Annual Report
ALLEGHENY COUNTY
Department of
PARKS
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Controller, Allegheny County,
Court House,
Pittsburgh, Penna.

Dear Sir:

The annual report of the Allegheny County Department of Parks is herewith submitted.

The program planned and completed for the year 1941, as in the previous year, emphasized reforestation, erosion control, removal of construction and erosion scars through planting, the planting of food and refuge for birds and game, control of grove parking to safeguard trees and shrubbery, expansion of sportsmen's activities, curb of vandalism and destructive carelessness, park-wide program of public safety and protection, expansion of sanitary facilities, extension of water lines, paving of shelter house floors, and numerous other accomplishments designed to increase public enjoyment of the two parks and to provide for increasing public usage.

Outstanding among the accomplishments of 1941 were the completion and dedication of a beautiful memorial to the 80th Division of the A. E. F. at the junction of Babcock Boulevard and Wildwood Road in North Park; installation of complete trap and skeet shooting facilities; extension of the facilities of the South Park Swimming Pool through the installation of additional new lockers, permanent improvement of the shallow pool and wading area through increasing extent of play area, installation of greater capacity water lines to triple circulation of the pool water, and a beautiful and extensive landscape installation: Construction of terrace and landscape installation, South Park Golf Club House, and completion of drainage and new grandstand at Fair Grounds.

Protective and preventive maintenance work continued and excellent results were apparent from a dual program of education and extended police activity against outright vandalism and destructive carelessness in the use of park land and facilities. Public service and efficient operation were stressed.

The first indication of the impact of the war upon the recreation habits of the civilian population came during the year 1941, long before our formal entry as a belligerent nation. This was manifest, through an increase of family outings and reunions; in a noticeable drop in the attendance of young men of draft age and those who found it possible to obtain summer-vacation employment in industry as a result of the National Defense effort.

As a consequence of this latter factor many of the young women and girls, previously escorted to the parks by these young men, were likewise noticed as missing from their favorite recreations and from the afternoon dancing in Buffalo Inn and on the swimming pool plaza in North Park

On the other hand, increased numbers of older men and women and entire families apparently were turning to the natural beauties of the parks as a means of diversion and escape, or through a tendency to seek comfort in nature. This trend may also have been due in 1941 to increased family income and will probably continue throughout 1942 (and so long as transportation is available) for the same reason and, also, because of the attraction of the low-cost and cost-free recreation provided by the County Parks.

Before outlining work done in both parks during the year 1941, these facts should be prefaced with an outline of the goal towards which park development is being directed and the principles guiding that development.

Not more than fifteen years ago most of the present park land was under cultivation or used for pasturage or farm woodland. These same acres are now being changed into rustic parks in which the beautiful scenery, natural to Western Pennsylvania, will be preserved.

Physical improvement of the parks will be necessary for many years to come before the areas will be restored. As this development continues, population growth will require more and more of our county's area for living and production purposes and, consequently, will result in the destruction of much of the natural beauty of the countryside. This progressive expansion will enhance the value of the County Parks to the people, and increase the need for their natural beauty and for the types of recreation which will not destroy or detract from their beauty.

Following the purchase of the county park areas in 1927, the subsequent construction of roads and the necessary facilities for park use and recreation, was so often at the expense of natural beauty that, in recent years, efforts were begun to preserve what is left of the natural beauty, to repair the scars of construction, and to create additional "scenery" to replace that which was destroyed. The preservation of the existing and the cultivating of new natural scenery in the parks was, therefore, adopted by the present Board of County Commissioners as the principal theme of their landscape program for the future.

During the year 1941, progress continued in the long process covered by this manifold program, the detailed parts of which provide for:

1. Treatment of roadsides to eliminate as much as possible of the artificial structures, replacing them with natural ground slopes and planting them in such a manner as to make a drive through the parks a continuous panorama of natural beauty, of which the roadside planting blends harmoniously with the distant natural background.
2. Redesigning park entrances, partly to improve their scenic character and partly to remove existing traffic hazards caused by obstructions to visibility at the intersections. The same applies to intersections within the parks.
3. Separation of the different kinds of park traffic. The noisy jangle and confusion encountered on any street or highway should be a sufficiency of "civilized progress" without having more of the same thing in our parks; plus droves of bicycles, scooters, hikers, horses, trucks and autos, all trying to use practically the same space. Separation of these different kinds of park traffic into independent lanes will do much to restore the tranquility of the natural scene, but because of limited space will be one of the most difficult problems to solve. Automotive traffic, through the parks, is becoming so heavy that serious consideration should be given to bypassing through traffic and industrial traffic to new routes outside the parks.
4. Rearrangement of existing parking spaces to increase the efficiency of their use; reduction of confusion and traffic hazards by limiting the extent of entrance and exit along public roads; softening the harshness of broad paved areas with a certain amount of planting along borders and parking lines; erection of definite impassable barriers along boundaries so that parking does not encroach on the surrounding tress and other vegetation.
5. Planting around buildings to provide shade and decoration, and to soften the stark artificiality of some of the large conspicuous barns and sheds.
6. Planting shade trees to increase the size and usefulness of present picnic groves and to replace anticipated losses where trees are now dying.
7. Continuation of the reforestation and erosion control planting in those places where land is too steep for recreational use and where the surface is being eroded by storm run-off.
8. Improvement of scenic spots to preserve their natural beauty or to create additional attractions such as pools and waterfalls.
9. Creation of educational wild gardens, to include only native species of trees, shrubs, vines and flowers, with plants labelled.
10. Provision of adequate surface drainage structures to take care of storm water where it is now causing damage.
11. Placing the multitudinous power and telephone lines, which now create a forest of poles in many places, in underground conduits, or relocating them in places where they can be made a less conspicuous part of the scenery.

Increasing park use has created certain problems which can be solved partly by increasing park acreage and partly by providing more public facilities in existing park acreage. This must be done in such a way as to preserve existing scenic values. This introduces additional items in the landscape program, such as:

12. Extension of existing parking facilities.
13. Addition of new play areas.
14. Creation of game and recreation areas in sites where they will not create traffic difficulties or detract from the scenic values, avoiding those kinds of uses which detract from public safety.
15. Rearrangement of present groves to eliminate damage due to unfavorable ground conditions such as steep slopes and water erosion; and the creation of new groves in favorable sites.
16. Improvement of outdoor fireplaces to make possible the use of charcoal. Dead timber has been practically all used up and the providing of free stove wood is becoming a park problem which will be impossible of solution in future years, although wood supplies are now available for approximately one or two years through salvage from the new airport site and other Allegheny County locations.

17. Creation of specialized group camping facilities provided they can be placed in isolated locations where absolute control can be maintained.
18. Provision for future expansion of swimming pool facilities.
19. Building of paths and nature trails to existing beauty spots and desirable view points so that promiscuous trampling on steep slopes and through the woods will not destroy all of the existing vegetation, thus facilitating the educational uses of the park flora.

