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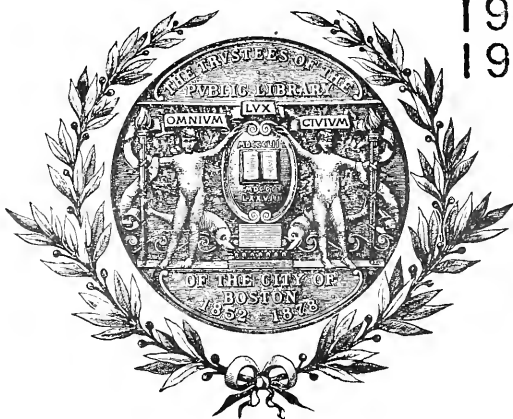
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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

PARK DEPARTMENT

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1947.

BOSTON, December 31, 1947.

HON. JAMES M. CURLEY,
Mayor of Boston.

DEAR SIR,—In accordance with section 15 of chapter 185, Acts of 1875, the Park Commission herewith submits its annual report for the year 1947.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN J. MURPHY,
Chairman.

Expenditures for Maintenance, January 1 to December 31, 1947.

PARKS, GARDENS — SQUARES.

Algonquin square	\$77 56
Alice Gallagher park	9 75
Aquarium	39,444 19
Arborway	4,900 78
Arnold Arboretum	2,416 77
Back Bay yard	1,838 77
Belmont square	849 81
Blackstone square	1,607 65
Boston Common, Bandstand	1,402 81
Boston Common, Deer Park	1,194 35
Boston Common, Frog Pond	16 56
Boston Common, grounds	40,073 00
Boston Common, Park Street Station	1,396 30
Boston Common, West Street Station	92 12
Braddock park	125 97
Brigham Circle	249 36
Bromley park	168 62
Brookline overpass	7 95
Camp Meigs	251 94
Castle Island	761 28
Cedar square	232 56
Centerville park	113 05
Central square	853 83
Chester park	640 77
Chestnut Hill park	4,922 76
Columbia road	11,528 71
Columbus Park Stadium	8,557 76
Columbus square	138 69
Commonwealth avenue, main	28,003 92
Concord square	553 45
Dorchester park	3,321 03
Eaton square	290 70
Edison green	171 19
Elm Hill park	61 37
Fens	21,571 40
Florida street	161 10
Fort Hill square	677 90
Franklin Park, Administration Building, shops, etc.	9,312 16
Franklin Park, carpenter shop	7,637 17
Franklin Park, Ellicott Cottage	100 00
Franklin Park, garage	19,276 08
Franklin Park, golf course	17,255 74
Franklin Park, Grampian way	94 40
Franklin Park, greenhouse	44,221 45

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Franklin Park, grounds	\$9,637	76
Franklin Park, paint shop	8,726	99
Franklin Park, Refectory Building	3,648	72
Franklin Park, storehouse	37,942	48
Franklin Park, yard	40,127	66
Franklin square	1,347	22
Fred Olson square	29	07
George Wolf square	251	04
George Wright Golf Course	41,521	51
Green and Lamartine streets	1,016	60
Greenwood square	41	99
Hayes square	562	02
Heath square	51	68
Highland park	590	58
Hilson square	6	96
Horatio Harris park	1,088	16
Hyde square	64	60
Independence park	368	29
Irving W. Adams park	1,129	73
Jamaica Pond Boat Landing	164	96
Jamaicaway	7,666	48
John E. Donovan park	1,172	07
John Harvard Mall	1,113	67
John J. Welch	639	54
Kane square	29	11
Kenmore square	2,015	52
Kittredge square	25	84
Lawton Circle	813	96
Linwood square	38	36
Madison park	1,693	78
Marine park	5,533	24
Mary Cummings Estate	2	25
Massachusetts avenue	832	07
Maverick square	869	22
McLean park	869	22
Mount Bowdoin green	226	37
North End park and pier	1,063	31
Oak square	483	42
Oakview terrace	32	30
Olmsted park	1,229	00
Orchard park	1,434	71
Park Drive, Administration Building	976	24
Parks—General	3,800	00
Paul Revere Mall	465	31
Peabody square	22	61
Penniman road	65	04
Preble Street Traffic Circle	126	86
Prescott square	830	46
Public Garden	28,852	02

Putnam square	\$74 64
Recreation Division	155,217 64
Richardson square	563 21
Riverway	14,201 62
Ross Estate	239 68
Rutland square	824 30
Soldiers' Monument Lot	132 43
Spaulding square	29 07
Strandway	30,127 23
Tremlett square	3 23
Turner square	190 57
Union park	288 92
Vincent Cutillo park	608 66
Walnut park	230 64
Waltham square	154 32
Warren Statue	74 29
Washington park	1,711 67
Webster square	6 46
Wellesley park	161 50
William B. Corbett park	689 86
Winthrop square	174 42
Wolcott square	148 58
Worcester square	469 05
World War Memorial park	7,004 32
Zoological Garden, animal range	4,462 30
Zoological Garden, antelope house	5,966 71
Zoological Garden, bear dens	4,656 71
Zoological Garden, bird house	15,029 20
Zoological Garden, camel house	10 02
Zoological Garden, elephant house	6,161 13
Zoological Garden, general	31,553 61
Zoological Garden, lion house	5,538 98
Total	<u>\$774,527 70</u>

PLAYGROUNDS.

