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128	12-11-58	Christmas tree lighting ceremonies throughout the city.
127	12-5-58	Manonette Theatre opening winter tour of "Pinocchio"
126	12-4-58	Applications for Municipal Lifeguard Training course.
125	11-26-58	opening of new playground in Brooklyn.
124	11-19-58	Closing of golf courses for season.
123	11-17-58	work started on irrigation system on the Clearview golf course.
122	11-10-58	seasonal closing of tennis courts.
121	11-5-58	opening of new playground in the Bronx.
120	11-3-58	opening of new playground in Manhattan.
119	11-3-58	opening of duck hunting season in L.I.C.
118	10-27-58	opening of new playground in Queens.
117	10-22-58	opening of new playground in Brooklyn.
116	10-20-58	Central Park Band dedicated to Bernard M. Baruch.
115	10-16-58	Entries being accepted for the 14th Annual Parks Basketball Tournament.
114	10-16-58	opening of new playground in the Bronx.
113	10-10-58	Wollman Memorial & NYC Building skating rink will be re-opened for skating.
112	10-10-58	Traffic on Henry Hudson restricted.
111	10-8-58	final story telling hour at Hans Christian Andersen Memorial.
110	10-6-58	changes in traffic regulations in connection with repaving of Grand Army Plaza.
109	10-1-58	Championship matches of Men's Doubles Bocce Tournament.

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108	10-1-58	usage of recreation areas during the summer
107	10-1-58	award winners of Dept of Parks Amateur photography Contest.
106	9-26-58	repaving of the Grand Army Plaza roadways in Brooklyn.
105	9-24-58	borough finals of Boccie Tournament
104	9-12-58	opening of Steeplechase Pier at Coney Island.
103	9-17-58	opening of new playground in Manhattan.
102	9-17-58	opening of new playground in Brooklyn.
101	9-11-58	traffic restricted on Henry Hudson due to coal conveyor bridge over West Side Hwy.
100	9-11-58	Women's doubles tennis tournament
99	9-11-58	Mary Yukiko Naxon to be featured at Hans Christian Andersen memorial
98	9-5-58	local eliminations for 10 th annual Horseshoe Pitching and Handball Tournaments Starting.
97	9-2-58	8 th Annual mixed twosome Championships for NYC municipal golf golfers.
96	9-4-58	12 th Annual Olympic sports festival.
95	8-28-58	4 th Annual Mens Doubles Tennis Tournament.
96	8-28-58	Closing of 17 outdoor swimming pools.
95	8-27-58	entry blanks available for 1 st Annual Boccie tournament.
94	8-27-58	finals of Harvest Dance Contest.
93	8-27-58	Last week of Photo Contest
92	8-26-58	final concert at Carl Schurz Park cancelled.
—	8-25-58	opening of new playground in Manhattan
—	8-26-58	2 nd annual borough-wide handicrafts exhibit

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—	8-26-58	Shakespeare Theatre's last performance, "Twelfth Night" in Bellvedere Tower area C.P.
92	8-22-58	Story telling hour at Hans C. Andersen Memorial - Flaise Boies.
91	8-19-58	"Salute to Summer" concert cancelled.
91	8-20-58	opening of a new playground in Brooklyn.
90	8-20-58	8 th Annual Blind Bogey Tournament.
89	8-14-58	Recreational Activities update
88	8-14-58	Entry blanks accepted for 4 th annual Mens Doubles Tennis Tournament.
87	8-14-58	separment of Grand Army Plaza
86	8-12-58	5 week Series of public dances.
85	8-11-58	opening of new playground in Queens.
84	8-5-58	Special program for Hans C. Andersen story telling center -
83	8-5-58	opening of new playground in the Bronx.
82	8-4-58	12 th annual Junior Olympic Sports Festival.
81	7-31-58	U.S Air Force Band. Concert
80	7-30-58	Preliminary contests for 17 th annual Harvest Dance Contest.
79	7-28-58	Horticultural maintenance backlog - Dutch Elm - 1950 Hurricane
78	7-23-58	additional band concerts added to summer music in its parks program.
77	7-21-58	Robert Moses Statement on status of 3 rd Ave. trees.
76	7-17-58	completion of 1 st stages of South Beach development in Richmond.
76	7-15-58	Robert Moses' vote in city planning Commission on Roadway in Washington Square Park.

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75	7-14-58	opening of new Playground in Queens.
74	4-24-58	Installation of modern irrigation system on Moshulu golf course begun.
73	7-10-58	opening of new playground in Queens.
72	7-9-58	Municipal Team Championship golf Tournament
71	7-7-58	Manhasset Theatre
70	7-2-58	work at Rockaway Beach completed.
69	7-1-58	opening of Playground in the Bronx.
68	7-1-58	12 th Annual Amateur photographic contest.
67	7-1-58	summer senior citizens dance at senior citizens centers.
66	6-13-58	14 th Annual Marble Shooting Contest
65	6-27-58	Square Dances in Prospect Park
64	6-25-58	opening of new playground in the Bronx
63	6-23-58	opening of new playground in Queens.
62	6-20-58	recommendations for tree planting & watering
61	6-20-58	Fred Darsey at story telling hour at Hans Christian Andersen Memorial
60	6-19-58	2 nd Metropolitan Accordion Band Contest
62	6-20-58	24 th Annual Baker Shop Quatter Contest finals
59	6-12-58	Hans Christian Andersen story telling hour time.
58	6-11-58	Gift Cecil B. DeMille - gift to city of 4 plaques of hieroglyphic translations on C.P. Obelisk.
57	6-11-58	opening of new playground in Queens.
56	6-17-58	2 nd Annual Kestel Memorial sailboat regatta and design competition
55	6-10-58	end of Wallman Memorial Skating
54	6-10-58	Future American Magical Entertainers.

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53	6-10-58	Maquette theatre presentation of "the Shoemaker and the Elves." - schedule
52	6-5-58	"National Recreation Month" track meet
51	6-5-58	14 th Annual Soft Ball Tournament
50	6-5-58	entry blanks for 13 th Annual Championship Golf Tournament.
49	6-2-58	"Dance - Music - Drama" - parks system events
48	6-22-58	Amateur photographic contest
47	5-22-58	Future American Magical Entertainers.
46	5-23-58	contract award for construction of "Alice in Wonderland" sculpture.
45	5-20-58	Overseas Service League Memorial Service.
44	5-21-58	1 st Naumburg Symphony Orchestra concert
43	5-21-58	bathing and swimming season opening at municipally operated beaches.
42	5-14-58	Kite Flying Contest in the Bronx.
41	5-15-58	14 th Annual Marble Shooting contest.
40	5-14-58	13 th Annual Championship Tennis Tournament
39	5-14-58	June - National Recreation Month
38	5-12-58	Board of Estimate approval of Eldlewild Park, Brookville Park Addition & Springfield Park.
37	5-14-58	Boxing Tournament championship
36	5-6-58	Development of Kissena Corridor - Kissena Park
35	5-5-58	Dept of Parks & request of \$50,000 - letter to commissioner Wagner.
34	5-1-58	opening of a playground in Manhattan
33	4-25-58	Maquette Theatre workshop at the Swedish Cottage C.P.
32	4-25-58	Robert Moses memo concerning John Hospital Property

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31	4-24-58	high pressure, modern irrigation system on Mashohu Golf Course in the Bronx
30	4-23-58	Inter-County Age group championships Swimming Championships for girls
29	4-20-58	final competition of Annual Yo-Yo contest
28	4-21-58	opening of Pitch Putt golf course in Kiss Park
26	4-10-58	display fountains put in operation
25	4-9-58	end of ice skating at Wellman memorial rink
24	4-7-58	dedication and opening of the Levy Memorial Playground
23	4-8-58	reconditioning of baseball and softball diamonds.
22	4-8-58	opening of tennis courts throughout the boroughs
21	4-3-58	summer theatrical productions in the parks
20	4-2-58	\$90,000 contract awarded by NYS Dept of Public Works for hydraulic pill at Rockaway Beach
19	4-1-58	12 th Annual Egg Rolling Contest
18	3-27-58	opening of playground in King Park.
17	3-27-58	1 st story-telling hour of the season at Hans Christian Andersen Memorial
16	3-21-58	opening of six golf courses throughout the boroughs
15	3-21-58	12 th Annual Egg Rolling Contest in Central Park
14	3-21-58	7 th Annual open house week program at St. Mary's Recreation Center.
13	3-19-58	The Finals of 13 th Annual Park Department Basketball Championship.
12	3-17-58	Water Polo matches held at St. John's Recreation Center
11	3-5-58	final playoffs to determine participants in the city wide championships of basketball Dept. of Parks Basketball Tournament

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10	2-25-58	city wide Yo-Yo contest
9	2-17-58	applications accepted for several season permits
8	2-13-58	opening of new playground in Brooklyn.
6	2-3-58	opening of new playground in Manhattan
5	1-24-58	work begun around Soldiers & Sailors monument
4	1-9-58	7th Annual ice skating carnival at Wollman Rink
3	1-10-58	Dept. of Parks announces improvements on Cross Island Pkwy.
2	1-7-58	withdrawal of request for acquisition of S. Border State
1	1-3-58	increase of parking fees.

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Hans Christian Andersen Memorial Story Telling Hour.

Boccie Tournament

Concerts - Carl Schurz Pk, Creatore Memorial Concert, Noon Day Bandstand
"Salute to Summer", United States Air Force, World Jazz
Festival

Dancing - Senior Citizens, Square Dancing, Riverside Drive Park &
Bushwick Playground

Golf - Blind Bogey, City-wide Munic. Team Championship, Mixed Twosome
Championship

Grand Army Plaza - Repavement

"Green Thumbers" Achievement Awards

Handicrafts Exhibit - Richmond

Harvest Dance Contest

Horseshoe Pitching & Handball Tournaments

Junior Olympic Sports Festival

Marionette Theatre

Photographic Amateur Contest

Playgrounds - #736, 737, 738, (739, Manhattan Beach Park-no release)
740, 741, 742, 743, 744 745

Prospect Park Zoo - Llama born

Recreation Release

Rockaway Beach hydraulic sand fill

Rowing Regatta

Shakespeare Theatre - last performance "Twelfth Night"

Shorehaven Beach Club Shorefront Property -

South Beach Development bet. Elm Tree Blvd & Iona St.

Steeplechase Pier reconstruction

Swimming Pools - Closing

Tennis - Women's Public Courts Tennis Championships - Men's Doubles

Trees - Plane Trees- Care of Street Trees

Washington Square - RM's explanation of vote in City Planning Comm.

West Side Highway - Coal conveyor bridge

World War I Memorial in Woodside Avenue Park, 54 & 56 Sts. Queens



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SUNDAY, AUGUST 31, 1958

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The Park Department announces that this is the last week of the First Annual Park Department Photographic Contest. Photographs must be taken of activities and scenes in parks and beaches of New York City not later than September 8th, and entries must be filed in any Park Office by Monday, September 15th.

Each contestant may submit twelve photographs 4"x 5", or smaller. Judges are to be some of the top newspaper photographers.

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FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1958

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The Department of Parks announces that the story telling hour at the Hans Christian Andersen Memorial, on Saturday, September 13, 1958 at 11 a.m., will feature Mary Yukiko Nason, whose services have been arranged by the Baroness Alma von Dahlerup of the Danish American Women's Association.

Miss Nason, formerly a member of General MacArthur's Intelligence Staff, is an interior designer. She is an American Japanese and will tell Japanese stories to the children.

The Hans Christian Andersen Memorial is located at the west side of Conservatory Lake, at 72nd Street in Central Park, near Fifth Avenue.

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The Department of Parks announces that the story telling hour at the Hans Christian Andersen Memorial on Saturday, August 23 at 11 A.M., will feature Elaine Boies, whose services have been arranged by the Baroness Alma Von Dahlerup of the Danish American Women's Association.

Miss Boies, a native New Yorker, member of the Green Bay Community Theatre, just returned from Taos, New Mexico, where she spent the season in summer stock.

The Hans Christian Andersen Memorial is located at the west side of Conservatory Lake at 72nd Street in Central Park.

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The Department of Parks announces that a special program has been arranged for the Hans Christian Andersen Story Telling Center on Saturday, August 9, 1958 at 11 A.M.

Featured for the program will be the production of "The Magic Trumpet," a new musical play from Hans Christian Andersen's fairy tale "The Tinderbox." It will be directed by Delar van Sand in collaboration with the composer Robert Keyes Clark and Librettist Bideau.

This is the first time that any of these fairy stories have been presented in musical form, using a large cast with costumes and scenery.

Included in the cast will be Mary Ellen Kay Twitty, John Murphy, Lorna Lange and Inge-Britt Engelbrektsson.

As special guests for the occasion a group of boys and girls, 11 years of age, will attend--4 each from Austria, France, Norway, Sweden and Ireland--whose presence has been made possible by the Children's International Service Village, Inc. of Cincinnati, Ohio, through the United Nations. These youngsters speak English as well as their native language.

Baroness Alma Dahlerup, whose cooperation made this special feature possible, and Georg Lober, the sculptor of the monument, will be present for the occasion.

The Hans Christian Andersen Memorial is located on the west bank of the Conservatory Lake in Central Park, 72 Street and 5 Avenue.

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 29, 1958

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The Department of Parks announces that entry blanks are available for New York City's First Annual Boccie Tournament sponsored by F & M Schaefer Brewing Company in cooperation with the Department of Parks.

The time-honored game of Boccie has developed a new interest in this country, for thousands of adults of all nationalities now play and know the game as turf bowling.

Local eliminations will begin at fourteen Park Department courts for men's doubles teams beginning Saturday, September 6th. Winners will compete in borough competitions and later in an interborough competition to determine the outstanding Boccie players for New York City.

Prizes will be awarded to local borough and city-wide winners in first and second place.

Entry blanks may be secured and filed at Department of Parks Boccie courts and at the borough offices.

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The Department of Parks announces the borough finals of the Boccie Tournament sponsored by the F & M Schaefer Brewing Company and conducted by the Department of Parks, will be held on Sunday, September 28th at 1 P.M.

The following locations have been selected for the Borough Championships:

MANHATTAN - Louis Cuveillier Park, 1st Ave, E. 124th to E. 125th St.
BROOKLYN - James J. Byrne Memorial Playground-3rd St. and 4th Ave.
BRONX - St. Mary's Park East Playground, Trinity Ave and 147 St.
QUEENS - P.S. 112 Playground, 28 St. and 36th Avenue, Astoria
RICHMOND - DeMott Playground, Tompkins and Chestnut Streets at
Shaugnessy Lane

Edna L. Lennix Counts

Two teams from each borough will qualify for the City-wide Championships, which will be held on Saturday, October 4th at 1 P.M. at Louis Cuveillier Park.

Prizes will be awarded to Borough 1st and 2nd place winners and City-wide 1st and 2nd place winners.

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ENTRY BLANK

1958 MEN'S DOUBLES

TURF BOWLING (BOCCIE) TOURNAMENT

Sponsored by
The F. & M. SCHAEFER BREWING CO.
and the
NEW YORK CITY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
at
Department of Parks Boccie Courts

LOCAL ELIMINATIONS

Saturday, September 6 to Sunday, September 21

At locations listed on the reverse side of this blank.
Two teams from each location will qualify for the Borough Championships.

BOROUGH CHAMPIONSHIPS

Covillier **Sunday, September 28 at 1:00 p.m.**

MANHATTAN - ~~Thomas Jefferson Park, 111th Street and First Avenue~~
BROOKLYN - ~~James J. Byrne Memorial Playground, 3rd Street and Fourth Avenue~~
BRONX - ~~St. Mary's Park East Playground, Trinity Avenue and 147th Street~~
QUEENS - ~~P.S. 112 Playground, 28th Street and 36th Avenue, Astoria~~
RICHMOND - ~~DeMott Playground, Tompkins and Chestnut Avenues at Shoughnessy Lane~~

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CITY-WIDE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Covillier ~~THOMAS JEFFERSON PARK, 111th Street and First Avenue~~

Saturday, October 4 at 1:00 p.m.

PRIZES: Local - 1st and 2nd place winners
Borough - 1st and 2nd place winners
City - 1st and 2nd place winners

- RULES:**
1. Competition is open to men 18 years of age and over.
 2. Contestant's age will be determined as of September 6, 1958.
 3. Entry blanks may be secured and filed at Department of Parks boccie courts, borough offices, and at the Arsenal, Central Park, 64th St. and 5th Avenue, New York 21, N. Y.
 4. Entries close Saturday, September 5, 1958.
 5. No entry fee is required.
 6. Official Department of Parks Turf Bowling rules (copies available to all entrants) will govern the tournament.
 7. Contestants may use their own equipment provided it is regulation type or equipment supplied by the Department of Parks.
 8. Decisions of the Judges will be final.

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1958 TURF BOWLING (BOCCIE) TOURNAMENT — F. & M. SCHAEFER — DEPT. OF PARKS

Please accept our entry in the turf bowling tournament:

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1. Name..... Address.....
Borough..... Postal Zone
or Community.....

2. Name..... Address.....
Borough..... Postal Zone
or Community.....

We wish to compete at..... Borough.....

(See reverse side for list of locations)

LOCAL LOCATIONS

MANHATTAN:

Thomas Jefferson Playground, 111th Street and First Avenue
Houston Street Park, East Houston Street between First and Second Aves.
Highbridge Playground, 169th Street and Edgecombe Avenue
James J. Walker Park, Hudson and Carmine Streets

BROOKLYN

James J. Byrne Memorial Playground, 3rd Street and Fourth Avenue
McCarren Park, Driggs Avenue and Lorimer Street
Callahan-Kelly Playground, Eastern Parkway and Fulton Street

BRONX:

St. Mary's Park East Playground, Trinity Avenue and 147th Street
Williamsbridge Oval, 208th Street and Bainbridge Avenue
Pelham Bay Park, Bruckner Boulevard, Willow Lane and Buhre Avenue
P.S. 113 Playground, 215th Street and Barnes Avenue

QUEENS:

Triboro Playground, Hoyt Avenue and Astoria Boulevard
Maurice Park, Borden and 54th Avenues, Maspeth
P.S. 112 Playground, 28th Street and 36th Avenue, Astoria

RICHMOND:

Borough competition only. See face of blank for location.



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The Department of Parks announces that
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to be held on Thursday, August 28th at 8:30 p.m.,
has been cancelled.

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THURSDAY, AUGUST 28, 1958

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The Department of Parks announces that the Guiseppe Creatore Memorial Concert conducted by Frank Cola Santo, will be held on Sunday, August 31, 1958 at the Mall in Central Park at 8:15 p.m.

This concert was made possible through the cooperation of the Recording Industry Trust Funds and Local 802, American Federation of Musicians.

The program for Sunday's concert will be:

PART I

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|---|------------------------------------|
| 1. The Star Spangled Banner | Our National Anthem |
| 2. Sempre Avanti - Concert March
(dedicated to memory of Guiseppe Creatore) | Frank Cola Santo |
| 3. Il Guarany - Overture-Gomez | Arr. Guiseppe Creatore |
| 4. Sherzo - "Electric" March | Guiseppe Creatore |
| 5. Victor Herbert Gems | Compiled and Arr. Frank Cola Santo |
| 6. (a) Italian Polka | Rachmananioff |
| (b) Old Timers Waltz | Compiled and Arr. Lake |
| 7. Maritana - Excerpts | Wallace |
| 8. Famous Sextette, from "Lucia Di Lammermoor"
(Band Arrangement by Guiseppe Creatore) | Donizetti |

PART II

ATTILIO MARCHETTI, Guest Conductor

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| 9. (a) Overture - "La Forza Del Destino"
(Band Arrangement by Guiseppe Creatore) | Verdi |
| (b) I Vespri Siciliani (Sicilian Vespers)
(By request) | Verdi |

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SILVIO COSCIO, Guest Conductor

10. (a) March - Polka Of The Clowns Silvio Coscia
(b) Epicedal March Pro Heros Silvio Coscia
(First Performance)

Dedicated to our Country's Heroes who gave their lives for the sacred cause of freedom. The motto which inspires this piece is very old. "In mortem resurgere". "In death there is resurrection." The hero who dies for his country is immortal. His dead soul revives in the living, inciting them, with his example, to greater and nobler deeds.

FRANK COLA SANTO, Conductor

11. Symphonic Poem Cleopatra-Mancinelli Arr. Giuseppe Creatore
12. M'Appari Tutt' Amor (Like a Dream Bright and Fair) Flotow
San Gennaro (New March-Song)...Words and Music by Frank ColaSanto

(VAL VALENTE, Tenor Solist)

13. Grand Fantasia, From The Opera "Carmen" Bizet
This opera is the most popular work by Bizet. This Band Arrangement for symphonic band was made by the late Maestro Giuseppe Creatore. It is one of the best Concert numbers of the Creatore Repertoire. It was an instantaneous success and often included in his programs during his long career.

14. March Slav Tchaikowsky

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Central Park

Sunday Evening

AUGUST 31, 1958

8:30 to 10:30

Giuseppe Creatore Memorial Concert



In commemoration of the late Maestro Giuseppe Creatore,
internationally known Musical Director, Composer and Musician

ON THE MALL — CENTRAL PARK

Played by

LOCAL 802 SYMPHONIC BAND

(Comprising 55 Musicians — Local 802, A. F. of M.
Including many former members of the famous "Creatore Band")

FRANK COLA SANTO, Conductor

(Former Associate Conductor with Maestro Creatore)

PROGRAM

PART I

1. THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER.....Our National Anthem
2. SEMPRE AVANTI — CONCERT MARCH.....Frank Cola Santo
(Dedicated to the memory of Giuseppe Creatore)
3. IL GUARANY — OVERTURE — Gomez.....Arr. Giuseppe Creatore
4. SHERZO — "ELECTRIC" MARCH.....Giuseppe Creatore
5. VICTOR HERBERT GEMS.....Compiled and Arr. Frank Cola Santo
6. (a) ITALIAN POLKA.....Rachmananioff
(b) OLD TIMERS WALTZ.....Compiled and Arr. Lake
7. MARITANA — EXCERPTS.....Wallace
8. FAMOUS SEXTETTE, FROM "LUCIA DI LAMMERMOOR".....Donizetti
(Band Arrangement by Giuseppe Creatore)

PART II

ATTILIO MARCHETTI, Guest Conductor

9. (a) OVERTURE — "LA FORZA DEL DESTINO".....Verdi
(Band Arrangement by Giuseppe Creatore)
- (b) I VESPRI SICILIANI (SICILIAN VESPERS).....Verdi
(By Request)

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14. MARCH SLAV.....Tschaikowsky

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The musicians for this occasion are provided
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The Department of Parks announces that additional band concerts have been added to the summer program of music in the parks. The first series Noon Day Bandstand in Madison Square Park is scheduled to be held from Noon to 2 P.M. ~~starting~~ ^{AND FRIDAYS} Wednesday¹ July 30th through Friday, August 22nd, 1958. This series will feature Richard Himber and his band with well-known band leaders acting as guest conductors. These concerts are made possible through the cooperation of the Department of Commerce and the F & M Schaefer Brewing Company, as a public service.

The second series of band concerts will be presented by the United States Air Force. The first of this series will be held at Coney Island Boardwalk's Steeplechase Pier at 2 PM, Thursday, July 24th. This program will close observance of the Golden Anniversary of the United States Air Force, fiftieth anniversary of Air Power, which began in August 1957. Guest speaker at this event will be Colonel Pollock.

Schedule of Summer Concert Series:

CONEY ISLAND

July 24, 2 PM - Steeplechase Pier
Aug. 7, 2 PM - " "
Aug. 21, 2 PM - " "

ORCHARD BEACH, BRONX

Aug. 14, 2 PM
Aug. 21, 2 PM

Music for the Coney Island concerts will be provided by the Continental Air Command Air Force Band under the direction of Warrant Officer Adam B. Shaffer, Jr. The 579th Air Force Band from Stewart Air Force Base, Newburgh, N.Y. under direction of CWO Vernon Proctor will play for the concerts at Orchard Beach.

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The Department of Parks announces that the
"Salute to Summer" Concert AGMA scheduled for August 21,
1958 at Central Park Mall has been cancelled. The ballet
troupe will not be in New York City on that date.

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8-19-58



Ray Glesper

D E P A R T M E N T O F P A R K S
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FRIDAY, AUGUST 1, 1958

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The Department of Parks announces that
the concert by the United States Air Force Band
which was scheduled to be held at Steeplechase
Pier, Coney Island on Thursday, August 7th has
been changed to Tuesday, August 12, 1958 at 2 P.M.

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Ray Glesper



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FOR RELEASE

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 1958

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The Department of Parks announces that
the "World Jazz Festival", scheduled to be held at
2 P.M. on Sunday, September 14, 1958 at the Mall
in Central Park, has been cancelled.

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The Department of Parks announces that the Square Dance Sessions at Poe Park have been extended three additional Monday evenings, August 25, September 1 and September 8.

These Square Dance Sessions sponsored by the Dollar Savings Bank have been conducted each Monday evening since June 30, 1958. These dances have been a popular addition to the recreation program of the community.

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8-21-58



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

FOR RELEASE

Thursday, July 3, 1958

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The Department of Parks announces that a summer series of modified dances for senior citizens has been arranged at four of the Park Department's senior citizen centers. Made possible through a generous contribution by Miss Eda E. Canale, Mr. Cyrus Grossman, a specialist in the field of modified square and folk dances for oldsters will conduct the dance sessions. The schedule for the program is as follows:

Brownsville Golden Age Center
Linden Boulevard and Christopher St.
Brooklyn

Wednesdays, at 3:00 P.M.
July 9, 16 & 23, 1958

Brooklyn War Memorial Center
Cadman Plaza, Fulton & Orange Sts.
Brooklyn

Thursdays, at 2:30 P.M.
July 10, 17 & 24, 1958

J. Hood Wright Playground
Ft. Washington Ave. & 173d St.
Manhattan

Fridays, at 3:00 P.M.
July 11, 18 & 25, 1958

Roosevelt Golden Age Center
Broome and Chrystie Sts.
Manhattan

Fridays, at 8:00 P.M.
July 11, 18 & 25, 1958

All senior citizens are invited to participate.

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The New York City Parks Department announces that a new five-week series of public dances will start on August 13 in two city parks.

Every Wednesday night from the 13th through September 10, dances featuring "Masters of Latin Rhythms" will be presented by the Park Department in Riverside Park, 105th St. and Riverside Drive, on the Hudson River.

A similar series will be held on Thursday nights, from August 14 through September 11 at the Bushwick Playground, Brooklyn, between Knickerbocker Avenue and Irving Avenue.

Yayo El Indio and his 14-piece orchestra will play for the first two dances in Riverside Park which will be sponsored jointly by Jacob Ruppert Brewery and the Recording Industries Trust Funds, in cooperation with Local 802, American Federation of Musicians.

Featured at the first two dances at Bushwick Playground will be Andy Kirk and his "Clouds of Joy" orchestra. Other popular orchestras will be starred in following dances.

Latin music, rock and roll and popular dance ballads will be played at all dances, and dancing in floodlit areas will begin at 8:30 p.m. and continue until 10:30 p.m.

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The dances are presented as a public service to the communities served by the two parks, and are designed to "provide pleasure for all the family."

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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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THURSDAY, JULY 10, 1958

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The Department of Parks announces that the City-Wide Municipal Team Championship Golf Tournament will be held on Sunday, July 13, 1958 at the Pelham Golf Course, in the Bronx. The first foursome will tee off at 8 A.M.

Golfers will report to the starter on the first tee, ready for play 15 minutes before their scheduled starting time. All foursomes will play 36 holes and will follow the same order of play for the second round, starting immediately after the first round is completed.

The following golfers will represent the courses listed:

<u>Forest Park</u>	<u>Dyker Beach</u>	<u>Silver Lake</u>	<u>LaTourette</u>
Daniel Gilfillon	Harry Kaufman	Mike Babbey	Webb Barton
Sid Thomas	Ray Norck	Herb Fredricks	William Lee
Norman Price	Anthony Tartagleo	Pat Neary	Ray Prince
Ephraim Messier	Pat Strofaci	Charles Hanley	Nick Aquilino
Harry Rorks	Ken Benson	Dan Ostrowski	Ray Ontl
Peter Fox	Ed Mazka	Karl Nilson	Jim Haverty
<u>Pelham</u>	<u>Clearview</u>	<u>Split Rock</u>	
Vincent Corneille	Joseph Marshall	Bernard Kane	
Harold Entress	Michael Curran	Bernard Wishnek	
John McCarthy	William Rainer	Joseph D. Roccisano	
Sidney Rothenberg	Raymond Herber	Silver B. Roccisano	
Richard Carrol	Robert Brno	William A. McIntyre	
Thomas Keane	John Colby	Andrew Scholl	

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James Auricho
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Ray Chapman

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS

ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 1958

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The 8th Annual Mixed Twosome Championships for New York City's Municipal Course Golfers will be conducted by the Department of Parks, under the sponsorship of the F & M Schaefer Brewing Company at the Split Rock Golf Course, the Bronx, beginning at 10 A.M. on Sunday, September 7th.

The play next Sunday will consist of 18 holes of "scotch ball" medal play, partners to alternate tee shots and from tee to green partners will play every other shot. "USGA" rules will govern all play, and in case of ties, winners will be determined by matching score cards.

Contestants in the Sunday's matches are the men and women from each of the 10 Municipal Golf Courses who turned in the low gross scores in the Blind Bogey Tournament held on Sunday, August 24th. This tournament draws one of the largest golf entry in the world; 4,000 competitors teed off for the competition. The contestants in the Mixed Twosome for Sunday competition and the courses they represent are as follows:

<u>Course</u>	<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>
1. Pelham	Michael Gesmondi - 73	Frances Fried - 86
2. Split Rock	Ronald Bellucci - 73	Rie Casella - 83
3. Clearview	William Reiner - 73	Vivian Levin - 93

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<u>Course</u>	<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>
4. La Tourette	Charles Amandoles - 75	Helen Rappa - 96
5. Silver Lake	Mike Babbey - 71	Lucy Larson - 91
6. Van Cortlandt	Mat Moson - 70	Ann Rudnick - 85
7. Mosholu	John Dura - 69	Alice Brodkin - 86
8. Dyker	Harvey Kaufman - 76	Gertrude Hyde - 90
9. Kissena	Walt Wutkiewicz	Katherine Lazzari - 87
10. Forest Park	Sid Thomas - 73	Mrs. Anita Datler - 93

At the conclusion of the competition on Sunday, the low gross competitors in the Mixed Twosome Competition are to be guests of the Schaefer Brewing Company at the Glen Island Casino in Westchester at a party where the winners will be presented with their awards.

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Ray Sheperd

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, 1958

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The Department of Parks announces that on August 18, 1958, work will start on the repavement of Grand Army Plaza, Brooklyn. The first construction stage will include new street lighting and curb realignment. This phase will be immediately followed by repavement of the roadway.

During paving operations, traffic will be maintained on approximately half of the roadway width and no parking will be permitted on Plaza Street which will be an alternate traffic route.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

FOR RELEASE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1958

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The Department of Parks announces that repaving of the Grand Army Plaza roadways in Brooklyn will start on Monday, September 29, 1958.

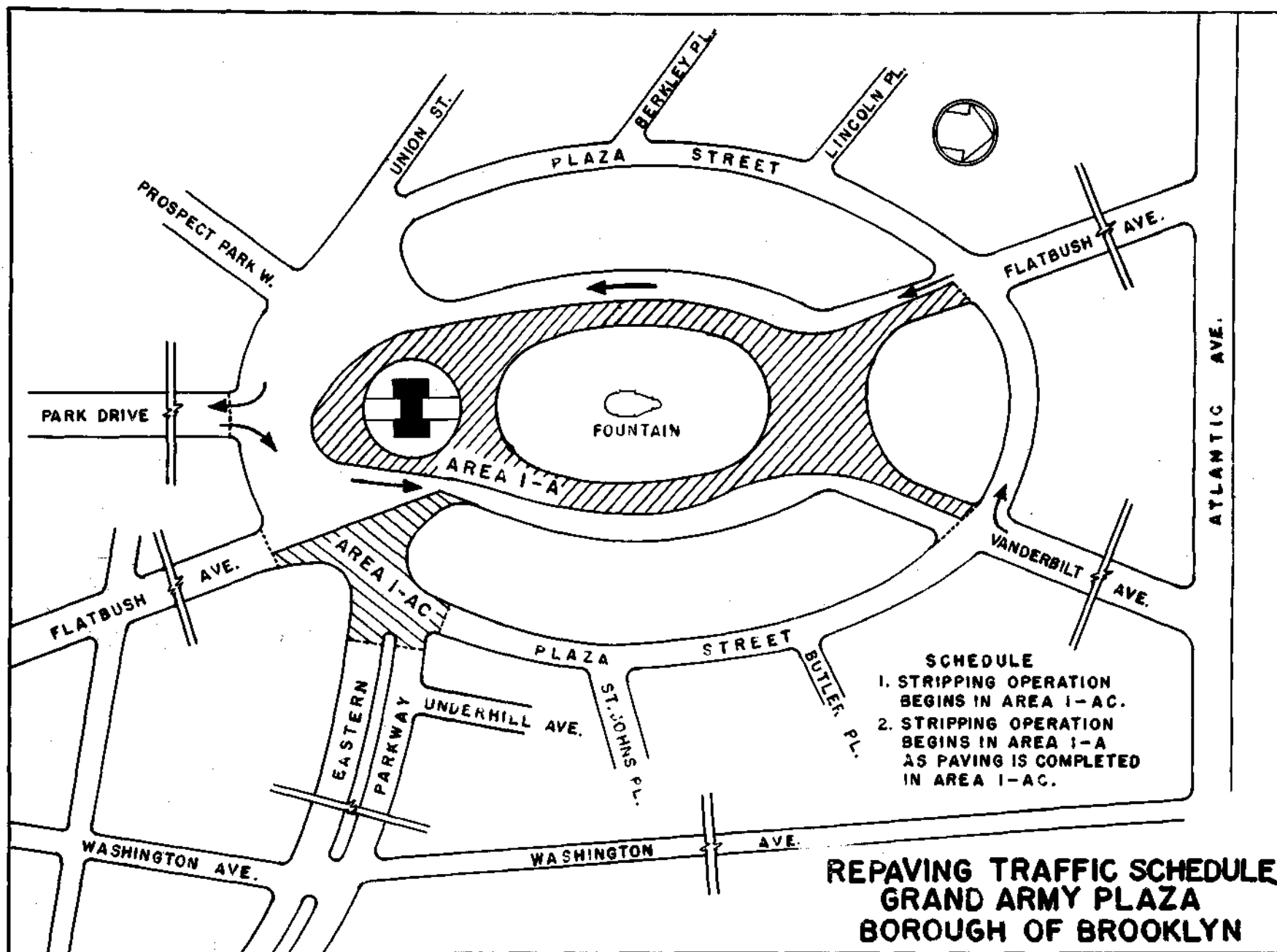
To minimize inconvenience to motorists, this contract will be done in several stages.

For the first stage, starting Monday, September 29th at 9:30 A.M., the following schedule for traffic will be in effect in the area until further notice:-

1. Northbound traffic on Flatbush Avenue will be detoured at Empire Boulevard to Washington Avenue.
2. Westbound traffic on Eastern Parkway will be detoured at Washington Avenue.
3. Northbound traffic from Prospect Park Drive will be permitted to use one half of the roadway through the Grand Army Plaza.
4. Southbound traffic on Vanderbilt Avenue will be detoured onto Plaza Street.
5. Southbound traffic on Flatbush Avenue will be permitted through Grand Army Plaza. However, trucks will be detoured onto Plaza Street.
6. No traffic will be permitted to enter Eastern Parkway from Flatbush Avenue from either direction.

During this stage of construction, no standing or parking of vehicles will be permitted on the east side of Washington Avenue between Eastern Parkway and Atlantic Avenue.

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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FRIDAY, AUGUST 29, 1958

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The Department of Parks announces that Achievement Awards will be presented to the outstanding "Green Thumbers" of the Children's Farm Gardens of the Park Department at the following locations:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Garden</u>
Wed. Sept. 3rd (Rain date-Thurs. Sept 4 - 2:30 pm)	10:30 am	Thomas Jefferson Park 114 St & 1st Ave. Manhattan
Thurs. Sept. 4th (If rain-held in Recreation Bldg)	10:30 am	Seward Park Canal & E. Broadway, Man.
Fri. Sept 5th (Rain date-Mon. Sept 8 - 3:30 pm)	10:30 am	Fort Greene Park Myrtle Ave & St. Edward St. Brooklyn
Sat. Sept. 6th (If rain-held in Recreation Bldg)	10:30 am	DeMatti Playground Tompkins & Chestnut Avenues Rosebank, S.I.
Wed. Sept. 10th (Rain date-Fri. Sept 12 - 3:30 pm)	3:30 pm	Crotona Park Fulton Avenue, Bronx
Sat. Sept. 13th (Rain date-Sat. Sept 20 - 10:30 am)	10:30 am	Highland Park Jamaica Ave & Elton St. Queens

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The Department of Parks announces its second annual Borough-wide Handicrafts Exhibit to be held at the St. George Library, Hyatt Street in the Borough of Richmond, Monday, August 25 through Saturday, September 6th during the hours of 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

The display will be a representation of articles made during the summer months by the children in various Park Department playgrounds in the Borough of Richmond, under the direction of trained recreational personnel.

Featured in this unique handicrafts exhibit are works of art contrived through the media of Wax lace, shells, beads, felt, raffia, reed and plastics. It should be noted that never before has such interest been manifested in creative activity as this year. Basketry, which at one time was a lost art, seems to have regained popularity with most children.

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R. Glesper



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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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HARVEST DANCE CONTEST

The finals of the Park Department sponsored Harvest Dance Contest will be held at the Mall in Central Park on Thursday evening, August 28, 1958 at 8:30 p.m.

The contestants will be couples who finished in first, second or third place in eliminations held in each of the five boroughs during the past two weeks. They will compete in the fox-trot, waltz, cha-cha-cha, and jitterbug. The winners in these divisions will also compete for the All 'Round Championship which follows immediately after the judges have made their selections.

Tony Pastor and his orchestra will provide the music for the dancers and will entertain the spectators during intermission.

Prizes donated by the Consolidated Edison Company will be awarded couples finishing first and second in each event.

The public is invited to attend. There is no charge for admission.

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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, JULY 31, 1958

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The Department of Parks announces that entry blanks are now available for the preliminary contests to select the competitors for the 17th Annual Harvest Dance Contest.

Following is the schedule for the preliminary contests:

QUEENS	Tuesday, Aug. 5	- VICTORY FIELD, Woodhaven Blvd & Myrtle Ave., Glendale
BRONX	Wednesday, Aug. 6	- POE PARK, 192nd St & Grand Concourse
RICHMOND	Wednesday, Aug. 6	- CROMWELL RECREATION CENTER, Murray Hulbert Ave. & Hannah St. Thompkinsville, Staten Island
MANHATTAN	Thursday, Aug. 7	- WOLLMAN MEMORIAL in Central Park 64th Street - West of Fifth Avenue
BROOKLYN	Friday, Aug. 8	- PROSPECT PARK, Prospect Park West & 11th Street

Entries close three days before the Borough Contest. All contests begin at 8:30 P.M.

The following rules govern all contests:

1. Contestants must be amateurs and at least sixteen (16) years of age.
2. At least one member of each team must be a resident of the Borough in which they are competing.
3. Entrants may compete in one type of dance or in all classifications, but no contestant may win more than two (2) prizes.
4. Couples placing First in each division in the Borough Eliminations will receive an Award.
5. First, Second and Third place Borough Winners in each division will be eligible to compete in the City-wide Finals on the Mall in Central Park.

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6. PRIZES: For City-wide Finals, a prize will be awarded to each member of the winning team in each division. Second place winning teams will also receive a prize.
7. Olympic Point Scoring System will be used by the Judges.
8. ALL 'ROUND CHAMPIONSHIP: The City-wide Champions in each dance will be eligible to compete in the contest to determine the best All 'Round Dancers.
9. Contestants may compete in only one Borough contest.

The City-wide finals will be held on the Mall in Central Park on Thursday, August 28, 1958.

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THURSDAY, JULY 3, 1958

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The closing date for the Department of Parks 1st Annual Amateur Photographic Contest has been advanced from July 7 to September 8. The extension, covering the months of July and August when park recreational facilities receive their greatest usage, will give amateur photographers better opportunities for recreational photographs.

The competition will be judged in the following classifications:

Class 1 - Open to children 14 years of age and under. Only black and white photographs to be submitted.

