

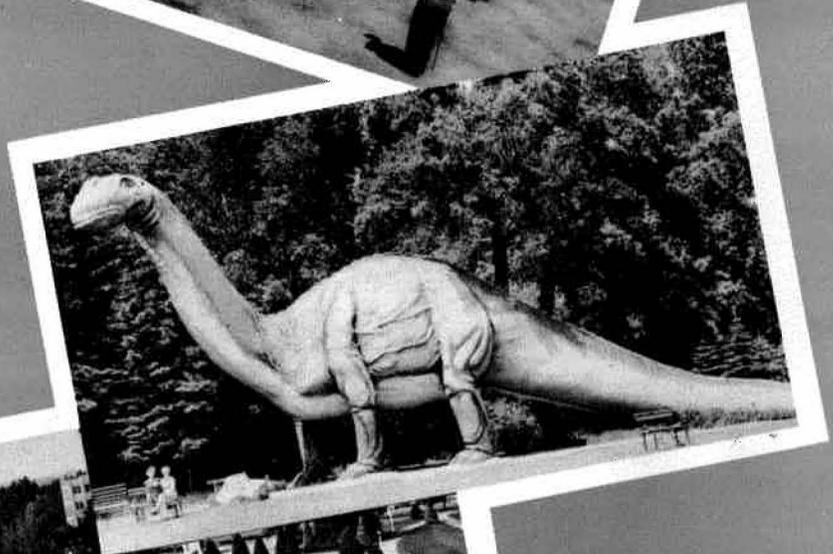
Annual Report 1955

PARKS,
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and RECREATION

DEPARTMENT

CITY OF

CALGARY

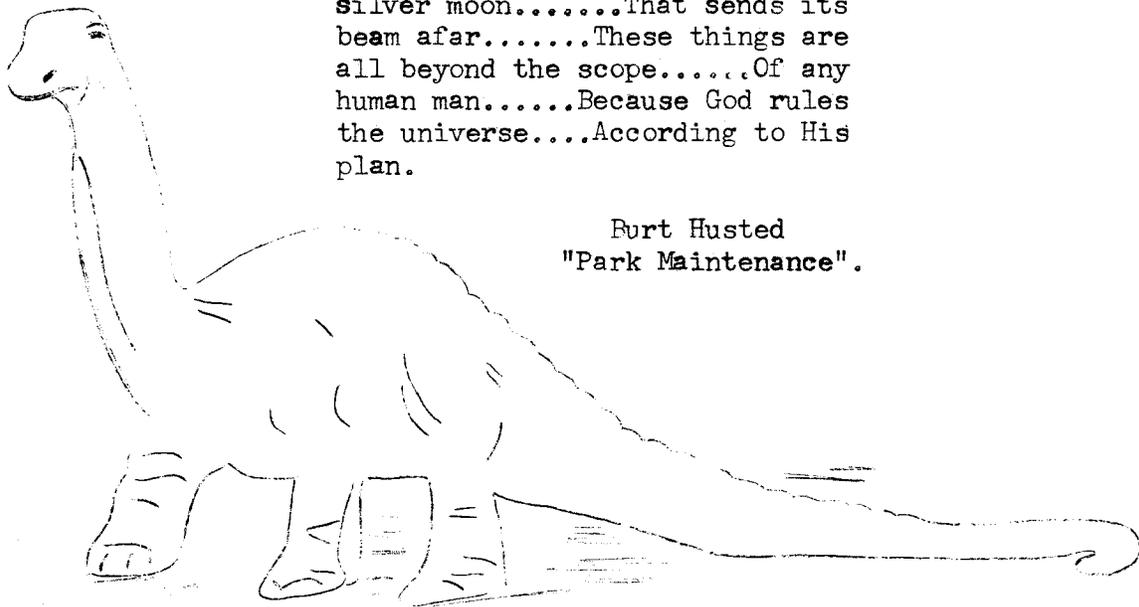


ETCHINGS

God's Universe

If we within our human minds....
Should ever have a doubt....That
God controls the universe....We
need but look about.....Where
would we be today without....The
sun that shines by day.....That
makes all things upon the earth
....Produce in their own way....
.....The earth would be a barren
sight.....Without the friendly
sun.....And there would be no
sign of means....To sustain any-
one.....Without the sun there
could not be....A single shining
star.....Nor could there be a
silver moon.....That sends its
beam afar.....These things are
all beyond the scope.....Of any
human man.....Because God rules
the universe....According to His
plan.