Almont Street Playground	\$4,382 65
American Legion Playground	4,172 43
Billings Field Playground	4,671 88
Brookside Avenue Playground	1,788 69
Carl H. Ahlsen Playground	39 05
Carson Street Playground	46 70
Ceylon Street Playground	1,236 85
Charlesbank Playground	2,356 55
Charlestown Heights Playground	67 14
Cherry Street Playground	797 28
Christopher J. Gibson Playground	3,864 28
Christopher J. Lee Playground	3,333 89

Cook Street Playground	\$790 10
Copp's Hill Terrace Playground	597 90
Everett and Elm Streets Playground	21 17
Fallon Field Playground	4,727 72
Fellows Street Playground	471 12
Foster Street Playground	694 14
Francis Parkman Playground	2,014 24
Franklin Field Playground	13,622 42
Frederick D. Emmons Playground	2,166 79
George H. Walker Playground	3,264 37
James L. Cronin Playground	2,114 17
James F. Healy Playground	3,118 77
James and Margaret Tobin Playground	1,666 46
Jefferson Playground	3,989 47
John J. Connolly Playground	3,264 83
John J. Doherty Playground	2,477 94
John F. Holland Playground	1,173 70
John W. Murphy Playground	2,503 46
John H. L. Noyes Playground	4,940 91
John J. Ryan Playground	6,380 07
John Winthrop Playground	866 63
Joseph Lee Playground	1,448 69
Kiley Street Playground	42 00
King Street Playground	116 28
L. Gertrude Howes Playground	635 14
Lester J. Rotch Playground	2,342 32
London Street Playground	888 60
Mary Draper Playground	2,256 63
Mary Hannon Playground	2,574 78
Mary E. Hemenway Playground	3,347 41
McCarthy Playground	623 30
McConnell Park Playground	2,633 31
McKinney Playground	4,610 95
McLaughlin Playground	9 48
Mission Hill Playground	3,040 26
Murray Playground	620 16
North End Prada Playground	2,623 09
Parker Hill Playground	3,850 23
Phillips Street Playground	305 00
Portsmouth Street Playground	548 86
Readville Playground	2,605 64
Rev. Father Buckley Playground	141 21
Ripley Playground	36 33
Rogers Park Playground	5,532 55
Ronan Park Playground	4,560 31
Smith's Pond Playground	3,654 91
Snow Hill Street Playground	581 40
Stanley A. Ringer Playground	3,703 76
Thomas J. Roberts Playground	3,694 57

Troy Street Playground	\$1,314 82
Tyler Street Playground	116 28
Webster Street Playground	9 75
Wesley G. Ross Playground	3,047 03
William Amerena Playground	1,927 22
William J. Barry Playground	3,048 48
William E. Carter Playground	3,774 63
William Eustis Playground	2,472 93
William E. Garvey Playground	3,277 28
William F. Smith Playground	4,873 00
Winthrop Street Playground	253 44
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Total	<u>\$168,835 80</u>

GYMNASIA.

Cabot Street Gymnasium	\$30,887 77
Columbia Road Gymnasium	9,301 43
Curtis Hall Gymnasium	12,655 87
Hyde Park Gymnasium	8,635 95
John J. Williams Gymnasium	14,299 75
Lexington Street Gymnasium	8,703 12
North Bennet Street Gymnasium	31,075 41
Paris Street Gymnasium	27,959 88
Roslindale Gymnasium	9,502 23
Tyler Street Gymnasium	7,342 95
Vine Street Gymnasium	17,270 21
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Total	<u>\$177,634 57</u>

BATHS AND BEACHES.

Broadway Municipal Building	\$15,668 15
Charlesbank	5,692 20
Columbus Park Beach	15,796 58
Dewey Beach	465 96
Dover Street Bath House and Laundry	78,173 86
Head House, Marine Park	11,052 32
L Street Bath House and Beach	68,318 28
North End Park Beach and Bath	16,410 52
Savin Hill Beach	3,021 05
Tenean Beach	6,962 38
World War Memorial Park Beach	2,919 00
Repair Room, Sewing Room and Stock Room,	46,439 85
Miscellaneous	1,540 02
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Total	<u>\$272,460 17</u>

GENERAL EXPENSE.

Central Office — Administration	\$73,393 77
Stables	6,861 15
Street trees	55,459 58
Miscellaneous	67,592 56
Pensions and annuities	13,234 41
Automobiles, tractors, wagons, etc.	72,324 42
Total	<u>\$288,865 89</u>

RECAPITULATION.

Parks and gardens	\$774,527 70
Playgrounds	168,835 80
Gymnasia	177,634 57
Baths and beaches	272,460 17
General expense	288,865 89
Total	<u>\$1,682,324 13</u>

Expenditures of Loan, Revenue, Special Appropriations and Trust Funds, January 1, 1947, to December 31, 1947.

RECREATION.

Common and Parks in existence on January 12, 1887, Maintenance and Improvement of	\$198,321 85
Construction of buildings, acquisition of land, etc., Non-revenue	24,040 80
Construction of buildings, acquisition of land, etc., Revenue,	23,931 57
Contingent Fund, Temporary War Memorial	1,659 03
Contingent Fund, Band Concerts	1,600 00
Department Equipment Loan, Motor Vehicle Machinery, Non-revenue	23,963 14
Mary P. C. Cummings Trust Fund, income	3,121 76
Park Department, South End District	30,272 75
Park, Playground Improvements, etc., Revenue	151,228 48
Randidge Trust Fund, income	455 00
Reconstruction, Repair, Parkways, Roadways	125,030 03
Rehabilitation of the Franklin Park Zoo	16,768 44
Total	<u>\$600,392 85</u>

CASH RECEIPTS.

For Twelve Months Ending December 31, 1947.

PARK DIVISION.

Franklin Park Golf Course	\$16,721 50
George Wright Golf Course	25,042 50
Permits for openings, signs, etc	1,275 00
Use of equipment, labor, etc	270 00
Commission on receipts from public telephones in Park Department buildings	112 93
Sale of excavated material	360 78

Refunds	\$18 69	
Settlement of claims	339 22	
Towels, soap, etc., in playground houses	2,046 17	
Rentals from concessions on parks and beaches	13,266 90	
Moth suppression	383 00	
United States Government, for restoration of World War Memorial Park	31,790 00	
Sales of city property:		
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, land in		
East Boston district	78,500 00	
Cleveland Circle area	33,014 00	
Commercial Street area	5,000 00	
Franklin Park area Stadium-site	20,000 00	
Conscience Fund	1 00	
Boston Common Tree Fund, income	133 08	
Mary P. C. Cummings Estate, income	5,962 11	
		<u>\$234,236 88</u>

BATHS.