Class 2 - Open to boys and girls 15 through 18 years of age:
Group A - Black and white photographs
Group B - Color photographs

Class 3 - Open to adults 19 years of age and over:
Group A - Black and white photographs
Group B - Color photographs

Photographs submitted are to be 4" x 5" or smaller and must be of scenes taken in parks, beaches, pools, golf courses, playgrounds, tennis courts, or parkways under the jurisdiction of the Department of Parks, New York City. Entries will be judged on originality, subject matter and picture composition.

Prizes will consist of photographic equipment. In the event that the prizes are duplicates of equipment which is possessed by winners, they may be exchanged for items of equivalent value.

Entry blanks may be secured and filed at Department of Parks playgrounds and borough offices:

MANHATTAN - Arsenal, Central Park, 64 Street and 5th Ave., N.Y. 21
BROOKLYN - Litchfield Mansion, Prospect Park, Prospect Park West and 5th Street, Brooklyn 15, N.Y.
BRONX - Administration Building, Bronx Park, Bronx Park East and Birchall Avenue, Bronx 62, N.Y.
QUEENS - The Overlook, Forest Park, Park Lane and Union Turnpike, Kew Gardens 15, N.Y.
RICHMOND - Clove Lakes Field House, Clove Road and Victory Boulevard, Staten Island 1, N.Y.

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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK
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FOR RELEASE

SUNDAY, AUGUST 31, 1958

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The Park Department announces that this is the last week of the First Annual Park Department Photographic Contest. Photographs must be taken of activities and scenes in parks and beaches of New York City not later than September 8th, and entries must be filed in any Park Office by Monday, September 15th.

Each contestant may submit twelve photographs 4"x 5", or smaller. Judges are to be some of the top newspaper photographers.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1958

FOR RELEASE

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The Department of Parks announces that local eliminations for the Tenth Annual Horseshoe Pitching and Handball Tournaments will start on Monday, September 8th at all local playgrounds equipped for these activities. District eliminations will be contested until September 21st.

The borough finals in the horseshoe pitching contest will be held between October 4th and October 12th. The city-wide championships will take place at the Heckscher Playground, 63rd St. and West Drive in Central Park on October 18th at 2 p.m. This activity is open to boys in the junior division, ages 15 to 17 years, and seniors who have reached their 18th birthday and over.

In the handball tournament, the borough finals will be held from September 28th to October 12th with the city-wide title games scheduled to be played on October 25th at 2 p.m. at the North Meadow playground at 97th Street in Central Park. This tournament is open to three classes as follows:

Boys - 15 to 17 years of age
Girls - 16 years and over
Men - 18 years and over

Persons having participated in A.A.U. handball events are not eligible.

In both events, medals will be presented to winners in the district and borough finals and gold watches will be presented to the city champions.

Entry blanks are available and will be accepted at the playgrounds where the contestants wish to participate.

9-5-58



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

FOR RELEASE

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 5, 1958

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9/4/58 - 12 Noon

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The Department of Parks announces that the 12th Annual Junior Olympic Sports Festival will be held at the John J. Downing Memorial Stadium, Randall's Island on Saturday, September 6, 1958 at 1:30 p.m.

The program will include track and field events for playground boys and girls 17 years of age and under, who have not competed in Amateur Athletic Union events. Boys' events include 50 yard dash, 60 yard dash and 70 yard dash in limited weight classes. Unlimited classes will include 100 yard dash, 220 yard dash, 440 yard run, 1/2 mile, 1 mile run, running broad jump, running high jump, and 12 lb. shot put. Girls' events include 40 yard dash, 50 yard dash and 60 yard dash in a limited weight class and a potato race and 60 yard dash in the unlimited weight class.

A special program of A.A.U. events has been arranged which will feature top performers from some of the outstanding A.A.U. clubs in the East.

In addition to the track and field tests, there will be bicycle races, a gymnastic exhibition, and boxing, wrestling and weightlifting contests.

Randall's Island may be reached by the IRT East Side Subway to 125th Street and then by bus to the stadium.

The public is cordially invited and admission is free.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 1958

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All agencies having a Youth Program are invited to have their youngsters participate in the Junior Olympics. Entry blanks are available at all Park Department playgrounds or may be secured by writing to any of the Park Department Borough Offices.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

FOR RELEASE

TUESDAY, JULY 8, 1958

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The Department of Parks announces that the performance of the Marionette Theatre show scheduled for July 9, 1958 at 11 a.m. on the lawn area north of Wollman Memorial Rink in Central Park, has been transferred to the lawn area adjacent to the Hans Christian Anderson story-telling center, south of the Conservatory Lake at 72 Street and Fifth Avenue in Central Park.

In addition to the performance scheduled for 11 a.m. there will be another performance at 2:30 p.m.

The change in the schedule became necessary because of construction work in the original area.

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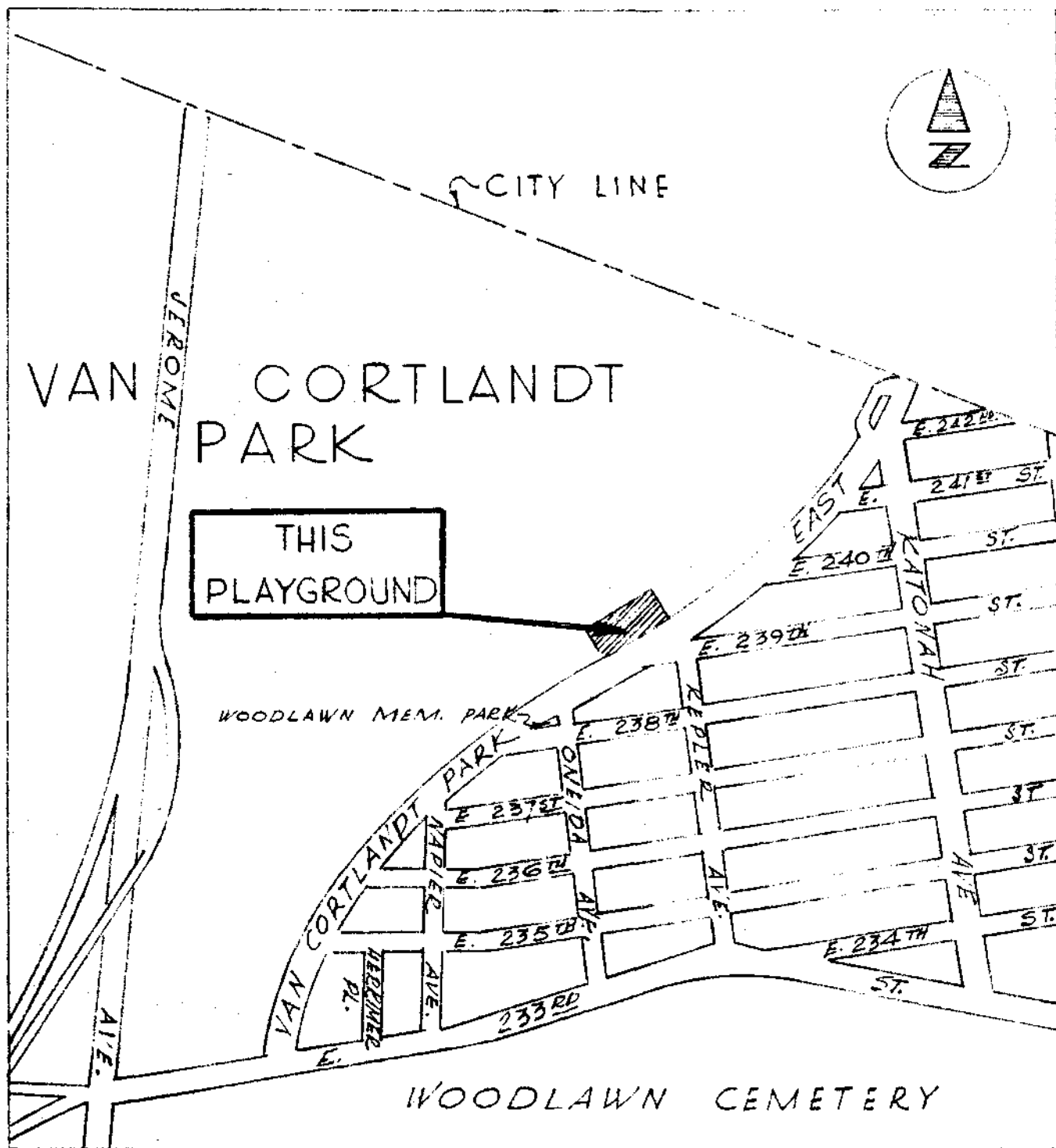
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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening of a playground located at Van Cortlandt Park East between Oneida and Keppler Avenues in Van Cortlandt Park in the Bronx.

This facility is similar to other marginal playgrounds built around the perimeter of large parks. Divided into several sections, one area provides for practice basketball, a play area and two handball courts. The other sections contain play swings, jungle gym, game tables, shuffle board, comfort station and an area for small fry, with see saws, slides, swings, shower basin and a sand pit.

With the addition of this facility there are now 736 playgrounds in the park system.

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LOCATION MAP OF PLAYGROUND
 LOCATED IN VAN CORTLANDT PARK EAST
 BETWEEN ONEIDA & KEPLER AVES, BRONX 5/13 G-26-56

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DEVELOPMENT PLAN OF PLAYGROUND
 LOCATED IN VAN CORTLANDT PARK EAST
 BETWEEN ONEIDA & KEPLER AVE'S BX 3414. G-26-58

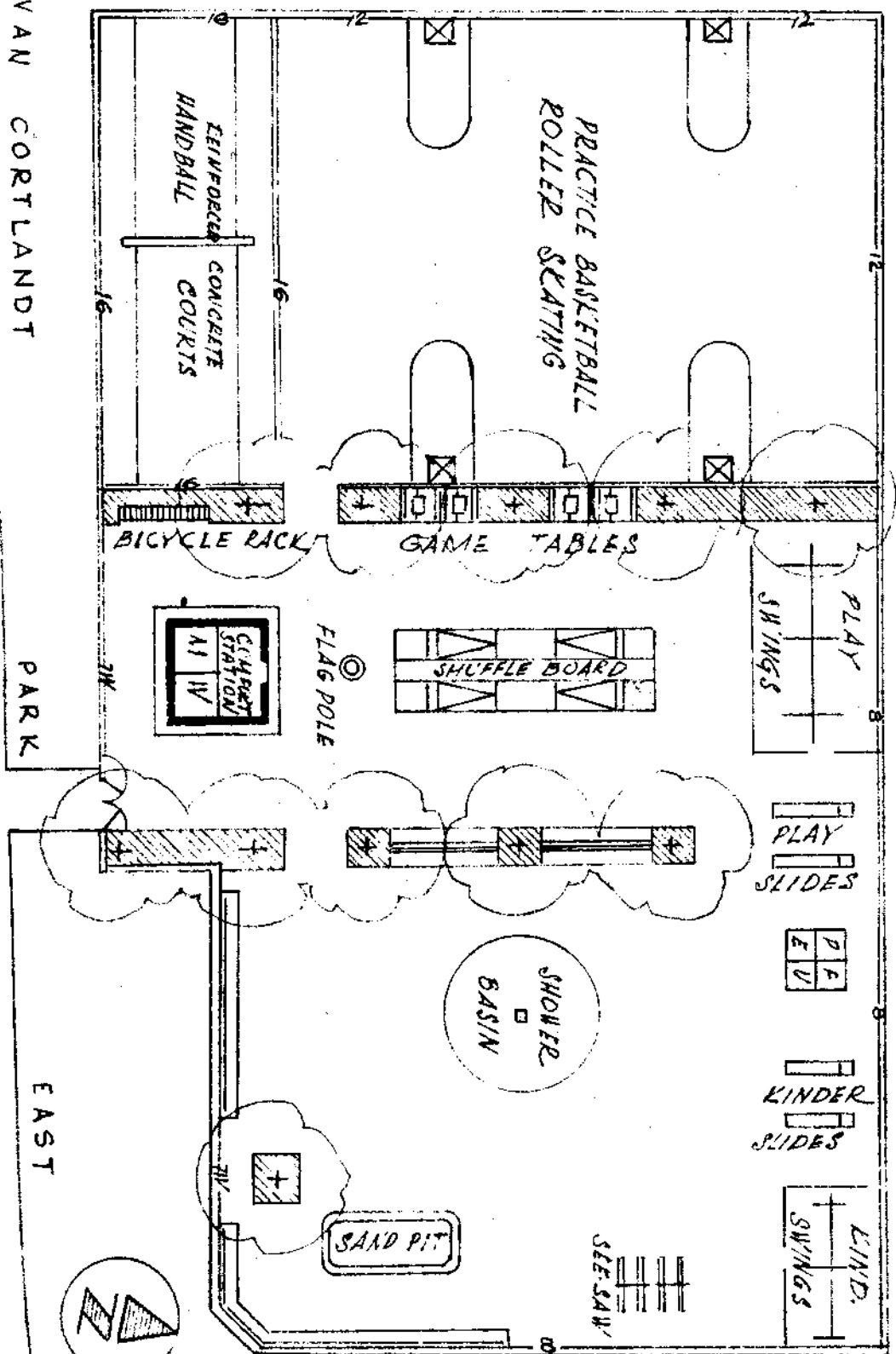
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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK
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FOR RELEASE

FRIDAY, JULY 11, 1958

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening of a playground located between Van Zandt Avenue and 52nd Avenue, east of 248th Street adjacent to J.H.S. 67 in the Borough of Queens.

This 3.673-acre playground will provide recreational facilities for residents of the local community as well as for pupils of J.H.S. 67.

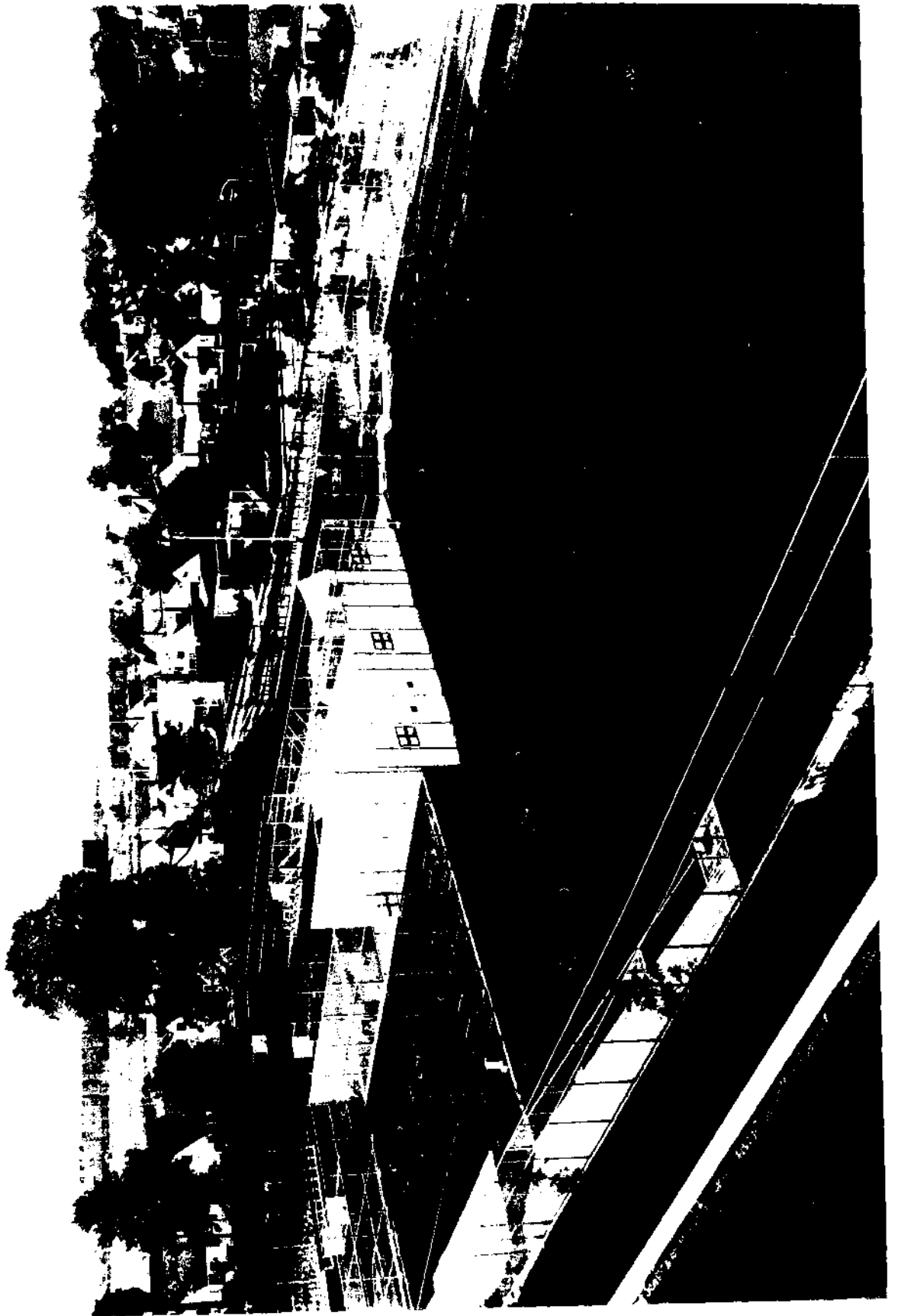
Divided into several sections, the northeast area provides practice basketball, and a softball diamond. The ballfield will not be available for use until the fence on the north is raised from 8 feet to 16 feet. This work will be done in the near future. The northwest section contains a lawn area and shuffleboard courts.

The southeast section provides shuffleboard, basketball courts and handball courts, play swings and a jungle gym. The southwest area is for small fry with kindergarten swings, see-saw, a sand pit and a slide and shower basin.

This is a jointly operated playground and the area for older children will be operated by the Board of Education when school is in session and by the Department of Parks at all other times. The kindergarten area will be operated by the Department of Parks at all times.

With the addition of this new facility, there are now 737 playgrounds in the park system.

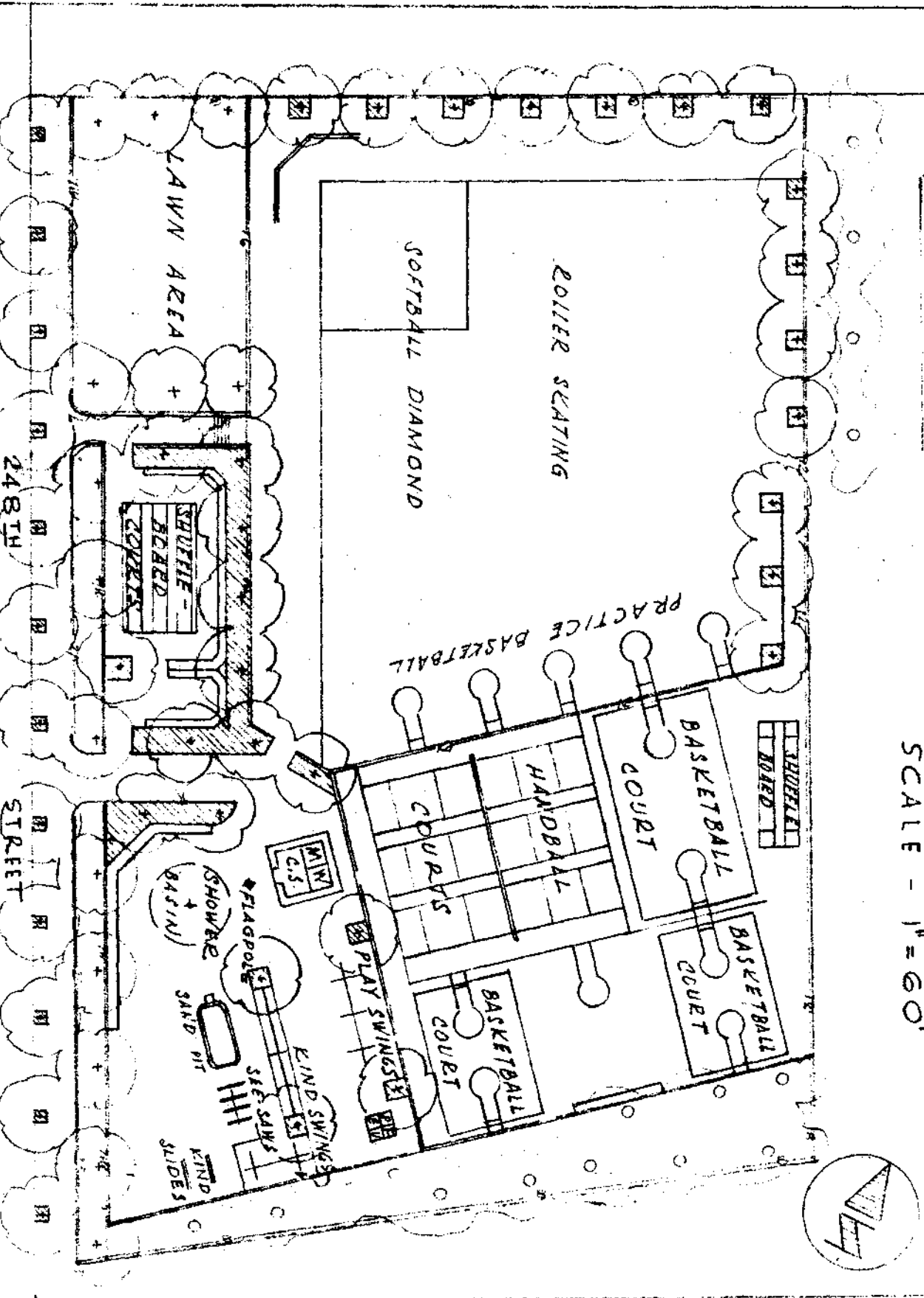
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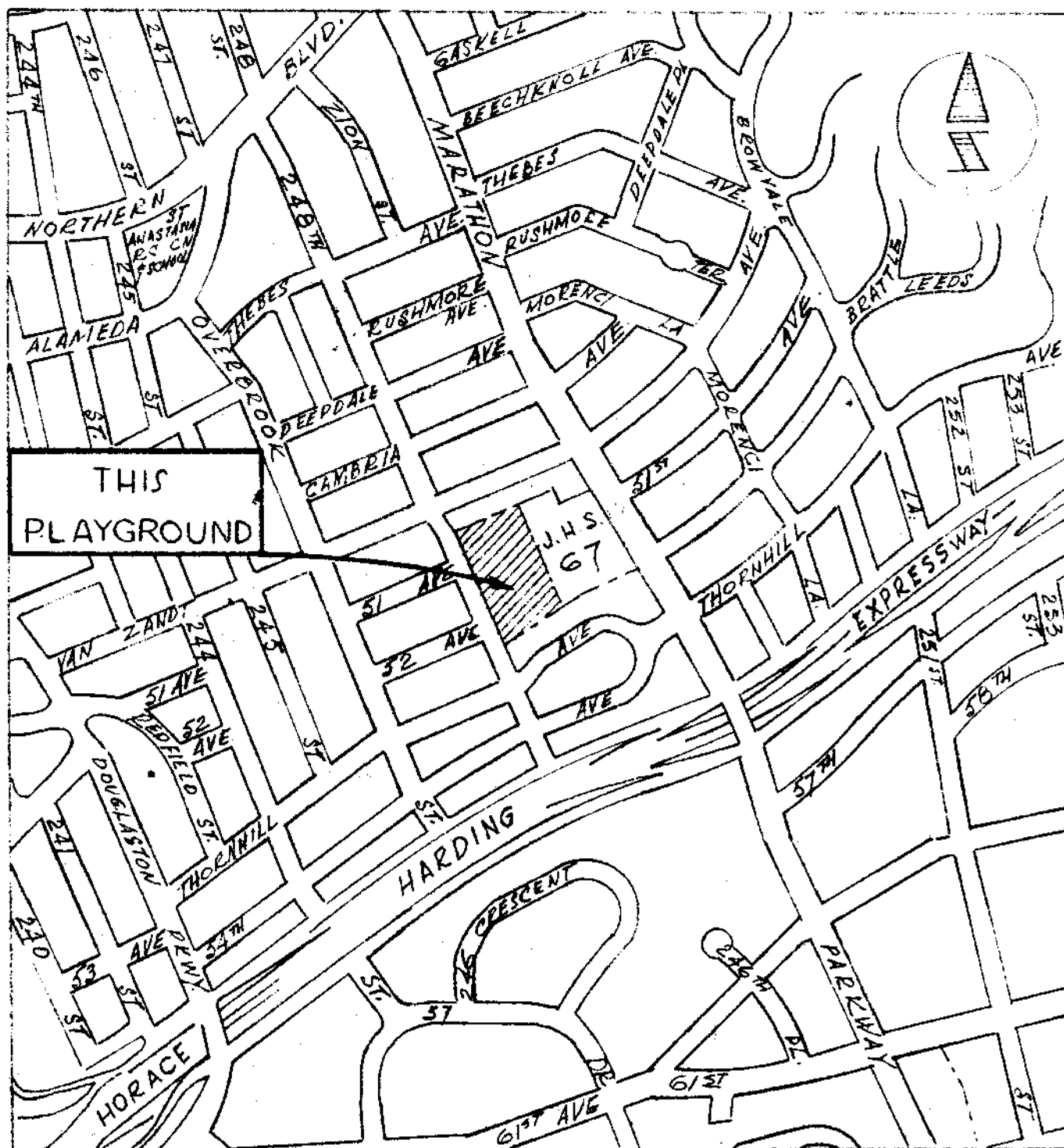
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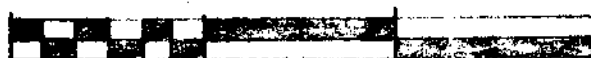


DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR A NEW PLAYGROUND ADJACENT TO J.H.S. 67, 248TH STREET AND 52 AVE. EAST OF 248TH STREET.



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LOCATION PLAN FOR A NEW PLAYGROUND
 ADJACENT TO U.H.S. 67 BET. VAN ZANDT AVE.
 AND 52 AVE. EAST OF 248 ST. QUEENS SHIA 7-7-58

Ray Glegrew



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

TUESDAY, JULY 15, 1958

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening of a playground located between Gravett Road and Reeves Avenue, east of Main Street adjacent to JHS #218 in the Borough of Queens.

This new 1.25-acre playground will provide recreational facilities for residents of the local community as well as for the pupils of JHS #218.

Divided into two sections, the northerly area provides basketball and handball courts, and the southerly section contains a playground baseball diamond, games tables, shuffleboard courts, slides, swings and a comfort station.

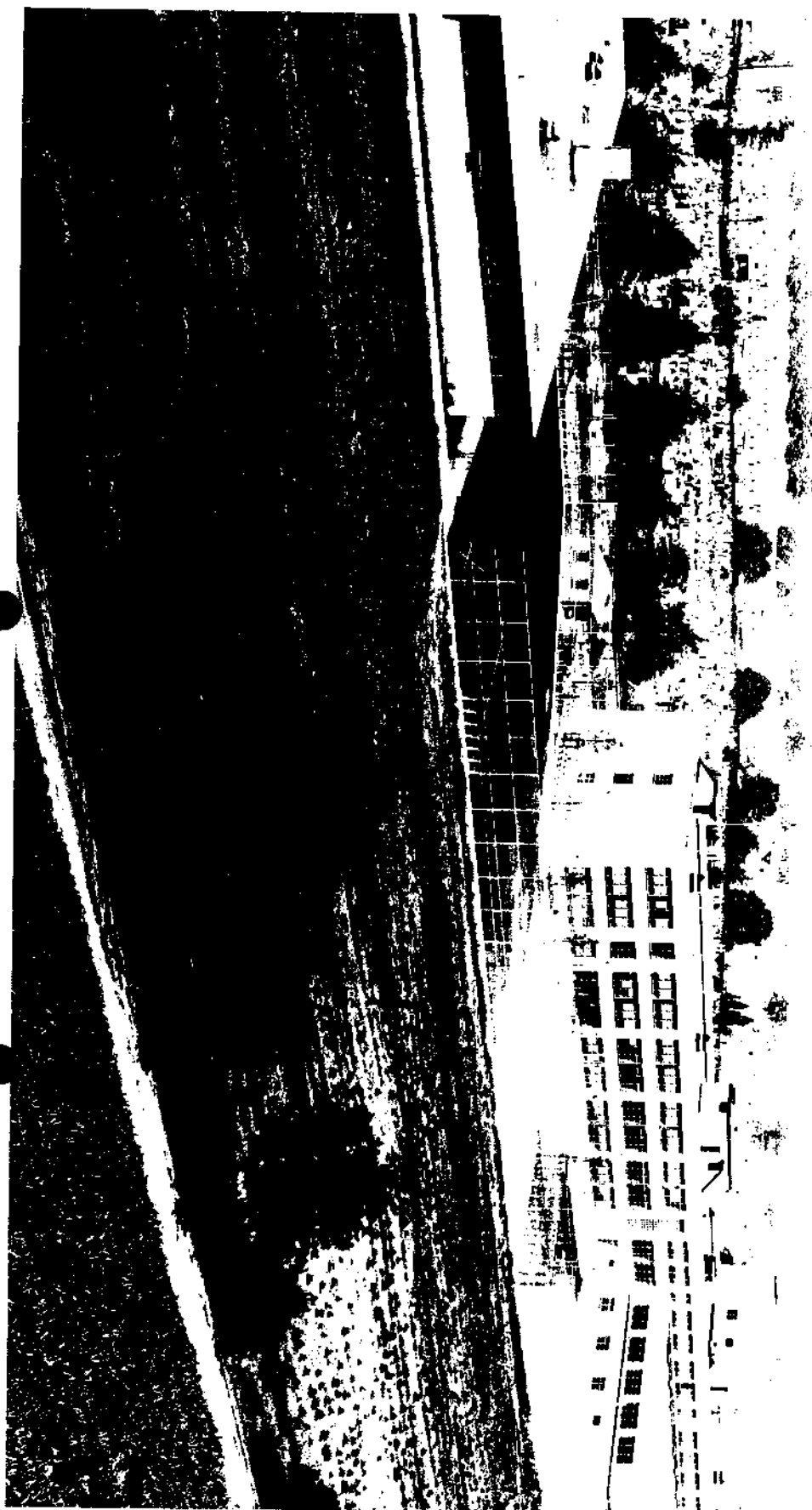
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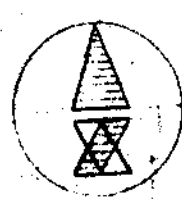
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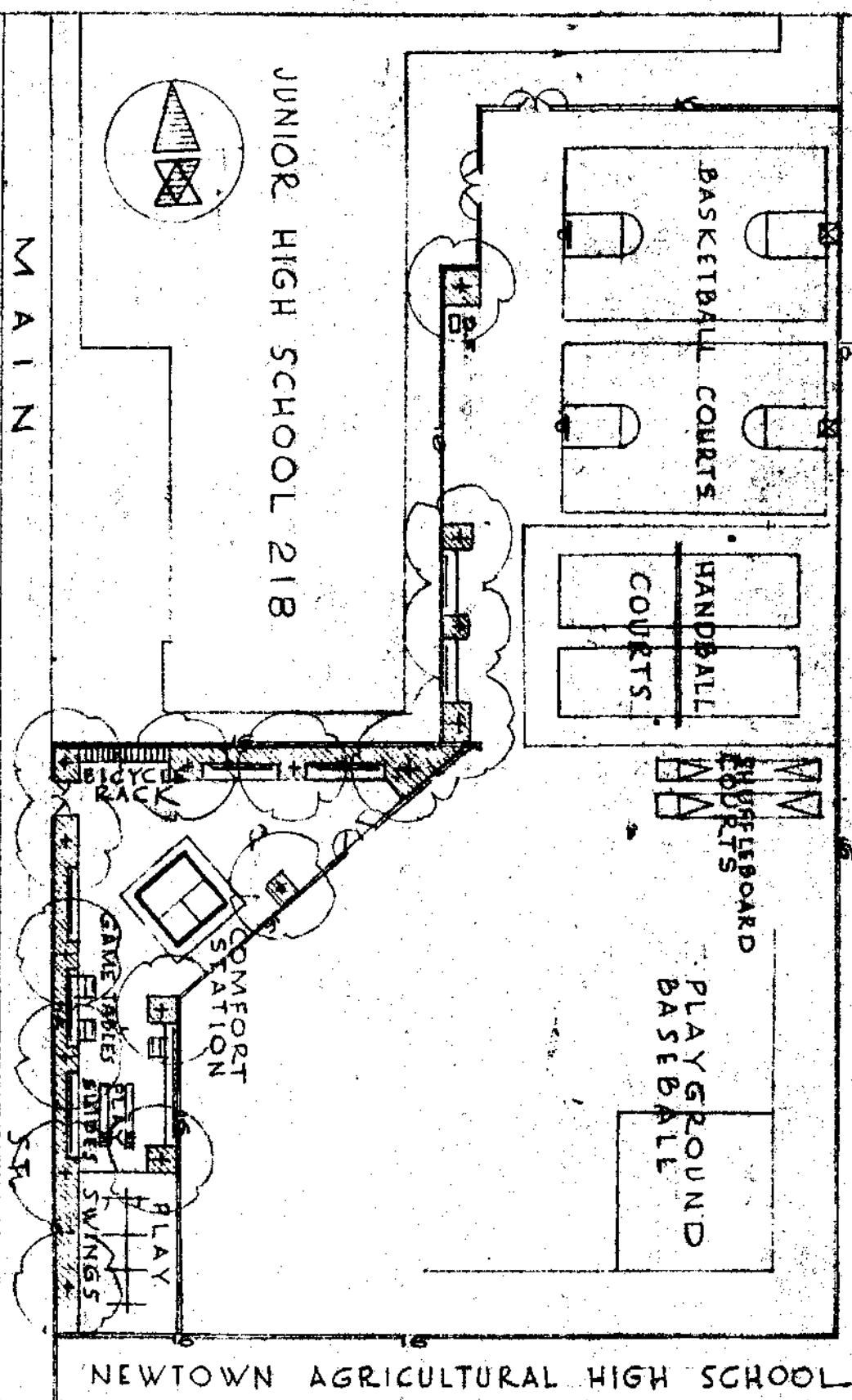


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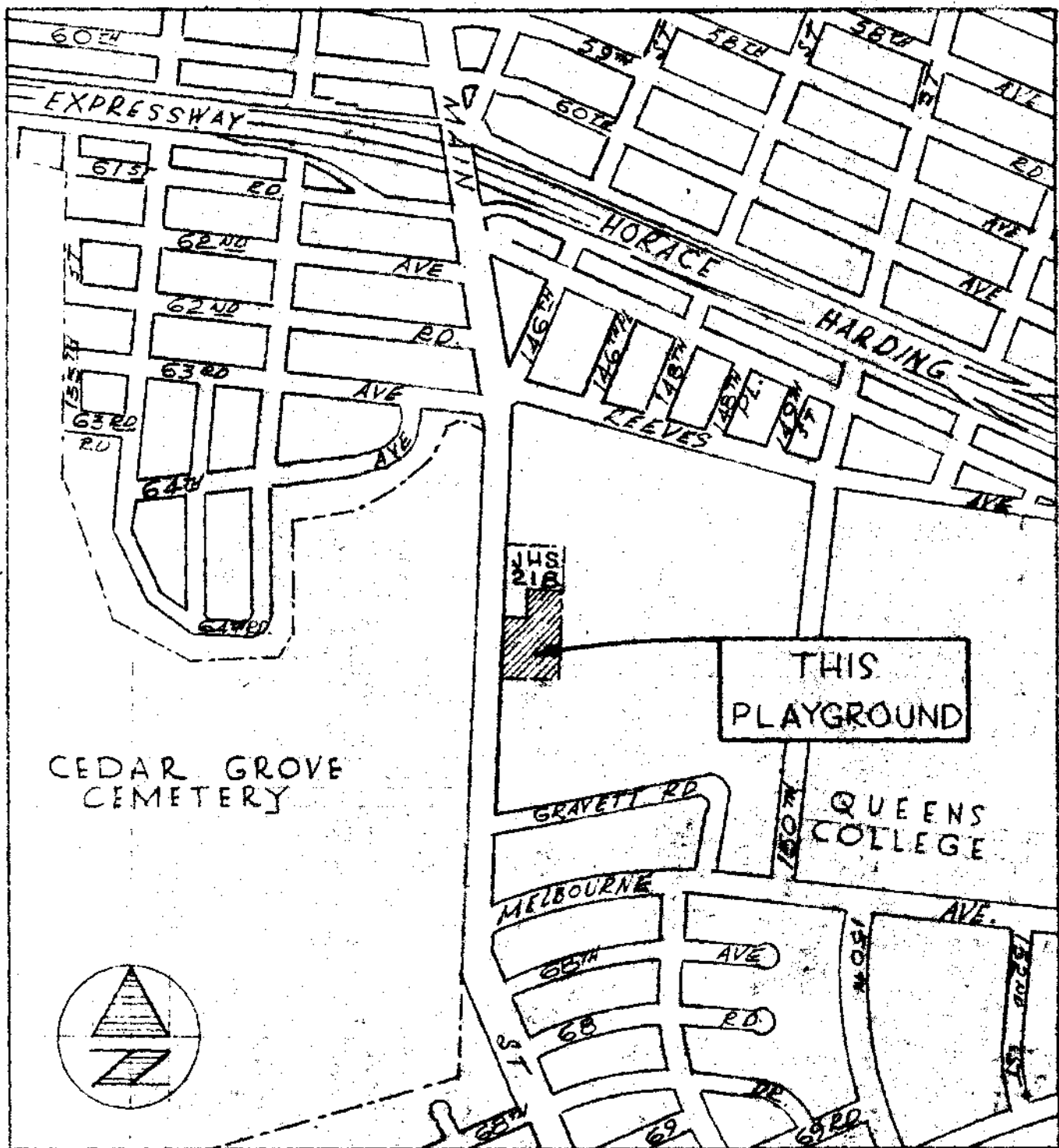
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BOROUGH OF QUEENS

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DEVELOPMENT PLAN FOR A NEW PLAYGROUND
ADJACENT TO JHS 218 BETWEEN GRAVETT ROAD
AND REEVES AVE. EAST OF MAIN ST. QUEENS. 5-9-59



BOROUGH OF QUEENS

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LOCATION PLAN FOR A NEW PLAYGROUND
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FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, AUGUST 7, 1958

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening to the public of a playground, located east of Hudson Manor Terrace between West 236 and West 237 Streets, adjacent to JHS 141 in the Bronx.

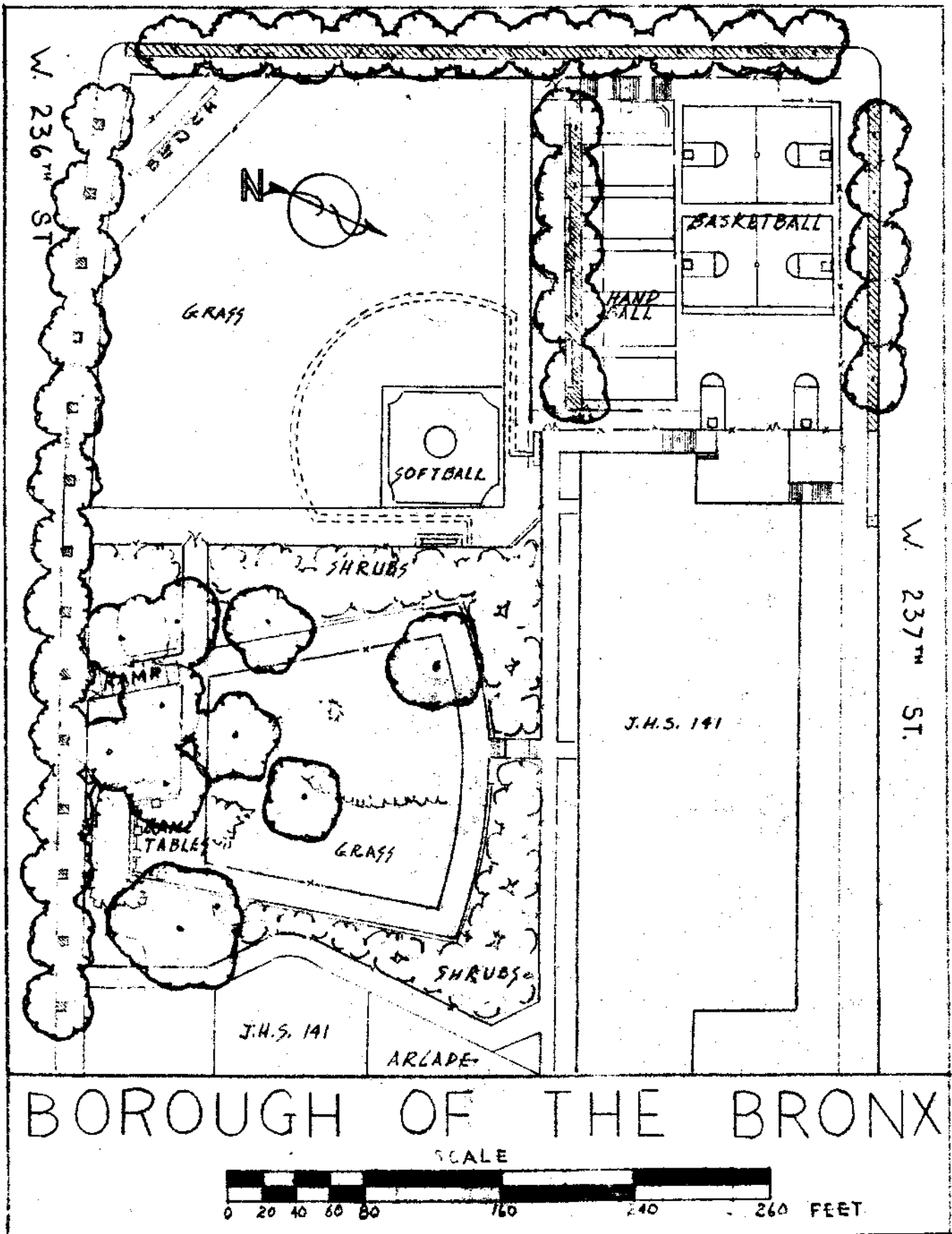
Located in the Riverdale section, this new 2.58-acre playground is divided into several sections. The northwesterly section contains two basketball courts and five handball courts. The southwesterly section is a softball diamond and the southeasterly section is a landscaped area with benches and games tables.