The intensive use of the parks will gradually and in some cases rapidly reduce present scenic values by destroying the vegetation. To retard this process will require constant effort in replacing destroyed vegetation, planting new forest groups and designing park facilities so that the least damage will be caused by public use.

The most logical method of reaching this coveted goal is to formulate a definite long range program, adopt a master plan of action and then make all future improvements conform to this plan of action. This is the specific policy which the Commissioners have directed this department to follow in landscape developments at Allegheny County's North and South Parks.

FORESTRY—LANDSCAPE

NORTH PARK

Cleaned approximately 25 acres in preparation for planting the Arboretum, grubbed briars, completely removed 2,376 decadent or weed trees four to ten inches in diameter and excavated five hundred and sixty-one old stumps one and one-half to three feet in diameter.

Dug and bundled approximately eleven thousand native shrubs for transplanting to other park areas.

Excavated approximately 150 cubic yards of earth in preparation for the construction of a lake reservoir to supply proposed waterfall.

Constructed about one mile of shallow ditch for road drainage and 1,750 lineal feet of French drain for wet areas in the Arboretum.

Graded seven thousand feet of service road ten feet wide and five thousand feet of foot trails five feet wide.

Planted and maintained eight hundred and seventy-three deciduous trees consisting of fifty-six species which include two hundred and ninety-one varieties, three of each variety.

Planted and maintained four hundred and seventy-four coniferous evergreens consisting of twelve species which include one hundred and fifty-eight varieties, three of each variety.

Planted and maintained three hundred and sixty broad leaf evergreens and ayalias consisting of fourteen species which include one hundred twenty varieties, five of each variety.

Planted and maintained twenty-two hundred shrubs consisting of sixty-eight species which include four hundred and forty varieties, five of each variety.

Planted 30,100 vines and 32,225 shrubs—to check erosion and provide cover on 497,000 sq. ft. of barren roadside banks. Purchased nursery stock was used for this purpose.

Planted 11,000 native shrubs collected within the park to supplement purchased stock for planting 99,000 sq. ft. of roadside planting.

Collected 2,500 native shrubs which were used to plant 1,500 lineal of barriers at the entrances to Groves and elsewhere to restrict vehicular traffic.

Planted 5,500 purchased shrubs as hedges at ball fields, parking areas and buildings.

On the Golf Course 350 Lombardy poplar trees were planted to divide fairways and provide directional guides for play; 15 Moline Elms and 24 Weir Maples were planted about the tees as needed.

Several barren acres at road intersections were planted using 70 trees and 100 shrubs of purchased stock and 150 trees transplanted from other park areas.

Lined out 2,100 Hardwood saplings 2 inches by 3 inches in the nursery to provide for a future supply of trees.

The State Game Commission supplied 200 Chinese Chestnut and 300 Mulberry seedlings and 200 Rose bushes. These were planted in suitable localities throughout the park.

Planted 6,500 coniferious seedlings and transplants on hillsides now planted in part with hardwood saplings.

Used 25,000 gallons of poison and contact sprays throughout the Park.

SOUTH PARK

Planted 12,500 vines and 12,700 shrubs to check erosion and provide cover on 180,000 sq. ft. of barren roadside banks. Purchased nursery stock was used.

Used 5,000 shrubs from South Park Nursery to delineate Grove parking areas and restrict the passage of vehicular traffic.

About 100 acres of open fields were reforested. Irregular areas were planted with conifer seedlings or hardwood saplings, five to ten feet in height. Irregular open spaces remain between the plantings. For this purpose 23,000 conifer seedlings were furnished by the Pennsylvania Department of Forests and Waters and 2,950 hardwood saplings were purchased.

Lined out 2,800 Hardwood saplings 2 inches by 3 inches in the Nursery to provide for a future supply of trees.

Used 23,000 gallons of poison and contact sprays throughout the Park.

NORTH PARK

1. Skeet and Trap Field; construction of five trap and two skeet layouts on a prepared level location, facing the Northeast, near the Hemlocks. Equipment manufactured by the Remington Arms Company, Inc., Bridgeport, Connecticut. A clear open background and shooting area is available. Used by members of gun clubs, hunters, and individual shooters.
2. Deerbrowse Baseball Field; erection of 900 lineal feet of six-feet high chain link fencing from right field line to deep center, construction of 400 feet of concrete parking curb, and the erection of a 100-foot flagpole near the left center field. This field according to professional National League authorities and players compares favorably with grounds in either the National or American League.

3. Constant Bacteriological analyses of all park waters in the laboratories of the Bureau of Tests. This included a portion of 62 sources of water supply most of which were available throughout the whole year with safe proximity to use. These examinations were made under the care of the park supervising engineer.
4. Field and Grove Care; gathering and burning 300 tons of paper and debris from playing fields and groves, and cutting and distributing 1,563 cords of firewood. This work covered 2,260 acres, the whole of park property.
5. Road Care; penetrating of earth roads with 15,550 gallons of road oil, and cindering 15 miles of park roads during the heavy winter months.
6. Cutting 20 tons of hay from park property for game.
7. Quarrying of 100 tons of stone from park property for construction work.
8. Maintenance work on 1,901 tools including shovels, clay picks, pruning shears, hatchets, saws, scythe blades, chisels, etc., by the park forge shop.
9. Bath House and Pool Improvements; cleaning and repairing of all necessary plumbing, repairing of fencing on terrace, two slide platforms for children, and repairing of three pipe leaks underneath the concrete pavement around the pool proper.
10. Boat House Improvements; repairing of 20 row boats, replacing of several planks on docks, and the erection of 30 NO SKATING signs around the lake proper.
11. Boys' Cabin Improvements; building of new screen windows, repairing of all window sash, rear door and lock, and repairing of beds, walls, and ceiling.
12. Dance Hall Improvements; repairing of twelve windows, railing, and sash on the Parrish Hill building, and installing of gas line and replacing of water supply system in the Rose Grove Dance Hall.
13. Employees' Dwelling Improvements; installing of 2 grease traps for waste water, cleaning sanitary systems in three of the buildings, installing of 200 feet of new 2" gas line, and installing of a new water supply system and pump in the Custodian's house.
14. Girl Scouts' Cabin Improvements; installing of 35 feet of 4" terra cotta drain pipe, laying of 100 square feet of gravel fields for sewerage disposal, cleaning of water line and reservoir, repairing of 5 porch screens, and repairing of front door lock and window sash.
15. Golf Club House Improvements; repairing of water valves, waste lines, installing of grease trap for waste water, repairing of 7 benches, 4 screen windows, 2 doors and construction of 2 boxes for washing golf balls.
16. Grove Improvements; repairing of 15 hand pumps in various sections of the park, installing of 40 feet of ½" water line into Rose Grove, installing of 300 feet of ¾" gas line into Rose Grove, installing of 100 feet of ¾" water line into Old Cherry Grove, installing of 225 feet of ¾" water line into Grant Grove for water service to the Eightieth Division Memorial, repairing of 80 tables and benches, 3 slides, 4 swings, and construction of 12 new horseshow boxes.