Towels, soap, etc., in bath houses	\$31,384 91	31,384 91
		<u>\$265,621 79</u>

Above receipts were credited as follows:

General Revenue	\$91,221 60	
Trust Funds, income	6,095 19	
Conscience Fund	1 00	
Suspense Account	31,790 00	
Sales of city property	136,514 00	
		<u>\$265,621 79</u>

FRANKLIN PARK GOLF COURSE.

Opening Date — April 16. Closing Date — November 30, 1947.

Registered attendance, 24,292.

Annual permits issued, 554 at \$15	\$8,310 00
Daily permits issued, 7,418 at \$1	7,418 00
Twilight permits issued, 1,832 at 50 cents	916 00
Professional's concession	5 00
Deposits on locker keys and towels not returned	72 50

Total	<u>\$16,721 50</u>
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GEORGE WRIGHT GOLF COURSE.

Opening Date — April 11. Closing Date — December 6, 1947.

Registered attendance, 34,817.

Annual permits issued, 540 at \$25	\$13,500 00
Daily permits issued, 3,608 at \$2	7,216 00
Daily permits issued, 4,295 at \$1	4,295 00
Daily permits issued, 42 at 75 cents	31 50

Total	<u>\$25,042 50</u>
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Skating Attendance for Season 1947.

Name of Playground.	Approximate Attendance.
Almont Street Playground	3,300
Amerena Playground	5,000
American Legion Playground	3,500
Billings Field Playground	12,500
Brookside Avenue Playground	1,500
Carter Playground	9,000
Chandler Pond Playground	15,000
Charlestown Playground	9,000
Columbus Park Playground	20,250
Cronin Playground	5,000
Doherty and Gibson Playgrounds	10,000
Dorchester Park Playground	6,000
Draper Playground	2,500
Eustis Playground	5,000
Fallon Field Playground	15,000
Franklin Field Playground	95,000
Garvey Playground	65,500
Hemenway Playground	7,500
Jamaica Pond	50,000
Jefferson Playground	15,000
Lee, Joseph, Playground (Back Bay)	15,000
Murphy Playground	10,000
McConnell Park Playground	22,500
McKinney Playground	7,500
Noyes Playground	7,500
Parkman Playground	4,000
Public Garden	50,000
Rogers Park Playground	10,000
Roberts, Thomas J., Playground	10,000
Rotch Playground	5,000
Ringer Playground	5,000
Smith's Pond Playground	15,000
Smith's Playground (Brighton)	10,000
Wood Avenue Playground	15,000
Total	<u>544,000</u>

General Attendance for Season 1947.

Name of Playground.	Approximate Attendance.
Ahlsen Playground	66,000
Almont Street Playground	55,000
Amerena Playground	49,500
American Legion Playground	66,000
Billings Field Playground	175,000
Boston Common Playstead	330,000
Brookside Avenue Playground	33,000

Name of Playground.	Approximate Attendance.
Carter Playground	150,000
Ceylon Street Playground	44,000
Charlesbank Playground	110,000
Charlestown Heights Playground	16,500
Charlestown Playground	110,000
Cherry Street Playground	11,000
Chestnut Hill Playground	181,500
Columbus Park Playground and Stadium	319,000
Connolly Playground	165,000
Cronin Playground	66,000
Dorchester Park Playground	110,000
Draper Playground	44,000
Doherty and Gibson Playgrounds	231,000
Eustis Playground	129,800
Emmons Playground	16,500
Fallon Field Playground	258,500
Franklin Field Playground	643,500
Garvey Playground	209,000
Healy Playground	258,500
Hemenway Playground	66,000
Holland Playground	44,000
Jefferson Playground	165,000
Lee, Christopher, Playground (South Boston)	145,200
Lee, Joseph, Playground (Back Bay)	239,800
Murphy Playground	120,000
McConnell Park Playground	151,800
McKinney Playground	90,200
Mead Street Playground	24,200
Mission Hill Playground	110,000
North End Park Playground	147,400
Noyes Playground	101,200
Parker Hill Playground	51,200
Parkman Playground	46,200
Portsmouth Street Playground	48,400
Prince Street Playground	38,500
Readville Playground	77,000
Ringer Playground	85,800
Ripley Playground	22,000
Roberts Playground	151,800
Rogers Park Playground	167,200
Ronan Park Playground	197,100
Rotch Playground	93,500
Smith, William E., Playground	189,200
Smith's Pond Playground	90,000
Snow Hill Street Playground	55,000
Sweeney Playground	27,500
Tyler Street Playground	11,000
Walker Playground	150,000

Name of Playground.	Approximate Attendance.
West Third Street Playground (Fr. Buckley)	22,000
Winthrop, John, Playground	44,000
Wood Avenue Playground	68,200
World War Memorial Park	77,000
Total	<u>7,257,800</u>

Gymnasiums, Class and Individual Attendance, 1947.

