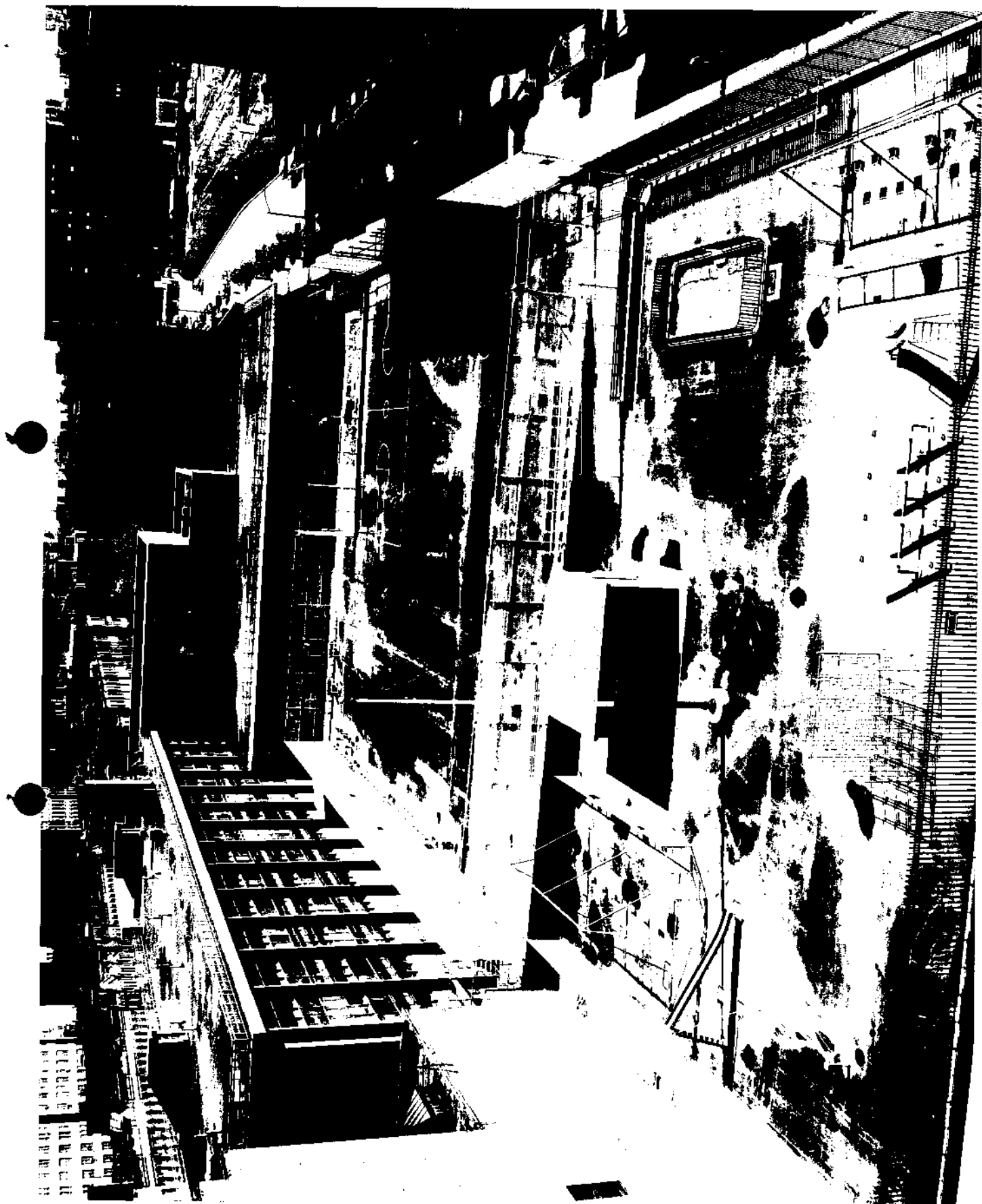


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BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN R.S.M. AUG. 14, '56

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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

FOR RELEASE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1956

B. J. J.
9/13/56 REGENT 4-1000

Hand Delivery 1:30 P.M.
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The Department of Parks announces that the fall schedule of operation will be in effect at the indoor recreation centers listed below:

Starting - Monday, September 17, 1956

ST. MARY'S RECREATION CENTER located at St. Ann's Avenue and East 144th St. in the Bronx, provides rooms for Manual Training, Music, Domestic Science, Boxing Instruction, Games, Arts and Crafts, Photography and Meeting Rooms. The indoor swimming pool with lockers and shower rooms will also be available.