Burt Husted
"Park Maintenance".



CITY OF CALGARY PARKS DEPARTMENT

ANNUAL REPORT - 1955.

To His Worship, Mayor D. H. Mackay,
The Board of Commissioners,
and Members of the City Council.

Ladies and Gentlemen:

It gives me great pleasure to submit to you the annual report of the Calgary Parks Department for the year 1955 which, I might add, was an eventful one as it was "Golden Jubilee Year" for the Province of Alberta.

The following is a summary of the projects of this department during the year, the cumulative statistical data, and an outline of plans for future expansion.

PROGRESS IN '55.

This Department has had one of the busiest and most successful seasons in its long years of development. Although it was one of the hottest and driest summer seasons for quite a few years, fifteen parks and playgrounds, both large and small, were completed throughout the City.

The past season saw the completion of the 14th Street West Bridge, and a start was made on the beautification of the various triangles and loops surrounding the new thoroughfares. It is the intention of this department to plant and complete this very important beauty spot during the coming spring and summer.

There were two new swimming pools constructed jointly by the City of Calgary, the Kinsmen Club of South Calgary, and the North Hill Kiwanis Club. The citizens of Calgary should be very proud of these two worthy organizations who helped to finance such necessary and important projects.

A portion of the Lindsay Estate was leased to the members of the Old Timers' Association where they have built a very appropriate building which commands a lovely view of the City and Rocky Mountains. The City erected a Cairn and flagpole on this site, and dedicated it to the worthy members of the City and Alberta.

In the Roxboro District, a park which had been set aside for development over thirty years ago, was developed this past year. This area makes a wonderful natural park along the banks of the Elbow River. The residents of Roxboro are very pleased and proud of this improvement in their district. Previous to the development, it was used mostly as a dumping ground for rubbish.

A large parking area was constructed on the North side of the Bow River by the Engineers' Department. This space will help to take care of the increased motor traffic going to the Island. The old parking area became too small, therefore, this new development was indeed welcomed. There was also a footbridge built across the river from the parking lot to the Island thus providing a shortcut for the visitors who wish to visit the Zoo. Money was placed in the Engineers' Budget for the paving of the North road at St. George's Island. This, of course, is a much needed improvement as on wet days portions of the roadways are a veritable quagmire.

The grounds at the General Hospital received attention this season, as quite a large strip of the area around the base of the Hospital was graded, loamed and seeded to grass, afterwhich trees and shrubs were planted.

The East Calgary Kiwanis Club built a wading pool in one of the recreation parks in Riverside on a dollar for dollar basis with the City of Calgary. This was greatly appreciated by both the resident of the area and this department. The Kiwanis Club should be highly commended for this splendid contribution.

Three large recreation areas were landscaped and completed in Elboya district. These parks are primarily playgrounds, although a border of trees, shrubs, and perennials were planted around the perimeter of one, giving it floral park-like effect.

East of the Elboya Bridge on Riverdale Ave., the department graded, loamed, and seeded the wide boulevard adjacent to the Elbow River. The people along this stretch of City property co-operated wholeheartedly by watering and caring for this piece of parkland after it was seeded which was appreciated very much. In the spring it is the intention of the department to plant this boulevard with trees and shrubs, thus completing another River Bank Project.

The Hillhurst-Sunnyside Community Association donated a rather unique, attractive, yet useful feature in the form of a Sun Dial. The Sun Dial was placed on the East side of Riley Park, and was given to the Department to commemorate Alberta's "Golden Jubilee". We thank the donors for this very appropriate gift.