GYMNASIUM.	Men.	Boys.	Women.	Girls.	Total.
Cabot Street.....	1,282	2,534	693	2,152	6,661
Columbia Road.....	1,247	4,180	2,349	1,584	9,360
Curtis Hall.....	1,317	2,910	2,277	3,295	9,799
Hyde Park.....	1,530	6,838	1,138	5,955	15,461
John J. Williams Building.....	2,185	7,594	2,233	6,717	18,729
Lexington Street.....	2,303	6,087	808	3,964	13,162
North Bennet Street.....	4,627	8,806	2,455	5,853	21,741
Paris Street.....	3,318	7,928	3,817	5,761	20,824
Rosindale.....	7,375	8,861	3,258	8,476	27,970
Tyler Street.....	4,252	11,121	0	8,034	23,407
Vine Street.....	4,890	12,910	5,835	8,973	32,608
Totals.....	34,326	79,769	24,863	60,764	199,722

Shower Baths, Attendance, 1947.

BUILDING.	Men.	Boys.	Women.	Girls.	Total.
Brighton.....	10,079	5,821	357	726	16,983
Broadway.....	61,045	12,210	27,215	9,635	110,105
Cabot Street.....	15,760	7,575	2,618	1,520	27,465
Columbia Road.....	7,550	2,100	250	575	10,475
Curtis Hall.....	53,249	9,843	2,890	1,982	67,964
Dover Street.....	58,300	1,555	5,297	1,615	66,767
Hyde Park.....	13,070	5,560	710	925	20,265
John J. Williams.....	100,200	6,885	18,515	4,425	130,025
Lexington Street.....	20,500	18,900	6,900	8,800	55,100
North Bennet Street.....	105,196	49,409	43,719	18,778	217,102
Paris Street.....	140,950	16,865	23,925	6,090	187,830
Roslindale.....	20,140	8,320	2,250	2,103	32,813
Tyler Street.....	31,650	22,925	5,325	4,275	64,175
Vine Street.....	89,045	31,420	15,475	18,900	154,840
L Street Bath.....	243,842	42,860	40,013	62,200	388,915
L Street Solarium.....	11,254	.....	1,438	.....	12,692
Totals.....	981,830	242,248	196,889	142,549	1,563,516

Beaches and Swimming Pools, Attendance, 1947.

	Men.	Boys.	Women.	Girls.	Total.
Cabot Street Pool.....	1,261	2,453	250	2,813	6,777
Curtis Hall Pool.....	1,620	6,549	1,562	2,397	12,128
Columbus Park Beach.....	185,525	205,450	179,250	197,300	767,525
Head House Beach.....	226,600	140,200	110,350	109,025	586,175
North End Park Beach.....	84,300	124,950	53,250	66,900	329,400
Tenean Beach.....	11,055	25,710	14,805	24,202	75,772
World War Memorial Park Beach.....	5,578	7,906	4,615	6,555	24,654
L Street Beach.....	199,826	42,860	35,710	62,055	340,451
Totals.....	715,765	556,078	399,792	471,247	2,142,882

**PARK DEPARTMENT STATISTICS TO
DECEMBER 31, 1947.**

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PARKS.	Year of Acquisition.	Cost to DATE.		Area.	Length of Drive-ways.	Length of Walks.	Length of Rides.	Area of Ponds and Rivers.
		Land.	Construction.						Totals.
MAIN PARK SYSTEM:								
Commonwealth avenue.....	1894-1905.....		\$613,059 16	112.70 acres	12.1 miles	11.9 miles		
Fens.....	1877-1879..	\$736,854 49	3,222,609 55	116.99 "	4.32 "	7.04 "	1.1 miles	22 acres
Avenue Louis Pasteur.....	1922.....			3.19 "	0.27 mile	0.50 mile		
† Riverway.....	1883-1890..	457,457 53	828,896 78	40.00 "	1.4 miles	2.8 miles	1.2 "	8 "
‡ Olmsted Park.....	1890-1892..	1,081,947 60	818,738 02	180.00 "	2.7 "	5.8 "	1.6 "	77 "
Arborway.....	1892.....	245,584 25	463,237 36	36.00 "	3.4 "	3.2 "	1.4 "	
Arnold Arboretum.....	1882-1895..	79,354 15	462,637 39	223.00 "	3.4 "	5.65 "	0.5 mile	0.6 acre
West Roxbury Parkway.....	1894.....	135,265 29	176,638 10	65.94 "	1 mile	2 "	0.94 "	
Joyce Kilmer Park.....				9.53 "				
Franklin Park and Zoological Garden.....	{ 1883-1884 } { 1906-1912 }	1,551,896 63	4,077,357 24	522.00 "	7.91 miles	14.9 "	1.19 miles	7.4 acres
MARINE PARK SYSTEM:								
Columbia road.....	1899.....	447,528 63	557,757 18	1,005,285 81				
Dorchester way.....	1892-1895..	63,735 54	93,804 34	157,539 88	5.3 "	6.1 "		
Strandway and Columbus Park.....	{ 1890-1892 } { 1897-1901 }	772,515 12	2,823,346 08	3,595,861 20				
Marine Park and Aquarium..	1883.....	232,972 57	1,728,925 10	1,961,897 67	0.6 mile	1.39 "		3.4
§ Castle Island.....	1890.....		154,236 51	25.70 " land 78.50 " land	0.16 "	1.15 "		
* McCONNELL PARK.....	1899-1914..	50,759 33	255,696 41	9.78 " land 50.55 " flats	0.20 "	0.29 mile		

PARK DEPARTMENT.