BROOKLYN WAR MEMORIAL RECREATION CENTER is located in S. Parkes Cadman Plaza Park, part of the Brooklyn Civic Center. The auditorium provides an area for quiet games and the lower rooms provide for Arts and Crafts, Wood Work, Table Tennis and Informal Dancing.

BROWNSVILLE RECREATION CENTER located at Linden Boulevard and Christopher Avenue, Brooklyn, provides rooms for Manual Training, Music, Domestic Science, Boxing Instruction, Games, Arts and Crafts, Photography and Meeting Rooms. The indoor swimming pool with lockers and shower rooms will also be available.

ST. JOHN'S RECREATION CENTER located at Prospect Place between Troy and Schenectady Avenues, Brooklyn, provides rooms for Manual Training Music, Domestic Science, Boxing Instruction, Games, Arts and Crafts, Photography and Meeting Rooms. The indoor swimming pool with lockers



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FOR RELEASE

FRIDAY JULY 13, 1956

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7/13/56 Hand Delivery 2 PM
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A series of swimming meets for boys and girls is now being conducted by the Department of Parks at all outdoor swimming pools under it's jurisdiction. The winners will receive gold, silver, and bronze medals, emblematic of the neighborhood championship, and will be qualified to participate in the City-wide Park Swimming Championships.

The finals for girls will be held at the Flushing Meadow Amphitheatre Swimming Pool on Saturday, July 28th, 1956 at 5 P.M. The boys championship meet will be held at Sunset Pool, 42nd Street and 2nd Avenue, Brooklyn on Wednesday, August 1st, 1956 at 5 P.M.

Competitions for boys are classified in various groups from ten years of age up to eighteen years of age. In the girls division only those sixteen years of age and under may participate.

In addition to these neighborhood championships, various Junior Metropolitan A. A. U. Swimming Championship events will be held at each pool. Senior Metropolitan Championship events will be contested at the finals at Flushing Meadow and Sunset Pools. Information regarding A. A. U. events is available at the Amateur Athletic Union, 233 Broadway, New York City.

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and shower rooms will also be available.

Starting - Monday, October 1st, 1956

CROMWELL CENTER located at Pier #6 in Richmond contains an area 80' x 300' in which Basketball, Volleyball, Tennis and Badminton Courts are provided. There are also special rooms for Senior and Junior Games, Arts and Crafts, Boxing and Manual Training.

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 2, 1956

8/19/56 REGENT 4-1000

Hand Delivery 10:30 PM
Mail 8/29 4 PM

The Department of Parks announces the closing of seventeen swimming pools, located throughout the five boroughs, at the close of business on Monday, September 3, 1956. During the summer, 6,225 youngsters participated in swimming meets in the pools. Many young swimmers had their first try at competitive swimming in these Park Department meets.

In addition to the swimming events, the annual "Learn to Swim Campaign" was also held in each of the 17 pools throughout July and August. During these months, 7,860 children and 400 adults learned how to swim.

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Twelve of the outdoor pools will reopen as active play centers on Monday, September 10, with facilities for paddle tennis, shuffleboard, basketball, table tennis and group games. The pools which will convert to play centers and which will operate free of charge are:

MANHATTAN - Hamilton Fish Pool, East Houston and Pitt Streets
Colonial Pool, Bradhurst Avenue and 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 Pool, 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
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Approximately 1,500,000 people used our pools this season.

Bathhouse accommodations at Jacob Riis Park, Orchard Beach and also at Great Kills will close for the season at the end of the day's business on Sunday, September 9, 1956.

The parking fields at Rockaway Beach will close on Sunday, September 9th, and reopen as free play areas on Monday, September 10, 1956.



8-28-56

B. Felix



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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

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TUESDAY, JULY 17, 1956

*7/17/56 - 2 P.M.
Hand Delivery
Regular Mail 7/17*

TAVERN ON THE GREEN - NEW PLAYGROUND

My friend the Corporation Counsel, Peter Campbell Brown, has settled the argument over additional parking at the Tavern on the Green by having the City take over the paving contract at the spot in question, add a sufficient sum to make another playground for small children out of it and let the improved Tavern get along with the parking now available. The total amount involved is about \$50,000. I have no objection whatever to this sensible solution. The Mayor and the Board of Estimate approve and so do the litigants which would seem to end the matter.