In the new Edinburgh district, a playground was graded, loamed and seeded. A post fence was also erected around this small area. The children, as well as the parents, appreciate this project very much as it is the only play area in this particular corner of the City.

Two large parks in West Hillhurst were graded, loamed, seeded, and a row of trees planted on the North border of the Recreation area at 28 St. N. W.

The area of the Tech View Park, which was one of the most difficult to develop in view of the steepness of the terrain, has finally been completed with the exception of that portion going East of 10 St. N. W. on 8 Ave. However, until the Electric Light Department removes their poles or lowers them into the ground, and the Engineers' Department widens 8 Ave. up the hill to Crescent Road, this department cannot completely finish this area. A post fence to keep cars from parking on the newly seeded area has been erected along Crescent Road, adjacent to the Park.



Trees and shrubs were planted around the Community building in Rose-dale Recreation Park, and this work improved the appearance of the park and building greatly.

At the North end of Centre St. bridge, a Rock Garden was built and planted giving the spot a dressed up effect. Much is still to be done at this prominent place, but until such time as the Engineers' Department stabilize the hill and drain off the water, we cannot go any further with the development.

On Premier Way, a cut bank was planted up with trees and shrubs and a portion of Cartier Park was loamed and seeded. Unfortunately, the grass catch was not good, as there was no water supply available and the situation was not helped any by the hot weather which was experienced at the time of seeding. A sufficient rainfall would have been enough to tide over the germinating period, in view of the difficulty of bringing water into the area.

Four combination garages and tool houses were constructed at the following places: Elbow Park Swimming Pool; Killarney Park; St. George's Island; and the Union Cemetery. The Foremen may now commence work at their respective places without losing time by picking up trucks at the Civic garage, thus enabling them to commence their men working at an earlier hour.

Two parks in the Knob Hill district were graded, loamed, and seeded to grass. One of the areas was a slew and mosquito infested area. Many loads of fill were hauled to cover this unsightly bog. Today, we are of the opinion that it is going to make one of Calgary's best sunken parks. The other park is located on 30th Ave. and 26 St. S. W., and consists of half a block of land. The residents of this district were promised that the perimeter of this park would be beautified in the spring. The planting of trees and shrubs will be undertaken, and the erection of a chain link fence, in order to keep the small tots in the park and away from the busy thoroughfare.

The grounds at the South Calgary library were partially beautified, and it is the wish of this department to complete this project in the spring. On the steep terrace located on the East side of the building, a rock garden was built, and when planted up, will add greatly to the appearance of the building and the grounds.

In Tuxedo Park, two areas were landscaped, one a combination recreation-floral park, the other a recreation park located on 30 Ave. and 1 St. N.E. This latter park has not yet been completed. A small triangle park in Winston Heights was loamed, seeded and fenced also. This area is suitable for a small floral park only. Still another floral and recreation combination park has been seeded to grass at Child Ave., N. E., giving the district a much needed park.

On the Trans-Canada Highway at 16 Ave. & 6 St. N. E., the new location for the Calgary and District Fastball Association, has now been completed with a baseball diamond and splendid accommodation. A Hut was moved from Mewata Park to this site, and now serves as a caretaker's office, has dressing room facilities, etc. An agreement between the City and C.D.F.A. was drawn up due to the construction of the 14 St. West Bridge doing away with the Association's former accommodation.

A considerable number of new homes were built at Millican East Calgary, thus increasing the population with the result that residents of the area had requested a recreation park be developed for the benefit of their children. This request was complied with and made the people quite happy, although trees and shrubs will have to be planted around this and most of the play areas in the near future.

The nursery space is about exhausted as far as the supplying of trees and shrubs are concerned, and therefore, plans must be made to set aside a piece of land for a new one, as much expense is incurred in the purchasing of nursery stock for planting on our boulevards and parks.

The erection of sign posts made out of peeled spruce and fir trees have been set up in various parks in the City. These signs have drawn much comment from residents and visitors. They give the park an added appearance, are directional, and pay homage to people or places that are responsible for the origin of the park. It is hoped that in the very near future, all of the parks will be supplied with these beautiful signs.