SAVIN HILL PARK.....	1909.....	31,925 55	12,342 45	44,268 00	8.26 "			
* IRVING W. ADAMS PARK.....	1919.....	50,000 00	19,513 59	69,513 59	0.78 acre			
1 WORLD WAR MEMORIAL PARK.....	1882-1891..	132,800 00	462,738 47	595,538 47	211.00 acres	0.3 "	2.1 miles	
CHARLESBANK.....	1883.....	373,916 99	379,645 74	753,562 73	25.41 "	.....	1.5 "	
TRINITY TRIANGLE.....	1885.....	30,000 00	.....	30,000 00	0.18 acre	.....	.....
ENS. JOHN J. DOHERTY, JR., PLAYGROUND.....	1891.....	50,538 02	184,784 41	235,322 43	10.35 acres	.....	0.4 mile	
JOHN J. RYAN, JR., PLAY- GROUND.....	1891.....	172,923 31	54,931 93	227,855 24	{ 13.66 " land 3.70 " flats }	.....	0.6 "	
DORCHESTER PARK.....	1891-1903..	64,165 37	33,813 80	97,979 17	31.47 "	.....	.....
FRANKLIN FIELD.....	1892-1910..	157,341 22	225,951 72	383,292 94	77.00 "	0.65 mile	1.09 miles	
NORTH END BEACH.....	1893.....	328,364 44	461,328 11	789,692 55	{ 3.70 " land 3.00 " flats }	.....	.....
* VINCENT CUTILLO PARK, NORTH END.....	1917.....	160,350 00	40,338 95	200,688 95	0.48 acre	.....	.....
WILLIAM B. CORBETT PARK, DORCHESTER CENTRE.....	1917.....	22,904 86	1,691 37	24,596 23	0.94 "	.....	.....
COPP'S HILL TERRACE.....	1893.....	90,858 19	55,041 05	146,499 24	0.6 "	.....	0.11 mile	
|| CHESTNUT HILL PARK.....	{ 1898-1899 and 1902 }	210,239 06	42,925 85	253,164 91	54.19 acres	1.44 miles	0.10 "	
CHERRY STREET PLAY- GROUND, SOUTH END.....	1922.....	108,004 78	16,995 22	125,000 00	0.55 acre	.....	.....
ALMONT STREET P L A Y - GROUND, MATAPAN.....	1924.....	11,095 24	48,272 34	59,367 58	17.81 acres	.....	0.04 "	

See footnotes on page 23.

Park Department Statistics to December 31, 1947.---Continued.

PARKS.	Year of Acquisition.	COST TO DATE.		Area.	Length of Drive-ways.	Length of Walks.	Length of Rides.	Area of Ponds and Rivers.
		Land.	Construction.						Totals.
PLAYGROUND, MISSION HILL,	1913-1915..	\$284,778 24	\$73,277 02	4.24 acres	.....	0.21 mile		
* JOHN F. HOLLAND PLAYGROUND, ROXBURY.....	1917.....	13,700 00	29,297 16	1.07 "				
RONAN PARK PLAYGROUND, DORCHESTER.....	1912-1916..	101,957 78	123,150 43	11.65 "		0.83 "		
* FREDERICK D. EMMONS PLAYGROUND, CHARLESTOWN.....	1912.....	80,946 47	8,746 53	1.07 "				
PRINCE STREET PLAYGROUND,	{1897-1899							
	{1901-1902							
	{1914-1915							
	{1928-1933							
TENEAN BEACH, DORCHESTER,		180,474 70	8,304 61	0.4 acre				
* WILLIAM F. SMITH PLAYGROUND, NORTH BRIGTON,	1894.....	102,140 00	85,313 76	20.01 acres	0.25 mile	0.35 "		
* WILLIAM H. GARVEY PLAYGROUND, NEFONSET,	1896.....	22,107 12	34,129 33	14.00 "				
BILLINGS FIELD, WEST ROXBURY.....	1896-1906..	24,804 39	115,384 85	16.68 "		0.28 "		
* CHRISTOPHER J. LEE PLAYGROUND, SOUTH BOSTON.....	1897.....	47,068 98	78,947 47	10.83 "		0.23 "		
MARY HEMENWAY PLAYGROUND, DORCHESTER.....	1920.....	29,730 76	69,777 87	5.20 "		0.4 "		
				4.41 "				
				99,508 63				

* MARY P. C. CUMMINGS MEMORIAL PLAYGROUND, WOBURN.....	1930.....					234.00 "	
PAUL GORE STREET PLAY- GROUND.....	1913.....					0.74 acre	
* WILLIAM J. BARRY PLAY- GROUND, CHARLESTOWN...	1897-1923...	202,463 00	118,161 30	320,624 30		5.72 acres	0.09 "
* J. M. & J. J. SULLIVAN PLAYGROUND, ROXBURY...	1897.....	14,593 72	13,376 42	27,970 14		0.85 acre	
CHRISTOPHER GIBSON PLAY- GROUND, DORCHESTER...	1897.....	37,709 58	60,042 75	97,752 33		4.34 acres	0.11 "
* WILLIAM E. CARTER PLAY- GROUND, ROXBURY.....	{ 1899-1900 } { 1901-1902 }	327,503 84	62,305 62	389,809 46		5.02 "	
* JAMES L. CRONIN PLAY- GROUND, DORCHESTER...	1899.....	43,990 09	9,443 00	53,433 09		2.24 "	
* FALLOON FIELD PLAY- GROUND, ROSLINDALE.....	{ 1899-1913 } { 1917-1931 }	91,325 11	84,890 31	176,215 42		7.57 "	0.36 "
* JAMES F. HEALY PLAY- GROUND, ROSLINDALE.....	1902.....	25,166 75	40,326 71	65,493 46		9.63 "	0.14 "
* LESTER J. ROTCH PLAY- GROUND, SOUTH END.....	1903.....	256,440 63	27,302 32	283,742 95		2.8 "	
* JOHN J. CONNOLLY PLAY- GROUND, ROXBURY.....	1903-1905.....		100,295 40	100,295 40		5.1 "	
* ROGERS PARK, BRIGHTON...	1899-1931..	45,998 30	72,634 30	118,632 60		8.20 "	0.44 "
CARROLL POND, WEST ROX- BURY.....	1921.....		8,376 75	8,376 75		0.47 acre	