17. Golf Course Improvements; sheltering of number three tee from flying balls by the planting of trees between this tee and number six fairway, seeding of all bare banks around the club house, clearing of all drains and covering man holes with new iron covers, enlarging of number thirteen tee from 1,000 square feet of teeing space to 4,000 square feet, planting of shrubs along the parking space bank, planting of 200 trees along number one, three, six, seven, eleven, twelve, fourteen, and eighteen tees for the purpose of using the trees as markers to show location of greens and for shading purposes, filling divot holes with topsoil and seed, installing 300 feet of 6" drain tile on number ten fairway in order to remove golfing hazards and to facilitate grass cutting, installing 200 feet of 4" drain pipe in sand traps, and planting of 500 varied flowering shrubs along the road from number twelve green to draft horse barn, thus eliminating the cars from driving over the golf course.
18. Hemlock Dwelling Improvements; renovation of this dwelling as living quarters for park personell. This renovation included the installation of new drainage and sanitary facilities, new lighting, remodeling of the rooms, painting, and other necessary home alterations.
19. Lodge Improvements; replacing six new cast iron tubes in the boiler, replacing 15 feet of soil pipe for drain, repairing of 14 casement windows and doors, and repairing of 7 tables, 5 benches, and 5 doors and locks.
20. Police Cabin Improvements; installing of 5 grease traps for waste water, laying of 800 square feet of stone fields around three of the buildings for discharge of sewerage, digging and installing 150 feet of 6" porous sewer pipe for drains, and cleaning and lining with new cement three spring-reservoirs which are used for drinking water.
21. Police Headquarter Improvements; erection of gas heaters in the garage to service the ambulance and fire truck, repairing of front porch, two windows and first floor of the main building.
22. Service Group Building Improvements; installing of hot water system into the storeroom, a sink in the oil storage building, and running of a gas line into the forge shop for use of bench soldering iron.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF WORK COMPLETED ON W. P. A. PROJECT NO. 2440 IN NORTH PARK TO DECEMBER 19, 1941

The Works Progress Administration in co-operation with park supervision made the following improvements:

1. Rustic Log Shelter; duplex shelter accommodations constructed on the location of what had been the McCandless Township primary school, which was destroyed by fire in 1938. Basement of new building and the main floor comprise two shelters suitable for groups numbering fifty persons each. Dimensions overall: 41'-2"x26'-6"x20'-8".
2. Black Rock Trail Improvement; re-construction of one mile of earth surfacing including repair of drainage, slope dressing, installation of stone catch basins, and barrier. Steel wire fencing was erected along 1,500 feet of this road while 1,200 feet of obsolete wood barrier which had been declared unsafe was removed and cut up for firewood.

3. Completion of 57 re-inforced concrete shelter floors including shaping of gutters and construction of curbing.
4. Repairing and repainting of 478 picnic tables and benches for use in the groves.
5. Planting; covered under separate heading.

ARBORETUM SITE

1. Cleared approximately 25 acres and grubbed the same of stumps and briars.
2. Removed 2,376 trees, measuring four to ten inches in diameter, together with the stumps.
3. Excavated 561 old stumps, one and one-half to three feet in diameter.
4. Dug and bundled approximately 11,000 native shrubs for transplanting in other areas of the park.
5. Excavated approximately 150 yards of dirt for the lake to be established for operation of the waterfall.
6. Constructed about one mile of 3 ft. gutter along the roads.
7. Constructed 1,750 feet French drainage to take care of the wet areas in the arboretum.
8. Constructed 7,000 lineal feet of ten-foot service roads throughout the arboretum area.
9. Constructed 5,000 lineal feet of foot trails 5 ft. wide to enable people to reach all parts of the arboretum.
10. Planted and maintained 873 deciduous trees, consisting of 56 species which include 291 varieties, three of each variety.
11. Planted and maintained 474 coniferous evergreens consisting of 12 species which include 158 varieties three of each variety.
12. Planted and maintained 360 broadleaf evergreens and azalias consisting of 14 species which include 120 varieties, five of each variety.
13. Planted and maintained 2,200 shrubs consisting of 68 species which include 439 varieties, five of each variety.

IMPROVEMENTS MADE IN SOUTH PARK
Year, 1941

Construction of camp shelter at Twin Hills for under privileged children.

New concrete floor in Mess Hall at Twin Hills Camp.

Construction of new stage and settings on Fairground Oval for Patriotic Demonstrations.

Construction of new fountain pool and remodeling of Flower Show Exhibit.

Remodeling of Beanery at the Fairgrounds.

Construction of new stages and platforms in Fair Exhibit Buildings.

Construction of new counters for use on grounds of Sunset Hills Grove.

Installation of new steel beams in the Sully Barn.

Installation of new stalls and floors in Schoonmaker Hall Basement for Police Horses.

Razed old Police Headquarters and Barn.

Construction of new stone walk on north side of road from Buffalo Drive to farm exit entrance.

Construction of new stone walks and platform on South and East end of the Lodge.

Construction of new stone walk at Silent Brook Barn.

Construction of new stone walks at Police Cabins on McConkey Road and Spreading Oak.

Improvement of Dahlia and Floral Exhibits at the Flower Show.

Erecting of fence around boundary lines of groves on Twin Hills.

Construction of stone walks on banks in various sections of Catfish Run Road.

Installation of new doors at the Round Barn to permit doors to swing outward from each stall.

Installation of new lower doors from stalls in Agricultural Hall Basement.

Installation of new stall doors in Building No. 16 Hitching Rack.

Relocated and built new gates for Hitching Rack Judging Stand.

Installation of new floor in No. 12 Building Fairgrounds.

Installation of new floors in Nos. 2, 3, 4, and 6, Concession Stands at Fairgrounds.

Construction of 3 new concession stands for use at Fairgrounds and Sully Pool.

Installation of new floor in concession stand at Swimming Pool.

Reset new lockers at Swimming Pool, on new brick foundations.

Installation of new sash and frames in West End of Museum Building.

Construction of bridge at Round Barn.

New roof on back stage of Buffalo Inn.

Installation of 700′ 1″ water line for Twin Hill Camp Shelter.

Installation of 2,100′ 8″ terra cotta sewer at the Golf Club House, to eliminate drainage into sump pump.

Installation of new kitchen sinks and water lines in Youth Hostel.