During the past season, a crew of five men and a truck took care of the weed cutting. A total number of 154 places both large and small, were cleared of weeds, and in some instances the Department cut the weeds twice during the season.

SURVEY OF EMPLOYMENT IN 1955:

At the peak of the season the department employed 332 men, including permanent and temporary labourers. Below is shown a distribution of men in the various branches of the department:

	<u>temporary</u>	<u>permanent</u>
Administration (office)	1	10
Zoo	2	5
Parks	72	20
Golf Course	8	2
Mewata Stadium, Renfrew		
Ball Pk. & Broadview Soccer		
Field	6	2
Swimming Pools	28	
Boulevards	18	2
Weed Control	6	1
Cemeteries	57	15
Nursery	5	1
Greenhouse	1	2
Shops	6	10
Construction Work	25	1
Playgrounds (Mtce &	16	6
Construction)		
TOTALS:	251	77

BY-LAW WORK:

In this branch of the department, the challenge each year seems to be a boulevard construction program that will keep up with the growth of the City. This season, a total of 17,465 feet of boulevard was completed, and 8,500 feet was prepared and will be finished during 1956. The planting of trees and shrubs, with a shrub planted on the corner of a block because of the eventual traffic hazard with the growth of larger trees, will complete these boulevards. The alternating of a tree and a shrub is the general practice of this department, as it gives a uniform and symmetrical appearance. Last season a total of 935 trees and 1,066 shrubs were placed on the City boulevards.

TREE-PLANTING:

One of the factors for the planting of trees and shrubs is to add to the beauty of Calgary, and it has been found that the best varieties of trees recommended for this and the surrounding districts are Elm, Ash, and Birch, while the most suitable shrubs are Dogwood, Honeysuckle, Nanking, Cherry, Caragana, Lilac and Cotoneaster.

During the year, a total of 4,663 trees and shrubs were planted throughout Calgary, and in a few years time, it is hoped that many of the roadways in the City will be transformed into very scenic drives.

It was necessary to leave a good deal of planting until the following spring, as the requests were quite numerous and could not be filled.

BOULEVARDS:

Many miles of the older boulevards were renovated and repaired, as a result of the complaints from residents. In places, the boulevards had sunk or the grass had died away, and in some instances dead or overgrown trees needed to be removed. Trees with deep or spreading root systems, particularly Cottonwoods, very frequently interfere with the sewer or water lines and must be taken out. Pruning of shrubs was done in a number of districts, as branches tend to overhang on sidewalks or obstruct the view of motorists at intersections. Vandalism also caused the loss of many trees.

NURSERY AND GREENHOUSE:

The past season has proved to be very successful in this department. The nursery was kept well cultivated throughout the season, and considerable growth was made with shrubs and trees.

Approximately 4,663 trees and shrubs were distributed throughout the City, including the following varieties:

445 Ash	250 Cornus
1009 Birch	466 Syringa
283 Elm	386 Lonicera
144 Spruce	716 Cotoneaster
81 Poplar	829 Mixed
54 Mixed	

The nursery is not well prepared for an extensive planting program although there are approximately 7,600 shrubs, 3,391 trees, and 4,800 perennials on hand. The following is a report from the Foreman of the Civic Greenhouse:

(Plants supplied to city parks at 80 plants to a flat)

Electric Light (Sub-station #4)

2 flats petunias	rose	1 flat Centarea	
10 flats snaps	mixed	1 flat Nemesia	
4 flats marigold	sunkist	4 flats Lobelia	
2 flats stocks	deep pink	1 flat Aster	Blue
2 flats stocks	white	1 flat Aster	Pink
2 flats Larkspur		1 flat Aster	Purple
2 flats marigold	pot o'gold	85 pots Dahlias	
100 pots Geraniums		80 pots Saleroy	
4 Window Boxes @ 3½ ft. each.			