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PARKS.	Year of Acquisition.	Cost to DATE.			Area.	Length of Drive-ways.	Length of Walks.	Length of Rides.	Area of Ponds and Rivers.
		Land.	Construction.	Totals.					
JOHN H. L. NOYES PLAYGROUND, EAST BOSTON....	1903.....	\$10,015 00	\$95,246 71	\$105,261 71	{ 5.24 acres land 3.07 " flats				
WEST THIRD STREET PLAYGROUND, SOUTH BOSTON,	1909.....	10,201 30	4,000 00	14,201 30	0.28 acre				
* MATTHEW J. SWEENEY PLAYGROUND, SOUTH BOSTON.....	1903.....	10,201 30	4,597 40	14,798 70	0.47 "				
WILLIAM EUSTIS PLAYGROUND.....	1909-1924..	116,220 06	97,467 53	213,687 59	7.60 acres				
JOHN WINTHROP PLAYGROUND.....	1911.....	20,994 26	38,411 99	59,406 25	1.57 "				
* GEORGE H. WALKER PLAYGROUND, DORCHESTER....	1912-1914..	22,011 33	43,998 73	66,010 06	6.21 "	0.10 mile			
* STANLEY A. RINGER PARK, ALLSTON.....	1916-1931..	57,090 00	73,123 69	130,213 69	12.38 "	0.35 "			
* ARTHUR F. MCLEAN PLAYGROUND, EAST BOSTON....	1917.....	20,754 17	18,269 62	39,023 79	0.43 acre				
PARIS STREET PLAYGROUND,	1912.....	50,630 64	13,083 38	63,714 02	1.27 acres				
TYLER STREET PLAYGROUND,	1912.....	26,239 19	12,203 86	38,443 05	0.26 acre				
* JOHN W. MURPHY PLAYGROUND, JAMAICA PLAIN,	1912-1919..	26,861 80	67,648 48	94,510 28	4.17 acres				
PORTSMOUTH STREET PLAYGROUND.....	1912.....	15,000 00	30,547 87	45,547 87	4.29 "				
TOWN MEETING PARK, DORCHESTER.....	1921.....	5,859 00	2,889 53	8,748 53	0.22 acre				

GYMNASIUM SITE, SOUTH BOSTON.....	1921.....	40,000 00	8,500 00	48,500 00	0.36 "	
*FACTORY HILL PLAYGROUND.....	1912.....		8,837 89	8,837 89	5.20 acres	
*RIPLEY PLAYGROUND.....	1913.....		13,465 75	13,465 75	0.86 acre	
*SMITH'S POND PLAYGROUND,	1914-1931.....		74,326 47	74,326 47	12.91 acres	
CEYLON STREET PLAYGROUND, DORCHESTER....	1923.....	30,116 78	19,017 22	49,134 00	4.03 "	
*CARL H. AHLSEN PLAYGROUND, DORCHESTER.....	1916-1943.....				11.20 "	0.20 "
*JOHN A. DOHERTY PLAYGROUND, DORCHESTER.....	1897.....		35,939 45	35,939 45	1.47 "	
AMERICAN LEGION PLAYGROUND, CONCORD STREET, EAST BOSTON.....	1924.....	63,300 00	35,184 98	98,484 98	3.38 "	
PLAYGROUND, READINGVILLE, BULLARD, MILTON AND REGENT STREETS, HYDE PARK.....	1924.....	13,417 34	21,894 90	35,312 24	5.03 "	
JEFFERSON PLAYGROUND, HEATH, FLOYD AND CRANFORD STREETS, ROXBURY,	1924.....	67,329 80	42,670 20	110,000 00	7.51 "	
FRANCIS PARKMAN PLAYGROUND, WACHUSETT STREET, FOREST HILLS....	1924.....	12,000 00	16,706 32	28,706 32	2.06 "	
REV. FATHER BUCKLEY PLAYGROUND, BOLTON AND WEST THIRD STREETS, SOUTH BOSTON,	1925.....	51,432 00	13,893 00	65,325 00	0.65 acre	

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		Land.	Construction.					
PAUL REVERE MALL, NORTH END.....	1925.....	\$107,600 00	\$23,372 38	0.76 acre				
STATLER PARK, COLUMBUS AVENUE, STUART AND TENNYSON STREETS.....	1925.....	352,200 90	15,918 88	0.25 "				
BROOKSIDE AVENUE PLAYGROUND, JAMAICA PLAIN..	1925.....	11,600 00	19,080 77	1.32 acres				
* WILLIAM AMERENA PLAYGROUND, EAST BOSTON...	1925.....	37,949 50	39,366 17	4.06 "				
FAIRPORT, EAST BOSTON....	{ 1928-1931 and 1932 }	107,060 45	1,902,869 05	370 "	0.65 mile	0.75 mile		
GETRUE HOWES PLAYGROUND, ROXBURY.....	1930.....	26,337 40	10,227 28	1.88 "				
* MCKINLEY PLAYGROUND, BRIGHTON.....	1930.....	59,950 00	14,931 20	5.94 "				
* 11 THOMAS J. ROBERTS PLAYGROUND, DORCHESTER.....	1930-1931..	21,360 08	75,881 73	10.40 "		0.30 "		
12 MARTIN M. LOMASNEY PARK, WEST END.....	1930.....	25,000 00	52,810 67	2.57 "				
PLAYGROUND, FOSTER AND COURT STREETS, NORTH END.....	1930.....	3,924 00	4,354 25	0.10 acre				
GEORGE WRIGHT GOLF COURSE, HYDE PARK, WEST ROXBURY.....	1930-1931..	146,818 08	348,083 94	158.48 acres				