This is a jointly-operated playground and will be operated by the Board of Education when school is in session and by the Department of Parks at all other times.

With the addition of this facility there are now 740 playgrounds in the park system.

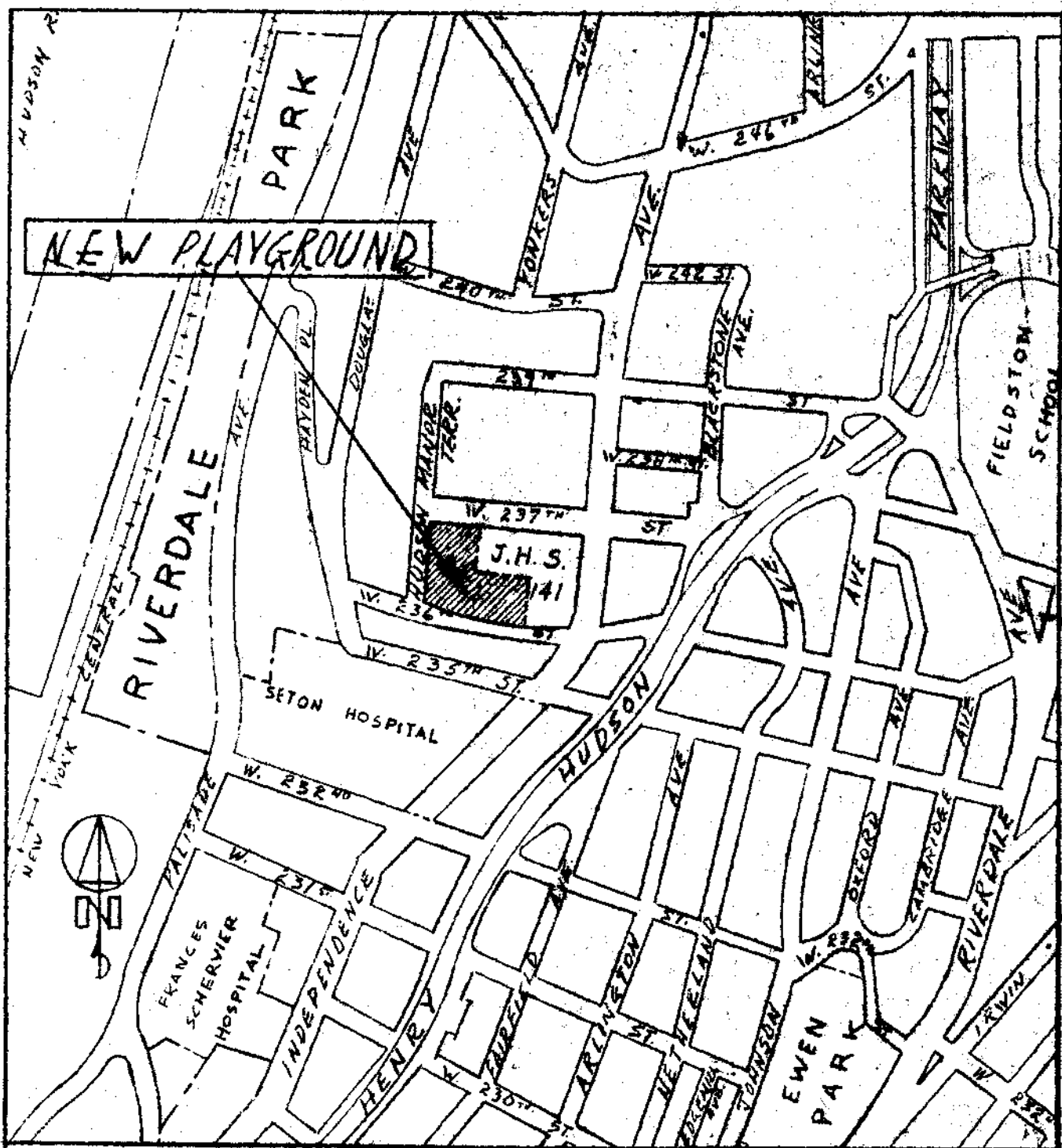
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PLAYGROUND ADJACENT TO J.H.S. 141 EAST OF HUNTER HANDEL THE 111
 PATRICK W. 236TH ST. & W. 237TH ST. RECORD OF THE CITY

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BOROUGH OF THE BRONX

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BETWEEN W. 237TH ST. AND W. 240TH ST. BOROUGH OF THE BRONX

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

TUESDAY, AUGUST 12, 1958

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening of a playground located at 96 Street and Albert Road, west of Centreville Street, ^{to one Park,} in the Borough of Queens.

This new 2.086-acre facility provides recreation for all age groups and it is divided into several sections. The northerly section contains slides, swings, shower basin and a sand pit. The easterly section contains games tables, comfort station and an area for small fry. The southerly section provides a basketball court and handball courts.

A softball field is presently under construction, and will be available for use in the near future.

With the addition of this facility, there are now 741 playgrounds in the park system.

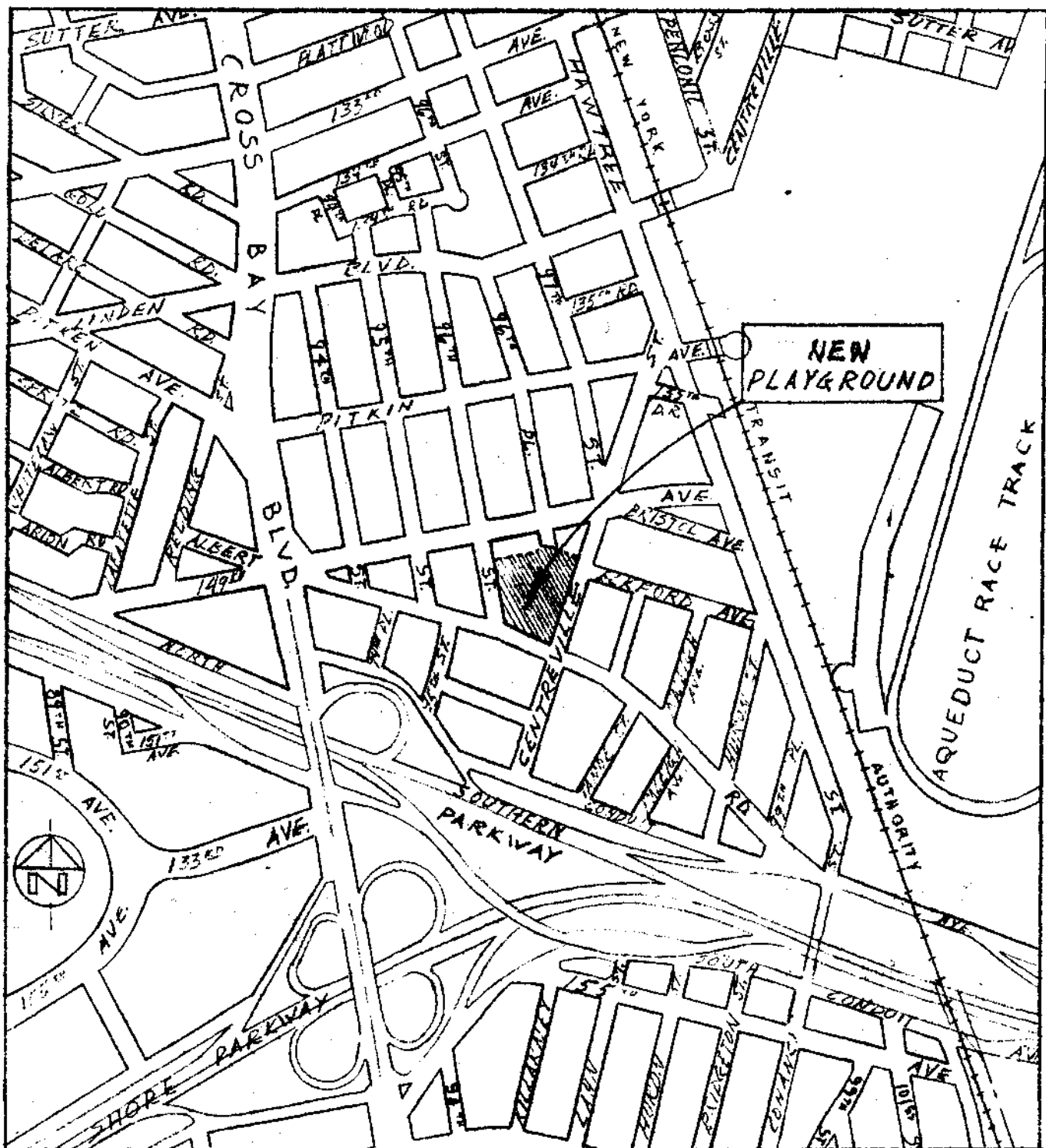
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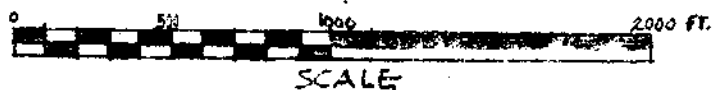
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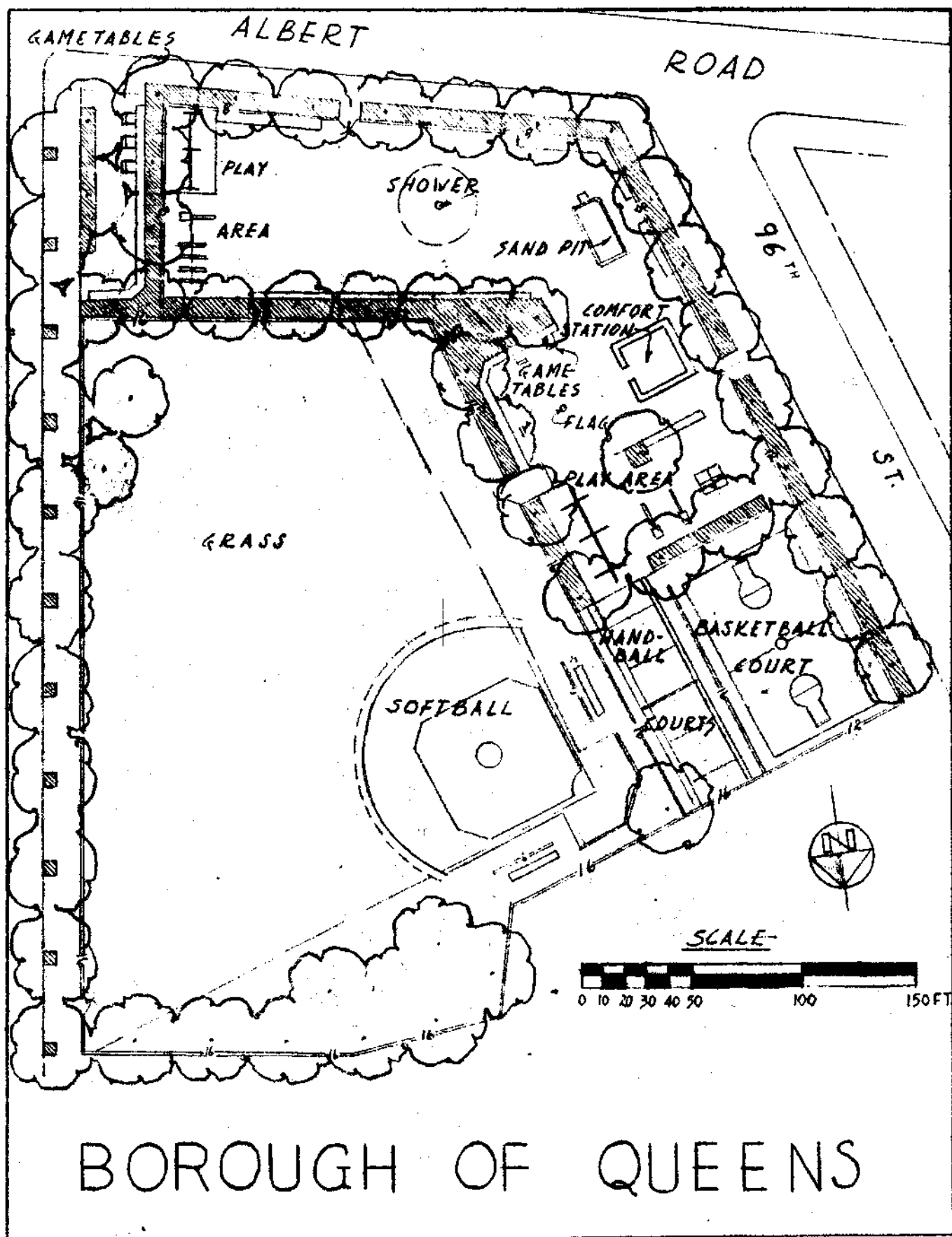
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PLAYGROUND AT 96TH ST. AND ALBERT ROAD
WEST OF CENTREVILLE ST. BOROUGH OF QUEENS

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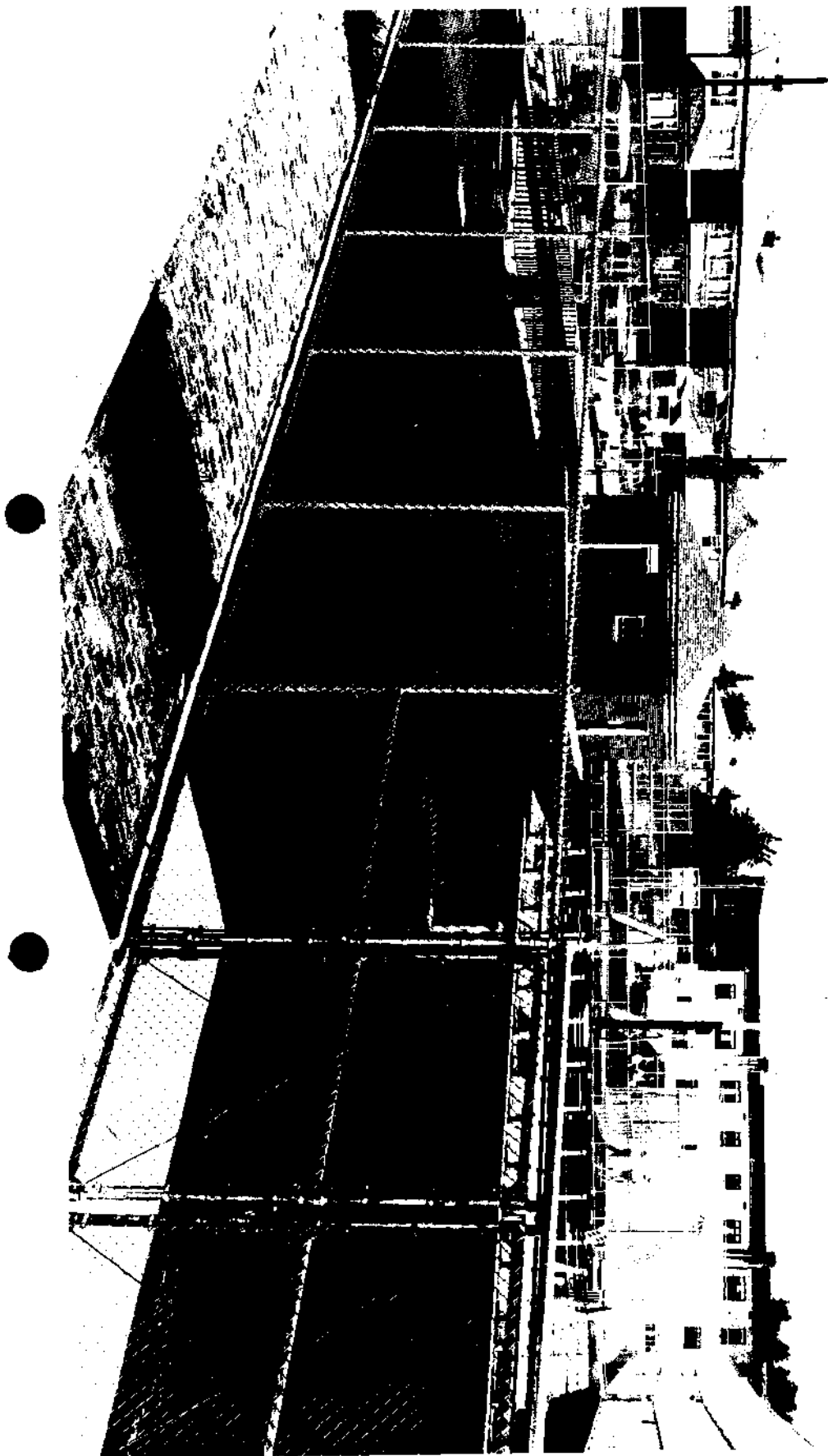
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PLAYGROUND AT 96TH ST. AND ALBERT ROAD
WEST OF CENTREVILLE ST. BOROUGH OF QUEENS

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Roy G. Gledhill

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FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, AUGUST 21, 1958

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The Department of Parks announces completion of construction and opening of a new playground north of Avenue D between East 56 and 57 Streets in the Borough of Brooklyn.

This new 2.427-acre facility provides recreation for all ages. It contains a softball field, basketball and handball courts, game tables, two play areas, wading pool, sand pit, and comfort station.

With the addition of this facility, there are now 742 playgrounds in the park system.

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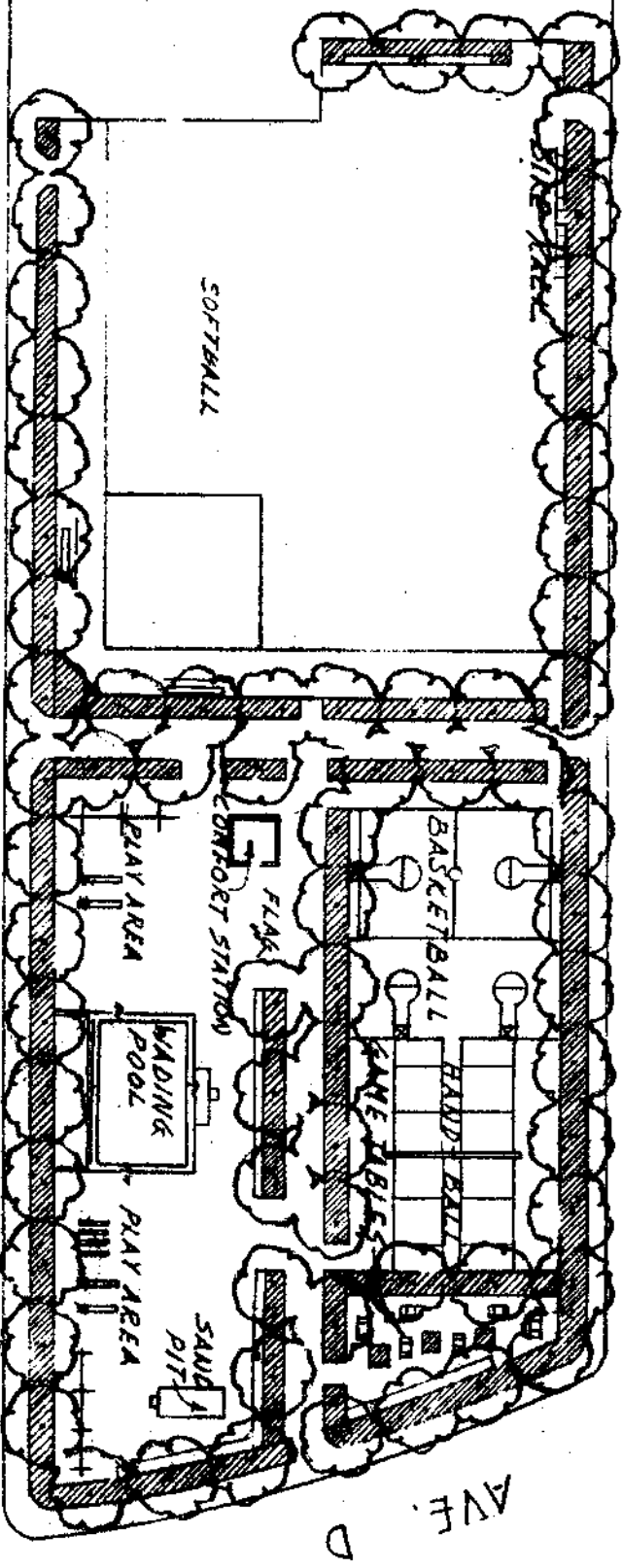
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PLAYGROUND NORTH OF AVE. D
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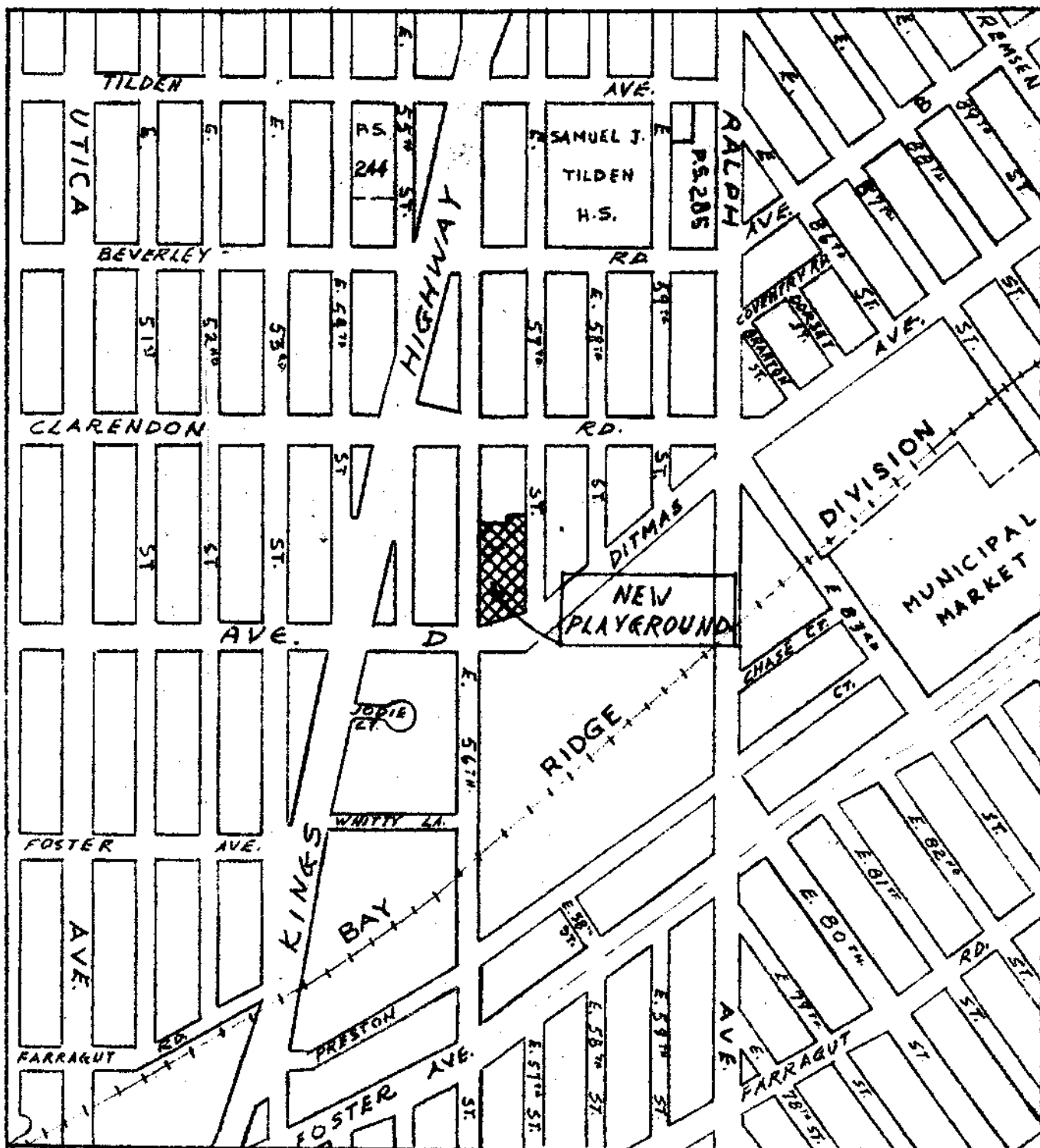
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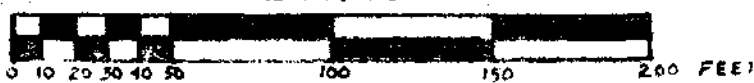
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BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN



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PLAYGROUND NORTH OF AVE. D
BETWEEN E. 56th ST. & E. 57th ST.

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Ray Slusher



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 27, 1958

*8/26/58 -
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The Department of Parks announces completion and opening of a playground adjacent to JHS #12, at Jackson and Henry Streets, in the Borough of Manhattan.

This 0.610-acre playground will provide recreational facilities for residents of the local community as well as for pupils of JHS 12. It contains two handball courts, a regulation basketball court and two basketball practice courts.

This is a jointly-operated playground and will be operated by the Board of Education when school is in session, and by the Park Department at all other times.

With the addition of this new facility, there are now 743 playgrounds in the park system.

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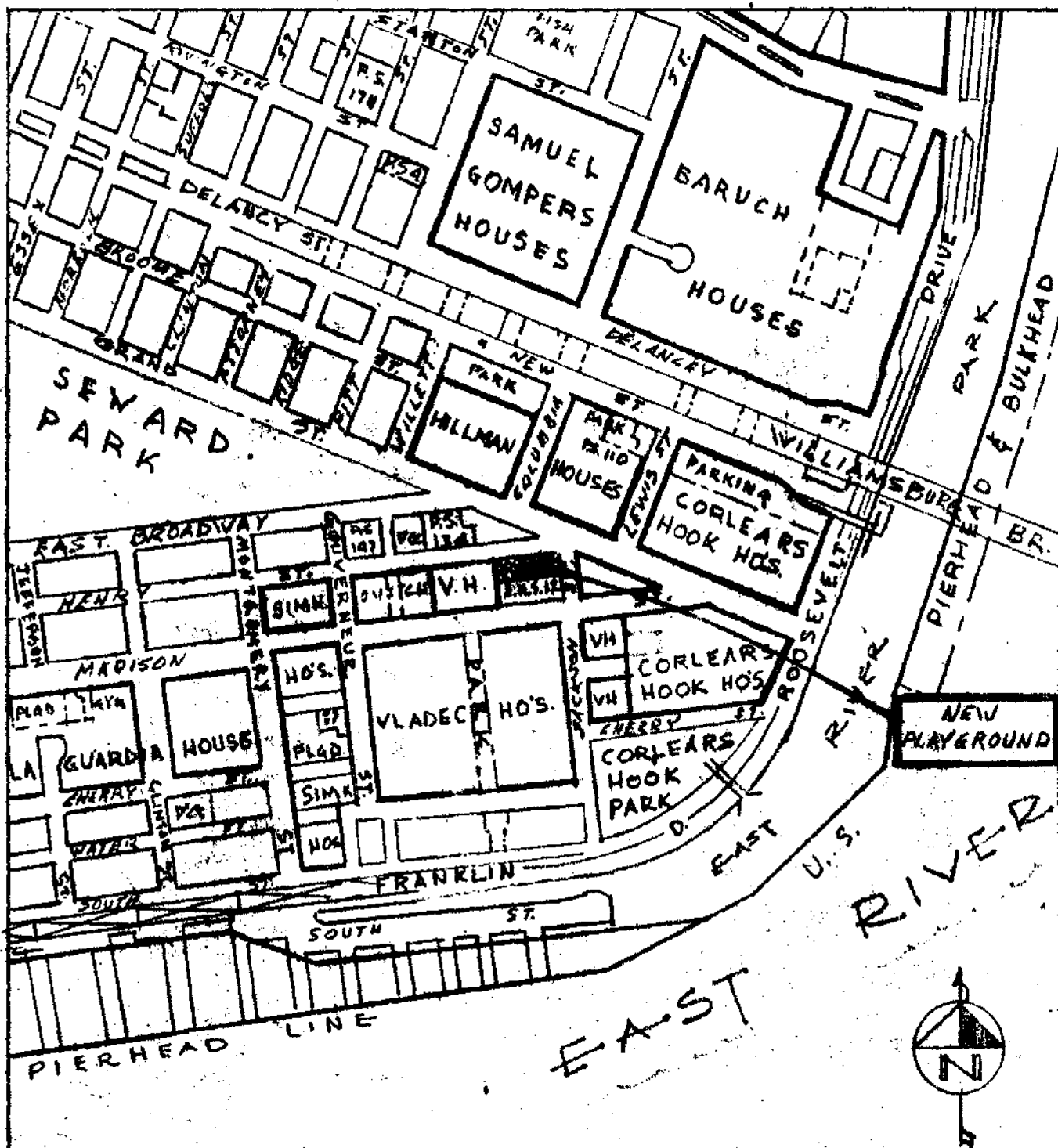
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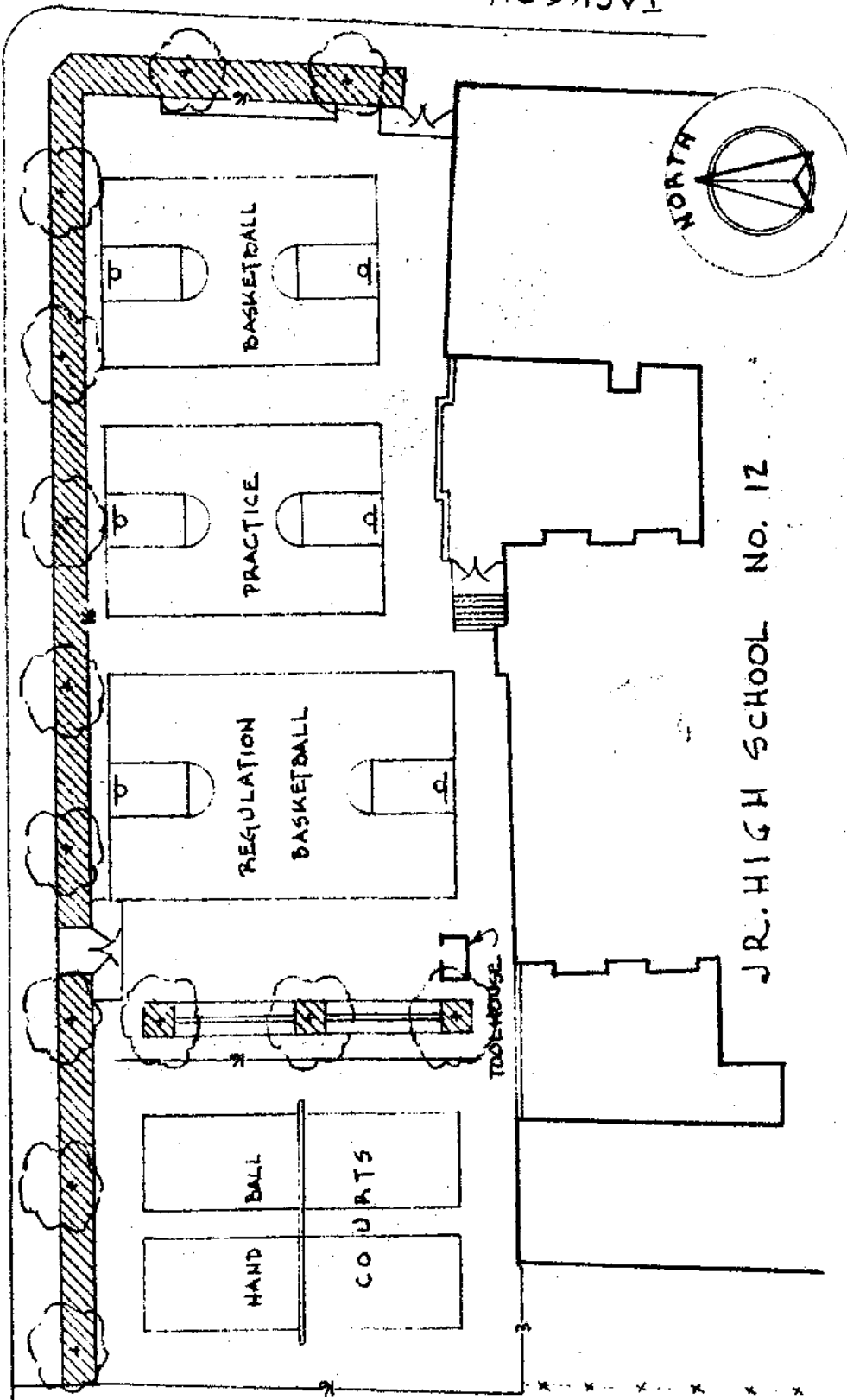
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HENRY ST.

JACKSON ST.



J.R. HIGH SCHOOL NO. 12

BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN

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JACKSON & HENRY ST.
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FOR RELEASE

SEPTEMBER 18, 1958

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening to the public of a playground located on Amsterdam Avenue between West 100 and West 102 Streets, adjacent to Frederick Douglass Houses, in the Borough of Manhattan.

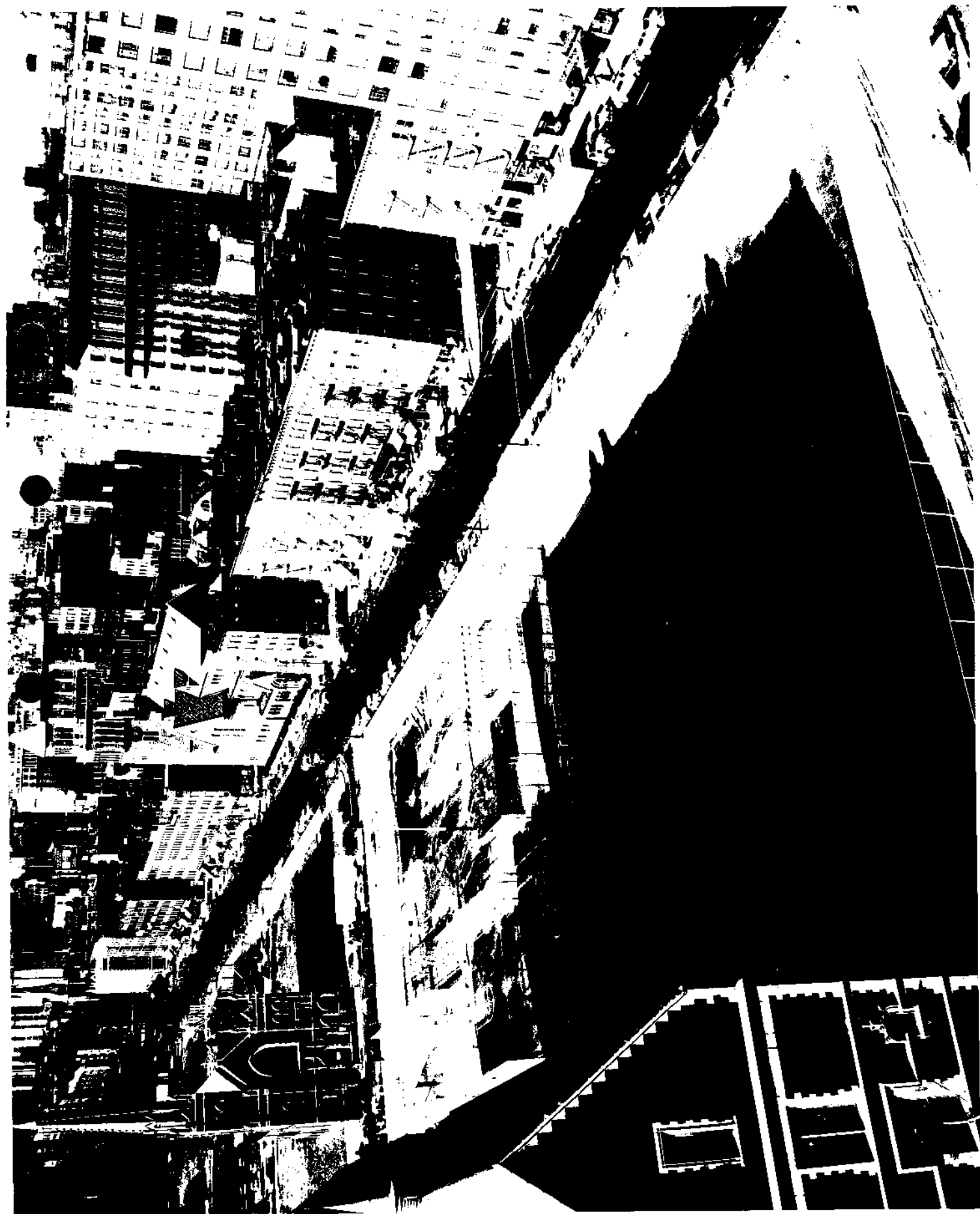
Built with New York City Housing Authority funds, this new facility will provide recreational facilities for residents of the community, the housing project, as well as for pupils of adjacent P.S. 179.

Divided into several sections, this 1.945-acre playground provides basketball courts, handball courts, slides, swings, seesaws, sand pit, shower basin, comfort station, an area for small fry, a quiet games area, a sitting area, and a softball field.

With the addition of this new facility, there are now 744 playgrounds in the park system.

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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FOR RELEASE

SEPTEMBER 18, 1958

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening to the public of a playground located between Empire Boulevard, Sterling Street east of Nostrand Avenue adjacent to JHS #61 in the Borough of Brooklyn.