Electric Light (Sub-station #8)

1 flat Larkspur		2 flats Snaps	red chief
3 flats stock	red	1 flat Nicotiana	
3 flats stock	pink	2 flats marigold	sunkist
1 flat stock	white	1 flat snaps	twilight
5 flats marigold	cupid	1 flat petunias	
3 flats ageratum		1 flat asters	rose

Electric Light (Sub-station #6)

1 flat marigold	pot o'gold	4 flats snaps	tetra
1 flat alyssum		1 flat Larkspur	
3 flats marigold	cupid	2 flats asters	kirkwell
2 flats marigold	butterball	1 flat Lobelia	
2 flats stock	red	2 flats stocks	lavender
2 flats stock	pink	55 pots Salvia	

Electric Light (Sub-station #1)

2 window boxes @ 5 ft.

Municipal Airport

25 pots Geraniums		4 flats snaps	
10 pots Vinca		4 flats marigold	
5 pots Dracena		4 flats stocks	
15 pots Petunias - Giant Fringed		2 flats lobelia	
3 dozen lobelia - trailing		1 flat alyssum	

Fire Department.

36 pots geraniums		2 flats schizanthus	
3 flats pansies		2 flats stocks	
2 flats asters		2 flats marigold	butterball
2 flats snaps		2 flats lobelia	

Memorial Park

5 flats marigold	sunkist	8 flats snaps	orange king
4 flats marigold	butterball	8 flats snaps	startler
6 flats alyssum	carpenter of snow	12 flats snaps	eldorado
3 flats alyssum	violet queen	12 flats snaps	rosamond
11 flats lobelia		26 flats alyssum	royal carpet

Memorial Park (Continued)

6 flats snaps	orange	9 flats alyssum	royal carpet
6 flats snaps	purple	6 flats nemesia	orange
10 flats nemesia		2 flats ageratum	blue
8 flats stocks	blue	8 flats asters	mixed
3 flats tagetes		8 flats pansies	mixed
16 flats marigold	fandango	14 flats zinnias	cupid
2 flats marigold	harmony	16 flats petunias	blue
2 flats pansies	white	8 flats marigold	goldcrest
25 flats annuals	assorted	64 pots geraniums	cerise
878 pots geranium	radio red	370 pots dahlias	unwins

Waterworks (Glenmore Dam)

2 flats marigold	butterball	10 flats nemesia	
3 flats marigold	sunkist	2 flats alyssum	
6 flats marigold	pot o'gold	2 flats snaps	twilight
3 flats marigold	cupid	2 flats snaps	startler
2 flats marigold	harmony	4 flats snaps	orange
2 flats lobelia		6 flats stocks	deep pink
5 flats asters	kirkwell	4 flats stocks	lavender
25 pots geraniums		2 flats viscaria	rosy gem
160 pots dahlias			

Exhibition Grounds (Horse Shoe Bed)

330 pots petunias	double	32 pots vinca	
165 pots dahlias		14 pots dracena	
96 pots geraniums		1 flat petunias	
16 pots margurite daisy		1 flat lobelia trailing	

Exhibition Ground Triangle Bed

32 pots geraniums		50 pots petunias	double
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Corral Window Box

60 pots geraniums		30 pots double petunias	
12 pots margurite daisies		3 dozen lobelia trailing	
6 pots dracena		3 dozen petunias single	

Exhibition Grounds -(Residence)

7 flats marigold		1 flat lobelia	
1 flat ageratum		1 flat alyssum	
7 flats snapdragon		1 flat zinnia	
2 flats stocks		2 flats asters	
4 window boxes @ 1½ ft.			
2 window boxes @ 3 ft.			