ROBERT MOSES

Commissioner



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FOR RELEASE

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1956

9/6/56 REGENT 4-1000

B. Felix
Hand Delivery 3 P.M.
Mail .. 4 P.M.

Monday, September 10th marks the closing date for entries in the Second Annual Municipal Men's Doubles Tennis Tournament conducted by the Department of Parks under the sponsorship of the Slazenger Tennis Equipment Company.

Doubles teams of male players 16 years of age and over possessing permits to play on municipal courts are eligible to participate in this tournament. Entry blanks may be secured and filed at any of the 47 tennis court locations operated by the Department of Parks.

All matches will be conducted at the 93rd Street Tennis Court in Central Park, Manhattan, starting at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 15th. Each member of the winning and runner-up teams will receive a tennis trophy donated by the Slazenger Company.

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D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S
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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 1956

B. Felix
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Hand Delivery 1:30 P.M.
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The Department of Parks announces that the Second Annual Municipal Men's Doubles Tennis Tournament will start on Sunday, September 16, 1956 at 10 A.M. on the Tennis Courts at 93rd Street and West Drive in Central Park, Manhattan.

Sponsored by the Slazenger Tennis Equipment Company in cooperation with the Department of Parks, the competition will continue on weekends only with 81 teams from the Park Department tennis courts throughout the city participating.

The championship match is scheduled to be held at the Central Park courts on October 6, 1956. Each member of the winning and runner-up team will receive a Slazenger Trophy.

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B. J. L.

7/9/56
Hand Delivery - 3 P.M.
Mail Delivery 3:30 P.

CITY OF NEW YORK
OFFICE OF CITY CONSTRUCTION CO-ORDINATOR
RANDALL'S ISLAND
NEW YORK 35, N. Y.

ROBERT MOSES
CITY CONSTRUCTION CO-ORDINATOR

July 2, 1956

Trapp

Hon. Harris H. Murdock
Chairman
Board of Standards and Appeals
Municipal Building
New York 7, N. Y.

Dear Harris:

The Board has before it for consideration on July 17, 1956, as Calendar No. 16-56-BZ, an application to permit the construction of a 19-story office building with stores on the ground floor, but permitting the complete elimination of the required loading berth, located at the northeast corner of Madison Avenue and East 59 Street, Manhattan.

This is a congested section of Manhattan where it is important to provide an off-street loading berth so that trucks will not interfere with street traffic while loading or unloading their cargo.

It would be very undesirable to permit a large office building, with stores on the ground floor, to be erected at this location without the required loading berth. The record indicates that the building will contain 147,600 square feet of floor area on 19 floors. The first floor is approximately 100' x 90' in size. One loading berth is certainly not unreasonable in such a large building containing both offices and stores.

Many City departments and agencies are striving to relieve traffic congestion in many ways, and an off-street loading berth in a large office and retail building is an essential part of this program.

Under the circumstances, I ask that the application be denied.

Cordially,

/s/ ROBERT MOSES

Co-Ordinator

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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

FOR RELEASE

FOR RELEASE TUESDAY, AUGUST 14 1956

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B. Jones
8/13/56
Hand Delivery 3:15 P.M.
The Department of Parks announces that work in connection with the repairs to the expansion joints on the Henry Hudson Parkway between West 139th St. and West 143rd St. will start at 8 A.M. on Tuesday, August 14th 1956.

The following work schedule will be in effect:

Mornings - 8 A.M. to 12 Noon- North Bound Lane

Afternoons - 1 P.M. to 4:30 P.M. - South Bound Lane.

One lane will be open for traffic during the repair schedule of hours and the entire roadway in both directions will be available for use at all other times.

Work on this contract is expected to be completed by Friday, August 17th 1956.



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PHONED IN TO CITY DESKS OF ALL
MAIN CITY NEWSPAPERS by BARNEY FELIX -
SEPTEMBER 5, 1956 4 P.M.

The Park Department announces the westbound roadway of the Grand Central Parkway at Northern Boulevard will be closed on Thursday, September 6th and Friday, September 7th, 1956 from 10:30 A.M. to 4 P.M., in order to permit emergency repairs to the Northern Boulevard Bridge over the Grand Central Parkway.

Traffic will be detoured at Roosevelt Avenue on 126th Street North and will be directed east on Roosevelt Avenue to 126th Street to Northern Boulevard, then west on Northern Boulevard to the access road of the westbound lane of the Grand Central Parkway.

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Phoned in
Barney Felix

B. Felix



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SUNDAY, JULY 1, 1956

6/29/56 - Hand Delivered
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The Department of Parks advises that newly planted trees must be watered during summer dry periods.