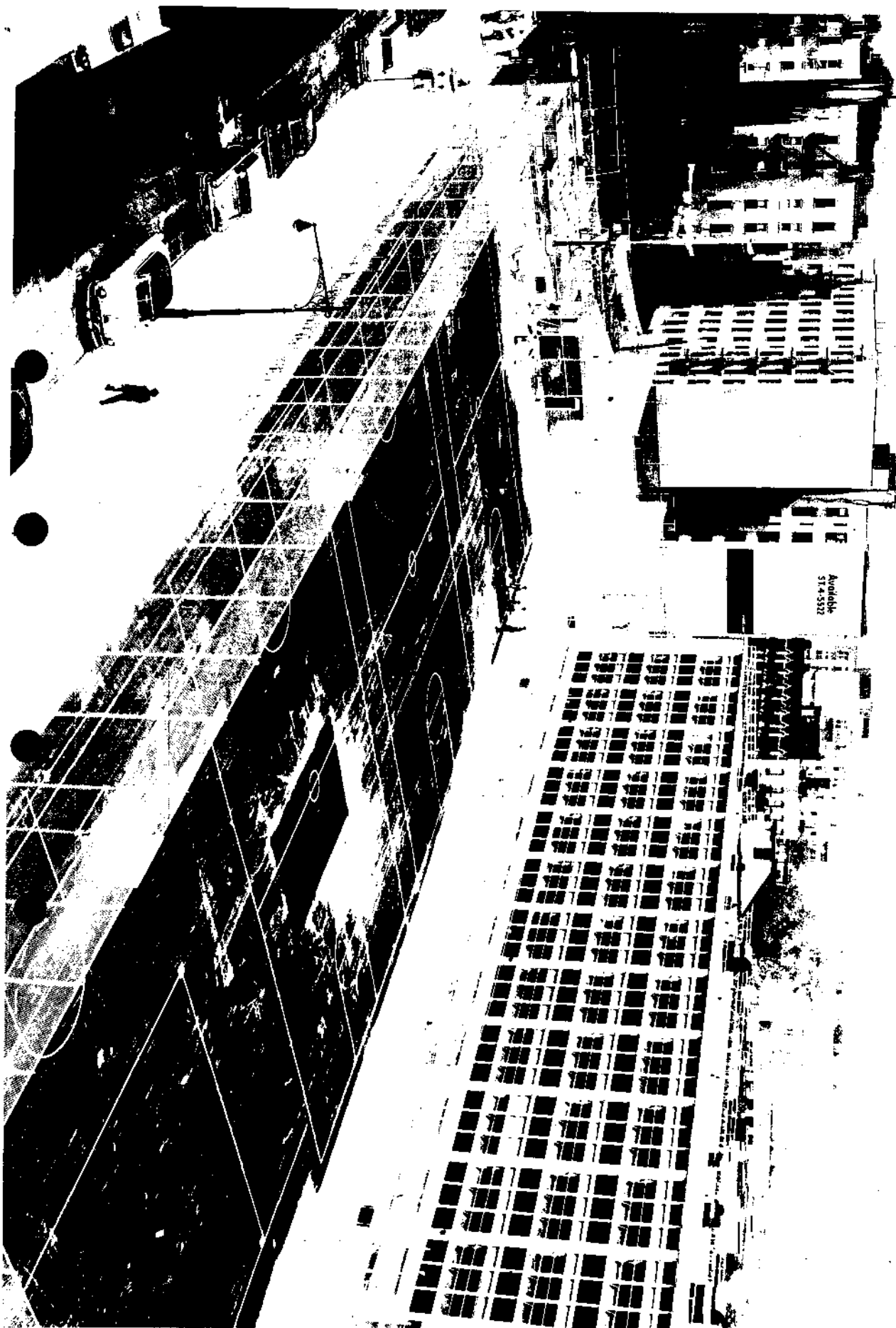
Divided into several sections for control purposes, this new facility provides for playground baseball, basketball courts, a quiet games area, comfort station, slides, swings, sand pit, jungle gym, handball courts and shuffleboard courts.

This is a jointly operated playground and with the exception of the area for small children, it will be operated by the Board of Education when school is in session and by the Department of Parks at all other times.

With the addition of this area, there are now 745 playgrounds in the park system.

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9-17-58



Avondale
514-5322

MEMORANDUM
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
CITY OF NEW YORK

TO: George L. Gansley

FROM: John Galm

August 16, 1958

SUBJECT: Birth of female Llama at the Prespect Park ZOO.

On Saturday August 16, 1958 at 10.30 AM, a female Llama was born at the Prespect Park ZOO. The mother was trying to give birth since Monday August 11, 1958.

On Thursday August 14, I tried to give assistance to the mother, the fetus was still low. I injected a pint of mineral oil into the vagina.

Thursday after noon I spoke to Dr. Gandall at the Bronx ZOO hospital over the phone and explained the Llama's condition to him. Dr. Gandall informed me that he would not be able to go over to the Prespect Park ZOO untill Monday August 18. Dr. Gandall stated that if the mother did not give birth by Monday he would have to perform a cesarean operation on the Llama.

The mother and baby are doing well.

John Galm
Supervisor Menagerie's

CC: J.J. Mallen
J. Galm
file

Phoned all
newspapers 3pm 8/19
JH.



Ray Klesper

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

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In spite of early adverse weather conditions, the people of New York City are making greater use than ever of the City's beaches, tennis courts, golf courses and other park facilities for active recreation; and attendance at park concerts, dramatic performances, dances and other forms of free entertainment provided in the park system is headed for an all-time record.

Up to the end of July, 113 concerts, 64 social and square dances, 21 Shakespearean performances, 43 marionette shows and 33 special events which included an after-dinner opera, folk dancing and singing and firework displays took place in the park system.

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It is estimated that during this summer more than 55,000,000 people will visit park beaches. Tennis courts and golf courses will draw 1,250,000 patrons. Boating and fishing enthusiasts will number well over a million. Concerts and dances will attract more than a million listeners and participants. Shakespearean performances have already attracted about 50,000 people and remaining performances will attract another 30,000. The

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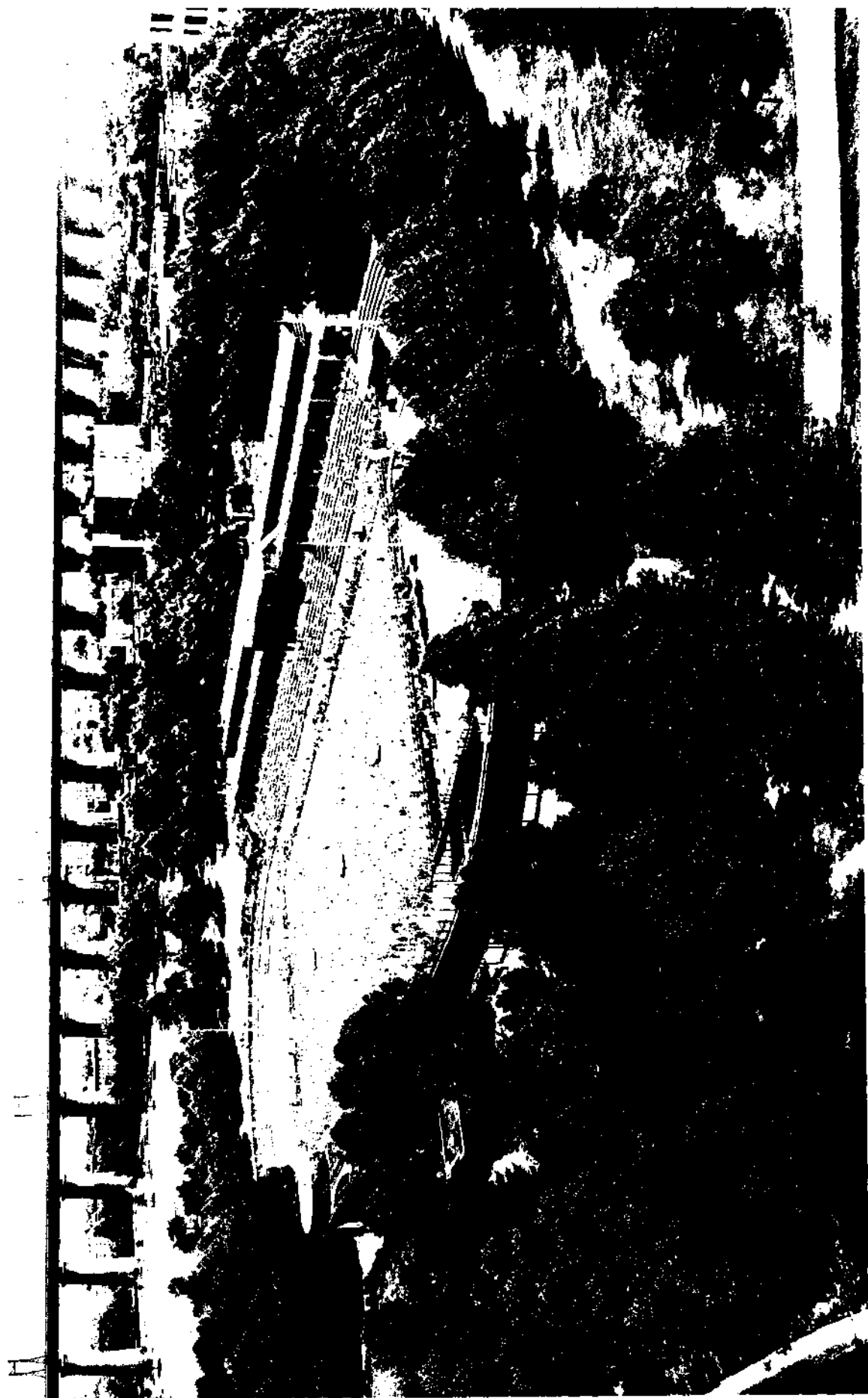
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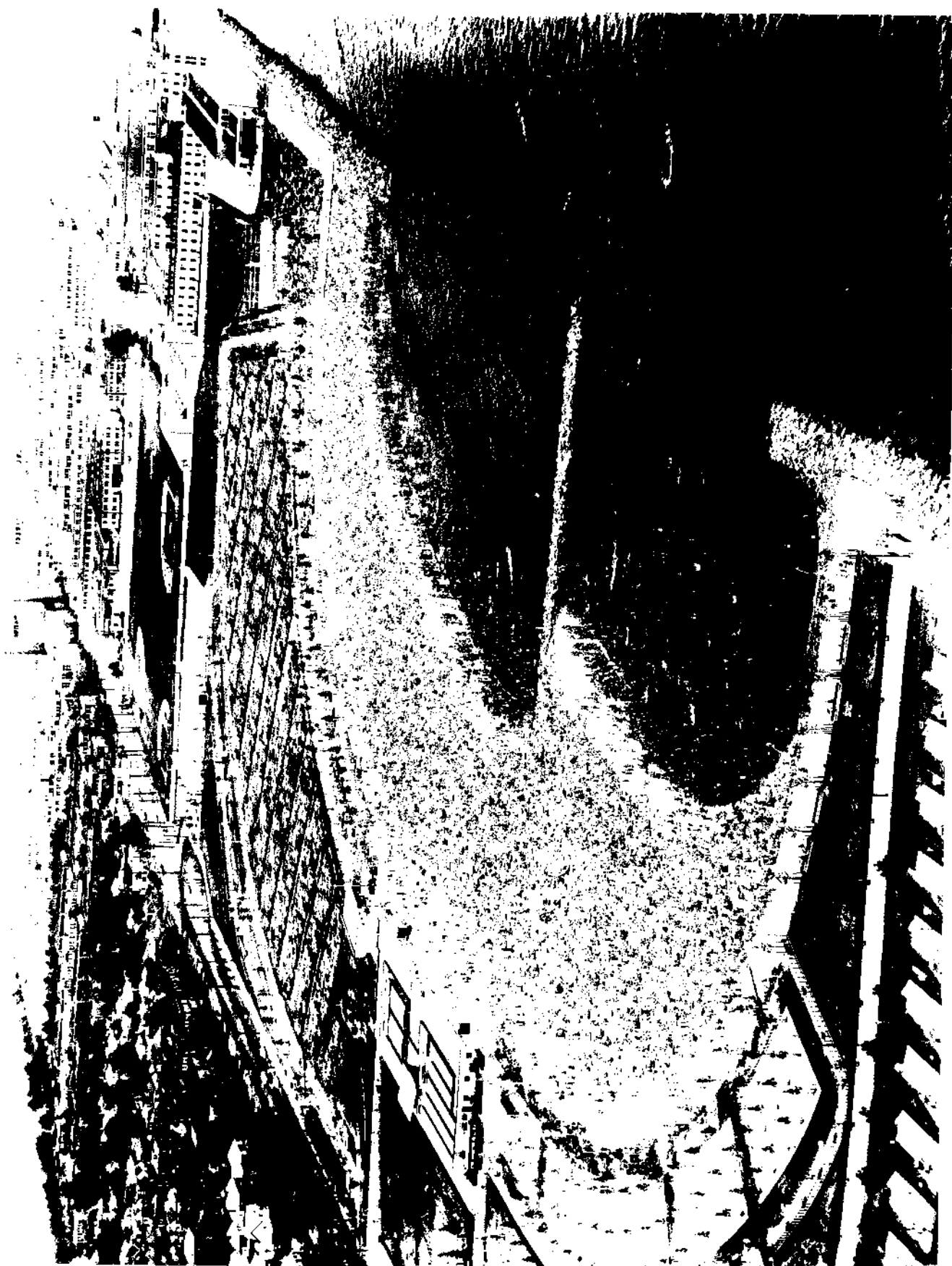


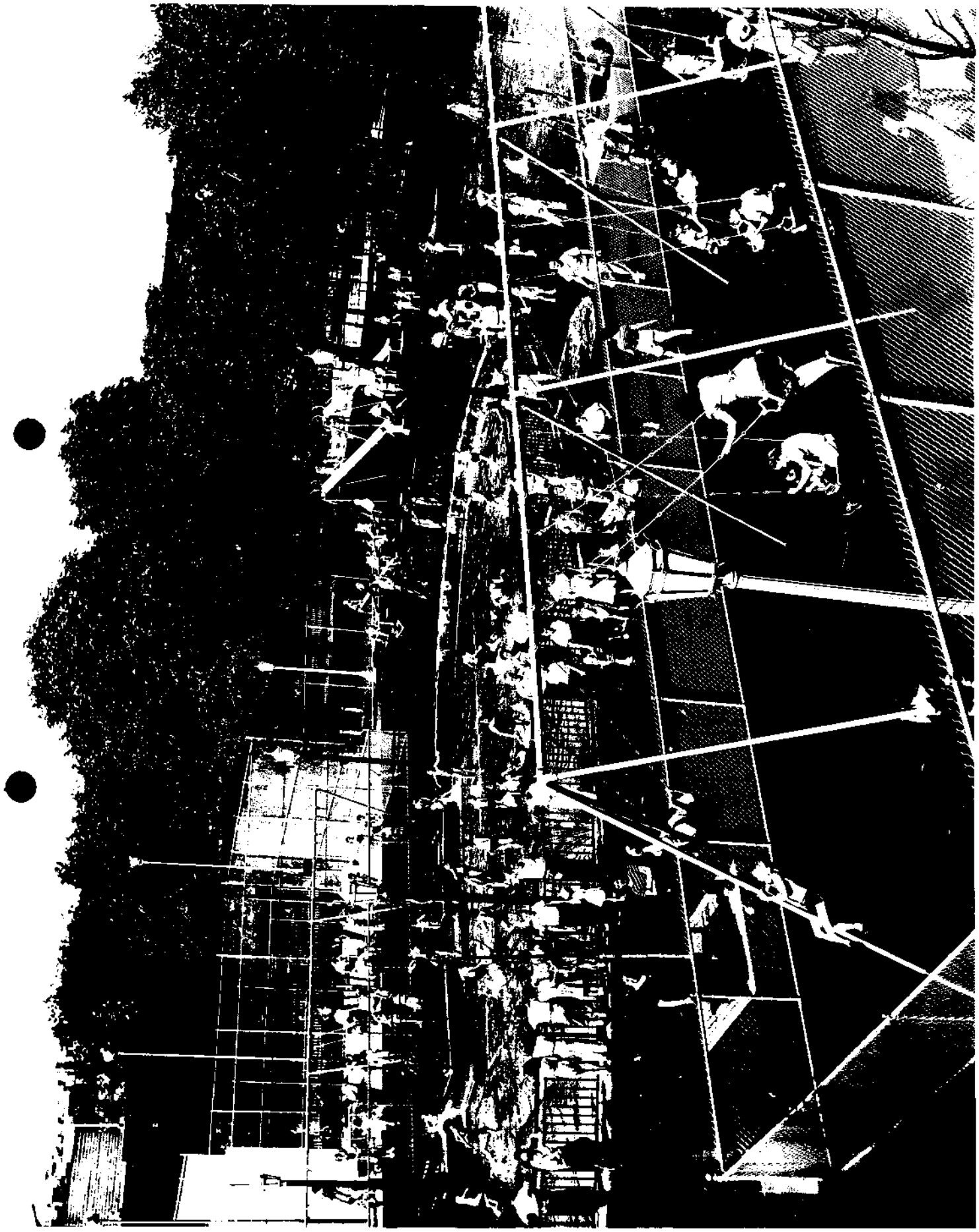






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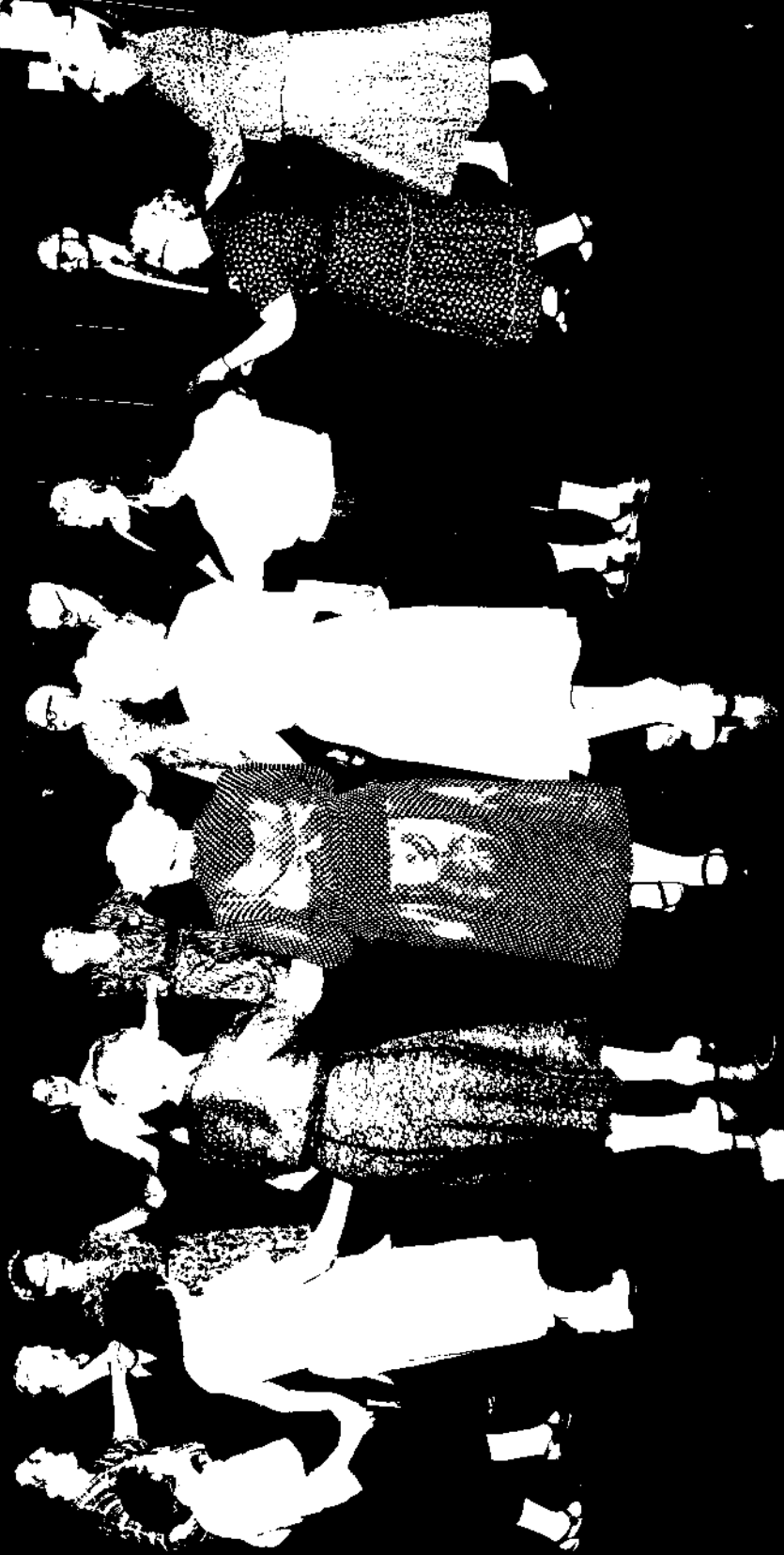


















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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, JULY 3, 1958

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The Department of Parks announces that work in connection with the placing of hydraulic sand fill at Rockaway Beach between Beach 9 and Beach 52 Street has been completed and the area is now available for use by the public.

This urgently needed beach area was restored under a contract let by the State Department of Public Works, and the cost was shared equally by the City of New York and the State of New York.

7-2-58



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ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FOR RELEASE

IMMEDIATELY

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The Department of Parks announces that the Second Annual Rowing Regatta will be held at the Van Cortlandt Park Lake in the Bronx on Thursday, August 7, 1958 at 11 A.M.

Open to boys and girls, 9 to 14 years of age, six events are included in the program.

The girls will participate in the 30 Yard Double Scull and the 50 and 75 Yard Single Scull events. Events for the boys will include 50 Yard Double Scull and 75 and 100 Yard Single Scull.

Free rowing practice sessions for girls will be held on Tuesday, August 5 from 11 A.M. to 3 P.M., and for boys on Wednesday, August 6 from 11 A.M. to 3 P.M.

Entries may be submitted to neighborhood recreation leaders, to the supervisor at Van Cortlandt Park Boathouse or may be mailed to the Department of Parks, Bronx Park East and Birchall Avenue, Bronx Park, Bronx 62, N. Y.

In the previous competitions over 100 contestants participated.

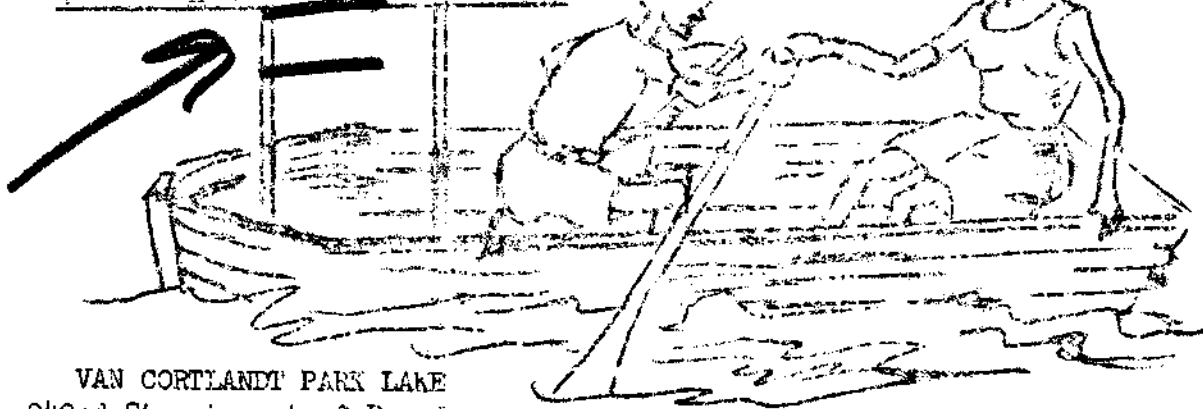
The public is invited to attend.

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2nd ANNUALOVER 100 CONTESTANTS
IN 1958

ROWING REGATTA

THURSDAY, AUGUST 7, 1958
11:00 A.M.VAN CORTLANDT PARK LAKE
242nd Street east of BroadwayRULES GOVERNING REGATTA

1. Give entry blank to Park Department Recreation Leader, Supervisor at Boat House, or mail to Department of Parks, Bronx Park East & Birchall Avenue, Bronx 62, N.Y.
2. All contestants must compete in their own age class.
3. There will be no entry fee.
4. Entries for Double Scull event may select partners at time of meet.
5. Contestants should report to Clerk of Course at Boat House at 10:30 A.M. on day of Regatta.

PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED TO BOYS AND GIRLS
FINISHING FIRST, SECOND AND THIRD IN EACH EVENT

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EVENTS

BOYS	9 and 10 yrs. of age	50 Yards	Double Scull
BOYS	11 and 12 yrs. of age	75 Yards	Single Scull
BOYS	13 and 14 yrs. of age	100 Yards	Single Scull
GIRLS	9 and 10 yrs. of age	30 Yards	Double Scull
GIRLS	11 and 12 yrs. of age	50 Yards	Single Scull
GIRLS	13 and 14 yrs. of age	75 Yards	Single Scull

FREE PRACTICE SESSION FOR GIRLS ON TUESDAY, AUGUST 5th from 11 A.M. to 3 P.M.
andFREE PRACTICE SESSION FOR BOYS ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6th from 11 A.M. to 3 P.M.

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Rowing Regatta - 8/7/58

Please enter me in the following event, and in consideration of your acceptance of this entry, I hereby for myself, my heirs, and assigns, waive any and all claims for damages which I might have against the Department of Parks, City of New York, Vic Jenkins Corp., their agents, representatives and assigns for any and all injuries suffered by me at this meet.

NAME (Print) _____ AGE _____

SIGNATURE _____ DATE OF BIRTH _____

ADDRESS _____ BOROUGH _____ POSTAL ZONE _____

EVENT _____ PLAYGROUND OR ORGANIZATION _____

SIGNATURE OF PARENT OR GUARDIAN _____

Ray Glesper



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FOR RELEASE

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The Department of Parks announces that the
Shakespeare Theatre's last performance, "Twelfth Night"
will be held on Saturday, August 30, 1958 in the
Belvedere Tower area, Central Park.

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8-26-58



R. Klepper

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

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Attached is correspondence between
Commissioner Robert Moses and Mr. M. Mal Deitch of
the Shorehaven Beach Club regarding shorefront
property in the Bronx.

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9-26-58



ROBERT MOSES
COMMISSIONER

THE CITY OF NEW YORK
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL
64TH STREET AND FIFTH AVENUE
CENTRAL PARK
NEW YORK 21, N. Y.

STUART CONSTABLE
EXECUTIVE OFFICER
JOHN A. MULCAHY
ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE OFFICER
GEORGE L. QUIGLEY
DIRECTOR MAINTENANCE & OPERATION

September 24, 1958

Mr. M. Mal Deitch
Shorehaven Beach Club
100 White Plains Road
Bronx 72, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Deitch:

I have your recent letter informing us that you would like to purchase Lots 18, 35, 40 and 50 in Block 3435 in the Bronx as an addition to the Shorehaven Beach Club.

These lots are waterfront lots and lie between the east end of our Sound View Park addition at the west side of White Plains Road and adjacent to our park at the old College Point Ferry Slip. We asked the President of the Bronx to map as park the shorefront between these two park areas at the same time the Sound View Park addition was laid out and still believe that this should be done.

The importance of putting waterfront areas in public ownership, particularly in residential areas of this sort, cannot be over-emphasized. The Shorehaven Beach Club is a private enterprise and there is no guaranty that it will be used for any length of time for present purposes.

In view of past experience we can see no reason at this late date for selling publicly owned shorefront property to private interests for private profit. This has been the history of New York City's shorefront. The City or the townships which preceded it have sold off urgently needed shorefront to private interests at ridiculously low prices and the City has then been forced to recapture these lands at enormously enhanced values.

I cannot agree to rescind our request that these lots be held for future park use and shall renew our request that Sound View Park addition be extended eastward across the property of the Shorehaven Beach Club to our Ferry Slip Park.

Very truly yours,

(Signed) ROBERT MOSES
Commissioner

COPY

SHOREHAVEN BEACH CLUB
100 WHITE PLAINS ROAD
BRONX 72, N. Y.

Hon. Robert Moses,
Commissioner of Parks,
The Arsenal Building,
Fifth Avenue and 64th Street,
New York, N. Y.

Re: Block 3435 Lots 18 - 35 - 40 - 50 -
Bronx

Dear Mr. Commissioner:

We are writing you in regard to the above lots which adjoin our SHOREHAVEN Beach Club where we now accommodate many membership patrons.

We have invested about \$4,000,000 in this development and believe that we have succeeded in establishing one of the finest recreation centers in the City. Some of the most prominent stage, screen and TV stars have availed themselves of our facilities.

You and members of your staff are invited to visit us and see for yourselves.

We are in need of more space to accommodate our members. We have asked our broker Charles Rubinstein to arrange for the purchase of these In Rem lots from the City. However, the Real Estate Bureau has advised him that your Department may want these lots (which are mostly under water and would cost a great deal to reclaim with sufficient and proper fill and bulkhead.)

It is our belief that what can be properly developed by private enterprise to satisfy a public need should be done so. In this spirit we are writing you as we would like to show you exactly how we intend to improve this property. We are willing to accept a sales contract and deed from the City which would specify such improvements that will harmonize with efficient City planning.

We would appreciate the arrangement of a meeting with you. Thank you.

Sincerely,

SHOREHAVEN BEACH CLUB

(Signed)

by M. Mal Deitch



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FOR RELEASE

NOON, FRIDAY, JULY 18.

1-1-1-40M-409033(58) 114

7/17/58 - 4:15 PM
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The Department of Parks announces the completion of the first stage of the South Beach development between Elm Tree Boulevard and Iona Street, Borough of Richmond. This provides a bathhouse with self service lockers, a comfort station, food concession building, a beach chair and umbrella concession building, a promenade 4,245 feet long, a picnic area, parking field for 1,770 cars, two playgrounds containing eight handball and four basketball courts, six shuffleboard courts, roller skating rink, play swings, jungle gyms, slides and seesaws.

A lost children's shelter contains swings, slides and seesaws to keep children occupied until claimed.

A shelter is provided at the Bus Station for the convenience of beach patrons.

Three softball diamonds have been seeded and will be available for use as soon as a satisfactory stand of grass is attained. One of the diamonds has two three-tier bleachers.

The parking fee charge for passenger cars is 50 cents.

Beach chairs and umbrellas will be available for rental at a fee of 50 cents a day for each article, plus a \$2.00 deposit for each article rented.

Beginning Saturday, July 19, 1958, the admission charge

to the beach promenade, dressing facilities and games will be 10 cents, and self service lockers will be available in the bath-houses at 25 cents.

The second stage of this improvement is scheduled for completion in the fall of 1959, and the third stage in the fall of 1960.

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Ray Glesper

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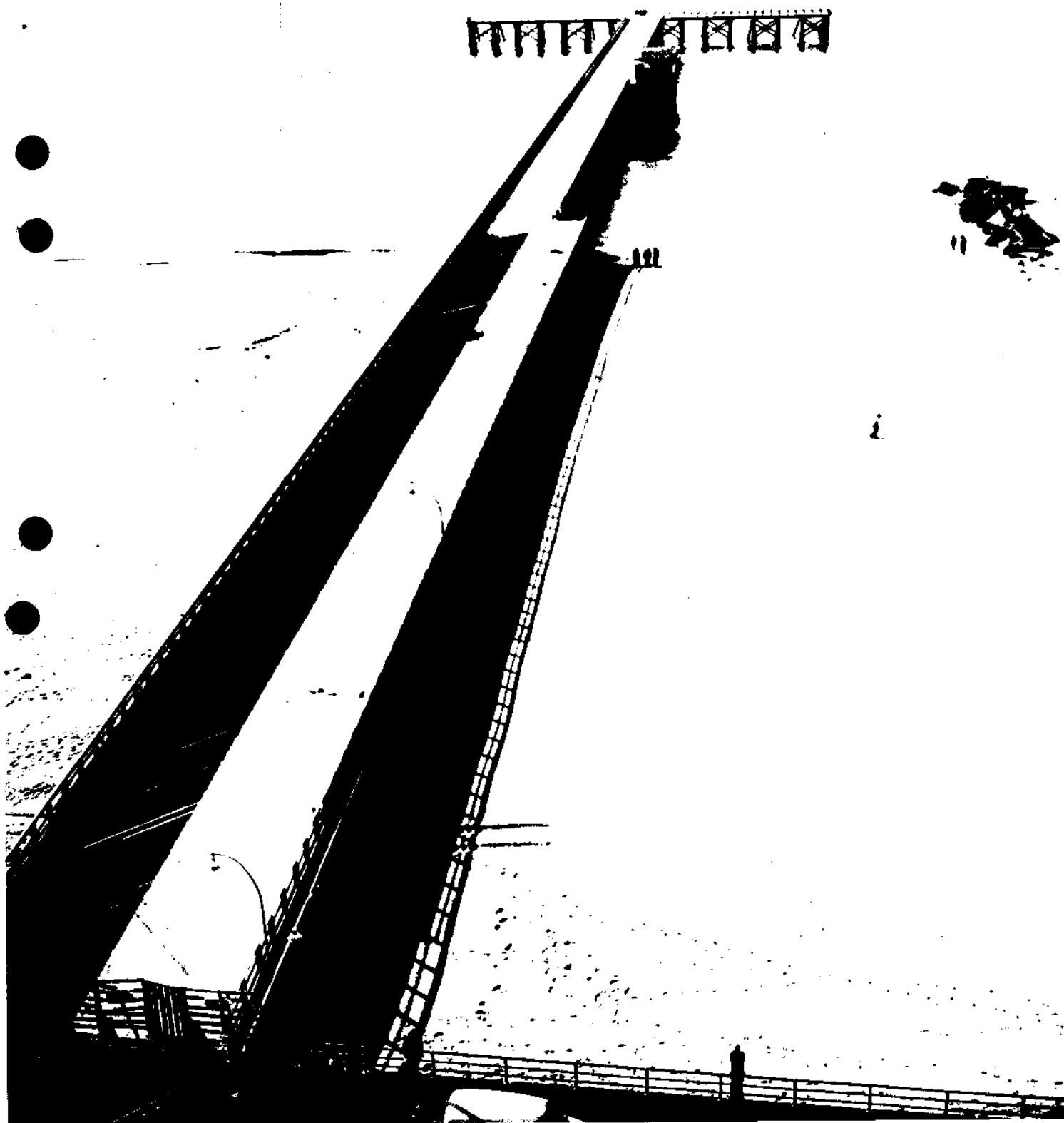
The Department of Parks announces the completion of the reconstruction and opening to the public of Steeplechase Pier at Coney Island in the Borough of Brooklyn.

This famous landmark was damaged by fire on April 22, 1957, and is a popular year-round facility for fishermen both young and old. It is also enjoyed by Coney Island residents and visitors during the summer and on clear mild days during the fall, winter and spring as a place for passive recreation.

The newly reconstructed pier provides a concession building, and a "T", 223 feet in length at the end of the pier to provide space over deep water for use by fishermen.

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RECONSTRUCTION OF STEEPLECHASE PIER &
 NEW CONCESSION BLDG.
 SEPT. 12, 1958

BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN

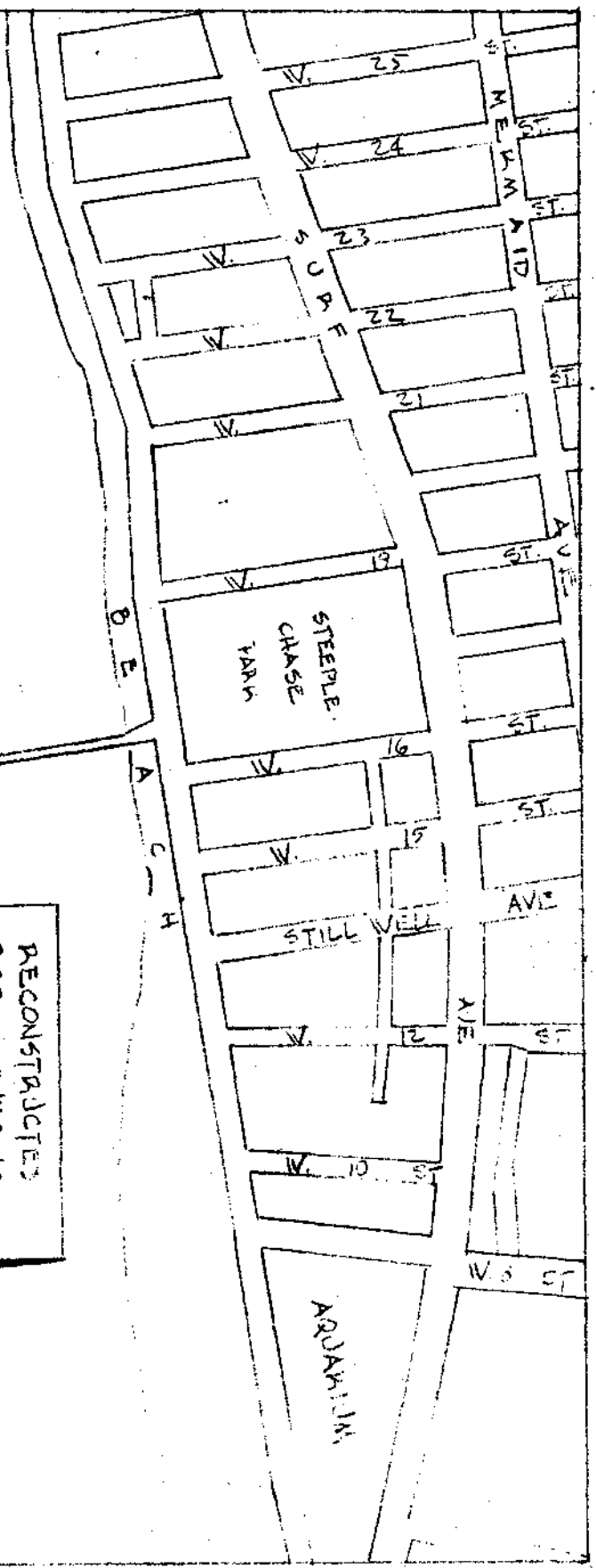


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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FOR RELEASE

SATURDAY, AUGUST 30, 1958

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The Department of Parks announces the closing of seventeen outdoor swimming pools, located throughout the five boroughs, at the close of business on Monday, September 1, 1958. During the summer, 2,546 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 conducted in each of the 17 pools through July and August. During these months, 8,264 children learned to swim.

Eleven of the outdoor pools will open as active play centers on Monday, September 8th 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, 111th Street and First Avenue
- BROOKLYN - Sunset Pool, 7th 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, 173rd Street and Fulton Avenue

(continued)

QUEENS - Astoria Pool, 19th Street and 23 Drive

RICHMOND - Faber Pool, Richmond Terrace and Faber Street

Approximately 1,760,000 people used our pools this season.

Bathhouse accommodations at Jacob Riis Park, Orchard Beach, Manhattan Beach, South Beach and also at Great Kills, will close for the season at the end of the day's business on Sunday, September 7, 1958.

The parking fields at Rockaway Beach will close on Sunday, September 7, 1958 and reopen as free play areas on Monday, September 8, 1958.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK
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FOR RELEASE

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 1958 3:30 PM - 9-11-58

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The Park Department announces that 24 teams of New York City's top women's tandem tennis combinations will start play on Sunday, September 14th at 10:45 a.m. at the 93rd Street Tennis Courts in Central Park in the first metropolitan women's public courts tennis championships.

This women's doubles tournament is being sponsored by Mr. Norman Brassard, the tennis professional at the Central Park tennis courts, who has aided materially in developing the play of many of the public courts tennis players.

Some of the seeded teams will have Helen Germaine, Miss Fullen, Carolyn Liguori, Fay Goldman and Margaret Stark.

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Ray Glespen

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FOR RELEASE

FRIDAY, AUGUST 29, 1958

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1-1-40M-409033(58) 114

The Department of Parks announces that the Fourth Annual Men's Doubles Tennis Tournament will start this Saturday, August 30th at the Central Park Tennis Courts, 91st Street and West Drive, Central Park at 2 P.M.

The best tandem players of the public tennis courts have registered for this tournament, which is being sponsored by Slazengers Limited and the Department of Parks.

The finals of this competition are scheduled for Saturday, September 13th at 2 P.M.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FOR RELEASE

SATURDAY, AUGUST 16, 1958

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Roy Glicker
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Entry blanks are being accepted for the 4th Annual Men's Doubles Tennis Tournament sponsored by Slazenger's Ltd., and conducted by the Department of Parks at the 93rd Street courts in Central Park.

The tournament begins August 30th and will terminate September 13th. Male players 16 years of age and over who possess a permit to play on municipal courts are eligible to participate.

Entry blanks may be secured and filed at Park tennis courts and borough offices. Entries close August 22nd.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FOR RELEASE

IMMEDIATELY

Roy Glesper
7/21/58 - 3:30 P.M.
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There have been several rather misleading and alarming articles in the press recently concerning the Plane trees along Third Avenue. These articles have indicated that the trees were in poor condition, that many of them are dying for lack of attention, and that they need water and fertilizer. The facts are as follows:

1. 1098 trees were planted.
2. 33 of these are now dead.

This is an extraordinarily good survival record for street trees in Manhattan or anywhere else. The 33 dead trees will be replaced by the Department of Parks this fall.

The Department of Parks is replacing these trees because this job was not the usual street tree job paid for by the abutting property owners. In this case the trees were planted as a part of the general improvement of Third Avenue and were included in the total cost of that improvement. The tree planting project was sponsored jointly by the Borough President's Office and the Department of Parks. The Borough President included excavation, tree pits, topsoil and planting of trees in his contract. The Department of Parks supplied the trees from its Riker's Island Nursery.

While we want all the cooperation we can get from abutting

owners, we are not in a desperate condition and the original plan of cooperation between Borough President Jack and us has worked very well.

ROBERT MOSES

7-21-58



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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In response to many inquiries, we have decided to attempt to explain the conditions which make it necessary for us to tell people asking that we do routine work on their street trees that we won't be able to help them for from three months to more than two years.