Exhibition Grounds (Paddock Bed)

125 pots geraniums		60 pots saleroy	
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Union Cemetery (Grave Plots)

13 doz. pansies		2 doz viola	
21 doz. lobelia		3 doz. annuals	assorted
6 doz. stocks		22 doz. snaps	
21 doz. alyssum		9 doz. asters	
3 doz. petunias	rose of heaven	70 pots geranium	
44 pots petunias	double		

St. Mary's Cemetery (Flower Beds and Borders)

4 flats larkspur		12 flats annuals	assorted
4 flats stocks	blue	6 flats snaps	red chief
2 flats marigold	pot o'gold	3 flats pansies	white
2 flats alyssum	violet queen		

St. Mary's Cemetery (Grave Plots)

1 doz. alyssum		3 doz. annuals	assorted
1 doz. lobelia		2 pots geraniums	

Queen's Park Cemetery (Flower Beds)

5 flats snaps	eldorado	41 flats annuals	assorted
5 flats snaps	purple	2 flats marigold	tangerine
3 flats petunias	rose	6 flats pansies	
3 flats zinnias		4 flats ageratum	
198 pots dahlias		190 pots geraniums	
165 pots petunias	doubles		

Crescent Drive

6 flats demorphoteca		3 flats lobelia	
3 flats asters	rose	3 flats marigold	pot o'gold
6 flats marigold	butterball	3 flats marigold	cupid
3 flats snaps	avalanche	3 flats alyssum	violet queen
3 flats snaps	red chief	3 flats stocks	lavender

Burnsland Cemetery (Flower Beds)

3 flats snaps	red chief	2 flats marigold	harmony
6 flats stocks	lavender	5 flats marigold	pot o'gold
7 flats asters	mixed	3 flats visaria	blue
6 flats zinnias		6 flats deanthus	
3 flats viscaria	rose	8 flats stocks	mixed
6 flats snaps	rosamond	6 flats snaps	purple
6 flats stocks	white	6 flats dimorphoteca	
150 pots geraniums		135 pots dahlias	unwins

Chinese Cemetery (Flower Beds)

4 flats snaps	mixed	2 flats lobelia	
2 flats marigold	cupid	50 pots geraniums	cerise

Burnsland Cemetery (Grave Plots)

22 doz. pansies		9 doz. asters	
20 doz. lobelia		1 doz. phlox	
7 doz. stocks		1 doz. tagetes	
18 doz. snaps		20 doz. alyssum	
6 doz. nemesia		60 pots petunias	double
95 pots geraniums			

Queen's Park Cemetery (Grave Plots)

8 doz. lobelia		3 doz. petunias	
8 doz. alyssum		26 doz. pansies	
4 doz. snaps		4 doz. asters	
4 doz. nemesia		30 pots geraniums	
6 pots petunias	doubles		

Cemetery Borders

5 flats marigold	pot o'gold	2 flats pansies	yellow
3 flats marigold	cupid	162 flats annuals	assorted
5 flats asters		8 flats carnations	

Cemetery Entrance (Flower Beds)

2 flats nemesia		2 flats snaps	twilight
1 flat lobelia		2 flats stocks	lavender
1 flat marigold	sunkist	3 flats schizanthus	
3 flats marigold	cupid	2 flats lobelia	
1 flat marigold	goldcrest	2 flats nemesia	
100 pots petunias	double	60 pots geranium	pink
2 pots dracenas		24 pots geranium	red

Recreation Hut (Mewata Stadium)

3 flats annuals	assorted	6 pots geraniums	
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Scarboro Triangle

3 flats zinnias	mixed	4 flats marigold	sunkist
2 flats marigold	cupid	4 flats stocks	mixed
4 flats snaps	startler	1 flat viscaria	pink
2 flats alyssum	white	1 flat viscaria	blue

Superior Plots (1&2)

5 flats marigold	pot o'gold	4 flats snaps	mixed
2 flats asters	kirkwell blue		

Short St.