Moving 8″ control valve of South Reservoir to new location, and the construction of a new concrete vault for same.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF WORK COMPLETED ON W. P. A. PROJECT NO. 24295 IN SOUTH PARK TO DECEMBER 23, 1941

Unit No.	Detailed Description of Work Completed	Total Amount of Work Completed
1	Dry Rubble Slope Walls	1,766 cubic yards
	Stone Production (Quarry)	1,133 cubic yards
	Trail Drainage—Excavation & Spoil Removal	251 cubic yards
	15″ T. C. Pipe—Laid and Caulked	1,130 lin. feet
	Backfill & Straw—Spread & Placed	105 cubic yards
4	Exterior Painting—Lead & Oil—2 Coats	3,005 squares**
	Interior Painting—Walls & Trim—Lead & Oil—2 Coats	1,080 squares
	Painting Benches & Bleachers—2 Coats	2,299 squares
	Enamel (Refuse Containers)—2 Coats	236 squares
	Benches Repaired and Painted	500 benches

**1 Square Equals 100 Square Feet

Unit No.	Detailed Description of Work Completed	Total Amount of Work Completed
7	Log Shelters Erected	7 shelters
	Standard Picnic Tables—Built & Painted	200 tables
	Combination Stone Masonry Ovens & Shelters Erected	8 ovens
8	Construct Putting Greens—1'-6"	9,870 square yards
	Top Soil Tees—6"	6,000 square yards
	Prepare Fairways—Complete	96,650 square yards
	Construct Sand Traps—Complete	32 sand traps
	Construct Grass Traps—Complete	11 grass traps
	Construct Water Hazards	2 water hazards
	Construct Ramped Path	3,150 square yards
	Transplant Trees—4" Diameter	900 trees
	Install Automatic Water Sprinkler System	3,449 lin. feet
9	Remove Existing Seats, Ledger Boards and Posts at Grandstands	32,914 lin. feet
	Replace Seats, etc., at Grandstands	31,002 lin. feet
	6" T. C. Pipe Drains—Complete in Place	6,358 lin. feet
	12" T. C. Pipe Feeders—Complete in Place	1,156 lin. feet
	18" T. C. Pipe Feeders—Complete in Place	154 lin. feet
	24" T. C. Pipe Sewer Complete	48 lin. feet
	Regrade and Lay New Slag Between Seats	8,600 square yards
	Painting eSats, Ledger Boards, Posts at Grandstands	1,590 squares**
	**1 Square Equals 100 Square Feet	
11-A	6" C. I. Water Line—Installed Complete	1,699 lin. feet
11-B	Remove Flagstone Paving Around Swimming Pool	8,000 square feet
	Remove Flagstone Cliff Around Pool	192 cubic yards
	Excave Pipe Trench Around Pool	155 cubic yards
	Remove and Cleaning Existing 4" and 6" Pipe	350 lin. feet
	Install 6" C. I. & B. & S. Return Line Around Pool	1,026 lin. feet
	Install 2" Branch Inlet Connections to Circulating Line	21 lin. feet
	Install 8" C. I. & B. & S. Gutter from Circ. Line to Filter Room	40 lin. feet
	Install 6" C. I. & B. & S. Gutter Line Around Pool	917 lin. feet
	Install 2" Branch Inlet Connections to Scum Gutter Line	45 connections
	Install 6" C. I. & B. S. Return Line to Deep Pool	210 lin. feet
	Pipe Supports Connections, Footers and Brick Piers	79 connections
	Backfilling and Tamping	1,062 cubic yards
	Concrete Paving to Circulate Stone Paving 8" Conc. Reinforced Wire	31,821 square feet
	Replace Flagstone Cliff Around Pool	884 cubic yards
	Drainage	809 feet
15	Transplant Trees—Average 6" Diameter	3,899 trees
	Fertilize Transplanted Trees	1,394 trees
	Remove Dead Trees—Throughout the Park	432 trees
	Remove Tree Stumps—Left in Ground from Previous Work	1,600 stumps
	Planting Shrubs—Throughout Park	64,768 shrubs

CONTRACT WORK ACCOMPLISHED 1941

SOUTH PARK

1. The installation of 2,067 steel lockers at the Swimming Pool Bath House including construction of brick base and other facilities $4,490.00
2. The construction of a small building and the installation of a chlorinator for treatment of sewage—Sully Pool Area 3,886.00
3. The landscaping, construction of a terrace, and miscellaneous improvements at the Golf Club House 8,654.55
4. Installation of Public Address Wiring and Conduit System Fair Grounds 1,850.00

RECREATION IN THE COUNTY PARKS DURING 1941

GOLFING

One of the best seasons in the history of the golf courses was had during 1941. Many new groups used the North and South Park 18 hole golf courses. College and High School teams used both courses for practice and team play. Tournaments were held at both parks during the season, not only under County Parks sponsorship, but by many private organizations. For the first time in years a women's tournament was attempted, and hereafter will be an annual affair. South Park played host in a return golf match with one of the private clubs. For the second annual year the Department sponsored indoor "Learn to Play Golf" classes during the winter months at the South Park Museum Building.

Instructions were free and attracted hundreds of County citizens.

The most popular feature during the years was the arrangement whereby Park golf professionals visited schools throughout the county giving instructions to the students.

BOATING

Boating was popular, especially on weekends throughout the summer. Records for the years show a revenue increase. Because of the defense effort which required mechanics and technicians the motorboat regatta was postponed. Individuals stored privately-owned canoes and kayaks at the boathouse during the summer months. Sailboats appeared on weekends. Both Sea Scouts and Boy Scouts made use of the Boathouse facilities during the summer months for their water tests. Underprivileged children using the camping areas were permitted to boat free of charge. A new motorboat was bought for safety patrol duty on the lake.

SWIMMING AND WATER SPORTS

The Board of County Commissioners again set aside a "Learn to Swim Week" for residents of the County. Lifeguards in both parks, all Red Cross trained, taught hundreds how to swim. Classes for businessmen and women were held during the evenings. Swimming meets sanctioned by the Allegheny Mountain Association of the A. A. U. were held during June, July, August and September; three at North Park and one at South Park during the County Fair. Thousands witnessed these events in which outstanding swimmers of this area took part. Water Polo exhibitions were given at the North Park Pool and swimming demonstrations at the South Park Pool. Sully Pool attracted large crowds, while special events on holidays brought additional thousands.

ARCHERY

At the North Park Archery Range tournaments were held during the season. Thousands of spectators lined Pearce Mill Road to watch the experts and amateurs alike. Hundreds of men and women, boys and girls adopted this fascinating sport. Special holiday events saw champion shooters entered from every section of the state. The Pittsburgh Archery Club assisted the Park Administration in conducting "Learn Archery" classes at both North Park and the South Park Indoor Archery Range at Schoonmaker Hall. The Board of County Commissioners awarded medals to winners of the Memorial Day and July 4th competitions.