The Department of Parks is responsible for the maintenance of all street trees in the City. This means spraying, fertilizing, watering, pruning and also the complete removal of dead trees.

With over 550,000 street trees in the City, this job together with the work which must be done on trees in parks is tremendous.

In 1938 and again in 1944 we had serious hurricanes in this area and in 1950 a November northeast storm did almost as much damage as the two preceding hurricanes. These storms destroyed thousands of trees and did great damage to many thousands of others.

The Department of Parks has never been able to catch up with the backlog of tree work built up by these storms and the ravages of the Dutch Elm disease.

At the present time, we need \$700,000.00 for tree work which we propose to do by contract.

We do not want to build up our civil service forces since we believe these are adequate for normal maintenance and could keep

up with the job if they were supplied with sufficient modern equipment. A recently completed survey shows that we need over \$400,000.00 worth of new equipment to provide our present forestry forces with the tools and machinery they need for efficient operation.

The backlog of work should be taken care of by contract as this is by far the cheapest method.

If we could get \$700,000.00 for work by contract and \$400,000.00 for new equipment we could clean up our back work on street trees in about six months and keep abreast of ordinary current work.

The fact that we are far behind in street tree work makes it necessary for us to tell people whose street trees require a routine pruning job that it will be from three months to over two years before we can get to their work. We take care of dangerous conditions at once but the people who are told we can't do the routine jobs for which we are responsible for over two years do not understand why they must wait.

The problem will not get better, many trees which could be saved may die or suffer serious injury because ordinary care can't be given in time and the Dutch Elm disease won't be checked unless money for this essential work is made available very soon.

In the meantime, we shall continue to tell the people of the City the truth about the time which will elapse between receipt of their requests and performance of the tree work they are entitled to expect us to do.

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Ray Glesper



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

AT NOON, WEDNESDAY, JULY 16, 1958

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Attached is explanation of Robert Moses' vote in
the City Planning Commission on the roadway through Washington
Square.

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EXPLANATION OF
ROBERT MOSES' VOTE IN THE CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
ON THE ROADWAY THROUGH WASHINGTON SQUARE

I vote No because this compromise is not a permanent solution, because it will not make the articulate neighborhood critics happy, nor pave the way for bold action in the Board of Estimate, because it ignores the realities, because a four lane semi-depressed, landscaped roadway with a pedestrian overpass is the only long-time answer, because this fact will be accepted when the pending changes fronting on and below the Square are completed, that is, when drummed up local hysteria subsides, mudslinging ends, and common sense and good will prevail as they always do ultimately in our New York. Manifestly it is quite impossible to take steps toward the rehabilitation of the Square itself until the dust of controversy has settled. The democratic process is painful but educational and in the good American tradition.



Ray Glicker

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The Department of Parks announces that due to the erection of a coal conveyor bridge over the West Side Highway for the 59 Street Power Plant of the Transit Authority, traffic on the Henry Hudson Parkway will be restricted on Saturday, September 13, 1958 between the hours of 6 a.m. and 7 p.m. in accordance with the following schedule.

The 72nd Street entrance will be closed to north and southbound traffic. Motorists wishing to go north may use the 79th Street entrance to the Parkway.

Southbound traffic on the Henry Hudson Parkway will be detoured at 79th Street.

Signs will be posted on the parkway, advising motorists of this temporary detour.

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Park w/ War Mem.
Woodside Ave, Queens



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, JULY 23, 1958

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1-1-40M-409033(58) 114

The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening to the public of a park located south of Woodside Avenue between 54 and 56 Streets, in the Borough of Queens.

This property, which surrounds a World War I Memorial was released by the Board of Education and assigned to the Department of Parks by the Board of Estimate to establish a sitting park and to maintain the World War I Memorial.

With the opening of this 1.740-acre park, passive recreation is provided for the residents of the area and proper maintenance of the memorial is assured.

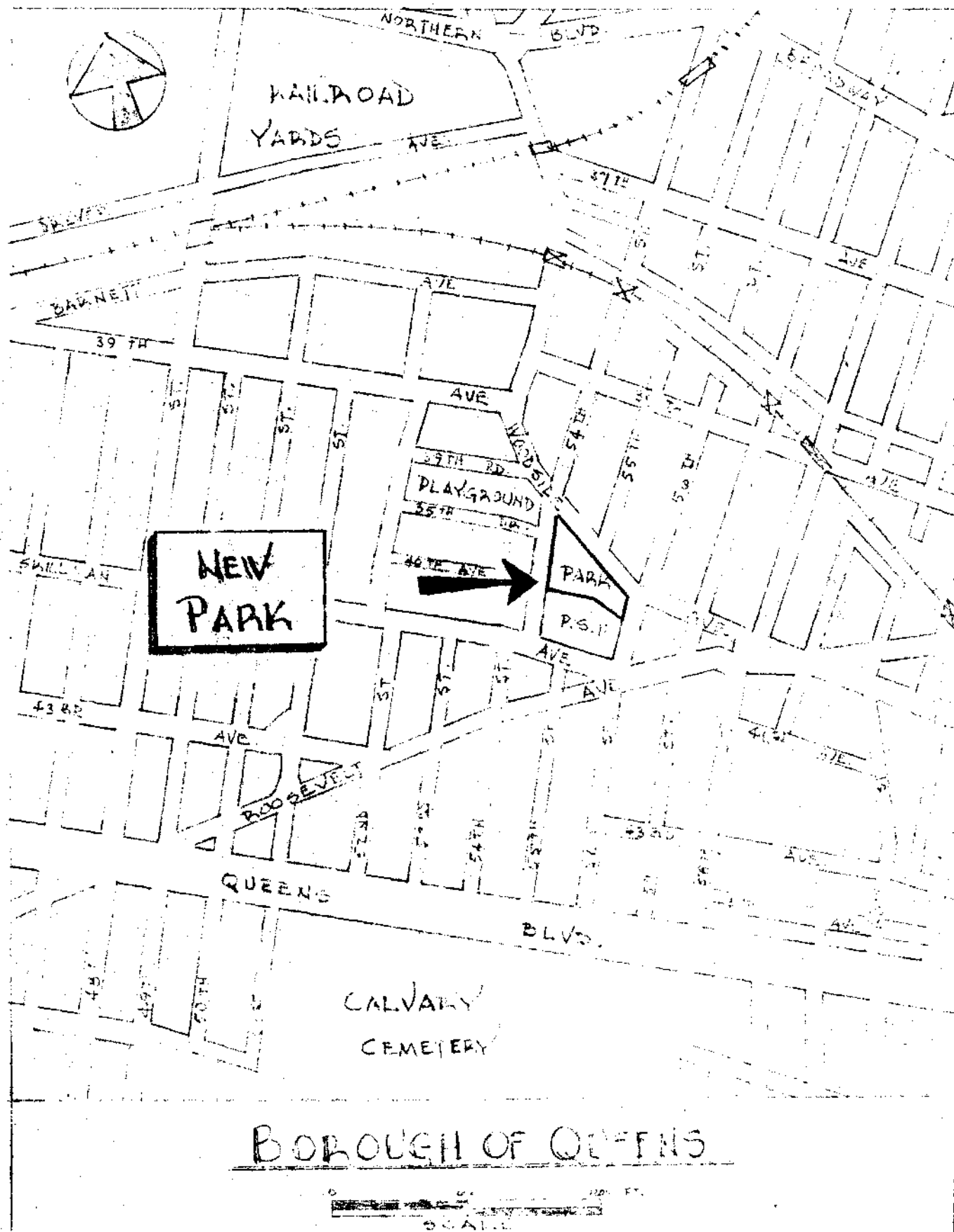
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NEW PARK - BOROUGH OF QUEENS

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DEVELOPMENT PLAN OF NEW PARK
BOROUGH OF QUEENS - 7-14-55

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I N D E X

Andersen Memorial Statue-Storytelling Hour
Bernard M. Baruch Bench Dedication
Basketball Tournament
Boccie Tournament
Capital Budget - RM's "No" Vote
Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony
Clearview Golf Course-Installation of Irrigation System
Coney Island - Letter from M. Handwerker & Memo. from RM
Dunlevy Milbank Children's Center
Golf Courses
Grand Army Plaza - Repaving
Hunting Season Opening
Ice Skating - Wollman & N.Y.City Building
Lifeguard Training Course
Marionette Theatre
Playground Openings - #746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752
Photography Contest
Recreation Release
St. Andrew's Church 250th Anniversary
Tennis Courts Closing
George Washing Bridge - Construction Work on Lower Level

R. G. Gessen



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9, 1958

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The Department of Parks announces that the final story telling hour at the Hans Christian Andersen Memorial will be held on Saturday, October 11, 1958 at 11 A.M.

This will conclude the story telling program which was sponsored by the New York Public Library and the Baroness Alma Dahlerup of the Danish American Women's Association, in cooperation with the Department of Parks.

Sessions were held on Wednesday and Saturday mornings throughout the entire summer and the estimated attendance was 3,000.

The Hans Christian Andersen Monument is located on the west bank of Conservatory Lake in Central Park near 72nd Street and 5th Avenue.

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Bernard Baruch
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R. Gleason



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FOR RELEASE

MONDAY, OCTOBER 20, 1958

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The Central Park bench at 66th and Fifth Avenue on which Bernard M. Baruch has cogitated and brewed big medicine for many years will be dedicated in his honor as an expression of New York's affection for the 88-year old statesman and advisor to Presidents, it was announced today by Council President Abe Stark and Park Commissioner Robert Moses.

The plan for a bronze plaque bearing the inscription "Elder Statesman's Bench -- Reserved for Bernard M. Baruch" was conceived by Council President Stark and heartily endorsed by Commissioner Moses.

Mr. Stark said: "Bernard Baruch's democratic creed of being accessible to those in need of sage advice has endeared him to his fellow countrymen and to his neighbors in New York. The park bench at 66th Street is a symbol of his grass roots relationship with public officials, educators, business executives, working people, neighbors and friends. Without holding any elective office, Mr. Baruch has been an inspiring figure in government and public service for more than 40 years."

Mr. Stark added: "From the time of his appointment by President Woodrow Wilson to the Advisory Commission of the Council

of National Defense, Mr. Baruch has served his country in many capacities. He was a prominent factor in mobilizing American industry during two World Wars, and has been called frequently to the White House.

"As a wise and impartial advisor, Bernard Baruch has also given counsel to many members and committees of Congress, and, as American representative to the United Nations Atomic Energy Commission, he originated the Baruch Plan for the peaceful control, development and use of atomic energy. As a South Carolinian and proprietor of Hobcaw Barony he has been enormously respected in the south. As a New Yorker, he has rendered devoted service to many altruistic projects, especially as a distinguished alumnus of the College of the City of New York."

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

FOR RELEASE

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19, 1958

R. Gleser
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Entries are being accepted for the 14th Annual
Department of Parks Basketball Tournament for boys and girls.
The competition will be conducted in three divisions:

Junior Boys - 12, 13, and 14 years of age

Senior Boys - 15, 16, and 17 years of age

Girls - 15, 16, and 17 years of age

Entry blanks may be secured and filed at Department
of Parks playgrounds and borough offices. Entries close on
November 8th.

Boys teams may have a maximum of 10 players and girls
teams a maximum of 12 players. Ages will be determined as of
January 1, 1959. Boys and girls who are or were members of
high school, college freshmen, or college varsity teams are
ineligible to compete in this tournament.

Play will begin November 11 and the city championship
games will be conducted during March, 1959. Prizes will be
awarded to winners and runners-up of district, borough and city
championships.

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R. Gleason

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FOR RELEASE

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1958

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The championship matches of the first City-wide Men's Doubles Boccie Tournament will be conducted at Louis Cuvillier Playground, 125th Street and First Avenue, Manhattan, on Saturday, October 4 beginning at 11:00 A.M. The tournament is being conducted by the Department of Parks under the sponsorship of the F. and M. Schaefer Brewing Company.

More than 1100 men, 18 years of age and over, competed in elimination matches held at 15 boccie court locations in the five boroughs.

Competing in the city championship games are the winning and runner-up teams from each of the boroughs:

Ciro Cachino and Peter Favuzza	- Manhattan
Sam Rizzcho and Salvatore Cotilletta	- Manhattan
Nunzio Yesu and Joseph Panarila	- Brooklyn
Orlando Palomba and Peter Garrone	- Brooklyn
John Magnaldi and Vincent Mesisca	- Bronx
Vincent Locascio and Joseph Locascio	- Bronx
Arthur Vivian and Joseph DiGesu	- Queens
Gabriel Mongiello & Charles Corbone	- Queens
Louis Pisano and William Butler	- Richmond
Robert Simmons and William Ludwig	- Richmond

The champions and runners-up will be presented with wrist watches donated by the F. and M. Schaefer Brewing Company.

Boccie is steadily gaining in popularity both as a turf and lawn game for players of all ages. The game as played today is

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an Americanized version of an ancient Italian game believed to have originated thousands of years ago. It is "first cousin" to English lawn bowls, the great difference being the shape of the balls. Boccie balls are truly spherical whereas lawn bowling balls are turned with a bias.

The public is invited to attend the matches on Saturday. There is no charge for admission.

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NOTE TO PHOTOGRAPHY EDITORS: Winners should be decided by 4:30 PM.

10-1-58

NOT TO BE RELEASED

UNTIL NOON OCT 31 1958

The City of New York
CITY PLANNING COMMISSION
Department of City Planning
2 Lafayette Street
(opposite Municipal Building)
New York 7, N. Y.

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STATEMENT OF COMMISSIONER ROBERT MOSES

I am voting "no" on the Capital Budget because while I am in complete accord with most of it, in two very important respects it does not reflect the recommendations the Commission makes in its own Message.

First - The Commission recommends, as it has for several years, the sale to the Consolidated Edison Company of the city-owned power plants. If this were done the city would have approximately \$45,000,000 additional in exempt Transit funds, plus \$10,000,000 cash available in 1959 which would free \$12,500,000 within the debt limit allocated to Transit in 1959 for other purposes and enable the Transit Authority to speed up essential modernization of the transit system. It would also provide \$10,000,000 in 1960, \$10,000,000 in 1961 and \$58,000,000 in 1962.

Second - The Commission recommends that the sewer rent be increased to pay the full cost of the pollution control program. At the same time, presumably because it has little confidence in its recommendation, it allocates \$23,700,000 in Capital funds within the debt limit for this program in 1959. The sewer rent should be increased forthwith and the 1959 Capital Budget should reflect this increase. If the sewer rent is not increased before the 1960 Capital Budget is prepared, not only the 1960 construction funds but the \$28,000,000 now carried as exempt because of revenue received from the present sewer rent will have to be provided in the 1960 Capital Budget. This \$28,000,000 was carried as exempt through 1959 only by what appears to have been unsound financial ledgerdom.

To the extent that the Capital Budget as prepared by the City Planning Commission does not insist upon the sale of the Transit power plants and the increase in the sewer rent and urge immediate action by the Board of Estimate, I am against it and recommend that the \$12,500,000 within the debt limit presently allocated to Transit and the \$23,700,000 allocated to pollution control which would be available if these actions were taken, be allocated to such urgent projects as additional rapid transit, more schools, Bellevue Hospital and other objectives reduced in this presentation of the 1959 Capital Budget.

ROBERT MOSES



R. J. Gleason

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

FOR RELEASE

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 12, 1958

REGENT 4-1000

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The Department of Parks announces that twenty-six Christmas Trees located throughout the city will be lighted on Tuesday, December 16th at 5 P.M. Tree lighting ceremonies will be held at City Hall, Manhattan; Borough Hall, Brooklyn; Joyce Kilmer Park, Bronx; Queens Borough Hall and Richmond Borough Hall.

The City Hall ceremonies in Manhattan will be broadcast. Mayor Wagner will deliver his annual Christmas message, and a switch will be thrown lighting the sixty-foot high tree, officially beginning New York's observance of the Yuletide Season. Honorable Hulan E. Jack, Borough President of Manhattan, will also speak at the Manhattan ceremony. Christmas music will be played by the Department of Sanitation Band. The Equitable Life Assurance Society Choral Club will sing Christmas carols and a school choir from Our Lady of Lourdes Roman Catholic Church, Manhattan, in red cassocks and frocks will sing Christmas carols.

The switch lighting the tree will also light the traditional red and green wreath, eighteen feet in diameter, over the main entrance of the Park Department Headquarters at the Arsenal, 64th Street and Fifth Avenue, Central Park, Manhattan. In the center of the wreath is a decorative panel depicting the Three Wise Men following the Star in the East.

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The trees and the wreath will be lighted each evening after the ceremony from 4:30 P.M. until midnight January 1, 1959.

Christmas trees have been erected in the following locations:

MANHATTAN:

*CITY HALL PARK, BROADWAY AND MURRAY STREET
TAVERN ON THE GREEN, CENTRAL PARK WEST AND 67th STREET
MT. MORRIS PARK, LAWN AT APPROXIMATELY 123 St. & MADISON AVE.
FT. TRYON PARK, DYCKMAN STREET AND BROADWAY
CARL SCHURZ PARK, 85th STREET AND EAST END AVENUE
WASHINGTON SQUARE PARK, WASHINGTON ARCH
MADISON SQUARE PARK, FIFTH AVENUE AND 23rd STREET
THOMAS JEFFERSON PARK, FIRST AVENUE AND E. 111th STREET

BROOKLYN:

* BOROUGH HALL PARK, FULTON AND JORALEMON STREET
GRAND ARMY PLAZA, PROSPECT PARK, FLATBUSH AVE & UNION ST.
McCARREN PARK, DRIGGS AVENUE AND LORIMER STREET
ESPLANADE, MONTAGUE TERRACE BETWEEN REMSEN & PIERREPONT STS.
DYKER BEACH PARK, S.W. CORNER OF 86th STREET & 7th AVENUE
LEIV EIRIKSSON PARK, 67th STREET BETWEEN 4th and 5th AVENUES

BRONX:

*JOYCE KILMER PARK, 161 STREET AND GRAND CONCOURSE
ST. MARY'S PARK, ST. ANN'S AVENUE AND EAST 145th STREET
ST. JAMES PARK, CENTER OF OVAL LAWN, E. 191 ST. & JEROME AVENUE

QUEENS:

*BOROUGH HALL, QUEENS BOULEVARD AND UNION TURNPIKE
KING PARK, JAMAICA AVENUE AND 151st STREET
FLUSHING PARK, NORTHERN BOULEVARD AND MAIN STREET
ST. ALBANS MEMORIAL PARK, MERRICK BOULEVARD AND 111th STREET
HIGHLAND PARK, JAMAICA AVENUE AND ELTON STREET
ELMHURST PLAYGROUND, BROADWAY AND BRITTON AVENUE

RICHMOND:

*BOROUGH HALL, BAY STREET AND BOROUGH PLACE
TAPPEN PARK, BAY AND CANAL STREETS

* - PRINCIPAL CEREMONY

Borough Presidents Cashmore, Lyons, Crisona and
Maniscalco will light the trees in their respective boroughs with

appropriate ceremonies.

In addition to the ceremonies at the largest trees, there will be more than 300 children's Christmas parties held between December 15 and the new year in neighborhood playgrounds throughout the five boroughs. In general the parties will include carol singing, special Christmas games, visits from Santa Claus, dancing and entertainment.

The principal children's parties are scheduled at the following locations:

Date	Time	Type of * Party	location	Borough
Tues.				
Dec. 16	10:00 AM	A	Silver Lake Tennis Area	Richmond
	10:30 AM	A	Colonial Pool Play Center	Manhattan
	4 PM	I	St. Mary's Recreation Center	Bronx
	7 PM	E	St. Mary's Recreation Center	Bronx
	7 PM	C	Annunciation Playground	Manhattan
	8 PM	M	St. Mary's Recreation Center	Bronx
Wed.				
Dec. 17	9:00 AM	N	Greenhouse Playground	Queens
	10:00 AM	A	Red Hook Playground	Brooklyn
	10:00 AM	A	St. Gabriel's Playground	Manhattan
	10:30 AM	A	McCray Playground	Manhattan
	11:30 AM	A	Braddock Playground	Queens
Thurs.				
Dec. 18	10:00 AM	A	Leiv Eiriksson Park-5th Ave	Brooklyn
	10:00 AM	A	Levy Playground	Richmond
	10:30 AM	A	Annunciation Playground	Manhattan
	10:30 AM	A	Laurelton Playground	Queens
	1:30 PM	N	Brooklyn War Memorial	Brooklyn
	2:00 PM	A	Williamsbridge Oval	Bronx
	3:30 PM	H	Crocheron Playground	Queens
	4:00 PM	C	St. Mary's Rec. Center	Bronx
	8:00 PM	L	St. Mary's Rec. Center	Bronx
Fri.				
Dec. 19	10:00 AM	A	Brownsville Recreation Cen.	Brooklyn
	10:00 AM	A	Sunset Playground	Brooklyn
	10:00 AM	A	DeMatti Playground	Richmond
	10:00 AM	A	Liberty Park	Queens
	10:00 AM	A	Riverside & 83rd St.	Manhattan
	10:30 AM	A	DeVoe Playground	Bronx
	10:30 AM	A	Mt. Morris West Playground	Manhattan
	11:00 AM	A	Flushing Mem. Playground	Queens
	11:00 AM	A	O'Connell Playground	Queens

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Type of * Party</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Borough</u>
<u>Fri.</u>				
Dec. 19	1:00 PM	A	St. John's Rec. Center	Brooklyn
	2:00 PM	A	Underwood Playground	Brooklyn
	3:00 PM	C	Roosevelt Playground	Manhattan
	3:00 PM	C	Chelsea Roof Playground	Manhattan
	3:30 PM	D	Hammels Houses Playground	Queens
	4:00 PM	H	St. Mary's Rec. Center	Bronx
	4:00 PM	D	Von Dohlen Playground	Queens
	7:30 PM	N	Mullaly Playground	Bronx
	8:00 PM	E	Brownsville Rec. Center	Brooklyn
<u>Sat.</u>				
Dec. 20	10:00 AM	F	St. Mary's Rec. Center	Bronx
	1:00 PM	G	St. Mary's Rec. Center	Bronx
	2:00 PM	N	Brooklyn War Memorial	Brooklyn
	2:00 PM	D	Linden Playground	Brooklyn
	3:30 PM	B	Paerdegat Playground	Brooklyn
<u>Sun.</u>				
Dec. 21	2:30 PM	D	Betsy Head Playground	Brooklyn
	7:00 PM	C	Colonial Pool Play Center	Manhattan
<u>Mon.</u>				
Dec. 22	10:00 AM	A	Tompkins Square Playground	Manhattan
	10:00 AM	A	Bernard Downing Playground	Manhattan
	10:00 AM	A	St. Mary's Rec. Center	Bronx
	10:00 AM	B	Carroll Park	Brooklyn
	10:00 AM	A	Seth Low Playground	Brooklyn
	10:30 AM	A	Riverdale & Snediker Plgd	Brooklyn
	2:00 PM	A	Mullaly Rec. Center	Bronx
	3:30 PM	C	St. John's Recreation Cen.	Brooklyn
	3:30 PM	H	Hammels Houses Playground	Queens
	4:15 PM	C	Brooklyn War Memorial	Brooklyn
	7:00 PM	H	Von Dohlen Playground	Queens
<u>Tues.</u>				
Dec. 23	10:00 AM	A & M	Drier-Offerman Playground	Brooklyn
	10:00 AM	A	Sheridan Playground	Brooklyn
	10:00 AM	A	McKibben Playground	Brooklyn
	10:30 AM	A	Jackson Pond Playground	Queens
	10:30 AM	A	John Jay Playground	Manhattan
	2:00 PM	A	St. James Playground	Bronx
	2:30 PM	H	Mosholu Playground	Bronx
	3:00 PM	B	St. Andrew's Playground	Brooklyn
	3:30 PM	B	Shiplacoff Playground	Brooklyn
	3:30 PM	D	Heckscher Playground	Manhattan
	4:00 PM	B	Brownsville Rec. Center	Brooklyn
	4:00 PM	C	Hamilton Place Playground	Manhattan
	8:00 PM	J	Brooklyn War Memorial	Brooklyn
<u>Wed.</u>				
Dec. 24	9:30 AM	A	Lindsay Playground	Brooklyn
	10:00 AM	B	Callahan-Kelly Playground	Brooklyn
	3:00 PM	H	Lindsay Playground	Brooklyn
	3:00 PM	D	Playground at PS 127	Queens
	3:00 PM	D	Playground-179 St & Jamaica Ave.	Queens
	7:00 PM	H	O'Connell Playground	Queens

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Type of *Party</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Borough</u>
Fri. Dec. 26	7:30 PM	K	St. Mary's Rec. Center	Bronx

* Type of Party

A - Pre-school
B - Playground Children
C - Juniors & Intermediates
D - Pre-Teenagers
E - Teenage Girls
F - Junior Girls
G - Junior Boys

H - Teenagers
I - Intermediate Girls
J - Intermediates & Seniors
K - Seniors
L - Seniors & Adult
M - Mothers Group
N - Golden Age Group

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

FOR RELEASE

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1958

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The Department of Parks announces that a contract has been awarded and work has started on the installation of a modern irrigation system on the Clearview Golf Course in the Borough of Queens.

This installation is necessary for the proper maintenance of Clearview Golf Course, which is one of the golf courses operated the year around. The golf course will remain open for play during construction with a minimum of inconvenience to golfers, however, it will be necessary from time to time to operate the golf course with some temporary greens or tees.

Golfers are reminded that "Ground Under Repair" rules of the U.S.G.A. will be in effect at Clearview during the construction.

It is expected that work in connection with this contract will be completed by early spring when the new irrigation system will be most needed.

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11-17-58



ROBERT MOSES
COMMISSIONER

THE CITY OF NEW YORK
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS

ARSENAL
64TH STREET AND FIFTH AVENUE
CENTRAL PARK
NEW YORK 21, N. Y.

STUART CONSTABLE
EXECUTIVE OFFICER

JOHN A. MULCAHY
ASSISTANT EXECUTIVE OFFICER

GEORGE L. QUIGLEY
DIRECTOR MAINTENANCE & OPERATION

Detailed Memorandum to the Mayor from Robert Moses,
City Park Commissioner, on Letter from
Murray Handwerker, President of the
Coney Island Chamber of Commerce

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The letter and photographs regarding conditions at Coney Island have been considered by us. The statements are grossly inaccurate. The erosion is not as serious as it is claimed to be. The conditions shown in the photographs taken in 1957 have since been rectified. The beach area has been increased to its practical limits.

Attached is a list of completed and proposed improvements for Coney Island which fully shows that with Federal, State, and City funds, Coney Island has already been rehabilitated and benefited to a much greater extent than any other similar resort area in the United States.

The allegations made and the actual facts are as follows:

1. ALLEGATION: "Shocking neglect" by Park Department, with accompanying photographs (Pictures 1a, b, and c.) "At Coney Island, in addition to the exposure of jetties, concrete pillars that supported the old Boardwalk structure and the foundations of the old 8th Street comfort station now project from the sand and endanger bathers 18 years after the Boardwalk line was moved back."
FACT: The section of the boardwalk was relocated; it was not torn down nor was the old piling covered with sand. The entire boardwalk including the concrete piles, bents, and wood stringers were moved intact as shown by the attached photo. It was an engineering feat of that time. What your picture shows, is rubble from the partial demolition of the old bathhouse on West 5th Street. This material was hauled with the sand excavation from the bathhouse site to the filled-in section of the beach. This rubble is removed as it becomes exposed.
2. ALLEGATION: (Picture No 2). "Cavern created under the Boardwalk."
FACT: The fence under the boardwalk between West 29 and West 32 Streets was erected in 1957 with our permission

by the New York City Housing Authority to prevent sand accumulating on the Coney Island Houses playground and landscape development to the north of the boardwalk. The fenced area under the boardwalk is not open to the public, but is a centrally located path connecting the beach with the playground and the housing development. The fences are subjected to excessive vandalism but the openings in the fence are closed off as soon as the Park maintenance forces discover them. Incidentally, it would be unwise to remove the sand from underneath the boardwalk to the beach; this location is subject to erosion which will be eliminated by the protection work proposed for 1960. The existing jetties will be extended and the beach restored with sand fill at that time.

3. ALLEGATION: "Sand is piled dangerously high under the boardwalk." (Picture No. 3).
FACT: This is inaccurate. The areas open to the public patronizing the concessions under the boardwalk have sufficient head room. Every spring the sand drifts are redistributed over the beach by mechanized equipment.
4. ALLEGATION: Failure of Park Department to increase beach acreage and make improvements.
FACT: In 1940 and 1941, the beach area was increased by 28 acres or approximately 20 per cent. In 1941, a two foot thick blanket of white sand was placed on the entire length of Brighton and Coney Island beaches. After the war, City funds were provided to completely redeck the deteriorated boardwalk, reconstruct Steeplechase Pier and the boardwalk shelters, provide two playgrounds, a new maintenance building and a new comfort station at West 8th Street. Despite the interim World War II period, \$10,430,000 has been spent on beach and boardwalk improvements in Coney Island since 1938. This includes the Aquarium, the reconstruction of the West 8th Street BMT station and the pedestrian overpass from the station to the boardwalk and Aquarium. In addition, other public improvements amounting to \$20,077,000, as shown on the attached list, have been extremely beneficial to Coney Island. Other public improvements totaling \$36,834,000 have been proposed for Coney Island.
5. ALLEGATION: Further erosion can be stopped by payloader.
FACT: The stopping of erosion by a payloader is nonsense. Each spring with mechanized equipment, the maintenance forces of the Department of Parks redistribute sand drifts and return the beach to proper conditions for the start of the bathing season.

The Department of Parks is fully cognizant of its responsibility for the proper maintenance of Coney Island Beach and is fulfilling its obligations. It has been responsible for many public improvements and is continuing with State and Federal aid to carry out further improvements. The beach protection work in Coney Island will start in 1960, as a cooperative effort of the City and State.

Coney Island was for many years in a run-down condition. What has been done in recent times has attracted nationwide interest and praise. No other rundown shore resort in the entire country has benefited by so many public improvements. A partial list is attached. I suggest that the Chamber of Commerce devote its efforts to stimulating greater participation by property owners and investors in the rehabilitation and improvement of the Coney Island area.

(signed) ROBERT MOSES

Commissioner

CONEY ISLAND
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
1017 Surf Avenue - Brooklyn 24, N. Y.
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Hon. Robert F. Wagner
City Hall
New York 7, New York

Dear Mr. Mayor:

November 17, 1958

I, in my capacity as President of the Coney Island Chamber of Commerce, wrote Mr. Stuart Constable, Executive Officer of N. Y. City's Dept. of Parks, on Thursday, April 18, 1957, to advise Mr. Constable that our Chamber would oppose the acquisition of any new beach property by the Dept. of Parks unless and until the present beaches under the supervision of New York City's Dept. of Parks were properly maintained. We specifically advised Mr. Constable of the shocking neglect of Coney Island's beach by his Dept. and forwarded photographs taken on April 7, 1957 to illustrate the conditions of "shocking neglect", which demanded correction. Enclosed are the photographs sent to Mr. Constable at that time as well as a copy of the accompanying letter dated April 18, 1957. On April 30, 1957 Mr. Constable answered us stating that he did not subscribe to our statement of shocking neglect.

Since our letter of April 18, 1957 to Mr. Constable, in which we pointed out conditions of shocking neglect, the condition of the Coney Island beach from Sea Gate to the easternmost end of Brighton Beach has continued to be neglected and further erosion has set in. The only thing Mr. Constable has done is to build a fence on the W. 10th Street jetty to prevent people walking along the slippery jetty to the rock breakwater. While we acknowledge Mr. Constable's fence making proclivities, fences on jetties are not the answer to erosion. You can't fence out the sea.

On October 10, 1958, we again wrote Mr. Constable to determine whether any provision had been made in the Capital Budget for rectification of the Park Department's record of neglect at Coney Island's Beaches. On October 17, 1958 Mr. Constable answered us that protection work for Coney Island "cannot be scheduled until 1960". Mr. Constable in that letter did not say that protection work would be started in 1960. He only stated that protection work could not be scheduled until 1960. We believe protection work can be, must be and should be started immediately. And no amount of semantic circumlocution about surveys for future work can obfuscate the fact that no present work to remedy the still shocking conditions of the Coney Island Beach has been provided for in the new Capital Budget. This despite the fact that a minor expenditure for a payloador, to be operated by Coney Island Park Dept. personnel, could at least permit some protection against further erosion and could get some of the sand out from under the Boardwalk and onto the beach until the major erosion correction project, made necessary by the Park Department's long and continued failure at such simple proper maintenance as could be provided by Park Dept. personnel equipped with payloadors is firmly scheduled.

Because of the Park Department's continued failure to act to improve the condition of the Coney Island Beach, we are regretfully bringing this matter to your attention and to the attention of your fellow members of the Board of Estimate. We are also at this time reluctantly releasing the photographs taken on April 7, 1957, and our letter to Mr. Constable of April 18, 1957, with which we submitted the photographs.

We now respectfully request that you and your fellow members of the Board of Estimate direct the Park Dept. to take immediate steps to properly maintain New York City's Beach at Coney Island, in a manner compatible with keeping Coney Island the Greatest Beach, Boardwalk and Amusement Area in the World, in the interest of our local citizenry and the 50,000,000 annual visitors to this internationally famed resort. We further request, as we said we would in our letter of April 18, 1957, that the Board of Estimate withhold funds for the acquisition or for "surveys" prior to acquisition of any additional beach properties by the Park Dept., until after those beaches, both at Coney Island and elsewhere in New York City, now under jurisdiction and control of New York City's Dept. of Parks, are properly maintained.

We are confident that N. Y. City Park Commissioner Moses is completely qualified to maintain a public beach of the highest quality. As Chairman of the Long Island State Park Commission, the Hon. Robert Moses has proven his qualifications at Jones Beach. However, as New York City Park Commissioner, the post from which he draws his salary on the municipal payroll, Com. Moses through his Executive Officer, Stuart Constable, has neglected the requirements of the Coney Island Beach, which caters annually to more people than does Long Island's Jones Beach and all the New York City beaches, other than Coney Island, combined.

The reason we refer to Park Comm. Moses' administration of Jones Beach is because he himself used that as an example of how he would improve Coney Island in a brochure dated Nov. 30, 1937. That Nov. 30, 1937 brochure was prepared by the Dept. of Parks, City of New York, under the title, "The Improvement of Coney Island, Rockaway and South Beaches", during the administration of the late Hon. Fiorello H. LaGuardia. That Nov. 30, 1937 Park Department brochure outlined the plans projected by the Park Dept. for the improvement of the already existing public beaches of New York City, which the Park Department proposed to undertake commencing January 1, 1938, the date on which the Park Dept. took over jurisdiction of our City's beaches from the respective Borough Presidents' offices, which exercised jurisdiction over New York City's beaches prior to that date.

In that Nov. 30, 1937 Park Department brochure, which was generously larded with criticism of the operation of New York City's beaches by the Offices of the Presidents of the respective Boroughs in which they were located, Comm. Moses made some grandiose promises in which he held up his personal accomplishments at Jones Beach as an example of what he would accomplish with our City beaches. For Coney Island Comm. Moses held out the promise of almost triple beach acreage along the same waterfront that then existed and now exists. Comm. Moses' Park Dept. brochure of Nov. 30, 1937, said in reference to Coney Island, quote.... This 2 1/2 mile-long strip of

beach with the Boardwalk and other structures located for the most part along the edge of high water provides only 57 acres of sand for bathers. An equivalent length of beach at Jones Beach State Park... with the Boardwalk set back a safe distance from the surf, provides 155 acres of sand beach, with capacity for three times as many bathersunquote.

In the over 20 years since the Park Dept. took over the jurisdiction of the Coney Island Beach and Boardwalk from the Borough of Brooklyn on January 1, 1938, the Park Dept. has failed to live up to its prospectus, not only in relation to increasing the acreage of the Coney Island Beach, but has failed to live up to other promises outlined in that prospectus.

The Park Department's 20 years of failure has not been due to lack of willingness by this or previous administrations to co-operate for the improvement of the Coney Island Beach. In fact, in 1940 \$6,000,000 was appropriated to straighten out a section of the Coney Island Boardwalk between Stillwell Ave. and Ocean Parkway. However, inexcusable negligence and only inexcusable negligence in the proper maintenance of the Beach in this area as well as in other areas has permitted major erosion of the Coney Island Beach. The fact is that the expenditure of several thousand dollars for a payloader, which could be operated by existing Park Dept. Coney Island personnel at little or no additional annual overhead, in conjunction with other minor maintenance expenditures, could have precluded the washout of this \$6,000,000 improvement plus other valuable beachland. But instead of adequate maintenance for its existing beach at Coney Island the Park Dept. has kept announcing grandiose plans for the acquisition of new and additional beaches. It is fiscal folly to expend additional capital on new beaches, while improper maintenance erodes an existing world famous beach at Coney Island, which is more readily accessible to more people than any other existing or proposed beach site in the civilized world. At Coney Island, in addition to the exposure of jetties, concrete pillars that supported the old Boardwalk structure and the foundations of the old 8th Street comfort station now project from the sand and endanger bathers 18 years after the Boardwalk line was moved back. " The foundations of the old building line are exposed in the sand. Sand is piled dangerously high under the Boardwalk. However, Park Comm. Moses' Executive Officer, Stuart Constable, not only refused to acknowledge "shocking neglect" 1 1/2 years ago, he has failed to take active steps to correct the "shocking neglect" in the intervening time.

However, the Park Department's refusal to admit to "shocking neglect" is not important. The Park Department's responsibilities for proper maintenance of the Coney Island Beach is important. The captions on the pictures I am submitting to you and your fellow members of the Board of Estimate speak for themselves of Comm. Moses' or his designated representative's failure to live up to their responsibility to the citizens of the City of New York, who expect the Coney Island Beach, their beach, to be properly maintained as befits the greatest city in the world. And I would like to point out that conditions are now worse than when these enclosed pictures were taken on April 7, 1957 for forwarding to Stuart Constable, Executive Officer of the Park Dept., on April 18, 1957.

As President of the Coney Island Chamber of Commerce, I invite you and your fellow members of the Board of Estimate to personally visit Coney Island for the purpose of inspecting the Coney Island Beach. We would appreciate your bringing Comm. Moses with you. We are confident that after you see what has to be done, you will instruct Comm. Moses to have his representatives do it.

Sincerely,

/s/ MURRAY HANDWERKER
President,
CONEY ISLAND CHAMBER OF COMMERCE,
Inc.

ENCLOSED COPY OF LETTER TO STUART CONSTABLE DATED APRIL
18, 1957 PHOTOGRAPHS ACCOMPANYING LETTER OF APRIL 18, 1957. . .

C O P Y

April 18, 1957

Hon. Stuart Constable
Executive Officer
Department of Parks
64th Street and 5th Ave.
New York 21, New York

Dear Mr. Constable:

Enclosed are some pictures taken on Sunday, April 7, 1957, which show the current conditions on the Coney Island Beach. The captions on the pictures are self-explanatory.

Erosion has set in on many portions of the Beach. Sand is piled dangerously high in many places for extended distances under the Boardwalk. There is no direct access from the Beach to the underportion of the Boardwalk from West 29th St. to West 32nd Street, where Boarding has been put up between the Beach and the Boardwalk decking on the Beach side of the Boardwalk along the entire stretch of Boardwalk between these three (3) blocks. This has created a giant and unsafe underboardwalk cave.

We have read of a Park Department proposal to acquire additional beach space in New York City. The Coney Island Chamber of Commerce will oppose the acquisition of any new beaches by the Park Department, until after the Park Department properly maintains all Beaches over which it now has jurisdiction. The neglect of the Coney Island Beach, specifically, is shocking.

We are not at this time releasing the enclosed photos to the Board of Estimate or the press. We would prefer that the condition of the Coney Island Beach be improved without the necessity for airing the condition of neglect that now obtains. However, we feel that we must regretfully advise you of our decision to bring the neglect of the Coney Island Beach by the Park Department to the attention of all to whom it may be of interest, should the improvement of the Coney Island Beach not be given a top priority by the Park Department.

Very truly yours,

CONEY ISLAND CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
Inc.