4 flats snaps	red chief	1 flat larkspur	
4 flats snaps	avalanche	1 flat petunia	

Glengarry Library

10 flats snaps	mixed	4 flats marigold	cupid
3 flats marigold	sunkist	2 flats lobelia	crystal palace

Health Centre (17 Ave. West)

4 flats viola		1 flat aster	
1 flat larkspur		1 flat ageratum	

Tompkins Park

18 flats snaps	mixed	3 flats marigold	tangerine
12 flats snaps	tetra	288 pots dahlias	

Kiwanis Park

22 flats annuals	assorted		
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Louise Bridge (South Approach)

7 flats stocks	mixed	2 flats violas	yellow
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City Hall

4 flats alyssum	white	2 flats pansies	
5 flats marigold	sunkist	3 flats lobelia	
2 flats alyssum	violet queen	1 flats viscaria	pink
8 flats nemesia		2 flats viscaria	blue

City Hall (Continued)

9 flats snaps	mixed	2 flats snaps	orange
2 flats snaps	twilight	2 flats snaps	eldorado
422 pots geranium	radio red		

Riley Park

20 flats snaps	purple	5 flats lobelia	
22 flats snaps	rosamond	10 flats schizanthus	
3 flats snaps	dwarf	11 flats stocks	
5 flats snaps	tetra	3 flats marigold	harmony
11 flats snaps	mixed	37 flats annuals	assorted
33 flats verbena		57 flats nemesia	
3 flats marigold	cupid	2 flats tagetes	
11 flats pansies		590 pots dahlias	unwins
240 pots geraniums	hendrick		

Rotary Park

6 flats snaps	red chief	4 flats marigold	lemon
4 flats alyssum		6 flats stocks	salmon
4 flats stocks	shell pink	5 flats lobelia	
6 flats snaps	purple	8 flats marigold	cupid
6 flats snaps	white	4 flats centaurea	

Mountview Park

2 flats lobelia		2 flats asters	kirkwell rose
9 flats snaps	eldorado	2 flats asters	kirkwell salmon
10 flats snaps	twilight	8 flats nemesia	
17 flats snaps	dwarf mixed	8 flats marigold	cupid
8 flats stocks	blue	9 flats viscaria	pink
5 flats stocks	white	100 pots geraniums	

Winston Park

5 flats larkspur		2 flats asters	mixed
5 flats stocks	salmon	2 flats snaps	mixed
5 flats stocks	blood red	2 flats stocks	mixed

Balmoral Circus

15 flats stocks	deep pink	6 flats alyssum	
15 flats stocks	lavender	13 flats carnations	
6 flats viscaria	pink	14 flats aster	
6 flats viscaria	blue	9 flats snaps	eldorado
10 flats snaps	purple	10 flats snaps	avalanche
10 flats snaps	red chief	430 Pots geraniums	

Cartier Park

8 flats nemesia		4 flats verbena	
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Prospect and Wolfe St.

2 flats snaps	red chief	1 flat lobelia	blue
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Talon Ave.

2 flats asters	rose	2 flats asters	crimson
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O'Brian's Corner

6 flats asters	kirkwell	6 flats nemesia	fire king
2 flats lobelia		1 flat alyssum	carpet of snow

Levis Park

5 flats snaps	purple	2 flats lobelia	blue
7 flats snaps	rosamond	4 flats portulaca	
3 flats stocks	deep pink	1 flat viola	
6 flats stocks	deep blue	50 pots petunias	double
4 flats snaps	mixed		

Coste House

3 flats snaps	orange	4 flats snaps	tetra
3 flats startler		3 flats lobelia	blue
24 pots geraniums			

Scarboro Islands

3 flats portulaca		3 flats dimorphothecca	
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Crescent Park

3 flats marigold	tangerine	2 flats alyssum	violet queen
2 flats marigold	cupid	6 flats lobelia	
20 flats stocks	mixed	9 flats nemesia	
7 flats viscaria	rose	10 flats asters	purple
7 flats snaps	twilight	4 flats snaps	yellow
200 pots dahlias	yellow	135 pots dahlias	cacti

Centre St. Rockery

76 pots nasturtiums		100 pots petunias	double
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10 St. N. W.

