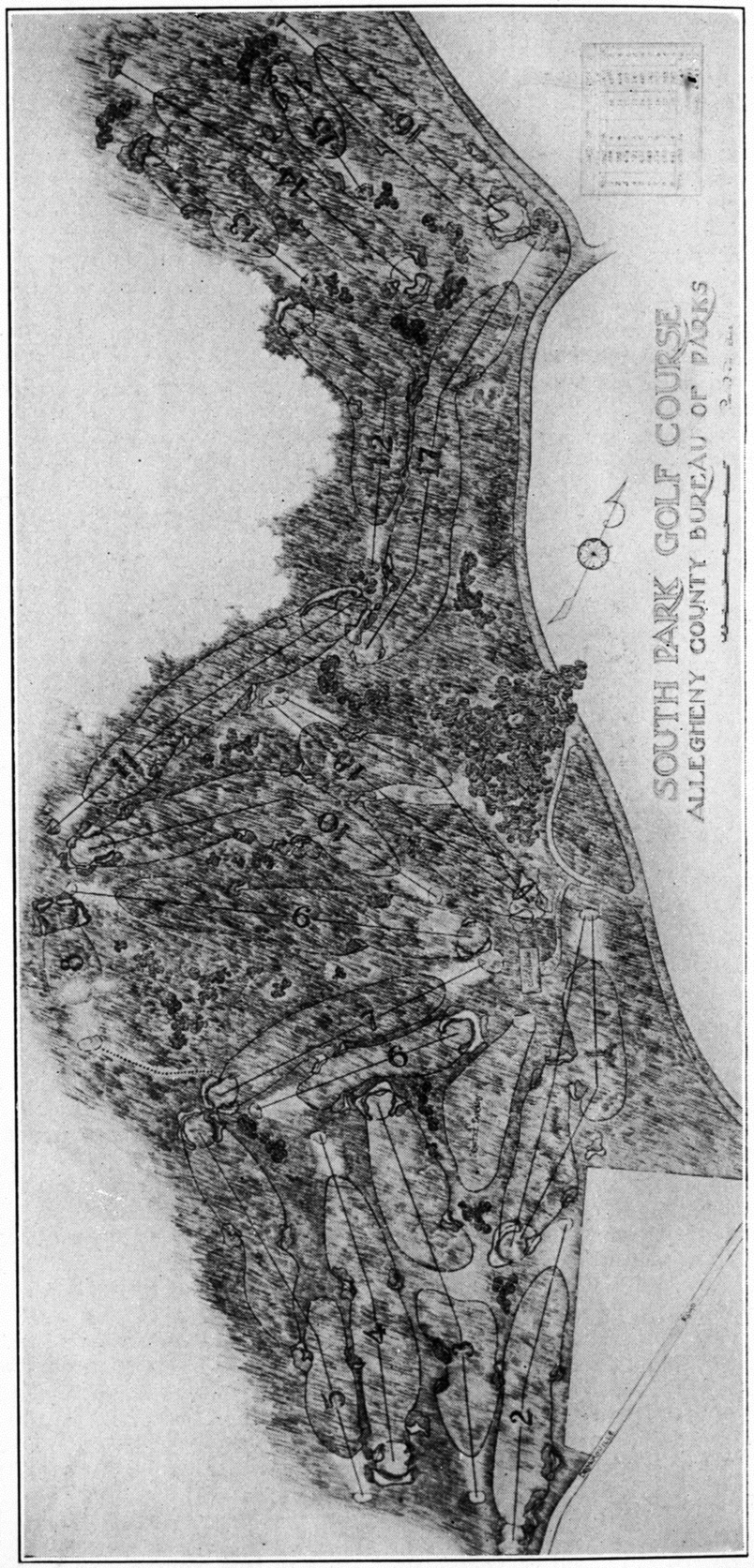
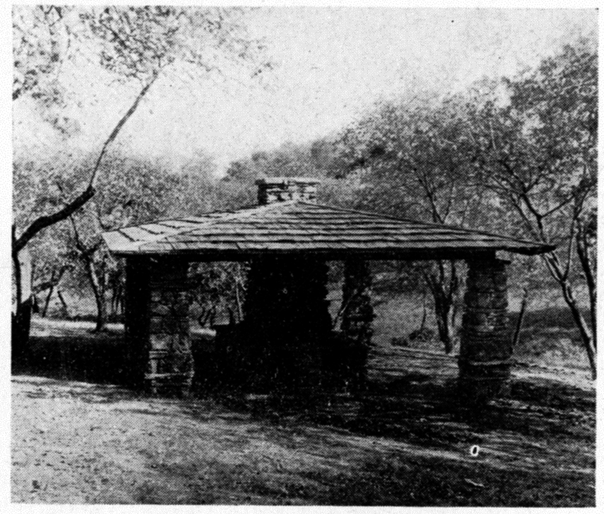


The work of constructing the two golf courses was completed at a cost greatly under the estimates submitted by private individuals and within that submitted to your Honorable Board by me, previous to taking on this work.

In addition to the groves and golf courses we have opened Nature and Bridle Trails in both parks. These extend for miles through the valleys, hills and woodlands and proved very popular attractions. Nature study classes of both city and county schools traverse these Nature Trails, under the guidance of our Foresters.

Springs have been developed in South Park wherever possible, but repeated tests by the Board of Health reveal these unsafe in many instances, owing to the encroachments of civilization. Plans for a complete water system supplying city water are under way for the season of 1930. At North Park, however, we were able to drill wells from 50 to 150 feet in depth at many of the groves, supplying good pure drinking water.

Water mains have been laid in South Park, a foundation and trunk line for a complete distributing system to all parts of the park. Similar plans are under way for a water supply for North Park and ready for the approval of your Honorable Board. This supply is of vital importance to the welfare and proper develop-



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ments of the parks preceding as it must many major developments, and simplifying other problems.

Gas and electric lines have been installed in both parks to meet various needs arising from time to time.

Other improvements, notably the swimming pool and bathing pavilion in South Park are under way, to be completed during 1930. This pool embodies not only every up to date requisite of pool sanitation, but is a quality job from every other standpoint. Informal in design, sand beach, wading pool, shallow pool and deep pool are grouped in segregated units, accommodating upwards of 10,000 people a day. Its setting in partly wooded valley of Catfish Run, is that of a natural lake, amid overhanging ledges and receding cliffs. Another improvement contemplated in South Park is an 18 acre lake, closely adjoining the lower pool and covering the junction of Catfish Run Road and Miller Road.