Murray Handwerker,
President.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS

11/19/58

CONEY ISLAND BEACH AND BOARDWALK IMPROVEMENTS SINCE 1938

1939	Game Areas east of former Municipal Bathhouse	\$ 900,000
1940	Realignment of boardwalk - Stillwell Ave. to Ocean Parkway including two comfort stations	875,000
1941	Extension of boardwalk, 4 jetties, and white sand from W. 37 St. to Corbin Place	525,000
1949	Steeplechase Pier Reconstruction	170,000
1950	Playground at Brighton 2nd Street	100,000
1950	Redecking of Boardwalk	350,000
1952	Redecking of Boardwalk	560,000
1952	Rehabilitation of Playground adjacent to Boardwalk at Seaside Park	35,000
1954	Maintenance Building at W. 25 Street	375,000
1954	Aquarium - 1st Stage	1,200,000
1954	Reconstruction of W. 8 St. Elevated Station and Construction of overpass over Surf Avenue	500,000
1955	Storage and Equipment Building	15,000
1955	Redecking	200,000
1955	Reconstruction of Boardwalk Shelters	60,000
1956	Redecking	300,000
1957	Playground - W. 27 and W. 25 St.	200,000
1957	Demolition of bathhouse	25,000
1958	Comfort Station at W. 8 St.	160,000
1958	Steeplechase Pier Reconstruction	260,000
1958	Redecking	<u>120,000</u>
	TOTAL	- \$ 6,930,000
	LAND ACQUISITION	- <u>3,500,000</u>
	GRAND TOTAL	- \$10,430,000

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS

11/19/58

OTHER PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS IN CONEY ISLAND COMPLETED
SINCE 1938

1939	Belt Parkway - Coney Island Section	1,000,000
1939	Neptune Recreational Area	800,000
1951	Kaiser Playground - Lighting	30,000
1954	Gravesend Houses	7,928,000
1955	Kaiser Playground - Bulkhead Fence	53,000
1955	Manhattan Beach - 1st Stage	317,000
1956	Kaiser Playground - Reconstruction of Bulkhead	105,000
1956	Manhattan Beach - 2nd Stage	947,000
1957	Kaiser Playground - Reconstruction of Bulkhead	48,000
1957	Coney Island Houses	7,696,000
1957	Coney Island Houses Playground	110,000
1957	W. F. Grady H. S. Jointly Operated Playground	232,000
1957	Manhattan Beach - completion	771,000
1958	Seaside Park - Comfort Station	40,000

TOTAL - \$ 20,077,000

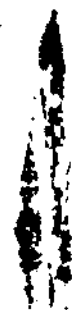
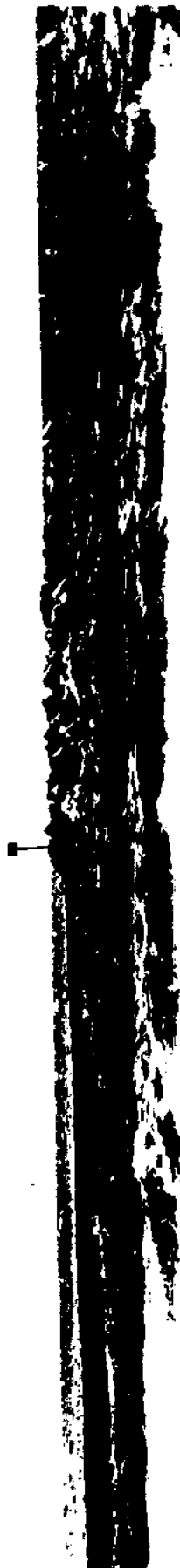
DEPARTMENT OF PARKSPROPOSED PUBLIC IMPROVEMENTS FOR CONEY ISLAND

Completion of Aquarium	\$ 9,000,000
Luna Park Houses	26,100,000
Luna Park Houses Playground	110,000
P. S. 288 Jointly Operated Playground	210,000
Playground - Brightwater Court & Brighton 5th St.	154,000
Playground - Surf Avenue & West 36 St.	210,000
Playground - North Side of Neptune Ave. East of Stillwell Ave.	200,000
Development of City-Owned Properties Behind Boardwalk as Parking Field & Recreational Areas	850,000
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	\$36,834,000

NO. I-a

These concrete shafts sticking out above the beach and endangering bathers are the tops of the supports for the Coney Island Boardwalk decking of the old Boardwalk line, which was moved back to the new Boardwalk line in 1940 at an expense to the City of some \$6,000,000. The water line has now eroded the beach back to this point on West 10th Street. The extent of the erosion can be seen in the exposed jetty at the left of the picture, which had been completely covered by sand back to the rock line. This photo was taken April 7, 1957.

No. 1-0




NO. I-b

In the foreground are concrete foundations, marking the old building line, which were covered by 6 feet of sand when the Boardwalk was moved back "to provide greater beach space" in 1940 at an expense to the City of \$6,000,000. The neglect of the jetty once covered by sand back to the Boardwalk line is obvious. This photo taken at West 10th Street on April 7, 1957 is indicative of conditions in very many sections of the beach. In some areas there is sand under the Boardwalk, while the high tide practically reaches to the very Boardwalk.

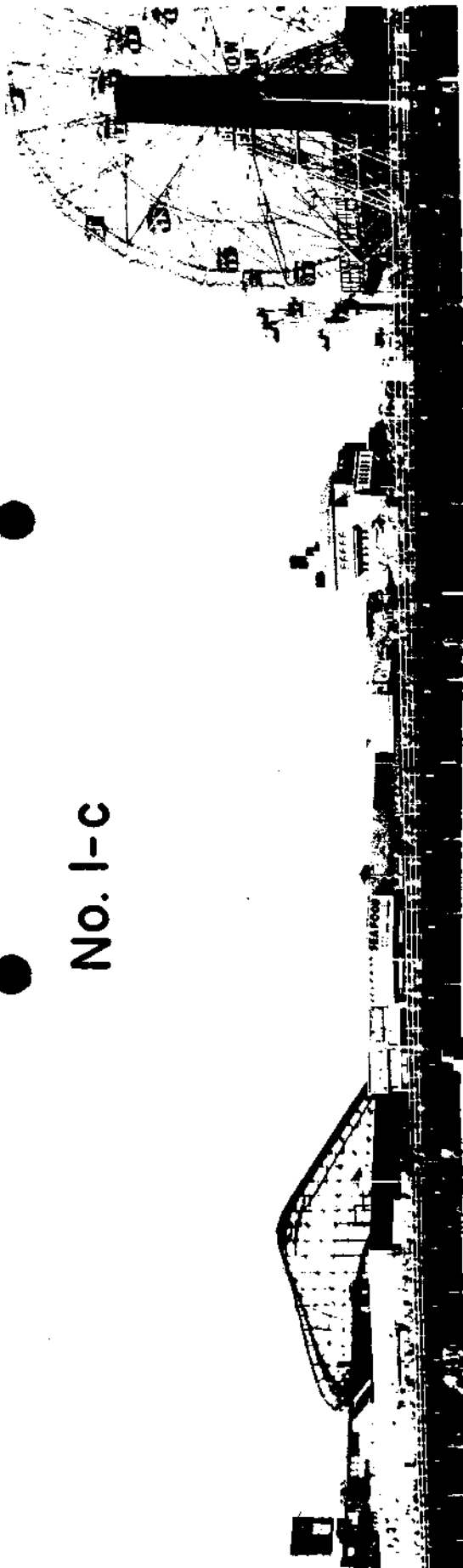
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This photo from the East side of the jetty looking West at West 10th Street in Coney Island shows the rotting jetty, which should be covered by sand in the foreground and the water washing up the eroded beach on the West side of the jetty. The Wonderwheel in the background is between Jones Walk and West 12th Street.



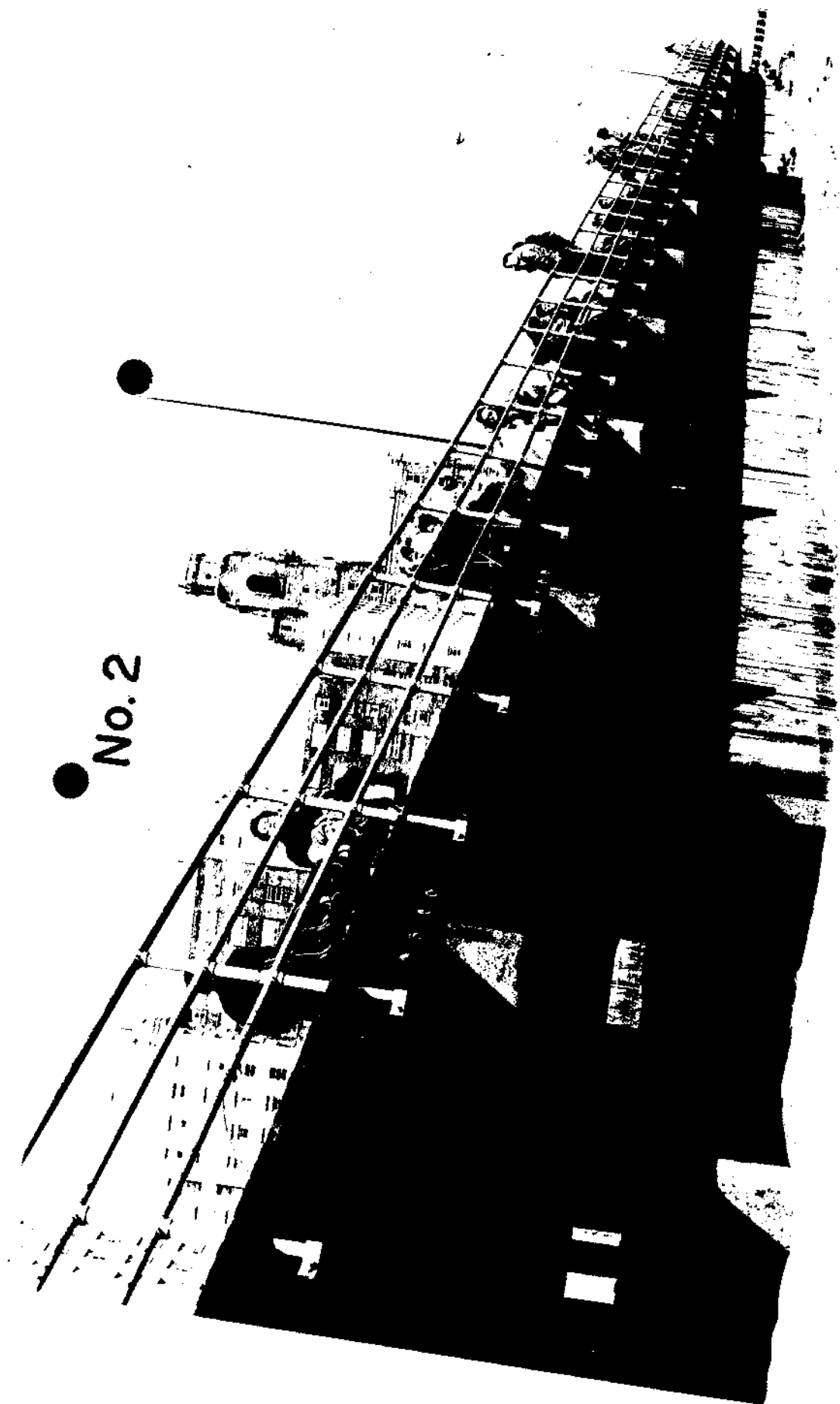
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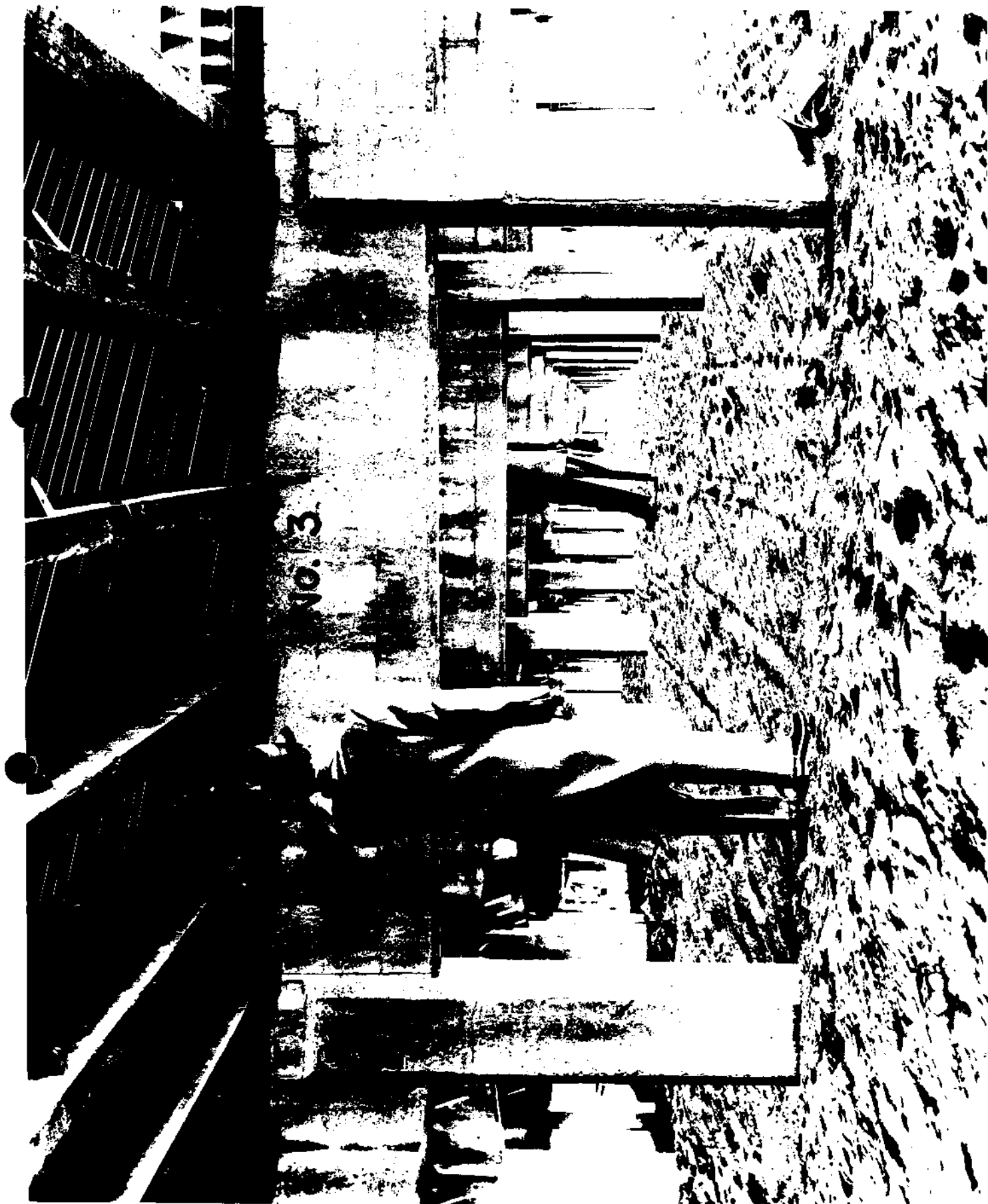
Looking East from West 32nd Street you can note the boarding up between the beach and the coney Island Boardwalk decking. This board extends to West 29th Street. The contrast between the sunlit brightness of the Coney Island Beach and the shadowed cavern created under the Boardwalk is obvious. This photo was taken Sunday afternoon, April 7, 1957.

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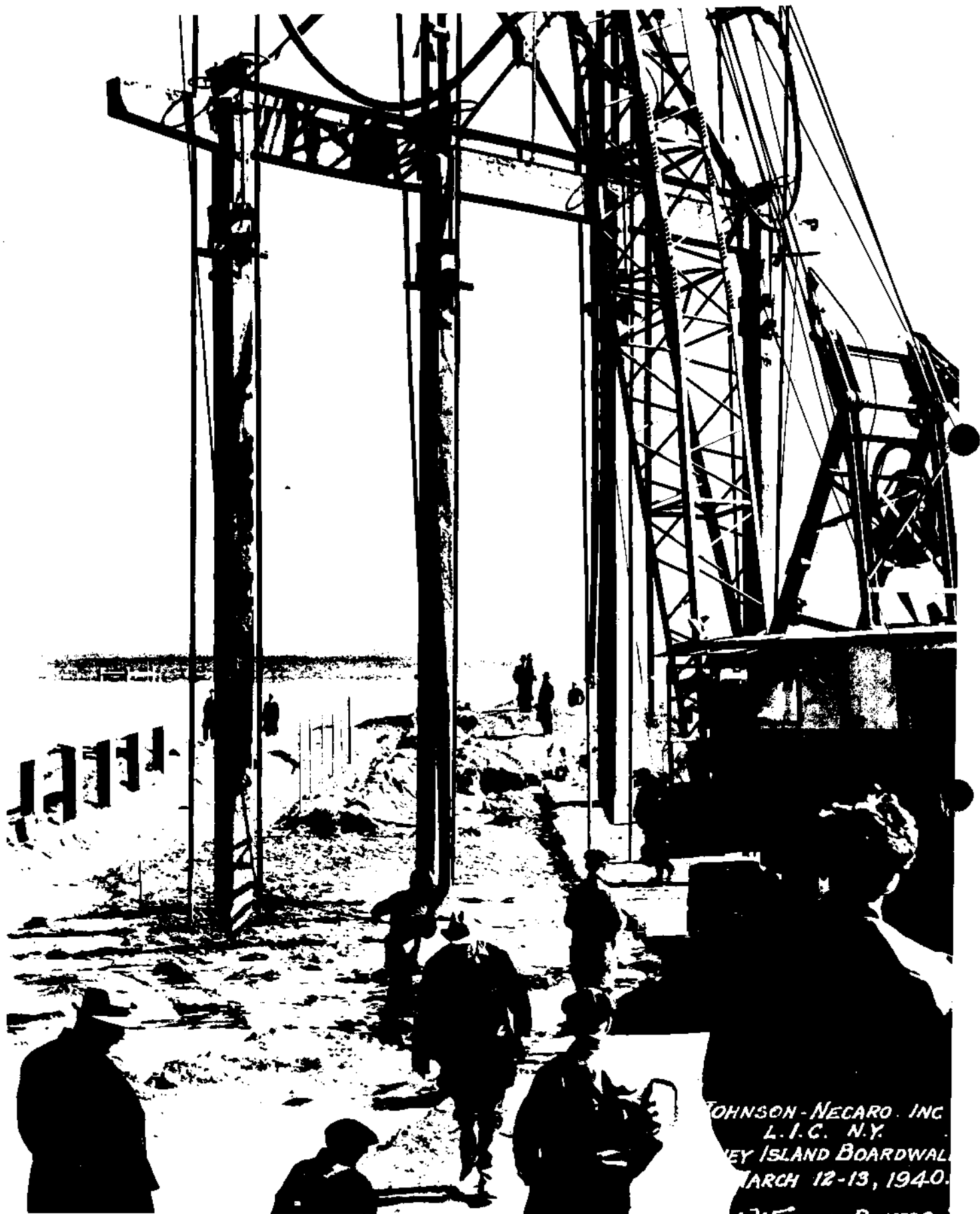
Looking East under the Coney Island Boardwalk from West 10th Street you can note how close the sand is to the concrete supports to the Boardwalk decking. The man in the foreground is 5'7". This photo was taken Sunday afternoon, April 7, 1957.



RELOCATING BOARDWALK AT CONEY ISLAND 1940

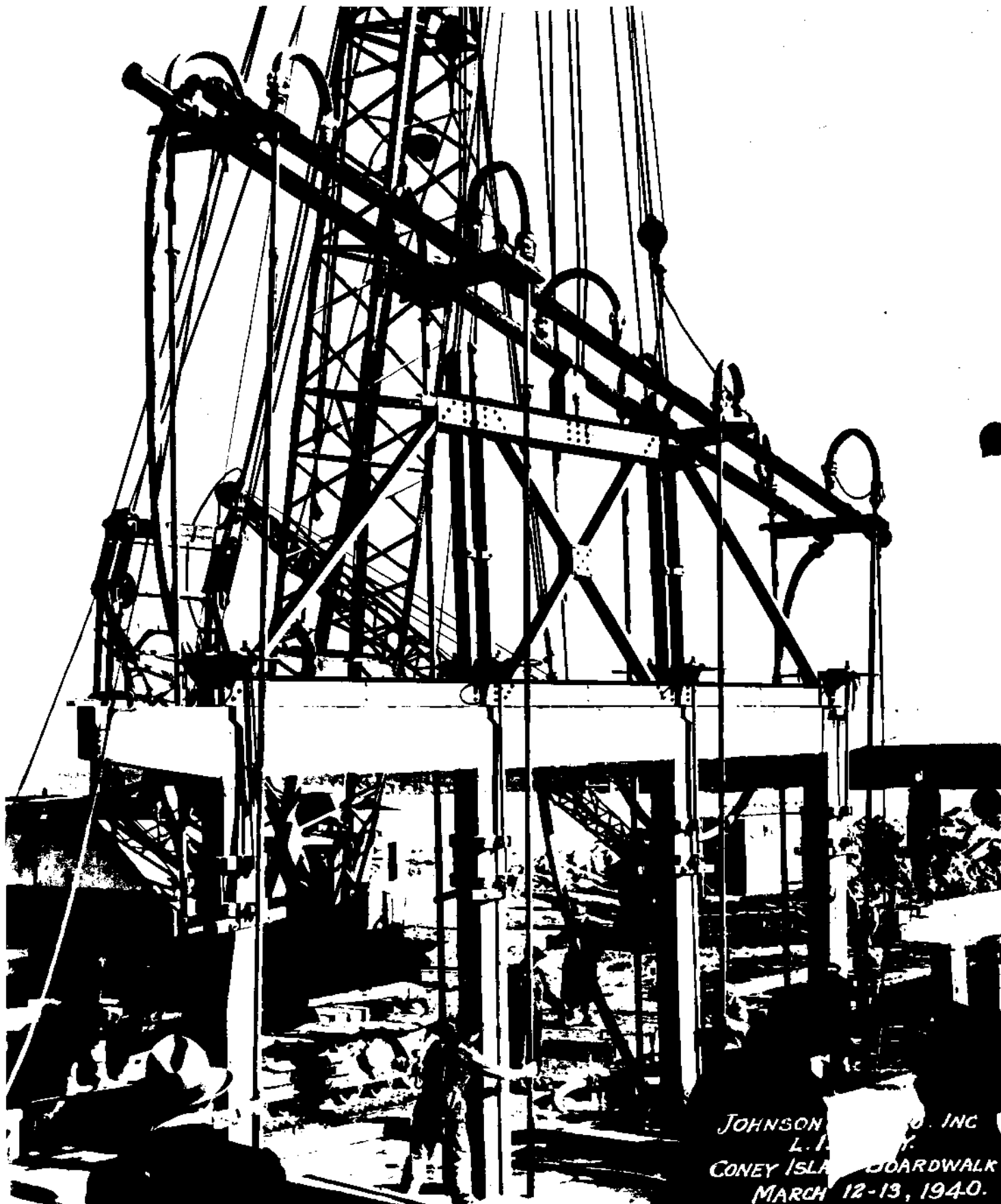


RELOCATING BOARDWALK AT CONEY ISLAND 1940



JOHNSON-NECARO, INC.
L.I.C. N.Y.
CONEY ISLAND BOARDWALK
MARCH 12-13, 1940.

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AT THE
DEDICATION OF THE
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WEST 118TH STREET, HARLEM, NEW YORK
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 1958

I am glad to join President Hoover, who has in his customary quiet, modest, effective way done so much for the youth of this country, in helping to dedicate this outstanding Children's Center with its notable facilities for recreation, health care and the building of citizenship.

The Chief, as so many of us call Mr. Hoover, I mean those whom he has inspired and who have worked under his selfless, wise and firm direction, is aware of the deep, obscure, baffling sources and origins of the youth problem, but he spends little time in bemoaning them. He is too busy with practical remedies, one of which at least is supplying ample facilities for wholesome recreation. Others threaten, pontificate, sob and beat their breasts, crying mea culpa. The Chief acts, and Boys Clubs rise like Solomon's Temple with hardly a sound of hammer or axe. You have made no mistake in holding up this distinguished architect of Americanism as an exemplar.

This new Center of yours with its outdoor play area and the programs planned for it is tangible evidence of the vitality which continues to animate the Children's Aid Society after 105 years of service to the City. In the same neighborhood the City also is doing everything

possible to give Harlem something approaching the recreation facilities it needs. To the south is Stephen Foster Houses where we have a good park playground as well as the existing Children's Aid Society Center. This project has been in full operation for several years and, we are told, will be coordinated with the new Dunlevy Milbank Center.

East of Foster Houses the first section of Senator Taft Houses has recently been finished and plans for the second section are nearing completion. Still further east is James Weldon Johnson Houses, long in operation, with a Park Department playground operated in cooperation with the Board of Education and Public School 57. Just beyond Johnson Houses is Jefferson Houses, two stages of which are in full operation with the remainder well under way.

To the north, reconstructed Mount Morris Park provides two children's playgrounds. To the east, in Senator Wagner Houses, the Park Department playground, adjacent to Junior High School 45 and its Wagner Recreation Center, was opened October 10th. The Park Department also plans to construct in 1960 a playground between 117th and 118th Streets and First and Second Avenues adjacent to Public School 155. This will be started early next year.

To the west, Morningside Park has three fine playgrounds strung along the Morningside Avenue boundary. In addition, a fine athletic field and field house has been constructed by Columbia University

at the southern end of the park in cooperation with the Park Department. This field is used by Columbia for its intramural athletic program on weekdays when the University is in session. On weekends, holidays and during vacations it is staffed by Columbia and operated for the benefit of the entire youth of the community. The examples set by such organizations as Columbia and the Children's Aid Society will, I hope, be followed by other private citizens and organizations in Harlem and elsewhere in the City.

The City cannot provide all the facilities required to afford wholesome housing and recreation for its children. It will always need private aid to supplement public efforts, to try new techniques and to provide independent leadership. I would be lacking in candor if I did not express my dissatisfaction with budget provisions for public recreation, but I realize that there are other demands and that those who scream loudest for remedies are often the least willing to pay for them and the readiest with savage criticisms. This is a period when local public officials are shelled almost incessantly like the people on Quemoy, and know only short periods of comparative immunity. This kind of thing, however justifiable and deserved in some cases and even healthy on occasion, becomes a habit. Constant indiscriminate scolding and internal bickering produce jittery administrators too frightened or too angry for good service. I make no plea for personal sympathy. I'm used to

attacks and would miss them as a country boy would miss the chorus of tree frogs or a factory worker the hum of machinery.

The Children's Aid Society has sown much seed. It has taken root and we are now enjoying the harvest.

May your good works increase and multiply.



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

FOR RELEASE

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 1958

REGENT 4-1000

1-1-1-40M-409033 (58) 114

The Department of Parks announces that the following
golf courses will close for the season at the end of the day's
business on Sunday, November 30, 1958.

PELHAM . . . . .	.BRONX
SPLIT ROCK . . . . .	.BRONX
VAN CORTLANDT . . . . .	.BRONX
LATOURETTE . . . . .	.RICHMOND
FOREST PARK . . . . .	.QUEENS
KISSENA . . . . .	.QUEENS
JACOB RIIS (Pitch Putt) . . . . .	.QUEENS

The following courses will remain open for winter play:

DYKER . . . . .	.BROOKLYN
GLEARVIEW . . . . .	.QUEENS
MOSHOLU . . . . .	.BRONX
SILVER LAKE . . . . .	.RICHMOND

The winter operated golf courses will be open daily
from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M., when conditions for play are favorable.
Cafeteria and golf pro services will be available, and lockers
may be rented on a daily basis only. Golf permits for the year
1958 are valid for use until December 31, 1958 on any of the
courses which are open for play, and the rates charged for rounds
of golf during the regular playing season will be effective at the
winter operated courses. Golf permits for the year 1959 may be
purchased starting Monday, December 1, 1958 and may be used on and
after that date.

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11-19-58



R. Glaser

DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

REGENT 4-1000

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FOR RELEASE

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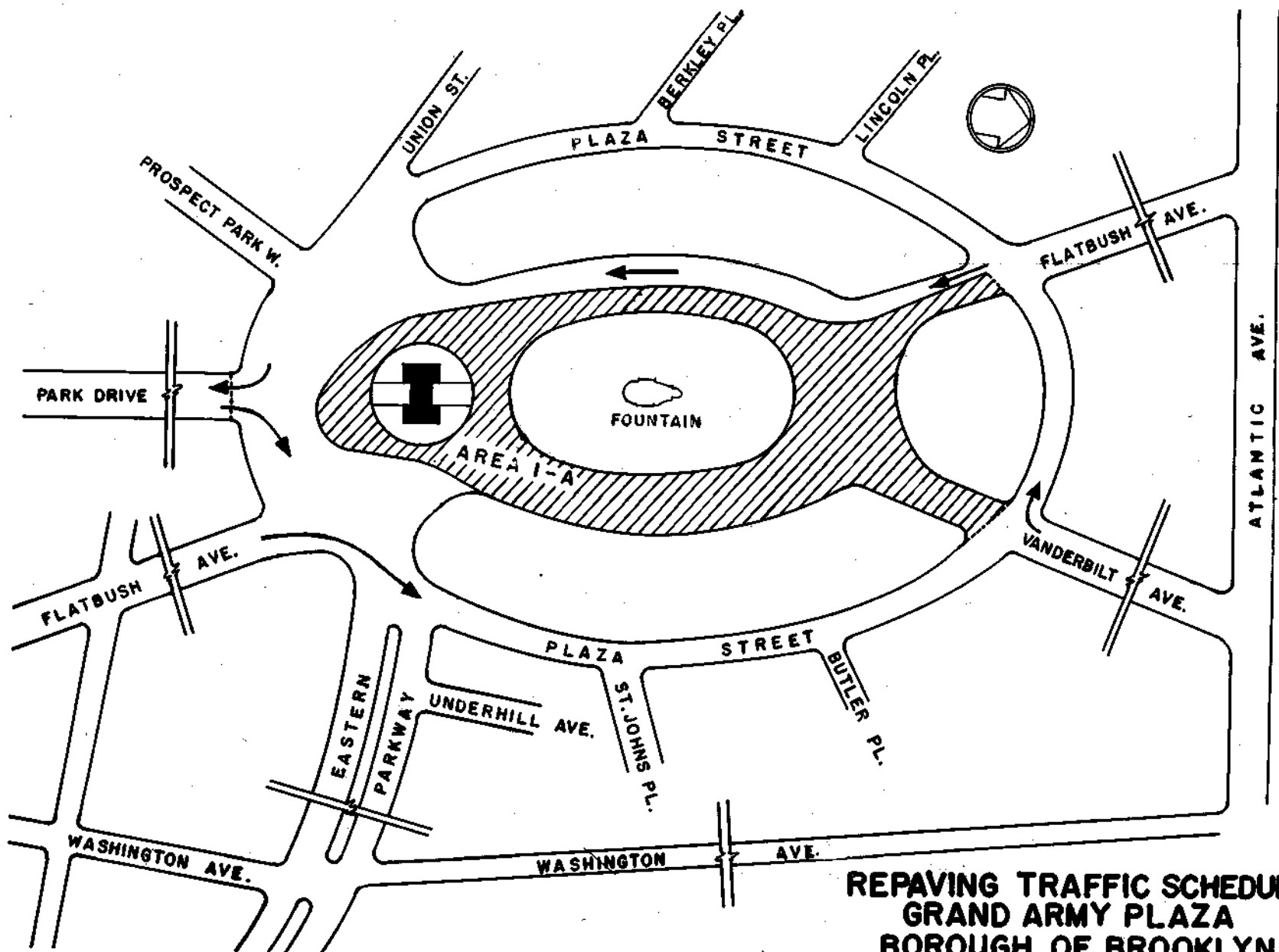
The Department of Parks announces that the first stage of work in connection with the repaving of the Grand Army Plaza in Brooklyn has been completed and the following changes in traffic regulations will be in effect starting Tuesday, October 7, 1958, at 9:30 A.M.

1. Northbound traffic on Flatbush Avenue will be detoured onto Plaza Street.
2. Westbound traffic on Eastern Parkway will be detoured at Washington Avenue.
3. Northbound traffic from Prospect Park Drive will be detoured to Plaza Street.
4. Southbound traffic on Vanderbilt Avenue will be detoured onto Plaza Street.
5. Southbound traffic on Flatbush Avenue will be permitted through Grand Army Plaza. However, trucks will be detoured onto Plaza Street.
6. No standing or parking of vehicles will be permitted on the east side of Washington Avenue between Eastern Parkway and Atlantic Avenue, and no parking will be permitted on Plaza Street.

These regulations will be in effect until further notice.

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10-6-58



**REPAVING TRAFFIC SCHEDULE
GRAND ARMY PLAZA
BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN**



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 1958

REGENT 4-1000

1-1-40M-409033(58) 114

The duck hunting season for the Long Island area opens on November 10, 1958.

Hunting is not permitted in Jamaica Bay. This area has been established as a wildlife refuge, and hunting and carrying of firearms in Jamaica Bay are violations of the Rules and Regulations of the Department of Parks.

Signs have been posted in various locations in this area to this effect, and violators will be prosecuted.

11-3-58

R. Klapen



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

10/6/58 Ann Release 10 AM
REGENT 4-1000
Office

FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 15, 1958

1-1-1-40M-409033(58) 114

The Department of Parks announces that the Wollman Memorial Skating Rink in Central Park and the New York City Building in Flushing Meadow Park will be re-opened for ice skating starting Saturday, October 18, 1958 at 10 A.M.

The Wollman Memorial is located in Central Park at about 63rd Street, west of Central Park Zoo and north of the 59th Street Lake and provides for dressing rooms, a food concession and incidental facilities.

The New York City Building, located in Flushing Meadow Park, is a combination roller and ice skating rink, and may be reached by the following transportation lines:

1. IRT to 111 St. Station, Flushing Division
2. Flushing Ridgewood Bus (Q-58) to Park
3. Independent Subway to Roosevelt Ave. Station - transfer to Flushing Branch of IRT.

Special carnival and holiday events are being arranged for both facilities. These events will be announced at a future date.

The attached schedules of sessions and rates for each facility will be in effect.

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10-10-58

Attachments

SESSION SCHEDULE AND RATES

1958 - 59 Season

WOLLMAN SKATING RINK

ICE SKATING

Session

Rates

Daily - Morning
10:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.
(Except Saturdays, Holidays &
School Vacations)

Child - 50¢

Adult - 50¢

Morning - Saturdays
Holidays and School
Vacations only -
10:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon

Free Period for
Children - 14 years and
under
No adults admitted

Daily - Afternoon
2:30 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.

* Child - 10¢

Adult - 25¢

* 14 years and under

Daily - Evening
8:30 P.M. - 11:00 P.M.

Child - 50¢

Adult - 50¢

Evening - Speed
6:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.
Monday, Wednesday and Friday

Child - 50¢

Adult - 50¢

Evening - Figure Skating
7:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.
Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday.
Sunday morning 9:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.

Child - \$1.00

Adult - \$1.00

with privilege to stay
over for next period

Ice Shoe Skate Rentals

50¢

SESSION SCHEDULE AND RATES

1958 - 59 Season

NEW YORK CITY BUILDING

ROLLER SKATING

Sessions

Morning - Tuesday and Sunday only
10:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

Morning - Saturday, Holidays and
School Vacations
10:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon

Daily - afternoon
2:30 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.

Evening - Figure & Dance
Tuesdays and Thursdays
7:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.

Daily - Evening
8:30 P.M. - 11:00 P.M.

Spectators

Rates

Child - 50¢
Adult - 50¢

Free period for
children - 14 years and
under - No adults per-
mitted

* Child - 10¢
Adult - 25¢
* 14 years and under

Child - \$1.00
Adult - \$1.00
With stay over privilege
to next session

Child - 50¢
Adult - 50¢

General admission
charged for session

ICE SKATING

Morning - Tuesday and Sunday only
10:00 A.M. - 1:00 P.M.

Morning - Saturday, Holidays
and School Vacations
10:00 A.M. - 12:00 Noon

Daily - Afternoon
2:30 P.M. - 5:30 P.M.

Daily - Evening
8:30 P.M. - 11:00 P.M.

Spectators

Child - 50¢
Adult - 50¢

Free period for
children 14 years and
under - No adults

* Child - 10¢
Adults - 25¢
* 14 years and under

Child - 50¢
Adult - 50¢

General admission
charged for session

Evening - Speed
Tuesday, Thursday and Saturdays
6:00 P.M. - 7:00 P.M.

Child - 50¢
Adult - 50¢

Evening - Figure Skating
Monday, Wednesday and Fridays
7:30 P.M. - 8:30 P.M.
Sunday morning 9:00 A.M. - 10:00 A.M.

Child - \$1.00
Adult - \$1.00
With stay over privilege
to next session

Ice or Roller Shoe Skate Rental
Clamp on Roller Skates
Season Locker Rental

50¢
25¢
\$5.00

ICE AND ROLLER SHOE SKATES MAY BE RENTED AT ALL GENERAL PAID
SESSIONS EXCEPT FIGURE & DANCE, AND SPEED SESSIONS.



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

Friday, December 5, 1958

1-1-1-40M-409033(58) 114

The Department of Parks announces that applications are now available for the Municipal Lifeguard Training Course which is conducted each year to train men for the position of Lifeguard at New York City's municipal pools and beaches. Tuition is free.

The course consists of practical and theoretical instruction in lifeguard procedure and practice. Staff members of the Park Department will act as instructors.

Applicants must be male citizens of the United States who are residents of New York City for three years and who will have reached their 17th birthday on the day of appointment and can pass a non-competitive swimming test of 50 yds. in 35 seconds, free style. Applicants must furnish a medical certificate stating that they are in good health. Candidates will not be considered eligible for appointment if they have reached their 35th birthday.

Applications will be available at all public, private, parochial and Hebrew high schools, university and college placement offices; all YMCA, YMHA and Red Cross Chapter offices; also at all borough offices of the Department of Parks. Applications will be accepted by register clerk at the East 54th Street Pool at 342 East 54th Street, Manhattan.

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Sessions will begin on January 2, 1959 and enrollees will be required to attend 14 sessions (2 hours weekly), which will be held afternoons and evenings each weekday, and mornings and afternoons on Saturdays. Applicants will be given their choice of class periods.

Successful candidates will receive certificates of qualification at the termination of the course.

December 4, 1958



BULLETIN

PRE-SERVICE TRAINING
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
CITY OF NEW YORK

LIFE GUARD

MALE—MUNICIPAL POOLS AND BEACHES

SPONSOR

MUNICIPAL LIFE GUARD TRAINING SCHOOL
DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
342 EAST 54th STREET
NEW YORK 22, N. Y.

CONTENT

Practical and theoretical instruction in life guard procedure and practice. Course will consist of five parts; lifesaving and water safety, resuscitator and inhalator operation, beach control, use and care of lifesaving equipment, including boats and surf rescue technique.

INSTRUCTORS

Executive and staff members of the Department of Parks.

SCHEDULE

Fourteen — 2-hour sessions weekly, beginning January 2nd. Enrollees will be required to attend one period of training a week. Sessions will be held afternoons and evenings each weekday and mornings and afternoons on Saturdays. Applicants will be given their choice of class periods.

PLACE

East 54th Street Indoor Pool—342 East 54th Street, Manhattan (near 1st Avenue) (IRT-Lexington Ave. Line to 51st Street. Independent Line to Lexington Avenue).

ELIGIBILITY

Open to male citizens of the United States who are residents of New York City for three (3) years immediately prior to date of appointment and who will have reached their 17th birthday as of date of appointment who can pass a non-competitive swimming test of 50 yards in 35 seconds, free style. Applicants must furnish a medical certificate on Doctor's Stationery, stating that they are in good health. Applications will not be accepted without proof of date of birth. Candidates will not be considered eligible for appointment if they have reached their 35th birthday.

REGISTRATION

Registration will be by written application on forms provided by the Department of Parks. Applications will be available at all Public, Private, Parochial and Hebrew high schools, and university and college placement offices. At all YMCA and YMHA and Red Cross Chapter offices. Also at all Borough offices of the Department of Parks. Applications will be accepted during December, by registration clerk at East 54th Street.

CERTIFICATE

In addition to becoming eligible for appointment as a municipal life guard for the summer season, successful candidates will receive a Senior Red Cross Life Saving Certificate and a certificate of qualification from the Department of Parks.



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

Monday, December 8, 1958

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The Department of Parks Marionette Theatre will open its winter tour by presenting, in cooperation with the Bureau of Community Education of the New York City Board of Education, eight special performances of "Pinocchio" at Junior High School 45, East 120th Street and First Avenue, Manhattan.

Admission to these special performances will be by ticket only. The public may apply for tickets by sending a self-addressed, stamped (4¢) envelope, indicating on the inside flap, the date and time of the performance they wish to attend and the number of tickets requested, to "Puppet Show", Department of Parks, 64th Street and 5th Avenue, New York 21, N. Y.