At least twice a week, three pails of water applied at sunset are sufficient for the average young tree.

Once a week, in order to assure deep penetration of the water, the top surface soil at the base of the tree should be loosened to a depth of not more than 3 inches, to prevent hard packing over the roots.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FOR RELEASE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, 1956

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"TREES"

The Department of Parks announces that its statisticians, while figuring the millions of people now visiting its beaches, swimming pools and golf courses and the millions of dollars going into the City's treasury from its concessions and revenue-producing activities, have totaled up the number of trees in New York City for which the Department is responsible. They find that 2,282,000 trees are now maintained by the Park Department - 1,746,000 of them in parks, playgrounds, parkways and expressways, and 536,000 trees along our city streets.

Even this impressive total has been insufficient to turn New York City into a "greenbelt town," the ideal of many city planners, and the Park Department will continue its noteworthy program of planting thousands of new trees each year and encouraging private citizens, organizations and public agencies to add to the number. For many years the Department has been urging property owners to beautify their streets and enhance their property values by the planting of street trees. The Park Association, the Municipal Art Society and other civic-minded groups and individuals have given invaluable assistance by spreading the word about how simple and inexpensive it is to plant street trees and how the Park Department's

five Borough Headquarters will handle all the details for the would-be street tree planter, except for providing the money for payment.

In 1955 alone, 11,523 new trees were added to New York's parks, parkways, streets and other public areas. The Park Department's own maintenance forces planted 4,599 of these trees, many of them grown in the Department's nursery on Riker's Island; 1,265 trees were planted by contractors in connection with park construction projects; 3,246 were planted along parkways and expressways under contracts let by the City, the State or the Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority; 590 trees were planted by other city agencies such as the New York City Housing Authority, the Board of Education and the Department of Sanitation; and 1,823 street trees were planted by private individuals and neighborhood groups. All of these 11,523 new trees are now the Park Department's responsibility regardless of who planted or paid for them.

The care and protection of 2,282,000 trees would be a tremendous problem even if it were not complicated by the increasing severity and frequency of hurricanes and other storms; the inability of many varieties of trees to thrive under gasoline fumes, soot and other factors resulting from city conditions; blights, insects and diseases such as the Dutch Elm disease; and too small a staff of trained forestry personnel. The backbone of the Park Department's forestry staff consists of 272 "Climbers and Pruners." The number is limited by the City's allocation of funds in the departmental budget and represents only one man for every 8,446 trees. If it were possible for each Climber and Pruner to work individually rather

than as one of a team, and if each man were able to work 365 days a year regardless of weather, holidays or his own health, he would have to work on 23 trees each day in order to give each tree some annual care. Just to attend each street tree every year, it would be necessary for each man to be assigned 1,970 trees.

The Park Department received a special appropriation of \$100,000 in 1956 to pay for the removal of dead street trees in Brooklyn and Queens by private contractors. This sum has covered the expense of removing 757 trees but several times that amount is needed to complete the work in these boroughs and throughout the City, without anticipating new damage that may be done to trees by destructive storms and disease during the remainder of this year. Elms completely infected by the Dutch Elm disease must be cut up and burned. Infected branches must be removed quickly from trees which can otherwise be saved, and storm-broken limbs must be pruned to reduce the likelihood of infection. Tree-spraying is an important factor in the control of insects and diseases but a wet May followed by a hot June, such as has been the case in 1956, reduces the time available for spraying as well as the effectiveness of the spray.

The Park Department is attempting to use modern mechanical equipment in the care of trees to offset its shortage of manpower. However, additional appropriations for forestry work are essential. Equipment, adequate manpower and the employment of contractors to perform emergency work are expensive items requiring greatly increased annual appropriations. The Department asks the support of the citizens of New York for its program of tree planting, additional equipment and larger appropriations for tree care. Approximately 400,000

trees have been planted in New York City since the consolidation of the Department of Parks in 1934. More than 11,000 trees were planted in 1955; an equal or greater number will have been set out by the end of this year. The Park Department believes that the public wants and will support proper tree maintenance and more trees. Our tree-planting program must continue but we must have well-equipped maintenance forces and appropriations for work by contract adequate for the magnitude of the job. Without adequate forces and appropriations we can not make a dent in this problem. The public can ask only for what it is willing to pay for.

The Park Department has at the present time a huge backlog of dead, dying and undesirable trees.

The cost of removing all of these is estimated to be about \$800,000. The \$100,000 appropriation for work by contract which we received in 1956 helped but we need several times as much if we are to put our trees in really satisfactory condition. If we use our forestry forces to remove dead and dying trees we can not keep up with maintenance so essential to the healthy growth of our city's living trees.