BASEBALL

With the opening of the new North Park Baseball Field fans packed the stands every Sunday and week days. Because of the popularity of the field and its excellent condition as many as three games were played on Sundays throughout the summer. At the North Park Lodge Ball Field practice games and sessions were also held. The South Park Fair Grounds Oval was also a most popular spot for baseball players. A new regulation ball field was laid out and proved to be a great attraction to spectators every Sunday afternoon. The championships of the National Slovak Society Pittsburgh leagues were held here.

TRACK AND FIELD

Eleven track and field championships held during the Annual County Fair attracted the best of the Allegheny Mountain Association, Amateur Athletic Union stars. Thousands saw and enjoyed these events. Stella Walsh, Olympic champion competed. On Decoration Day the County Parks again sponsored the annual track and field events for the athletes of the county. The Allegheny County Schools track and field championships for Junior-Senior High School and Elementary schools was held in the Fair Grounds Oval. Other schools used park facilities for track and field practice.

SOCCER

A successful Soccer Football season was held during the year. Games were played almost every Sunday and each team brought its own enthusiastic following. Various league games were played and exhibitions given. Special Soccer Football games were scheduled during the Annual Fair. The National Slovak Society Soccer Club proved the outstanding team using Edgebrook Field during 1941. Matches were also arranged indenpendent of league activity.

SOFTBALL AND MUSHBALL

These two games are the most popular in the parks. Almost all picnic groups play softball or mushball in the playfield of the parks. Many church leagues play regularly scheduled weekly games. The Cecil Township Girls' Softball team carried out a regular schedule with games every Sunday afternoon at the Edgebrook Field. Each week hundreds of spectators were on hand to applaud. Practice games were booked at the Texas Field and the south end of the Oval. Dressing facilities in the Hospital Building basement were made available for players.

FOOTBALL

Football games at South Park were played at the Edgebrook Field and the Fair Grounds Oval. High School teams participated in weekly games attracting not only the student body but hundreds of others. Indoor practice was arranged for many groups in the Schoonmaker Hall. Practice games were staged both in the Hall and on the Oval by Duquesne University, the Professional Pittsburgh Steelers, and others. During the County Fair a number of first class football games between Allegheny County teams entertained thousands in the stands.

FISHING

Anglers enjoyed their favorite sport at the North Park Lake during the 1941 season. Thousands of fishermen were up bright and early throughout the year to catch something on their hook. Boats were used more for fishing than the previous year as indicated by the revenue records. During the year the lake was stocked many times by the State Fish Hatchery with Yellow Perch, Catfish, Bream, Calico Bass and other fish. Those over 16 years of age are required to have a license.

BADMINTON

Badminton continued to grow in popularity with park frequenters. Almost every other picnic group was to be seen playing badminton. At South Park the badminton courts were in daily use with players waiting their turn to use the courts. Certain groups held regularly scheduled weekly meets.

YOUTH HOSTEL

Increased attendance was recorded at the Youth Hostel. The building was also in demand among camping groups unable to make arrangements for the outdoor. Houseparents supervised the Hostel during the entire year. Groups used the building a full twelve months. Over 600 persons spent 1,366 overnights at the Hostel. There were 48 separate organizations listed as using the building. Thirty-two bunks, showers, kitchen facilities and playroom were available. The Youth Hostel Committee during the year contributed many articles of furniture to the building.

WINTER SPORTS

Ice Skating, Skiing and Sledding brought tremendous crowds to both parks during the winter season. At North Park Lake, skaters kept time to music furnished by records played over the County Parks loudspeaker unit. Over 4,000 skaters were estimated to have been in attendance on one Sunday alone. Facilities at South Park for sledding and skiing were greatly improved, giving the visitors a better run. Winter sports fans expressed appreciation by letter and telephone.

The South Park wading pool was again used by skaters who flocked to the pool from everywhere. Skating was held during the evenings until 11:00 P. M. Sleigh parties were held throughout the parks by many groups.

BICYCLING

The 2nd Annual 250 mile National Bicycle team championships were held at South Park sponsored by the Board of County Commissioners. Teams from Indianapolis, Chicago, Pittsburgh, Cleveland and Toronto, Canada, participated. Bicycle events were also held during the holiday event programs. The park roads, both North and South were used to capacity by park visitors who hired bicycles at concession stands outside the park limits.

HORSE SHOWS AND RACING

Two splendid Indoor Horse Shows were well attended at the South Park Schoonmaker Hall during 1941. The South Park Matinee Club sponsored a show for the benefit of campers using the parks during the summer. The Bethel Volunteer Fire Company held a Horse Show to raise funds for their fire department.

As part of the County Fair Program, a Horse Show was held in the Fair Grounds Oval. Running Races were held every day during the Fair thrilling the many thousands who sat in the stands.

BRIDLE TRAILS

More than ever South and North Park trails saw new riders and additional horse lovers. The new South Park trails were discovered by riders who delighted in riding through the shaded woods. The main trail on Corrigan Drive was most popular through all seasons of the year. Riding appeals to its followers all year 'round and riders can be seen winter and summer on the park trails.

PICNICKING

Picnics and outings played a major part in the year's activities. Groups of visitors from every section of Allegheny County and numbers from outside of the county used facilities in both parks throughout the year. Even during the fall and winter months applications were issued for outdoor events and it was not unusual to see visitors building winter picnic fires in the grove ovens. Many shelters have had their floors cemented during the year adding to their attractiveness and comfort. New horseshoe pitching boxes placed near picnic groves made them doubly desirable for family and organization outings.

CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND

The Children's Playground at South Park was greatly improved during the year. This recreation spot was better known to park visitors. Play equipment, including swings, slides and see-saws, was added to for the kiddies. Parking close-by makes this area readily accessible.

TRAP AND SKEET

A new activity at North Park, scatter gun shooting, attracted thousands of sportsmen from all over the country. Hundreds of Trap and Skeet fans used the facilities opened by the Board of County Commissioners late in the year, October 11, 1941. Leagues were started to encourage new and old shooters to participate. John Moek, All Outdoors Editor of the Pittsburgh Press, organized highly successful "Hunters' Special" shoots. The five trap and two skeet layouts are already considered equal to the finest in the country by veteran sportsmen.

RECREATIONAL SERVICES

The National Youth Administration and the Works Progress Administration again assisted the County Parks in manifold ways. The County Parks Office arranged to assist groups in planning their picnics and outings. The Allegheny Mountain Association of the Amateur Athletic Union cooperated in the handling of sports activities. Camping trips were arranged in co-operation with Boy Scout and Girl Scout Headquarters, for authorized troops. Department stores co-operatend in the distribution of circulars and posters for various "Learn to Play" campaigns. Mimeographical material

was made available for groups seeking games and stunts. A printed booklet outlining recreational facilities and activities in North and South Parks was printed and distributed throughout the various schools and libraries. Park maps were supplied free of charge to the public frequently being marked and mailed out upon request to assist visitors in locating groves and shelters.