MARY DRAPER PLAYGROUND, WEST ROXBURY.....	1932.....	23,853 80	22,947 45	46,801 25	5.76 "	0.02 mile	0.18 "
B PARKER HILL PLAY- GROUND, ROXBURY.....	1931.....		19,945 49	19,945 49	11.54 "		
*WESLEY ROSS PLAYGROUND, NEAR WESTMINSTER STREET, HYDE PARK.....	1936.....	10,000 00	44,065 72	54,065 72	13.03 "		
SNOW HILL STREET PLAY- GROUND, NORTH END.....	1937.....		2,640 87	2,640 87	1.13 "		
ALICE E GALLAGHER ME- MORIAL PARK, CHANDLER'S FOND, BRIGHTON,	1937-1943.				13.59 "		13.0 acres
EVERETT AND ELM STREETS, DORCHESTER.....	1939.....				1.16 "		
LEO F. MCCARTHY PLAY- GROUND, MEAD AND LUD- LOW STREETS, CHARLES- TOWN.....	1938.....				0.28 acre		
WASHINGTON AND STIMSON STREETS, WEST ROXBURY,	1938.....				0.30		
CHARTER STREET AND GREENOUGH LANE, CHIL- DREN'S PLAYGROUND, NORTH END.....	1940.....				0.23 "		
TORIN PLAYGROUND, ALBION STREET, SOUTH END.....	1941.....				0.57 "		
73 EAST DEDHAM STREET, BOSTON, S.W.....	1941.....				0.41 "		
MALDEN STREET, SOUTH END, BOSTON.....	1941.....				0.21 "		

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VERNON STREET, ROXBURY.....	1941.....				0.40 acre				
**SUMNER AND ORLEANS STREETS, EAST BOSTON....	1941.....				0.40 "				
THORNTON STREET, ROXBURY.....	1941.....				0.06 "				
PITTS AND HALE STREETS, WEST END.....	1942.....				0.11 "				
TROY AND ROCHESTER STREETS, SOUTH END.....	1941.....				0.17 "				
LONDON AND DECATUR STREETS, EAST BOSTON....	1941.....				0.13 "				
HOWARD AVENUE, DORCHESTER, MARY A. HANNON PLAY AREA.....	1940-1945.....		\$8,565 45	\$8,565 45	1.69 acres				
HILL AND COOK STREETS, CHARLESTOWN.....	1942.....		3,117 78	3,117 78	0.10 acre				
PHILLIPS STREET PLAYGROUND, WEST END.....	1942.....		3,622 55	3,622 55	0.13 "				
BEECHER STREET PLAY AREA, WEST ROXBURY.....	1942.....				0.18 "				
McKAY SCHOOL PLAY AREA, FRANKFORD, GOVE AND COTTAGE STREETS, EAST BOSTON	1942.....				0.50 "				
KING STREET, ROXBURY.....	1943.....				0.32 "				
JOHN HARVARD MALL, CHARLESTOWN.....	1943.....				0.85 "				
HENRY ROSS ESTATE, FOREST HILLS.....	1943-1945.....				7.69 acres				

PENNIMAN ROAD AND HANO STREET, BRIGHTON.	1945.	15,272 03	15,272 03	0.94 acre	46.07 miles	73.98 miles	131.4 acres
GREEN AND LAMARTINE STREETS, JAMAICA PLAIN.	1945.	21,164 62	21,164 62	1.32 acres			
RACHEL REVERE OVERLOOK, NORTH STREET, BOSTON.	1945.	10,008 90	10,008 90	0.08 acre			
CARLETON STREET, SOUTH END.	1945.			0.05 "			
CARSON STREET, DORCHESTER.	1945.	2,400 03	2,400 03	0.92 "			
WASHINGTON, EAST DEDHAM AND MYSTIC STREETS, SOUTH END.	1945.	30,272 75	31,262 75	0.32 "			
BRUCE STREET, WEST ROXBURY.	1945.			0.80 "			
GALLIVAN BOULEVARD, CORNER WASHINGTON STREET, DORCHESTER.	1946.			7.03 acres			
OAK SQUARE PLAYGROUND, BRIGHTON.	1947.	6,002 95	6,002 95	1.48 "			
SUMNER AND WILKIS STREETS, DORCHESTER, UNDEVELOPED.	1947.			0.03 "			
TOTALS.		\$11,417,855 55	\$23,168,698 72	\$34,586,554 27	46.07 miles	73.98 miles	131.4 acres

* Named for soldier killed in World War.
 † An additional area of 18 acres is within the limits of the town of Brookline.
 ‡ An additional area of 16½ acres is within the limits of the town of Brookline.
 § Custody given to the city by Acts of Congress.
 ¶ 49 acres transferred from Water Department; an additional area of 160.65 acres, including water area of 122.7 acres, is under control of the Metropolitan Water and Sewerage Board.
 ¶ Transferred to Commonwealth of Massachusetts, December 1, 1941.
 * Sold 1948, Public Auction, Private owners.
 † World War Memorial.
 ‡ Acquired by ordinance, chapter 7 of 1922.
 § Transferred from and \$454.15 expended by the Public Grounds Department.
 ¶ 25,470 square feet transferred from and \$2,000 expended by the Public Grounds Department.

5 Acquired by annexation of Hyde Park.
 6 Acquired by gift.
 7 Transferred from Metropolitan Park.
 8 Transferred from Street Laying-Out Department.
 9 Formerly part of Christopher Gibson Playground, set apart and named, November 9, 1920.
 10 256 acres leased from Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Airport transferred to Commonwealth of Massachusetts, December 1, 1941.
 11 792 acres transferred from School Committee by chapter 229, Acts of 1931.
 12 Acquired by section 2, chapter 371, Acts of 1929, and chapter 91 of General Laws, indenture December 11, 1930, under provision of chapter 92, section 87, of General Laws; Act of City Council, approved May 25, 1933.
 13 Transferred from Institutions Department by chapter 40, Acts of 1931.
 14 Leased from Metropolitan Transit Authority.

PARK DEPARTMENT — CEMETERY DIVISION.

The following annual report is presented for the Cemetery Division from January 1, 1947, to December 31, 1947:

DEPARTMENT CEMETERIES.