An appropriation of \$200,000 for tree work by contract each year for the next five years would enable us to put our trees in satisfactory condition, given normal weather and growing conditions. If we have severe hurricane or ice storm damage or lose a large number of trees because of diseases such as the Dutch elm disease we will need extra appropriations to take care of the damage.

The city has a tremendous investment in its trees. They are one of its most obvious assets. The cost of putting them in acceptable condition is small and appropriation for this purpose should have the support of everyone interested in the appearance of the city.



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FRIDAY, AUGUST 24, 1956

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Because of the heavy infestation of Tussock Moth Caterpillars, the Park Department Forestry Forces have been spraying trees in park areas and on streets in an effort to eliminate or reduce the infestation by this pest.

Spraying of the trees will help to prevent the reappearance of the moth this season and the caterpillar next season. The caterpillar, which grows to about one and one half inches in length may be identified by the four white tussocks, or brushes, of hair on its back. Just behind these are two shiny red warts. The head is a brilliant coral red with a fringe of white hairs arising from the cervical shield and extending over it from above. A broad black band extends almost the entire length of the back, and this is bordered by a yellow band on each side. There are two full broods of the caterpillar and moth each year, the first starting in the latter part of May, and the second, usually the larger, starting in August.

The caterpillar feeds on the foliage of shade trees and devours the entire structure of the leaf, with the exception of the midribs and may check the development of the tree, lower its vitality and render it susceptible to further harm by other agencies.

The heavy infestation this year may be related to the fact

that their natural enemies have not been in abundance this year.

The present crop of caterpillars will disappear within two weeks when they will appear as cocoons. From these cocoons the moths will emerge and lay eggs which will give issue to the caterpillars next year.

Park Department operations are limited to the spraying of trees in park areas and on streets. Owners of private property with this problem should consult a local nurseryman who will recommend an effective material for the elimination of this pest. A wire brush may be used to remove egg masses which appear on the cocoons and should help to reduce the infestation the following year.

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THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 1956

REGENT 4-1000

B. Felix
9/5/56 - News Delivery 1 P.M.
Mail .. 4 P.M.

The Department of Parks announces that the Wollman Memorial Skating Rink in Central Park, will reopen for public usage as an outdoor roller skating rink on Saturday, September 8, 1956. During the summer the rink was used as a free recreational facility, with fourteen shuffleboard courts in operation, and for dancing on Tuesday and Thursday Evenings. The sessions and rates are as follows:

Afternoon Sessions:	2:30 P.M. to 6:00 P.M.
Evening Sessions:	8:00 P.M. to 11:00 P.M.
General Admission:	10¢

Persons bringing their own skates will be permitted to use them, provided they are equipped with fiber or wooden wheels.

The Park Department will rent clamp skates at 25¢ and shoe skates at 50¢ a session.

Located at the rear of the Central Park Zoo Cafeteria, opposite 64th Street, the rink may be reached by the B.M.T. to Fifth Avenue, the East Side I.R.T. to 59th Street and the Independent Subway to Columbus Circle.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

FOR RELEASE

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SUNDAY, AUGUST 12, 1956

8/10/56 REGENT 4-1000

Hand Delivery 11:25 AM
Mail " 12:21

The Department of Parks announces that the second annual World Jazz Festival will take place at the Mall in Central Park on Thursday, August 16, 1956 at 8:30 p.m. This festival, made possible by the Music Performance Trust Fund of the Recording Industries, will feature an all-star band of American instrumentalists from internationally known orchestras.

The program will include music from Italy, Norway, Venezuela, Switzerland, Indonesia, Finland, Turkey, France, Hong Kong, Belgium, Spain, Sweden, England, India, Germany, Canada, Algeria, Japan, Holland, Brazil, Burma, United States, Iceland and Mexico. The compositions which will be presented reflect the cultural flavor of these countries and were written especially for the World Jazz Festival.

The founder and director of the Festival, Owen Engel, Clarinetist, is well-known throughout the world as a jazz musician. He has written many compositions and is outstanding in his field.

Introductory addresses will be delivered by Baron Louis DeGeer, Acting Consul General of Sweden and M. Gopala Menon, Counsul General of India. Accordionist Mat Mathews of Holland, Pianist Toshiko Akyroschi of Japan, Tenor Saxist Bobby Jasper of Belgium, Ken Somerville and John Drew from England are a few of the featured performers. Admission is free to the public.

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