HORSEBACK RIDING CLASSES

Indoor Horseback Riding continues to grow in popularity each year. The 1940-41 classes were especially well attended. An interesting clinic on Horseback Riding was held in Schoonmaker Hall before a capacity crowd.

Classes were held every evening during the week with open riding on Friday evenings and the cowboy riders on Saturdays. Instructions were free, riders paying for horses only. Cross-country hikes were also held as an added feature of these classes.

HORSESHOE PITCHING

Horseshoe pitching gained in popularity this year with the installation of facilities in various North Park groves. Previously the sport was enjoyed only at the Corrigan Drive and Fair Grounds courts in South Park. Nominal rental fees are charged.

Outstanding event of the year was the Annual Farmers' Horseshoe Pitching tournament, which augmented the usual Memorial Day and Fourth of July competitions.

CAMPING

The year's camping season was unmarred by accidents of any kind as hundreds of underprivileged children from every section of the County were given an opportunity to vacation in the parks.

Three camps and the old golf club house at North Park were utilized in addition to the Girl and Boy Scouts' Cabins. A unique outing was that provided for babies from the Lawrenceville Neighborhood House who spent two weeks in camp under model supervision.

South Park's three camps were also used during the entire season, with the Girl Scout Building and the Cabin at the Fair Grounds being pressed into service.

Overnight camping also proved popular, and the experimental "day camps," conducted by social agencies were voted most successful.

Among those using the camps were Rankin Christian Center, Munhall Neighborhood House, Bureau of Recreation Centers, Irene Kaufmann Settlement, Soho Community House, C. D. of A., and various councils.

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

A Loyalty Day program, held for the general public at South Park Fair Grounds, headed a long list of special activities prepared by the parks department. Thousands took part in the celebration which was marked by the presentation of scholarships to deserving students, and the concert presented by massed bands of all of the high schools.

Among the special activities were special Memorial Day, July Fourth and Labor Day programs; golf and tennis tournaments and exhibitions, swimming meets, track and field events, horseshows, running races, acquatic exhibitions, rabbit shows, boxing events, football, baseball and soccer games, scout jamborees, flower exhibitions, water polo games, hiking, archery meets, seaplane contest, steeplechase and harness racing, polo games and the Defense Art Show.

VACATION WEEKS

The planned program of events for vacation weeks in the parks, adopted two years ago, again proved most popular with people wishing to go out to the parks for planned activities each day during their vacations. The programs list a series of activities which may be enjoyed by small family groups, or large outings. The programs are prepared at the parks office and are distributed to interested parties.

RECREATION BUILDINGS

Four recreation buildings are provided in each park. South Park has the Lodge, Community House, Silent Brook and Spreading Oak, while North Park has the Lodge, Rose Barn, the Hemlocks and Parish Hill.

Nominal rentals and deposits are required for the two Lodges, the Community House and Rose Barn. Small deposits are required for Parish Hill, the Hemlocks, Spreading Oaks and Silent Brook.

THE NINTH ALLEGHENY COUNTY FAIR

Allegheny County's Annual Fair again met with the approval of our whole population, city and farm folks alike, and the Ninth Annual Fair was acclaimed one of the greatest agricultural events in the nation.

Growth of the Fair has resulted in additional innovations each year and 1941 was marked by the adoption of traffic control measures and the institution of a "two-a-day" entertainment feature—a Western rodeo with free afternoon and evening performances.

Demand for space by commercial exhibitors also reached such proportions that space charges were made with the result that part of the expense entailed in the annual presentation was defrayed by firms advertising their products. Nominal fees were also charged for automobile parking in lots adjacent to the grounds, although all other parking was free.

The public was also encouraged to use free parking lots along Corrigan Drive and bus companies co-operated by running "jitneys" from the park entrances to the Fair Grounds. This new system resulted in less conjestion and facilitated the handling of unusually heavy traffic by police officers.

At the request of the Farmers' Committee, farm exhibitors were permitted to offer their products for sale at their parking lot in the Upper Fair Grounds.

Entertainment features, in addition to the rodeo, included almost 800 events during the five days of the Fair so that a continuous program was in operation from 10:00 A. M. until 10:00 P. M. Running races, in which horsemen from the Tri-State area participated, proved most popular, with two cards offered during the afternoon and evening.

Increased exhibits were noted in all agricultural and home economics departments, with the greatest gains in farm cattle and the boys' and girls' divisions. Among commercial exhibitors demands for space were so heavy that for the first time, displays were permitted in tents which were erected in the rear of the grandstand, along Brownsville road.

Concessionaires at the Fair reported heavy sales and estimated their business in ice cream, pop, candy, meals, sandwiches and other articles offered the public at almost double that of 1940.

ALLEGHENY COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PARKS

REVENUE, ATTENDANCE, FEES AND OPERATING SCHEDULE OF RECREATION ACTIVITIES

NORTH PARK ARCHERY RANGE

Outdoor Season Saturday, April 26th to and including Sunday, October 26th. Indoor at Schoonmaker Hall, South Park, November 2nd, 1941, to February, 1942.

Daily 7:00 A. M. until 9:00 P. M. including Sundays and Holidays.

Season Permit $1.00.

General Admission 10c.

RECEIPTS

136 Paid Admissions	@ $ .10	$13.60
77 Season Permits	(30 sold at North Park, and 47 sold the City Office (@ $1.00	77.00
Total Receipts		$90.60

Total Attendance, ARCHERY 2,038

NORTH PARK BOATING

Season Friday, May 30th, to and including Sunday, September 28th.

Daily 12:00 Noon until 9:00 P. M. Sunday and Holidays 10:00 A. M. until 9:00 P. M.

1 Boathouse, modernly equipped. Total 71 Rowboats available for use.

Rowboat rental @ 25c per half hour, no more than 5 passengers to a boat.

11,757 Boats rented, per half hour	@ $.25	$2,939.25
50 Dock Fees	@ .50	25.00
Total Receipts		$2,964.25

Total Attendance 30,302

NORTH PARK CANOE STORAGE

Season same as boating, Friday, May 30th, to and including Sunday, September 28th.

$10.00 per season per canoe, storage in boathouse.

Total Canoes Stored..... 6 Total receipts.....$60.00

NORTH PARK TRAP AND SKEET RANGE

Season year-round, officially opened Saturday, October 11th, 1941.

$1.25 Fee for 25 shells and 25 targets.