The burying grounds, cemeteries and tombs which are owned by and in charge of the City of Boston are as follows, with a total area of about 7,040,708 square feet:

	Square Feet.	Estab-lished.
<i>Bennington Street</i> , East Boston	157,500	1838
<i>Rainsford Island</i>	43,560	
<i>Bunker Hill</i> , Charlestown	48,202	1807
<i>Phipps Street</i> , Charlestown	76,740	1630
<i>Copp's Hill</i> , Hull street, City	89,015	1659
<i>King's Chapel</i> , Tremont street, City	19,344	1630
<i>Granary</i> , Tremont street, City	82,063	1660
<i>Central</i> , Common, City	60,693	1756
<i>South End South</i> , Washington street, City	64,670	1810
<i>Hawes</i> , Emerson street, South Boston	11,232	1816
<i>Union</i> , East Fifth street, South Boston	5,470	1841
<i>North</i> , Uphams Corner, Dorchester	142,587	1633
<i>Eliot</i> , Eustis street, Roxbury	34,830	1630
<i>South</i> , Dorchester avenue, Dorchester	95,462	1814
<i>Westerly</i> , Centre street, West Roxbury	39,450	1683
<i>Walter Street</i> , West Roxbury	35,100	1711
<i>Evergreen</i> , Commonwealth avenue, Brighton	604,520	1848
<i>Market Street</i> , Brighton	18,072	1764
<i>Mount Hope</i> , Walk Hill street, 125 acres and square feet	14,330	1851
<i>Fairview</i> , Fairview avenue, Hyde Park, about 50 acres,		1892

CITY TOMBS.

Twenty-five in the South Ground; six in Phipps Street Ground, Charlestown; one tomb for infants in South Ground; one tomb for infants and one for adults in Copp's Hill Ground; one for adults and one for infants in the Granary Ground; one for infants in King's Chapel Ground; one for infants in the Central Ground; two receiving tombs in East Boston; one receiving tomb in Dorchester North; one receiving tomb in Dorchester South; one receiving tomb in Evergreen Cemetery, Brighton; one receiving tomb in Mount Hope Cemetery, and one receiving tomb in Fairview Cemetery, Hyde Park.

Cemetery Division Receipts, January 1 to December 31, 1947.

Cemeteries.	General Receipts.	Perpetual Care Receipts.	Interest on Perpetual Care.
Mount Hope.....	\$73,251 35	\$18,252 50	\$17,303 92
Fairview.....	16,013 84	5,650 00	4,135 24
Evergreen.....	14,593 20	14,020 00	5,331 49
Dorchester North.....	216 00		391 11
Dorchester South.....	63 00		136 40
Central.....	54 00		81 25
Granary.....			81 25
Westerly.....			175 88
Copp's Hill.....			81 25
Phipps Street.....			5 92
King's Chapel.....			81 25
Bunker Hill.....	38 00		80
Bennington Street.....	15 00		
Totals.....	\$104,244 39	\$37,922 50	\$27,805 76

Total: General Fund, December 31, 1946.....	\$2,593,889 67		
Interest, General Fund 1947.....	86,933 56		
Revenue (General Receipts) 1947.....	104,244 39		
Discounts on Securities Purchased.....	10,972 76		
			<u>\$2,796,040 38</u>
Payments from Fund During 1947:			
To Cemetery Maintenance and Improvement..	\$60,000 00		
Refunds.....	205 00		
Premiums and Accrued Interest.....	2,601 63		
			<u>62,806 63</u>
Total: General Fund, December 31, 1947.....			\$2,733,233 75
Total: Perpetual Care Funds, December 31, 1947.....			<u>852,484 12</u>
Total Cemetery Funds.....			<u><u>\$3,585,717 87</u></u>

**Summary Statement of Cemetery Activities, January 1 to
December 31, 1947.**

CEMETERIES.	Interments.	Lots Sold.	Graves Sold.	Lots in Perpetual Care.	Graves in Perpetual Care.	Lots in Annual Care.	Graves in Annual Care.	Foundations Built.	Preparing and Planting.	Various Orders.
Mount Hope.....	1,544	217	483	7,465	2,073	.....	.....	312	11	3
Fairview.....	288	14	120	909	1,127	.....	.....	111	3	.....
Evergreen.....	175	45	71	880	2,324	5	1	94	4	.....
Dorchester North.....	10	.....	.....	127	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....
Dorchester South.....	2	.....	.....	31	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Central.....	2	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bennington Street.....	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Phipps Street.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Bunker Hill.....	1	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Westerly.....	.....	.....	.....	1	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Totals.....	2,025	276	674	9,415	5,524	5	1	518	18	3

Cemetery Division, Expenditures for Maintenance, Year Ending
December 31, 1947.

Office	\$15,413 16
Park Department	77 52
Mount Hope	81,741 98
Fairview	12,383 50
Evergreen	15,567 66
Dorchester North	1,351 52
Dorchester South	571 48
Bennington Street	999 30
Bunker Hill	397 29
Copp's Hill	505 48
Eliot	1,501 73
Granary	458 66
King's Chapel	323 00
Phipps Street	610 72
South End South	517 57
Westerly	96 22
Hawes	12 92
Union	12 92
Central	37 92
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Cemetery Division, Maintenance and Improvement, Year Ending
December 31, 1947.

Mount Hope	\$34,012 49
Fairview	9,016 60
Evergreen	5,603 42
Dorchester North	1,454 50
Dorchester South	1,434 12
Bennington Street	1,279 08
Bunker Hill	562 02
Copp's Hill	1,569 78
Eliot	600 78
Granary	1,279 08
King's Chapel	1,312 88
Phipps Street	736 44
South End South	600 78
Westerly	176 69
Central	220 68
Hawes	70 33
Union	70 33
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