The special performances are scheduled as follows:

Saturday	- December 27	2:30 P.M.
Monday	- December 29	11:00 A.M. and 2:30 P.M.
Tuesday	- December 30	2:30 P.M.
Wednesday	- December 31	2:30 P.M.
Friday	- January 2	11:00 A.M. and 2:30 P.M.
Saturday	- January 3	2:30 P.M.

On January 5, the Park Puppeteers will begin their regular tour of the five boroughs, giving more than 100 performances of "Pinocchio" in public and parochial schools. Performances will be given in Manhattan from January 5 through January 20; in the Bronx from January 21 through February 5; in Brooklyn from February 6 through February 26; in Richmond from February 27 through March 6; and in Queens from March 10 through March 26.

12-5-58



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1958

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The Department of Parks Marionette Theatre has arranged special visits to its headquarters at the Swedish Cottage, south of 79th Street and West Drive in Central Park, by children from schools, Girl Scout and Brownie Troops, and also groups of teachers and recreation leaders, according to the following schedule:

Tues. Oct. 21	- 10 to 11:30 A.M.	P.S. 87, Manhattan
	1 to 2:30 P.M.	P.S. 33, Manhattan
Wed. Oct. 22	- 10 to 11:30 A.M.	P.S. 87, Manhattan
	3 to 5:30 P.M.	Community Education Personnel, Board of Education
Thurs. Oct. 23	- 10 to 11:30 A.M.	Jr. High School 16, Queens
Fri. Oct. 24	- 10 to 11:30 A.M.	Jr. High School 16, Queens
	1:30 to 2:30 P.M.	Girl Scouts, New Rochelle
Sat. Oct. 25	- A.M. & P.M.	Brownies and Cub Scouts
Mon. Oct. 27	- 10 to 11:30 A.M.	P.S. 87, Manhattan
Tues. Oct. 28	- 10 to 11:30 A.M.	P.S. 6, Manhattan
	1 to 2:30 P.M.	-(Recreation Leaders, Brooklyn (Riverdale Neighborhood School (Teachers
Wed. Oct. 29	- 10 to 11:30 A.M.	Various individuals
	1 to 2:30 P.M.	P.S. 33, Manhattan
Thurs. Oct. 30	- 10 to 11:30 P.M.	P.S. 75, Manhattan
	3:30 to 5:30 P.M.	P.S. 6, Manhattan - Teachers
Fri. Oct. 31	- 10 to 11:30 A.M.	P.S. 171, Queens
Sat. Nov. 1	- A.M. & P.M.	Brownies and Cub Scouts

Although the visitors may have seen many of the Park

Department's marionette shows which have been presented during the past nineteen years, a behind-the-scenes visit is an enlightening experience, one which deepens appreciation of the art of puppetry. During each visit, the Park Puppeteers demonstrate the complex skills and craftsmanship required to produce a marionette show. At the close, they put on a short marionette show scene, full dress, to exhibit all phases of puppetry in their ultimate application.

10-21-58



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

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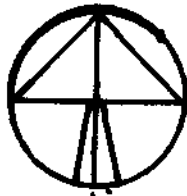
The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening of a playground located at Gerritsen Avenue opposite Seba Avenue in Marine Park in the Borough of Brooklyn.

Constructed in connection with the development of Marine Park, this new facility provides an open play area which may be used for roller skating or roller hockey, and a children's play area with jungle gym, slides, swings, see saws, sand pit, shower basin and games tables.

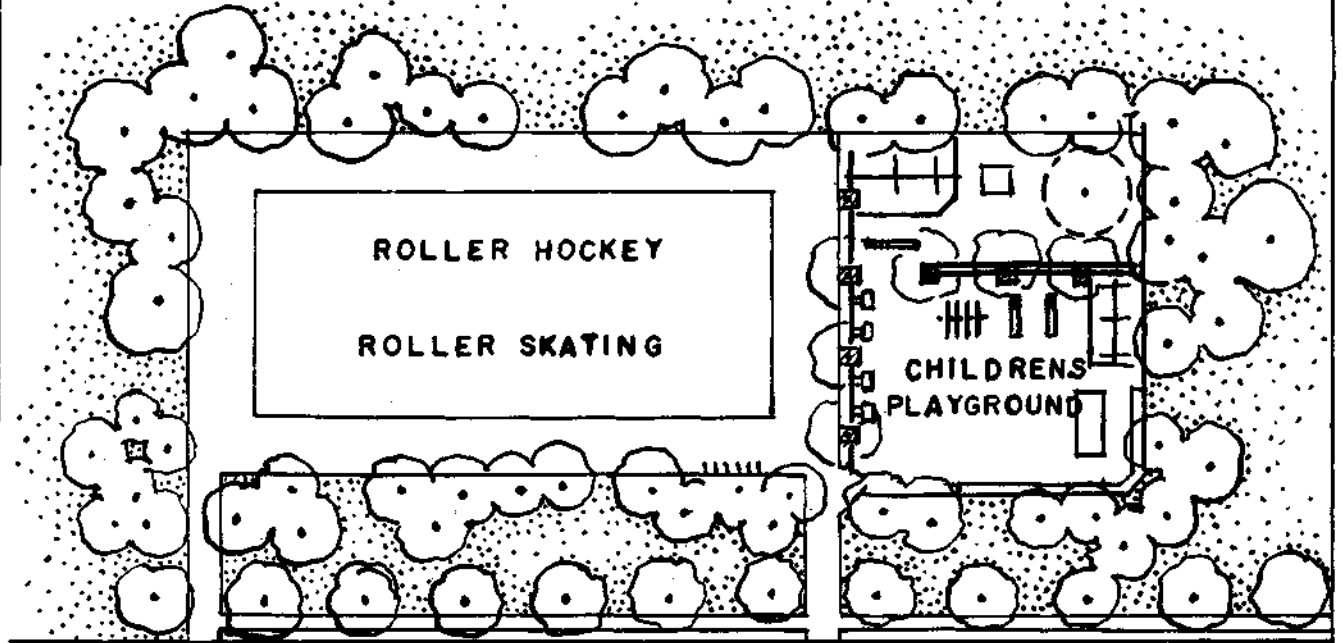
With the addition of this facility, there are now 752 playgrounds in the park system.

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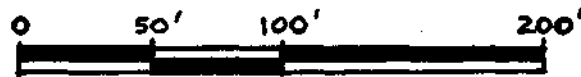
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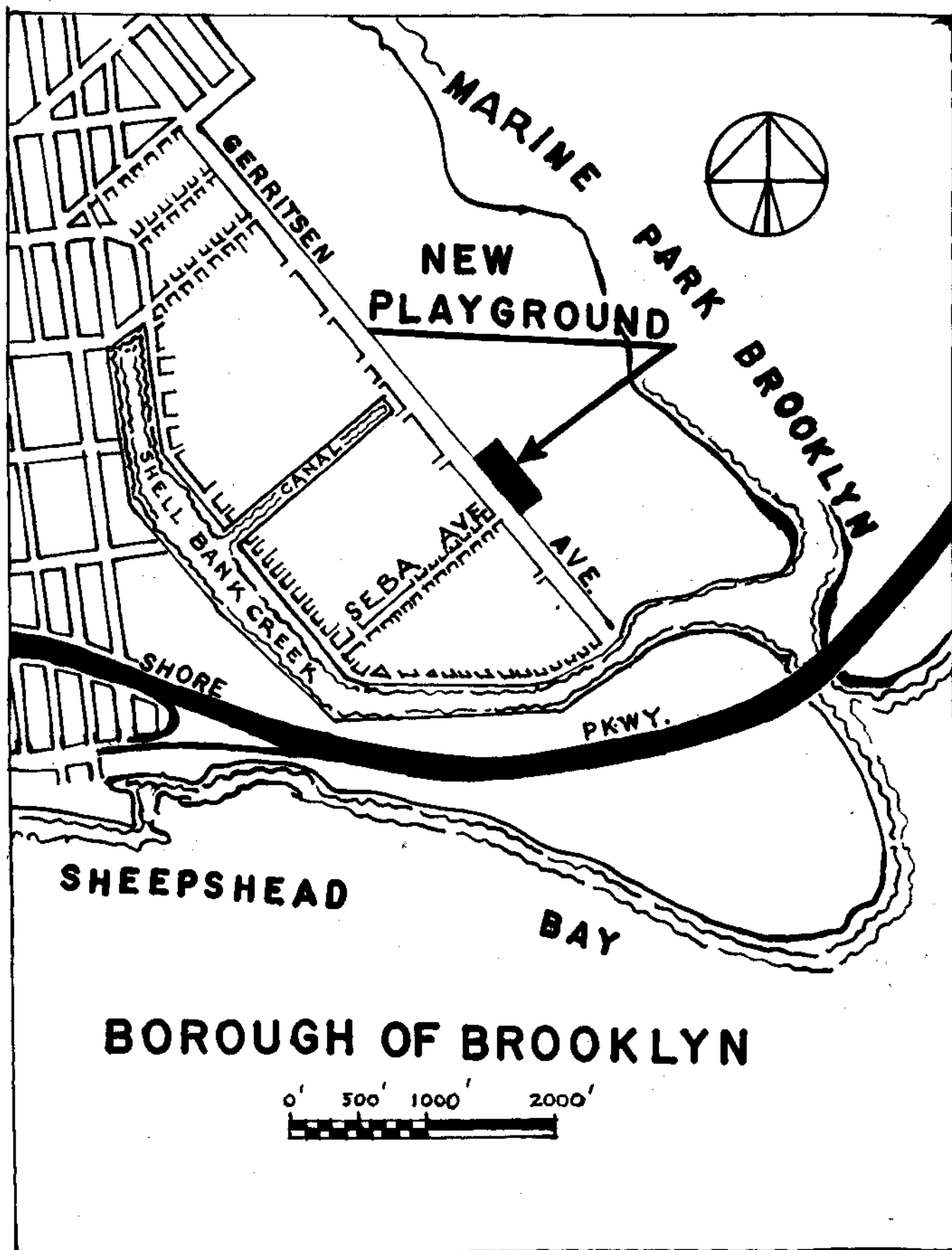


GERRITSEN AVE.

SEBA AVE.

NEW PLAYGROUND
BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN





NEW PLAYGROUND IN MARINE PARK - BKLYN.
OPPOSITE SEBA AVE. NOV. 18 1958 - R.L.R.

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DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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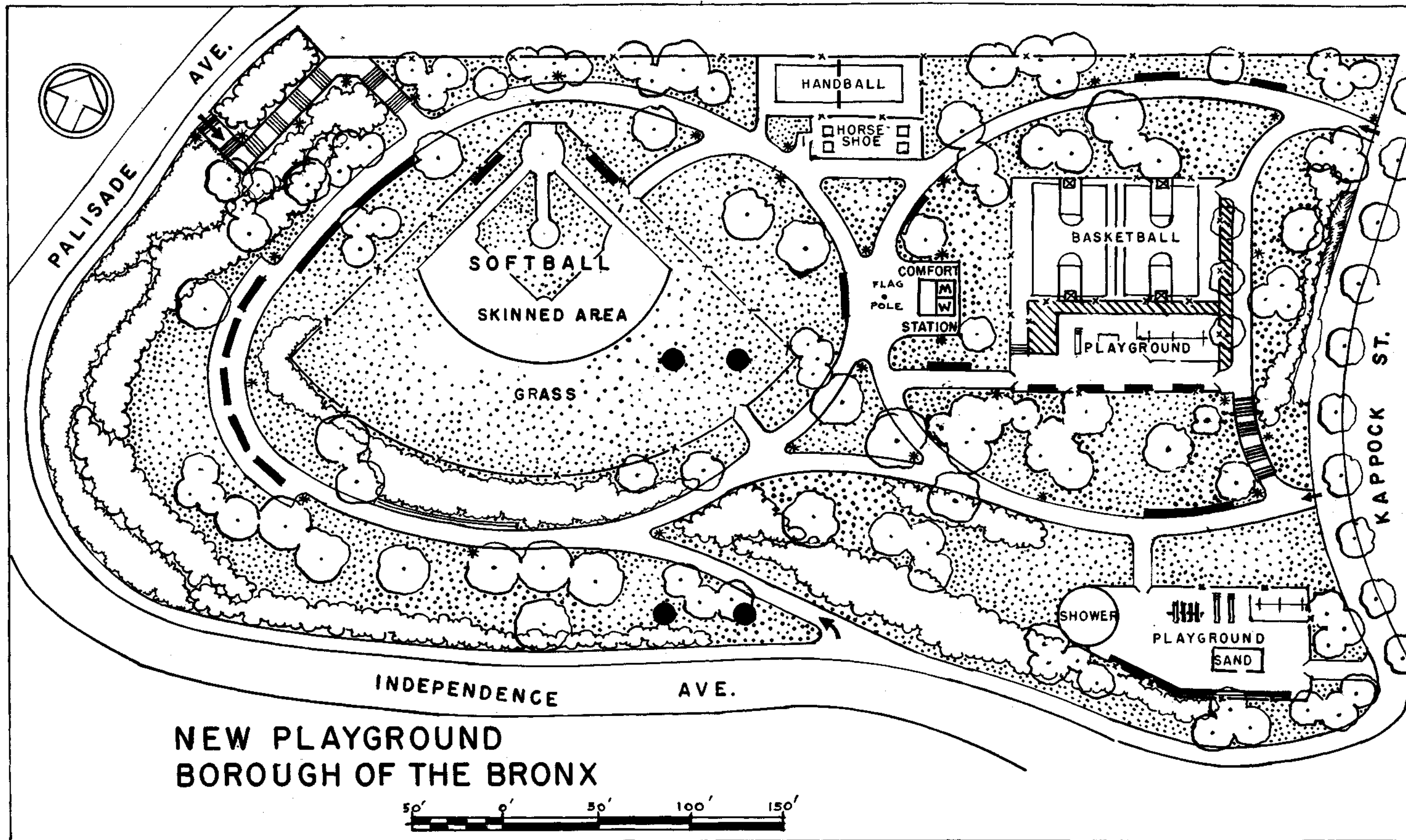
The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening to the public of a playground located in Hudson Memorial Park at Independence Avenue & Kappock Street in the Bronx.

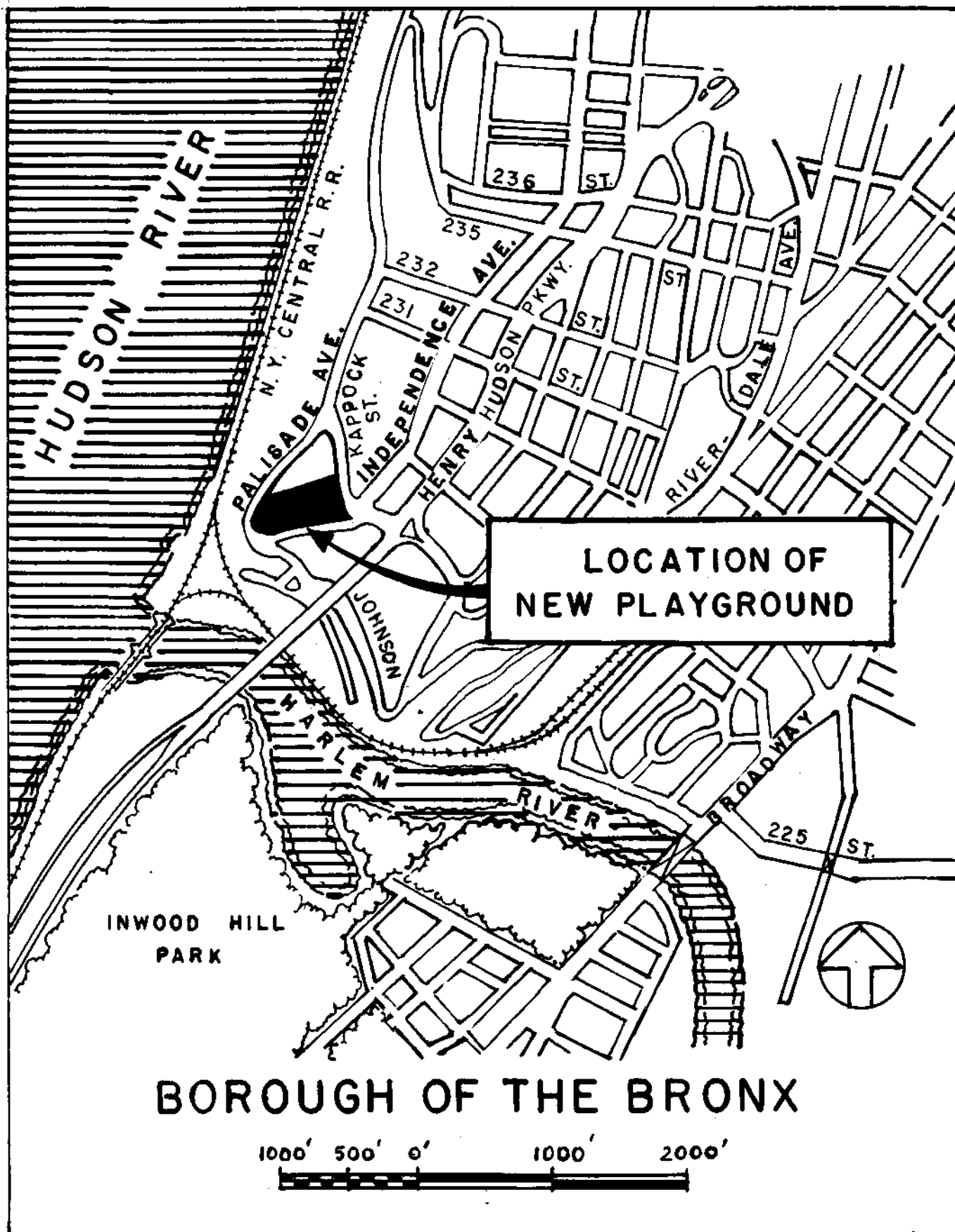
This new recreational area provides facilities for all age groups. The easterly section contains two basketball courts, a comfort station and an area for pre-school age children with a sandpit, slides, swings and seesaws. The northerly section provides for two handball courts and a horseshoe pitching court. A softball field is also provided but this area will not be available for use at the present time because of an insufficient growth of grass.

With the addition of this new area there are now 751 playgrounds in the park system.

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11-5-58









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

FOR RELEASE

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 7, 1958

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening to the public of a playground located at East 120th Street and 2nd Avenue at Wagner Houses and adjacent to J.H.S. 45 in the Borough of Manhattan.

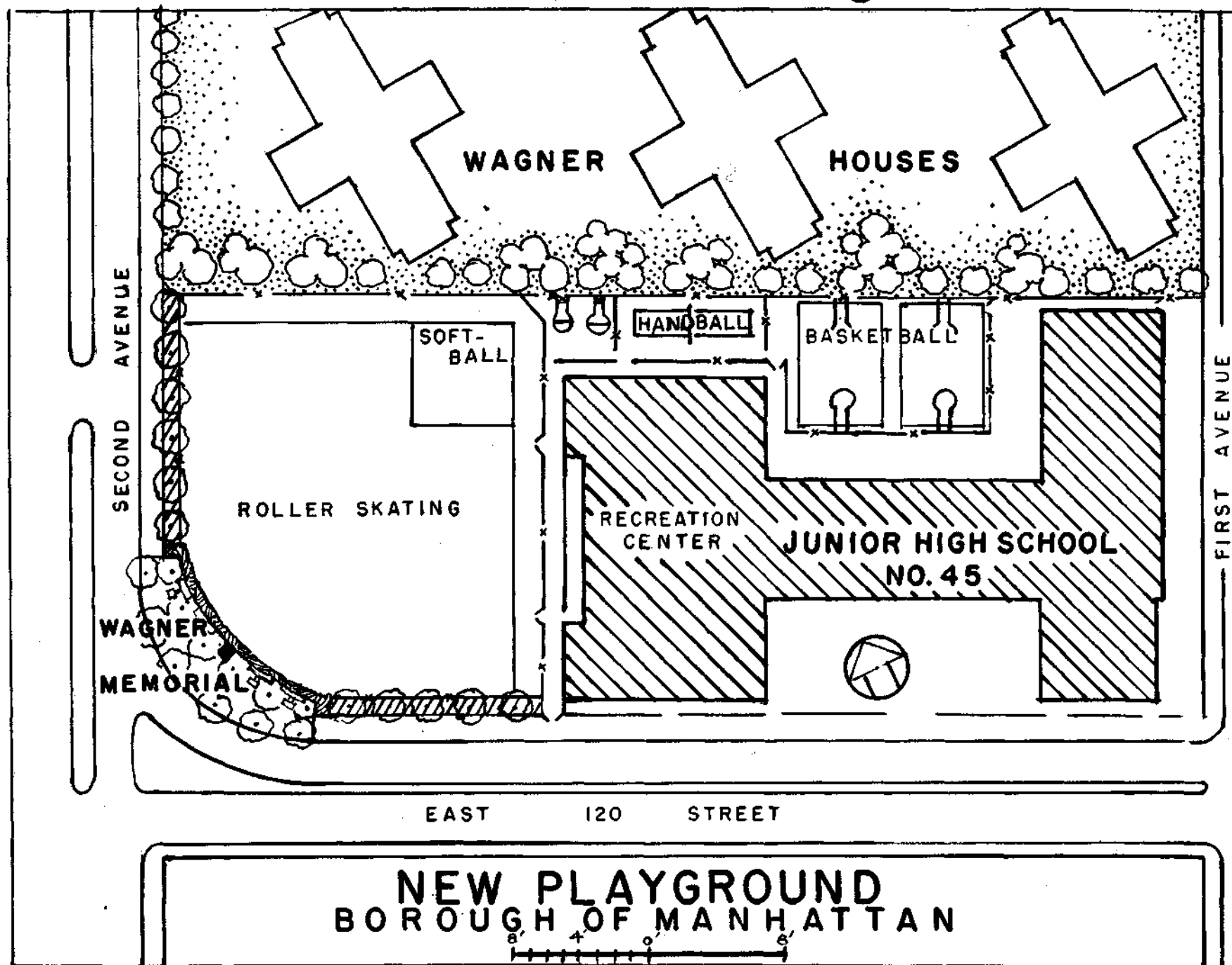
This new 1.973 acre playground was built with New York City Housing Authority funds and it will be operated by the Board of Education when school is in session and by the Department of Parks at all other times.

Divided into two sections, the westerly section contains a softball field and an open play area, and the northerly area provides for practice basketball, two handball courts and two basketball courts.

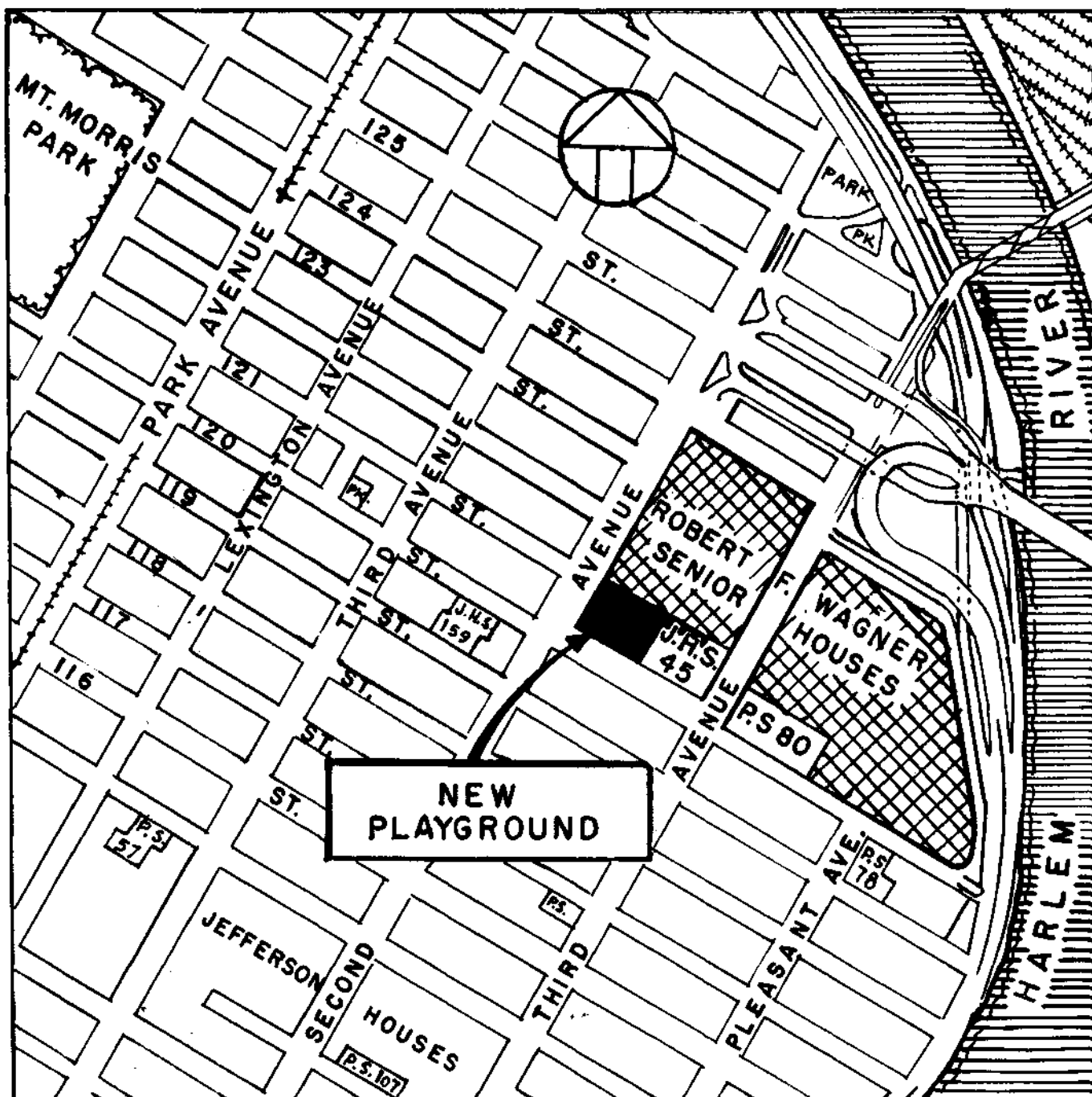
With the addition of this facility there are now 750 playgrounds in the park system.

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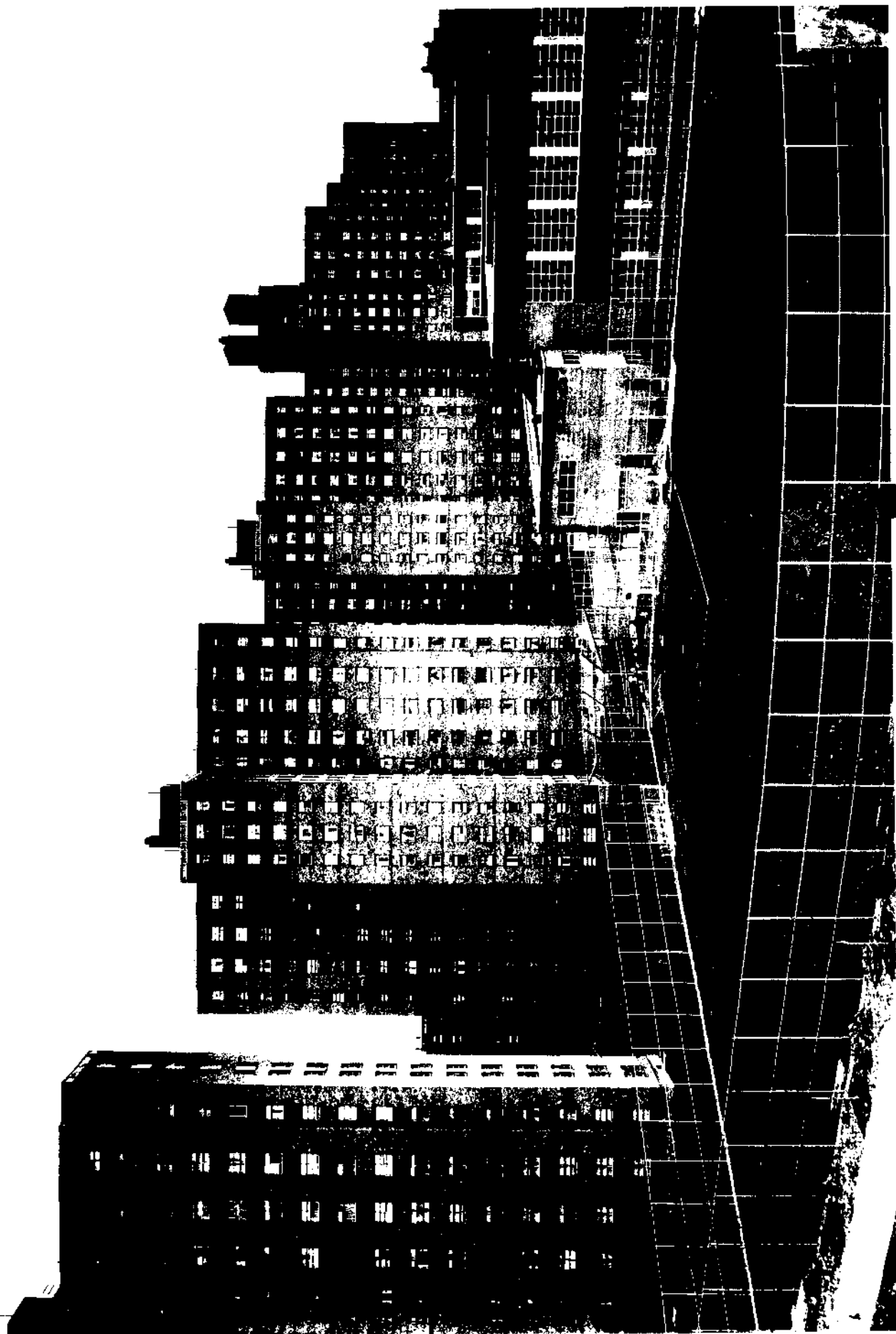
WAGNER HOUSES PLGD - BOROUGH OF MAN.
OCT. 23, 1958. R.L.R.



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WAGNER HOUSES PLGD. - BOROUGH OF MAN.
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R. Gleason



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

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FOR RELEASE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28, 1958

1-1-1-40M-409033(58) 114

The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction and opening of a playground located at Steinway Street between Ditmars and 23rd Avenues in the Borough of Queens.

This new 0.918-acre playground is divided into several sections; the northerly and center sections provide a handball, two basketball and two bocce courts; the southerly section contains swings, see-saws, sandpit, slide, jungle gym and a comfort station.

With the addition of this facility there are now 749 playgrounds in the park system.

10/27/58



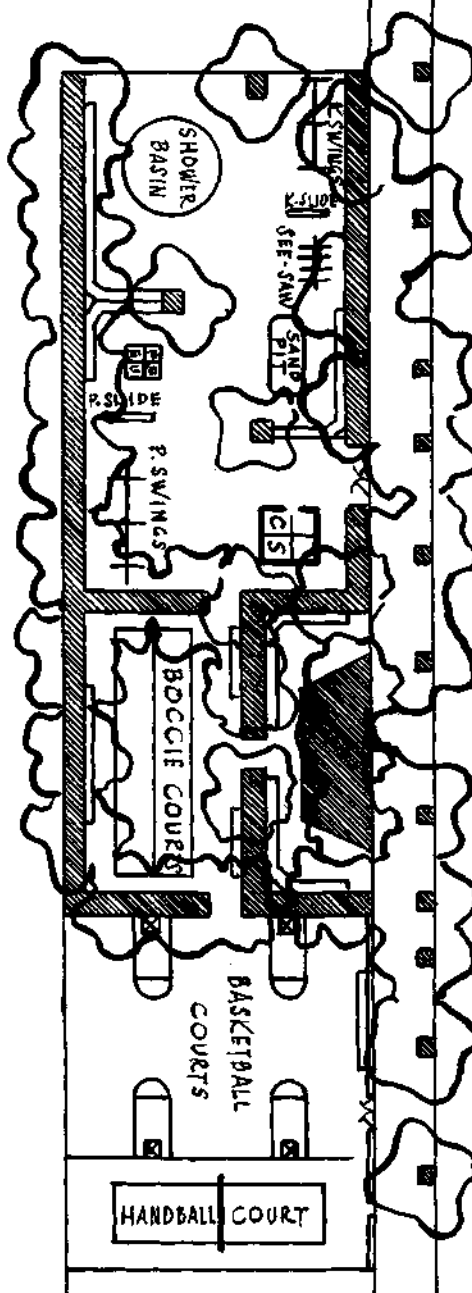
AVENUE

23RD

STEINWAY

STREET

APARTMENT
BUILDING



BOROUGH OF QUEENS





DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

REGENT 4-1000

FOR RELEASE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24, 1958

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The Department of Park announces the completion of construction and opening of a playground located at Underhill Avenue between St. Marks Avenue and Bergen Street, adjacent to P.S. 9, in the Borough of Brooklyn.

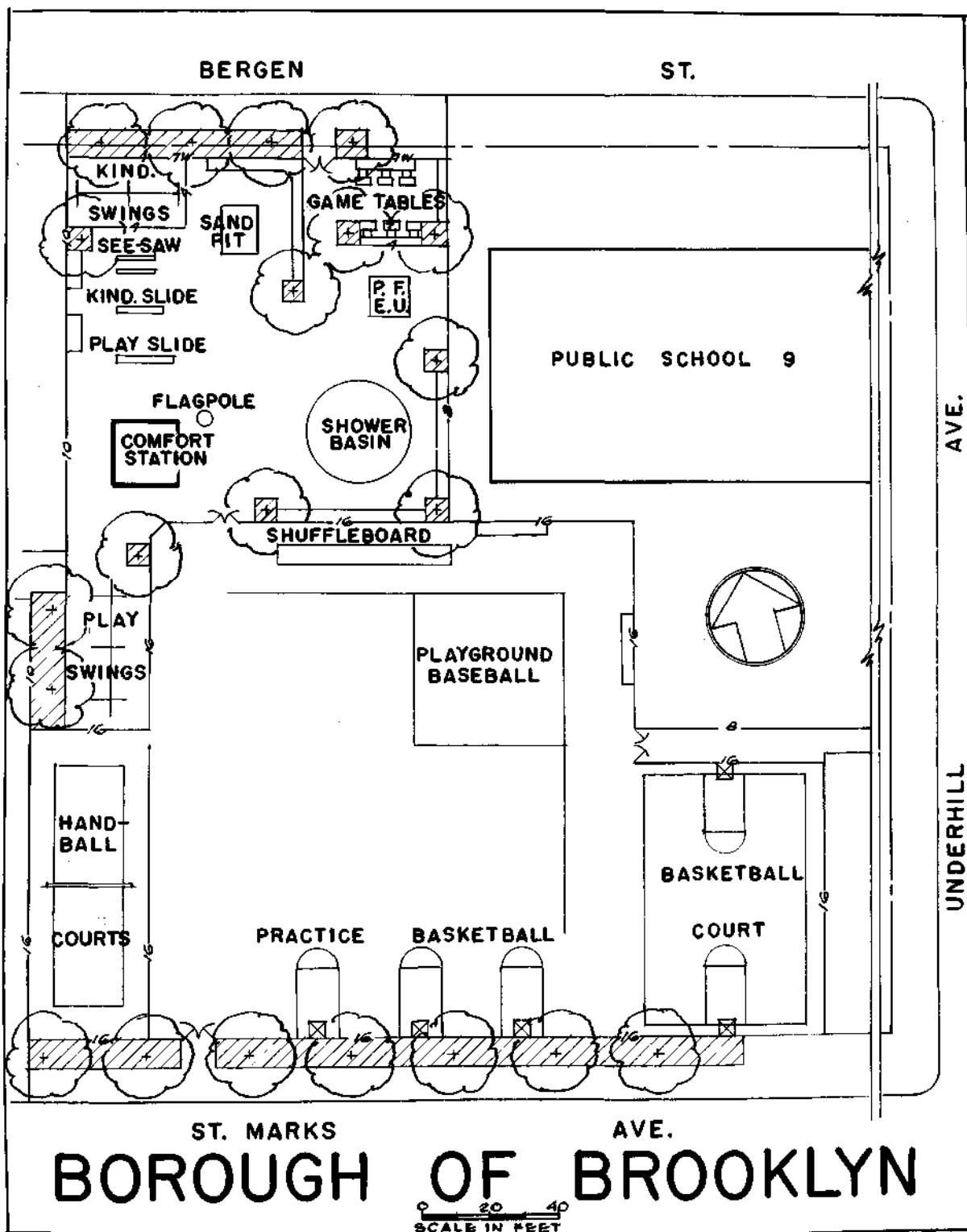
This new 1.028 acre playground is divided into several sections. The southeasterly section provides for a basketball court, practice basketball, and a playground baseball field. The southwesterly section contains handball courts and the northerly area contains a shower basin, comfort station, slides, swings, jungle gym, shuffleboard court, sand pit and a quiet games area with tables and benches.

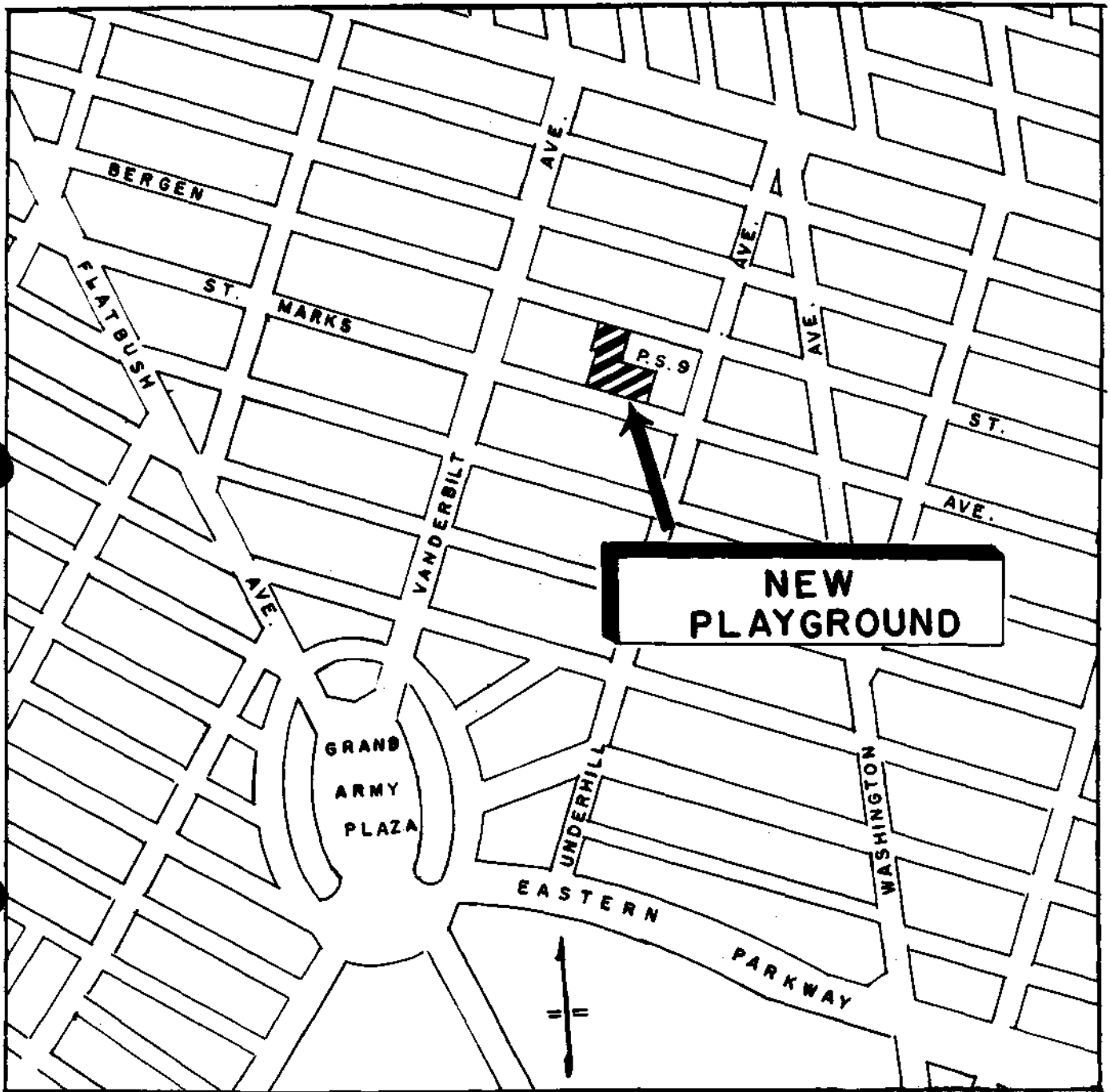
This is a jointly operated playground and will be operated by the Board of Education when school is in session and by the Department of Parks at all other times.