2,525	Fees (25 shells and 25 targets)	@ $1.25	$3,156.25
8,450	Targets	@ .02	169.00
9	Boxes Shells		7.25
	Total Receipts		$3,332.50
	LESS FEES PAID TRAP BOYS		179.88
	Net Total Receipts		$3,152.62
	Total Rounds Fired		71,575
	Total Attendance		1,428

GOLF

Season Friday, April 25th, to and including Sunday, November 30th.

Daily 7:00 A. M. to 9:00 P. M., every day including Sundays and Holidays.

18-hole course, new golf club house, modernly equipped.

Week Days, 75c per round of 18 holes.

Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays $1.00.

$20.00 Unlimited Permits, good at both parks every day of the season.

$12.00 Limited Permits, good at both parks every day of the season with the exception of Saturdays, Sundays and Holidays.

$5.00 Junior Permit, 18 years or under, good at both parks every day of the season with the exception of Saturdays after 12:00 Noon, Sundays and Holidays before 4:00 P. M.

$5.00 Locker Permit, good only at one Park.

North Park Golf Receipts

11,742	Green Fees, daily	@ $ .75	$ 8,806.50
10,522	Green Fees, Sat., Sun. & Holidays	@ 1.00	10,522.00
248	Unlimited Permits	@ 20.00	4,960.00
229	Limited Permits	@ 12.00	2,748.00
101	Junior Permits	@ 5.00	505.00
48	Locker Permits	@ 5.00	240.00
1,225	Daily Lockers	@ .15	183.75
3,780	Towels	@ .10	378.00
	Total North Park Golf Receipts		$28,343.25

South Park Golf Receipts

12,115	Green Fees, Daily	@ $ .75	$ 9,086.25
10,440	Green Fees, Sat., Sun. & Holidays	@ 1.00	10,440.00
371	Unlimited Permits	@ 20.00	7,420.00
319	Limited Permits	@ 12.00	3,828.00
107	Junior Permits	@ 5.00	535.00
101	Locker Permits	@ 5.00	505.00
1,378	Daily Lockers	@ .15	206.70
5,264	Towels	@ .10	526.40
5	Sanitary Napkins	@ .05	.25
	Total South Park Golf Receipts		$32,547.60

City Office Golf Permit Sales

120	Unlimited Permits	@ $20.00	$ 2,400.00
76	Limited Permits	@ 12.00	912.00
16	Junior Permits	@ 5.00	80.00
1	Locker Permit	@ 5.00	5.00
	Total City Office Golf Permit Sale Receipts		$ 3,397.00

Total Golf Receipts

North Park Golf Receipts	$28,343.25
South Park Golf Receipts	32,547.60
City Office Golf Permit Sale Receipts	3,397.00
Total Receipts	$64,287.85

Total Rounds Played

North Park Green Fee Rounds Played	22,264
North Park Permit Rounds Played	36,514
Total North Park Rounds Played	58,778
South Park Green Fee Rounds Played	22,555
South Park Permit Rounds Played	37,819
Total South Park Rounds Played	60,374
Total Green Fee Rounds Played, at both Parks	44,819
Total Permit Rounds Played, at both Parks	74,333
Total Rounds Played, both Parks	119,152

SWIMMING POOL

Season Friday, May 30th to and including Monday, Labor Day, September 1st.

Daily 12:00 Noon until 9:00 P. M., Sundays and Holidays 10.00 A. M. until 9:00 P. M.

Modernly equipped with bathing facilities and children's wading pool.

15c General Admission Children under 12 free

North Park Swimming Pool

141,312	Paid Admission	@ $ .15	$21,196.80
624	Valuable Tags	@ .10	62.40
789	Valuable Envelopes	@ .10	78.90
	Miscellaneous, lost bands, etc.		.59
	Total North Park Swimming Pool Receipts		$21,338.69

South Park Swimming Receipts

98,050	Paid Admission	@ $ .15	$14,707.50
2,132	Valuable Tags	@ .10	213.20
945	Valuable Envelopes	@ .10	94.50
	Miscellaneous, lost bands, etc.		5.45
	Total South Park Swimming Pool Receipts		$15,020.65

Total Swimming Pool Receipts

North Park Swimming Pool	$21,338.69
South Park Swimming Pool	15,020.65
Total Receipts	$36,359.34

Swimming Pool Attendance

North Park Swimming Pool	212,267
South Park Swimming Pool	155,524
Sully Pool	32,689
Total Attendance	400,480

TENNIS COURTS

Season Thursday, May 15th to and including Sunday, October 12th every day including Sundays and Holidays.

Daily 7:00 A. M. to 9:00 P. M. every day including Sundays and Holidays.

Season Permit $2.50, after July 10th $1.50, good at both Parks.

10c per hour per person. Children under 12 free (3 courts)

North Park—15 Courts— 9 Clay, 6 All Weather.

South Park—20 Courts—14 Clay, 6 All Weather.

Field Houses at North and South Parks, modernly equipped.

North Park Tennis Receipts

11,276	Paid Admissions	@ $ .10	$1,127.60
35	Season Permits	@ 2.50	87.50
6	Season Permits (after July 10th)	@ 1.50	9.00
204	Towels	@ .10	20.40
61	Daily Lockers	@ .10	6.10
Total North Park Tennis Receipts			$1,250.60

South Park Tennis Receipts

15,141	Paid Admissions	@ $ .10	$1,514.10
58	Season Permits	@ 2.50	145.00
10	Season Permits (after July 10th)	@ 1.50	15.00
277	Towels	@ .10	27.70
60	Daily Lockers	@ .10	6.00
Total South Park Tennis Receipts			$1,707.80

City Office Tennis Permit Sales

5	Season Permits	@ $2.50	$ 12.50
2	Season Permits (after July 10th)	@ 1.50	3.00
Total City Office Tennis Permit Sale Receipts			$ 15.50

Total Tennis Receipts

North Park Tennis	$1,250.60
South Park Tennis	1,707.80
City Office Tennis Permits Sales	15.50
Total Receipts	$2,973.90

Total Tennis Attendance

North Park Tennis	12,274
South Park Tennis	18,032
Total Attendance	30,306

North Park Miscellaneous

Rental of Horseshoes (20c per set)	$ 35.40
4th Annual Allegheny County Hard Court Tennis Championships	104.00
Damages (Triple Oaks Shelter House)	3.00
Total North Park Miscellaneous Receipts	$ 142.40

South Park Miscellaneous

Rental of Horseshoes (20c per set)	$ 30.40
Youth Hostel (30c admission)	151.55
Horseback Riding (10c admission)	191.20
Allegheny County Parks Novice Tennis Tournament	33.00
Allegheny County 9th Annual Fair Paid Parking	3,947.50
Allegheny County 9th Annual Fair Exhibit Space Rentals	4,195.75
Damages: Buffalo Inn, $3.00; Youth Hostel, $9.40; Girl Scout Cabin, $3.50	15.90
Sale of 5 Buffalos from the South Park Herd	250.00
Total South Park Miscellaneous Receipts	$ 8,815.30

Total Miscellaneous Receipts

North Park Miscellaneous	$ 142.40
South Park Miscellaneous	8,815.30
Total Miscellaneous Receipts	$ 8,957.70

North Park Concessions (5% Gross Sales)

Refreshments	$ 1,475.96
Bathing Suits	53.48
Total North Park Concession Receipts	$ 1,529.44

South Park Concessions (5% Gross Sales)

Buffalo Inn, Refreshments	$ 2,814.28
Sully Pool, refreshments	152.82
Bathing Suits	34.41
Swimming Pool and Tennis Courts, refreshments	729.28
Golf Course Clubhouse Restaurant, refreshments	759.03
Spreading Oak, refreshments	39.43
Total South Park Concession Receipts	$ 4,529.25

Total Concession Receipts

North Park Concessions	$ 1,529.44
South Park Concessions	4,529.25
Total Concession Receipts	$ 6,058.69

Rental Fees and Deposits Required for Use of Enclosed Buildings

North Park	South Park		
Lodge	Lodge	$15 rental plus	$10 deposit, total $25 each.
Rose Barn	Community House	.....	$10 deposit, total $10 each.
Hemlocks	Silent Brook	.....	$ 5 deposit, total $ 5 each.
Parish Hill	Spreading Oak	.....	$ 5 deposit, total $ 5 each.

Receipts

Total Rental Fees Received	$ 4,695.00
Total Deposits Received	11,070.00
Total Receipts Received for Use of Enclosed Buildings	15,765.00

Disbursements

Total Rental Fees and Deposits refunded to permit holders on account of cancellations, including refunds after use of building less damages	$11,152.15
Total Net Receipts	$ 4,612.85
Total Rental Fees Received	$ 4,695.00
Less Refunds Due to Cancellations	170.00
Net Total of Rental Fees Retained	$ 4,525.00
Plus Damages Retained on Refund of Deposits	87.85
Net Total Receipts	$ 4,612.85

Total Revenue Derived From Park Activities

	North Park	South Park	City Office (permit sales)	Total
Archery	$ 43.60	$.....	$ 47.00	$ 90.60
Boating	2,964.25	.....	.....	2,964.25
Canoe Storage	60.00	.....	.....	60.00
Golf	28,343.25	32,547.60	3,397.00	64,287.85
Swimming Pools	21,338.69	15,020.65	.....	36,359.34
Tennis	1,250.60	1,707.80	15.50	2,973.90
Trap & Skeet Range	3,152.62	.....	.....	3,152.62
Rental Fees & Damages	.....	.....	4,612.85	4,612.85
Miscellaneous	142.40	8,815.30	.....	8,957.70
TOTAL RECREATION RECEIPTS	$57,295.41	$58,091.35	$8,072.35	$123,459.11
Concessions	1,529.44	4,529.25	.....	6,058.69
TOTAL REVENUE	$58,824.85	$62,620.60	$8,072.35	$129,517.80

Golf, Locker, Tennis and Archery Permits Sold

	North Park	South Park	City Office	Total
Golf: Unlimited ($20.00)	248	371	120	739
Limited ($12.00)	229	319	76	624
Junior ($ 5.00)	101	107	16	224
Locker ($ 5.00)	48	101	1	150
Total Golf Permits Sold	626	898	213	1,737
Total Tennis Permits ($2.50)	35	58	5	98
Total Tennis Permits ($1.50)	6	10	2	18
Total Archery Permits ($1.00)	30	..	47	77
Total Number Permits Sold	697	966	267	1,930

NORTH AND SOUTH PARKS PICNIC PERMITS

Season year-round, permits issued upon personal application only. No charge for permits for groves with open type shelters issued for every day with the exception of Sundays and Holidays. Permits for enclosed buildings issued every day of the season including Sundays and Holidays to groups of 100 or more persons only. Rental Fee and Deposits required for use of enclosed buildings as follows: NORTH PARK: Lodge $15.00 rental fee plus $10.00 deposit, total $25.00; Rose Barn $10.00 deposit only; Hemlocks $5.00 deposit only; Parish Hill $5.00 deposit only. SOUTH PARK: Lodge $5.00 rental fee plus $10.00 deposit, total $25.00; Community House $10.00 deposit only; Silent Brook $5.00 deposit only; Spreading Oak $5.00 deposit only. Deposits refunded providing no damages have been done to building or surroundings during applicant's stay.

North Park

Total Number of Groves	132
Enclosed Buildings	4
Total Number of Permits Issued	3,223
Attendance	330,956

South Park

Total Number of Groves	109
Enclosed Buildings	4
Attendance	329,012
Total Number of Permits Issued	2,773
Total Number of Permits Issued, both parks	5,996
Total Attendance (picnic permits only), both parks	633,968

ATTENDANCE

Archery	2,038	500	2,538
Bating	30,302	.....	30,302
‡Trap and Skeet Range (Shooters only)	1,428	.....	1,428
(Spectators)	8,500	.....	8,500*
Golf	58,778	60,374	119,152
Swimming Pools (Bathers)	212,267	188,213	400,480
(Spectators)	80,000	55,000	135,000*
Tennis	12,274	18,032	30,306
Camping (Boy Scout,s Girl Scouts, Youth Hostel, Children's Camps	2,791	2,430	5,221
Picnic Groups (Permits)	330,956	329,012	659,968
Picnic Groups (Sundays & Holidays	625,000	550,000	1,175,000
Fishing	50,000	.....	50,000*
Tennis Tournament Championship	8,000	5,000	13,000*
Special Events (Bicycle races, instruction classes swimming, golf, badminton, horseshoe pitching, baseball, softball, tennis, archery etc.)	30,000	100,000	130,000*
Ninth Annual County Fair	.....	800,000	800,000*
Football (Amateur-high school)	.....	40,000	40,000*
Bicycling	20,000	35,000	55,000*
Soccer Football	.....	150,000	150,000*
Archery Tournaments	25,000	1,000	26,000*

Winter Sports	20,000	20,000	40,000*
Track & Field Meets	150,000	.....	150,000*
Boxing Exhibitions	.....	75,000	75,000*
Horseback Riding (Indoor & Outdoor)	8,000	15,000	23,000*
Swimming Meets (Exhibitions)	10,000	15,000	25,000*
Dancing Pavilion	45,000	.....	45,000*
Total Attendance	1,730,334	2,459,561	4,189,895†

*Estimated.

‡Opened October 11, 1941.

†The Annual Eastern Outboard Motorboat Regatta which drew attendance of more than 150,000 was cancelled because local technicians could not spare time from defense production.

Yours very truly,

GEORGE E. KELLY, Director

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Allegheny County Department of Parks.