With the addition of this facility, there are now 748 playgrounds in the park system.

10/22/58







NEW JOINTLY OPERATED PLAYGROUND AT

P. S. 9

BOROUGH OF BROOKLYN



900 FEET

R. Gleason



DEPARTMENT OF PARKS
ARSENAL, CENTRAL PARK

FOR RELEASE

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 1958

REGENT 4-1000

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction of a playground located between West 135 Street and West 136 Street west of Fifth Avenue adjacent to P.S. 197 in the Borough of Manhattan.

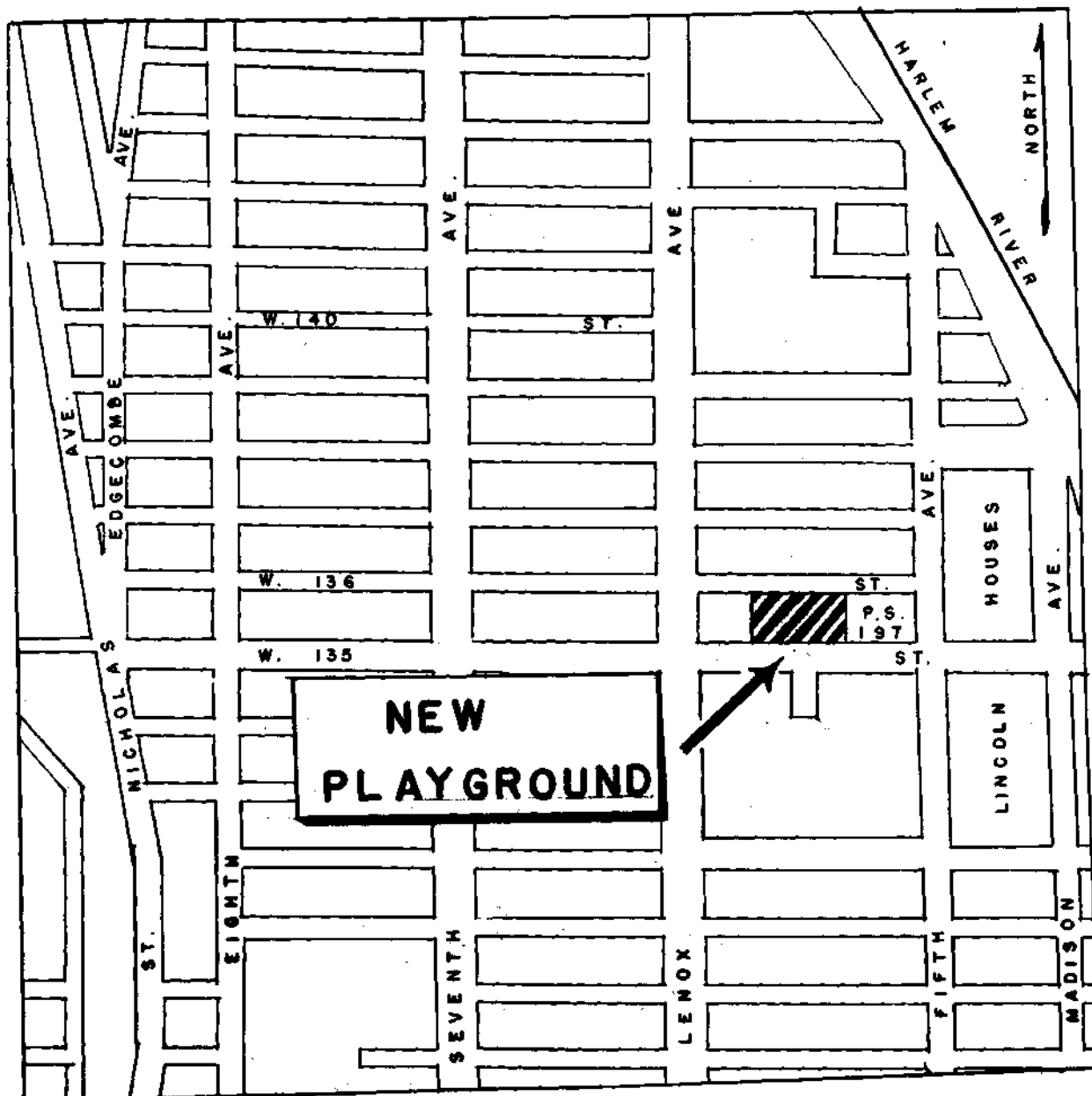
This new 1.228-acre playground provides recreational facilities for all age groups and is divided into several sections. The south-westerly section contains an area for small fry with slides, swings, sandpit, shower basin and a comfort station. The north-westerly section provides an area for school-age children with a jungle gym, slides and swings and game tables, and a sitting area for oldsters. The southerly section has basketball, handball and shuffleboard courts.

In accordance with the policy of joint operation, this facility will be operated by the Board of Education when school is in session and by the Department of Parks at all other times.

With the addition of this new facility, there are now 747 playgrounds in the park system.

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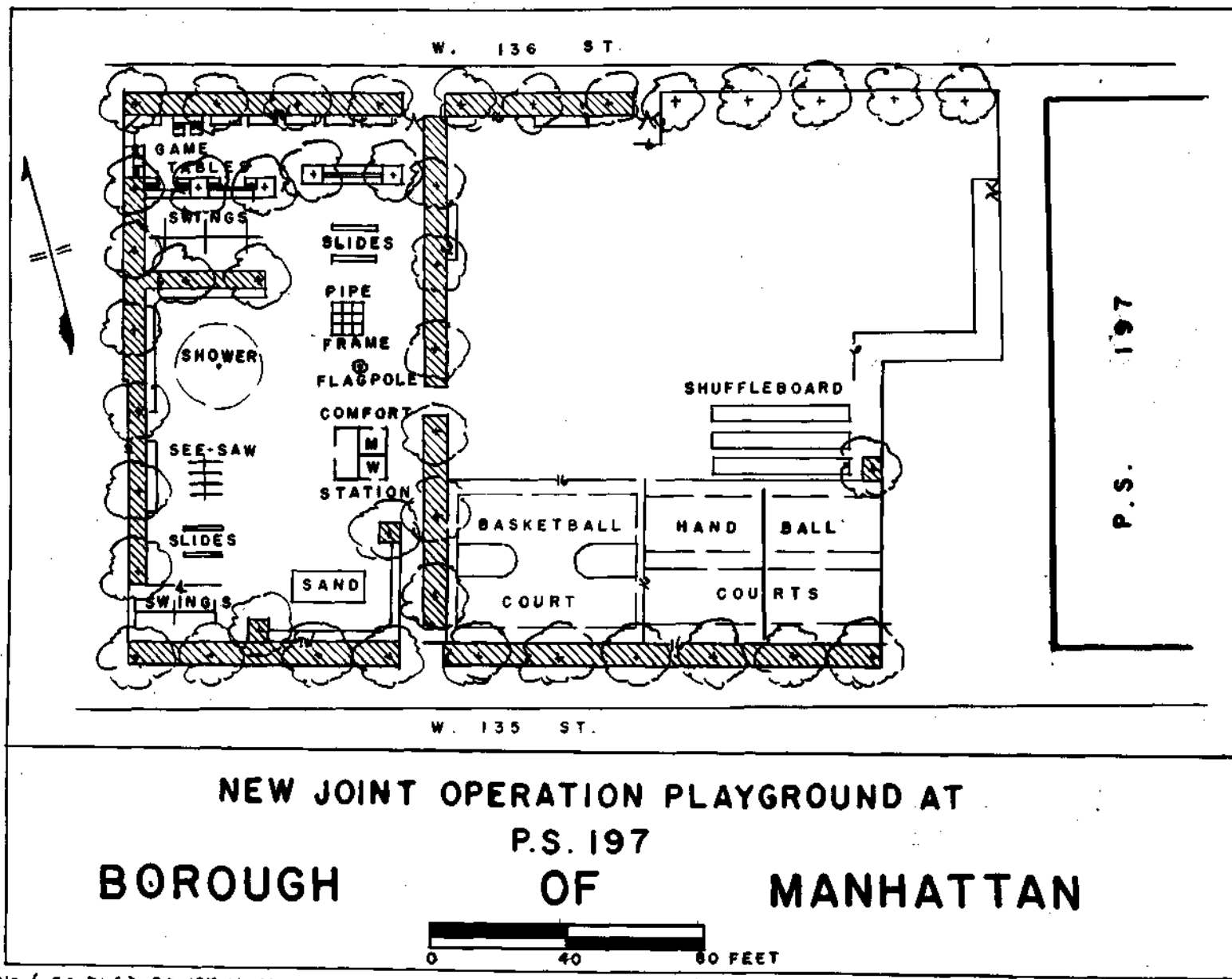


**NEW JOINT OPERATION
PLAYGROUND AT P.S.**



**197
BOROUGH OF MANHATTAN**

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The Department of Parks announces the completion of construction of a playground located north of Philips Avenue and east of East 177 Street, in the Bronx.

This new 1.1-acre playground will provide recreational facilities for residents of the local community as well as for the pupils of J.H.S. #101.

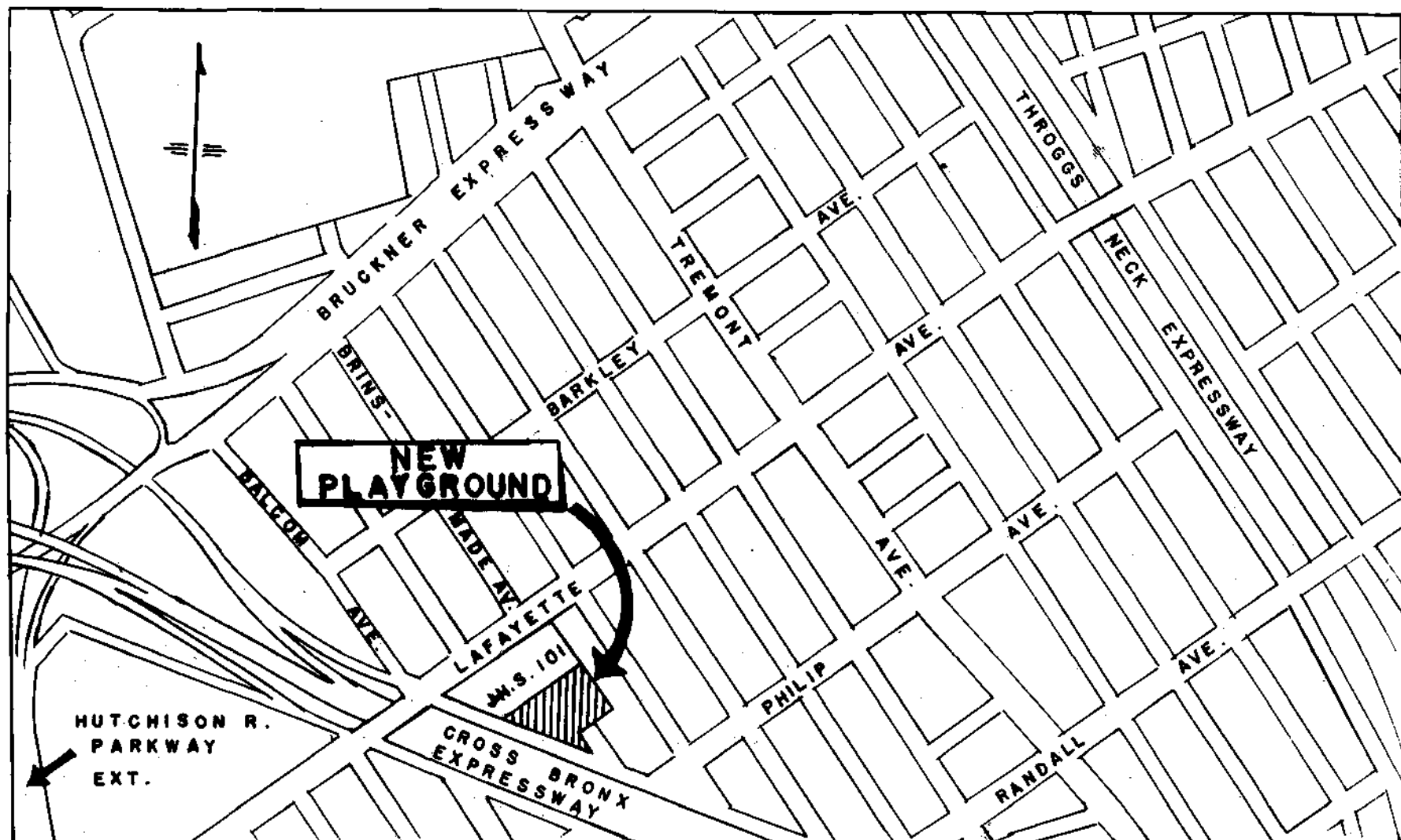
Divided into several sections, the northerly area provides swings, slides, see-saw, jungle gym and comfort station, the middle area contains a field for playground ball, shuffleboard and practice basketball. The southerly section provides basketball and handball courts.

This is a jointly operated playground and will be operated by the Board of Education when school is in session and by the Park Department at all other times.

With the addition of this new facility there are now 746 playgrounds in the park system.

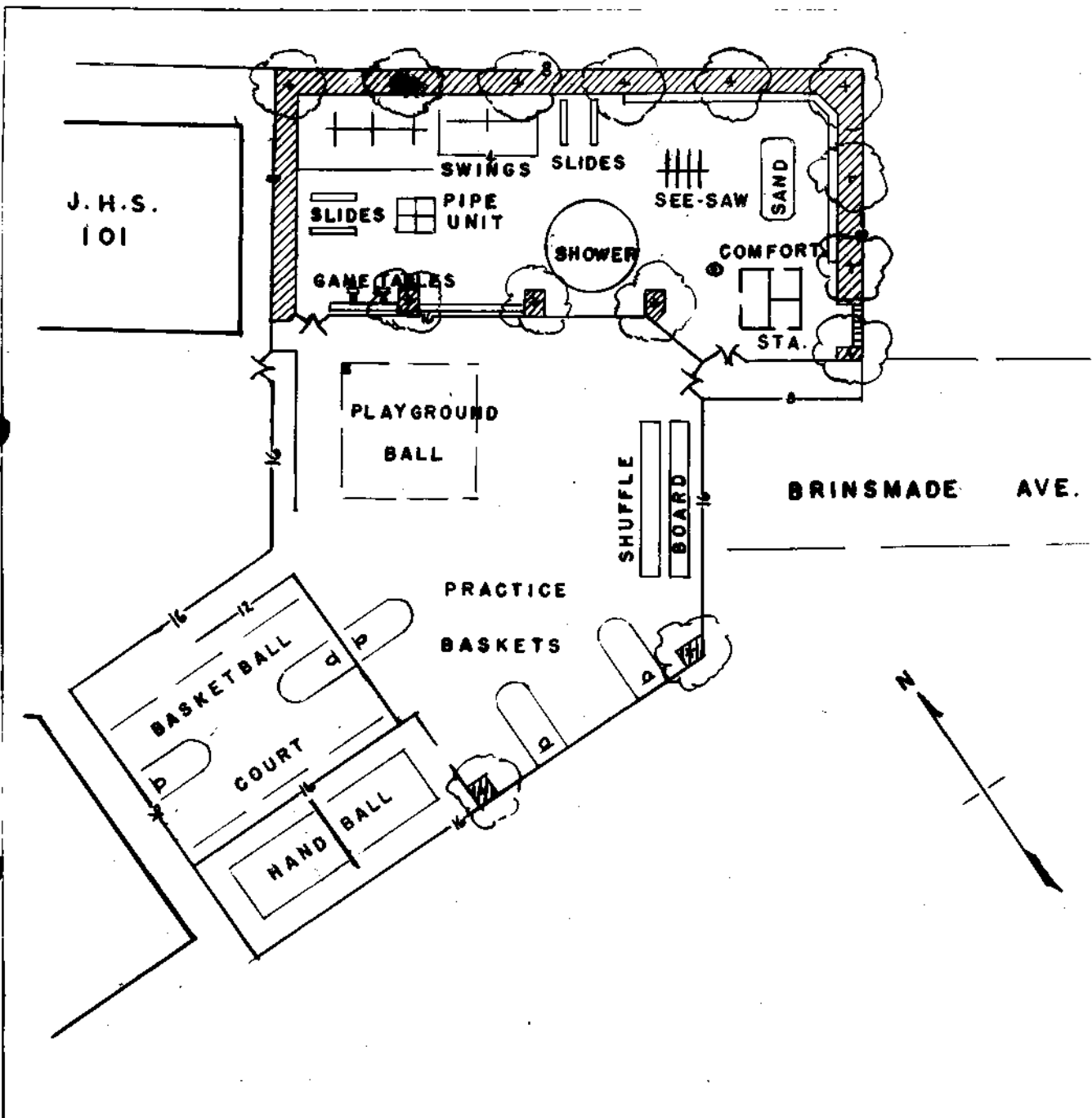
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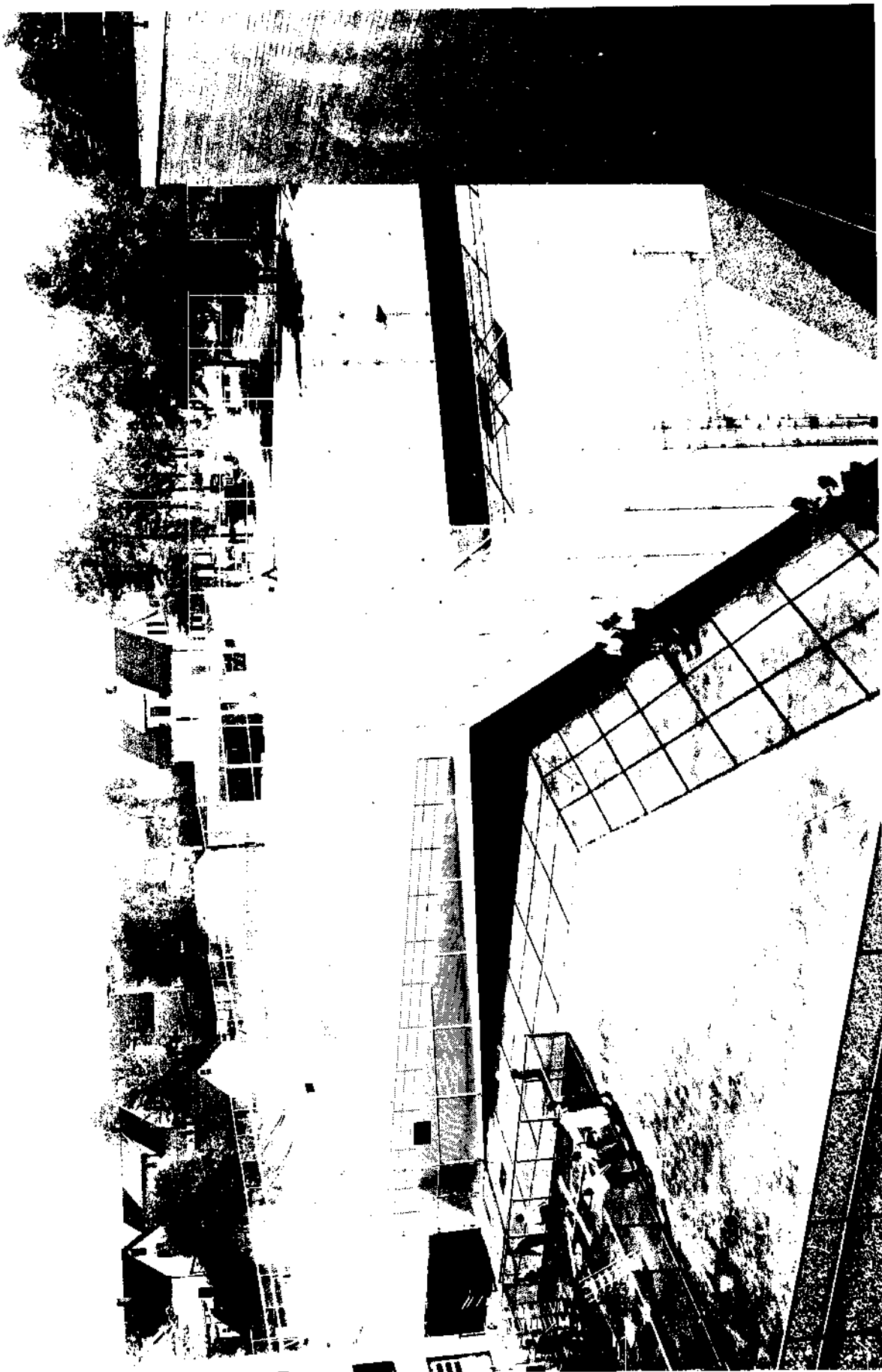
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**JOINT OPERATION PLAYGROUND AT
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Photographs entered in the Department of Parks Amateur Photography Contest which closed September 15, have been judged and the following contestants have been awarded prizes for the best entry in their class and group:

CLASS 1 - BLACK AND WHITE PHOTOGRAPHS by children 14 years and under

1st Place: Prize - Enlarger. Won by Sonia Judreik of 154-55 24th Road, Whitestone, Queens, for a photograph of park playground game taken at St. Michael's Playground, Queens
2nd Place: Prize - Duraflex Deluxe Outfit. Awarded to Susan Herzberg of 236 - 7th Avenue, Brooklyn for a photograph of a barbecue scene taken at Clove Lakes Park, Richmond.
3rd Place: Prize - Starlex Deluxe Outfit. Presented to King J. Fothergill of 86-18 0252 Street, Bellerose, Queens for a photograph of young fishermen taken at Alley Park, Queens.

CLASS 2 - BLACK AND WHITE PHOTOGRAPHS by boys and girls 15 to 18 years.

1st Place: Prize - Enlarger. Won by Henry Chuney of 795 East 151 Street, Bronx for a photograph of a scene taken in Central Park.
2nd Place: Prize - Camera with Flash Gun. Awarded to Francis Durkin of 169-27 24th Road, Flushing, for a photograph of a

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wading pool scene taken at Raymond O'Connor Playground, Queens.

3rd Place: Prize - Camera and Case. Presented to Robert

Permisohn of 2005 East 8th Street, Brooklyn for a photograph of a softball game taken at Marine Park, Brooklyn.

CLASS 2 - COLOR PHOTOGRAPHS by boys and girls 15 to 18 years of age.

1st Place: Prize - Camera and Case. Won by John Cruz of 1761 3rd Avenue, Manhattan, for a photograph of the children's sand pit taken at the George Washington Houses Playground, Manhattan.

2nd Place: Prize - Projector. Awarded to John M. Lass of 147-52 72nd Road, Flushing, for a photograph of the fountain at entrance to Bronx Zoo.

3rd Place: Prize - Camera with Flash Gun and Case. Presented to Robert Bramble of 708 Willoughby Avenue, Brooklyn, for a photograph of the East River Park Tennis Courts.

CLASS 3 - BLACK AND WHITE PHOTOGRAPHS by adults.

1st Place: Prize - Camera and Case. Won by Martin Leifer for a photograph of a child on a swing taken in Central Park.

2nd Place: Prize - Camera with Flash Gun and Case. Awarded to Chris Reeberg for a photograph of young model plane enthusiasts taken at Forest Hill Park, Queens.

3rd Place: Prize - Camera with Case. Presented to Rita McGown for a photograph of the 59th St. Lake in Central Park.

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CLASS 3 - COLOR PHOTOGRAPHS by adults

1st Place: Prize - Camera and Case. Won by Roger Mayer for a photograph of the 79th St. Lake in Central Park.

2nd Place: Prize - Projector. Awarded to Abbie Isaacs for a photograph of a young chess player taken at J. Hood Wright Playground, Manhattan.

3rd Place: Prize - Camera with Flash Gun and Case. Presented to John Mucciariello for a photograph of an early morning fisherman taken at Rockaway.

Only photographs taken in parks, beaches, golf courses, playgrounds, tennis courts or parkways under the jurisdiction of the Department of Parks during the period of June 1 and September 15, 1958 were eligible for this contest. Each contestant was limited to a maximum of 12 photographs and entries had to be 4"x5" or smaller.

The judges for the contest were Jack Downey of the New York Mirror, Morris Warman of the Herald-Tribune, Carl Gossett of the New York Times, Ralph Miller of the World Telegram and Gordon Rynders of the Daily News.

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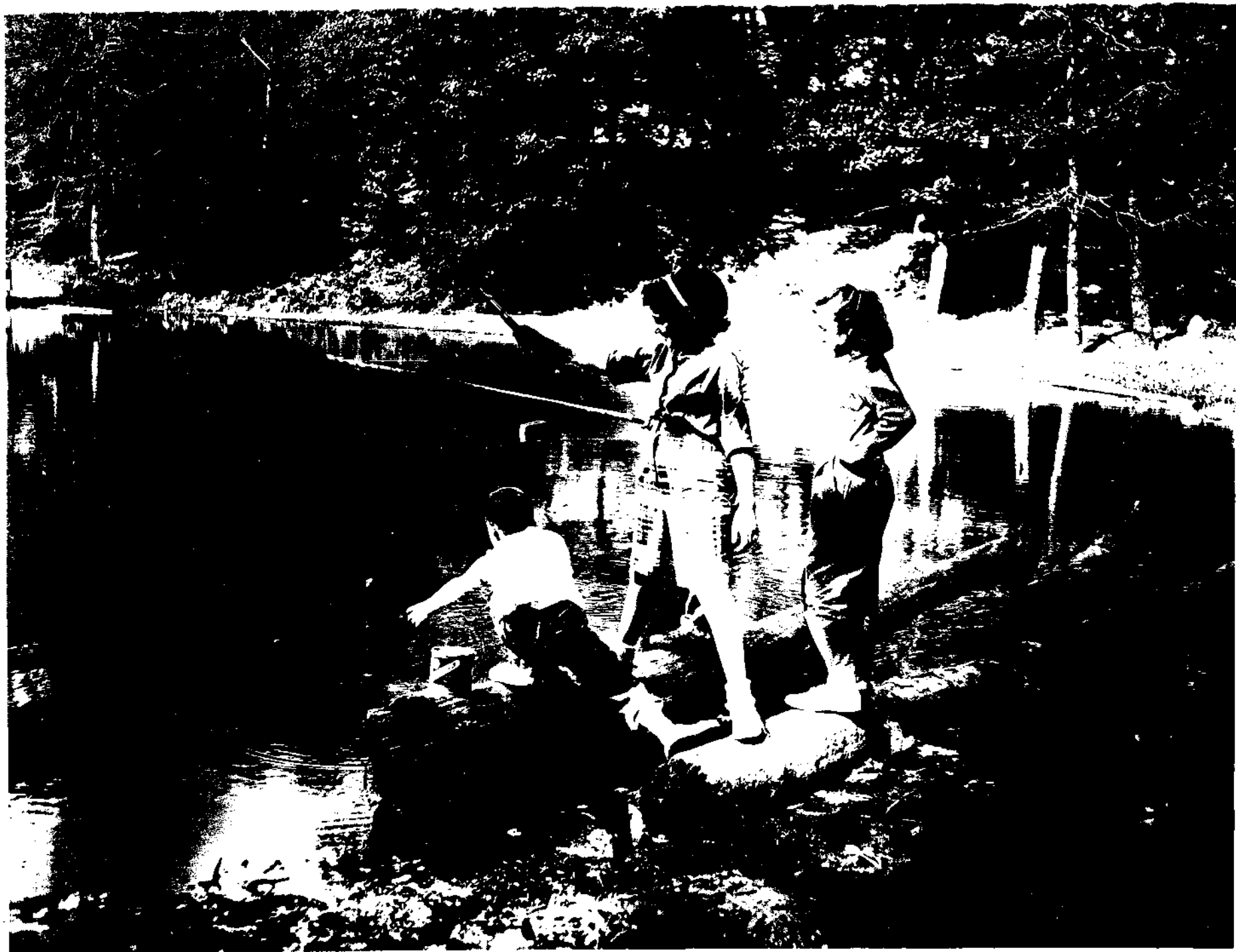


YOUNG ARTIST IN CENTRAL PARK - by Henry Chuney of the Bronx - 1st Place - TEENAGE black and white Division.

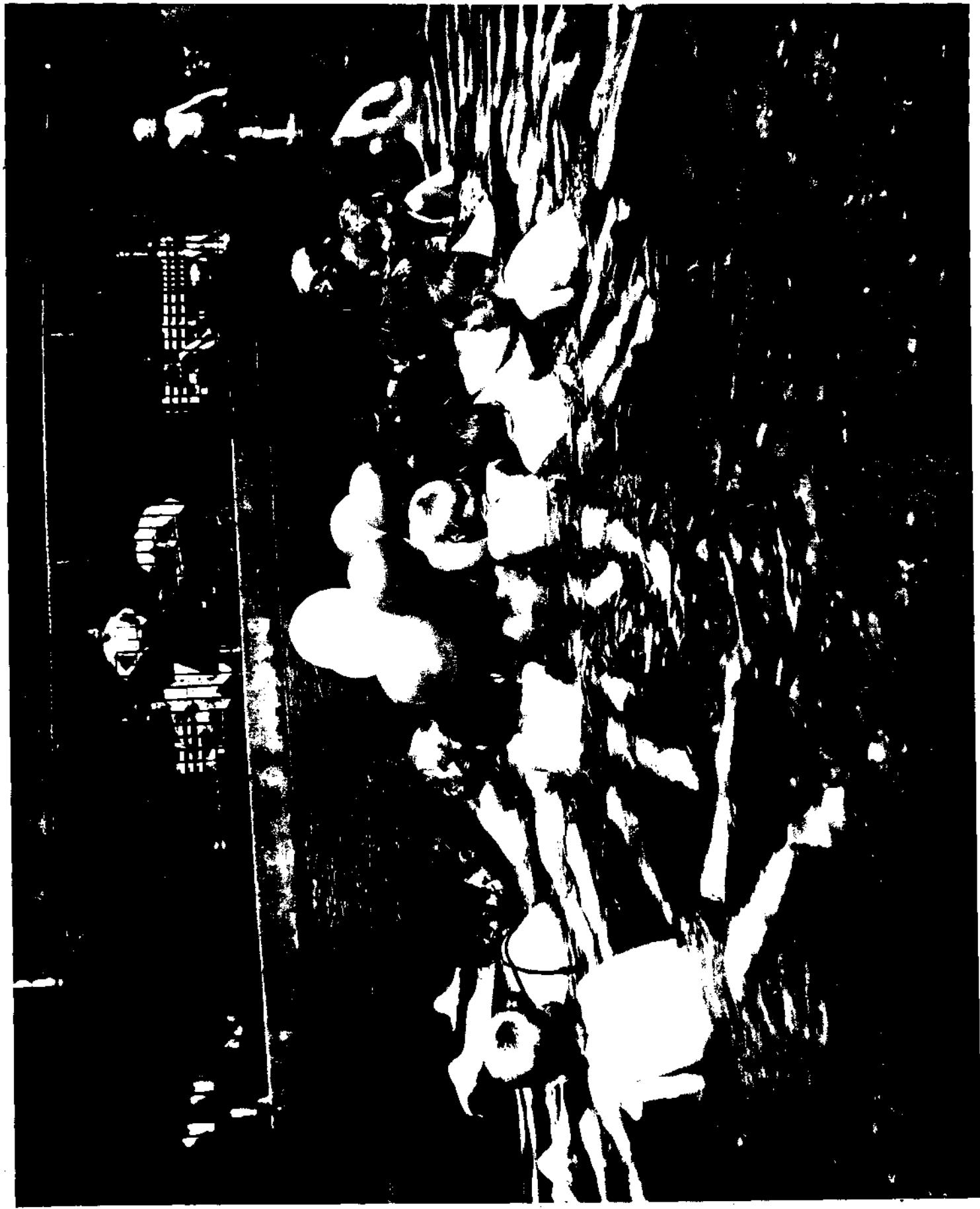


PLACE TRAVEL, JUNIOR STYLE - taken in Central Park by Martin Peifer of Queens - 1st Place - Adult
Black and White Division.





SMALL FRY? - taken at Alley Park by King Fothergill of Queen - 3rd Place - Children's Black and White Division.



ADING POOL FUN - taken at O'Connor Playground by Francis Durkin of Queens - 2nd Place - Teenage Black and White Division.



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While attendance statistics do not measure such intangibles as enjoyment, relaxation and recreation sought by the millions of people who patronize New York City's parks and playgrounds, the extensive usage recreation areas receive during the summer season indicates that park patrons find pleasure, release from tensions, stimulation through new experiences, and a sense of well-being from being out-of-doors.

Looking at the statistics for the past summer, "more" is the applicable adjective. There were more concerts, more dances, more recreation programs than ever before and more people taking advantage of them.

New concert and dance series, added to the traditional Guggenheim Memorial Concerts by the Goldman Band and Naumburg Concerts, together with the Name Band Dances and the square dances at Central Park and Riverside Park attracted 1,500,000 listeners and participants. All of these were made possible through private sponsorship.

The new concerts included both noon hour and evening programs of classical, semi-classical and "pops" music. They were scheduled at Madison Square Park, Bushwick Park, Steeplechase Pier, Orchard Beach and Carl Schurz Park. The response

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from the public was enthusiastic and all concerts were well attended.

Additional social and square dances were scheduled at Poe Park, Victory Field, Riverside Park, Bushwick Park and Prospect Park. More than forty youth dances were conducted at the East River Amphitheatre, the Brownsville, St. John's and Cromwell Recreation Centers, and at several neighborhood playgrounds in Manhattan and Queens.

Attendance at other park recreational facilities during July and August was 81,393,000. This was an increase of 8,740,000 over 1957. Beaches attracted 47,455,000, swimming pools 1,950,000, playgrounds 25,414,000, softball and baseball diamonds 4,875,000, all showing substantial increases this year.

Contests and tournaments, such as swimming meets, tennis and golf championships, sailboat races, fishing contests, dance and singing contests, the Junior Olympics and many others attracted 65,000 competitors, an increase of 6,000 over 1957.

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REMARKS OF ROBERT MOSES
AT THE
250TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE
CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW
RICHMONDTOWN, STATEN ISLAND
TUESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 21, 1958

We rise on this the 250th Anniversary of the organization of historic St. Andrew's to recognize the vision of the successive generations of men and women who established this Church, revived it after wars, fires and other misfortunes, nursed it through periods of depression, decline and indifference, and are now setting it firmly in the restored Richmondtown, confident of renewed vitality and strength. These men and women could not have been merely impractical dreamers of dreams. Like Andrew, their martyred patron saint, they must have had stamina to survive so long.

The founders of the venerable Society for the Propagation of the Gospel in Foreign Parts fostered not only St. Andrew's but its thriving sister churches at Flushing, Jamaica and Hempstead. These are the lengthened shadows of such giants as the Reverend Aeneas MacKenzie and Bishop Samuel Seabury. The present Rector, vestry and other parish leaders are worthy successors in our generation, for they are demonstrating vision in the solution of the new problems which confront them. St. Andrew's Church has not been content to slumber in the glow of its honorable past, a slumber which overtakes so many worthy organizations and communities as the years go by.

The history of St. Andrew's Church and its vigorous, practical visionaries has a lesson for all of us. Staten Island is fortunate in having such an example to guide its growth. Unlike the other boroughs of the City, there is still an opportunity here to avoid the errors of the past, save what nature has provided and build with restraint and intelligence. This Borough must not be permitted to sleep while men of myopic vision, who cannot see beyond their glasses, and eager sub-dividers hot for the quick dollar tear it into small pieces and cram it with split-levels, destroying natural wooded areas, open fields and our magnificent Atlantic shorefront. Keep the money changers and dove sellers not only out of the temple but out of the entire Borough.

You don't need any more pompous, academic surveys of Staten Island. Everything you need can be seen from the tops of half a dozen hills and from a walk along the waterfront. You can settle the Staten Island Railroad passenger problem only through the B & O and not by mixing it with a dozen other Jersey railroads in some intricate comprehensive metropolitan scheme. You need access but not rapid transit. You don't need a boom and a bust. By taking a few simple steps without further delay to assure orderly growth, you can make your Island an example to the urban world.

When the Reverend Aeneas MacKenzie selected a site for his

church "as near the center of the county as could possibly be found with any conveniency", he was way ahead of his day and generation and perhaps of ours. We can be sure he did not pick this location in preference to some of the larger settlements because he wanted the Church to remain forever in some unspoiled, rustic Eden. He wanted it to be at the accessible future hub of the Island, to be of service and influence, "where cross the crowded ways of life". Perhaps he did not foresee the parkways, expressways, housing and beach developments, and the industry, shipping and business of today or a Richmondtown Restoration, but having planned well, the Church he founded now is a focal point at the very center of the Staten Island of tomorrow.

The Richmondtown Restoration which surrounds the Church will, if we can obtain genuine cooperation, be an invaluable asset of the entire metropolitan region. It will be close to a great continental artery running from New England to the South. It will be part of the Fresh Kills Development and will enjoy the protection of Latourette Park. We want Richmondtown to be more than a museum, and St. Andrew's should be the center of life there.

The Rector and other leaders of St. Andrew's, through their enthusiastic support, have played an important part in paving the way for this improvement, as has the New York Foundation, under the leadership of Mr. David Heyman. The agreement between the City and

the Staten Island Historical Society for the restoration on a share-the-cost basis is now in effect. We hope very soon to announce grants and gifts which will permit the preparation of final plans and the commencement of at least the first stage of construction. If all Staten Islanders were to follow the example of the leaders of St. Andrew's Church and of the Historical Society in supporting vigorously a revitalized Richmondtown, preserving within its buildings and boundaries what is valuable, distinctive and attractive in the Island's past, we would be well on the way to complete success.

The building of the Narrows Bridge is inevitable. Its effect on the Island for good depends in large measure on how staunchly, how wisely, quickly and fully Staten Islanders demand the safeguards needed for proper future development of the Borough. Following ultimate approval of the 7th Avenue approach route in Bay Ridge we expect to start construction of the bridge next spring and complete it in five years. We plan to complete the Clove Lakes Expressway in 1964. The remaining land acquisitions needed for the Richmond Parkway, which will skirt the Richmondtown Restoration and give access to it and to St. Andrew's Church, are scheduled for 1959 as are the land acquisitions for the West Shore Expressway, construction of which is planned for 1960.

The comprehensive development of the Island's South Shore

is being carried out cooperatively by the Borough President, the Triborough Bridge and Tunnel Authority, the Port of New York Authority, the Park Department and other agencies. The first section of Seaside Boulevard was opened last fall. South Beach has been reconstructed between Miller Field and Slater Boulevard and its parking fields, bathhouse, play facilities and picnic areas have been used by the public since spring. Construction of the beach development north to Fort Wadsworth is expected to start as soon as approval is given by the Board of Estimate.

An easement through Miller Field has been requested so that Seaside Boulevard and the beach development can be extended to Great Kills Park and the southerly end of Willowbrook Parkway. West of Great Kills Park our program for Staten Island includes an extended Shore Front Boulevard with jetties and sand fills at appropriate intervals, skirting at surface level the entire waterfront and preserving one of the most dramatic and unspoiled shorefronts of our own or any other city. Passing through Wolfe's Pond Park and the enlarged Conference House Park, this boulevard will connect with Richmond Parkway and the West Shore Expressway at Outerbridge Crossing.

The Richmondtown Restoration, the Narrows Bridge and the Ocean Front Improvement are, along with good zoning, well-planned housing and industrial areas, modern schools, efficient public

transportation and adequate recreational facilities, essential elements in the future Staten Island. The shape of the future is in the hands of your present leaders and of the still younger men and women who are coming along.

I congratulate the Church of St. Andrew on its 250 years of leadership and on its opportunity to play a vital role in Staten Island's future. Upon you and other great religious and secular institutions of this Island depend our hopes for the twentieth, twenty-first and twenty-second centuries.

Ray Gleeper



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The Department of Parks announces the closing for the season of the tennis courts at the end of the day's business, Sunday, November 16, 1958.

After this date, players who furnish their own equipment will be permitted to use the hard surface courts free of charge.

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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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The Department of Parks announces that because of related work in connection with the construction of the lower level of the George Washington Bridge, northbound traffic on the Henry Hudson Parkway, between West 172nd and West 178th Streets, will be restricted to one lane on weekdays only between the hours of 8:30 A.M. and 3:30 P.M. starting Tuesday, October 14, 1958. At all other hours and on Saturday, Sunday and Holidays, the entire roadway will be open to traffic.

This restriction of traffic will continue until February 1959.

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