27 flats snaps	mixed	3 flats snaps	red chief
6 flats marigold	cupid	4 flats snaps	startler
10 flats stocks	blood red	1 flats alyssum	white
19 flats asters	kirkwell	2 flats lobelia	crystal palace
8 flats stocks	salmon	4 flats stocks	mixed
16 flats stocks	mixed	4 flats asters	mixed
3 flats viscaria	blue	4 flats snaps	mixed
2 flats alyssum		4 flats snaps	startler
5 flats snaps	eldorado	3 flats stocks	shell pink
10 flats petunias	pink	5 flats lobelia	
6 flats viscaria	pink	8 flats dianthus	
9 flats dianthus		3 flats petunias	rose of heaven
2 marigold flats	tangerine	6 flats pansies	
4 marigold flats	gypsy jewels	6 flats marigold	cupid
2 marigold flats	cupid	1 flat marigold	lemon
3 flats asters	kirkwell	9 flats stocks	lavender
2 flats viscaria	pink	372 pots geraniums	
143 pots dahlias		80 pots petunias	double

Elbow Drive Island

3 flats snaps	eldorado	134 pots cannas	
3 flats marigold	butterball		

Woods Park

20 flats asters	mixed	14 flats stocks	
2 flats viscaria	blue	20 flats annuals assorted	
2 flats viscaria	pink	276 pots petunias	double

Garden Crescent

3 flats nemesia
1 flat lobelia
3 flats snaps tetra
1 flat viscaria pink
6 flats annuals assorted

Bus Loop (Elbow Park)

4 flats stocks
1 flat lobelia

Watson's Corner

1 flat snaps twilight

Riverdale Ave.

3 flats snaps twilight
55 pots geraniums
2 flats lobelia

Earl Grey

6 flats snaps red chief
3 flats alyssum white

Riley Home

6 flats annuals assorted

Louise Bridge (North Approach)

15 flats calendulas
5 flats larkspur

South Mount Royal

12 flats snaps startler
11 flats snaps rosamond
10 flats snaps eldorado
10 flats marigold gypsy jewels
12 flats asters blue
12 flats stocks red
12 flats carnations
5 flats penstemons
4 flats snaps mixed
12 flats stocks lavender
3 flats alyssum royal carpet
12 flats stocks mixed
10 flats asters mixed
10 flats dianthus
12 flats stocks white
14 flats petunias pink
300 pots salvia
748 pots dahlias

Elbow Drive Gardens

28 flats snaps orange
2 flats snaps red chief
3 flats marigold butterball
220 pots dahlias

Glencoe Gardens

12 flats stocks deep blue
12 flats stocks deep pink

Cliff Triangle

12 flats dianthus
31 flats snaps mixed

Red Cross Clinic

3 flats lobelia
3 flats snaps white
3 flats snaps pink rosamond

Municipal Golf Course

10 flats annuals assorted

Canadian National Institute for the Blind (406 - 16 Ave. N.W.)

16 pots geraniums
6 pots margurites daisy
3 pots lobelia trailing
22 pots petunias doubles
6 pots dracenas



SHAGANAPPI GOLF COURSE:

Improvements for 1955 included the completion of the renovation and enlarging of the clubhouse. There was 2,025 feet of new steel link fence erected, and a new water line laid from 26 St. to the front of the clubhouse for the purpose of watering the lawn. The line previously used was removed for civil defence purposes. The area immediately south of the Civil Defence building was landscaped and seeded. All grass was mowed by the parks department's 80-whirlwind mower, and was found to be extremely satisfactory.

Several applications of fertilizer, thorough aerifying, and treatment with chemical weed killer were applied to the areas which required such. The approaches to the greens, both on the 18 and 9 hole course, were aerified, dressed and seeded. The greens on the 18 hole course were re-seeded with a mixture of Poa Annua, Chewing Fesque and Red Top. There was a total of 94 trees planted, some replacements, others placed so they divided fairways as well as for ornamental purposes, and the practice putting green was enlarged by some 3,000 sq. ft. Bases were laid for two new grass tees which will be completed next year, and some fairways were widened.

The Patronage of the Municipal Golf Course is steadily increasing with a total of 30,500 games of golf played and a record membership for the season.

On the following page, are the statements of yearly expenditures and revenue.

ST. GEORGE'S ISLAND PARK AND ZOO:

Another busy and successful year has been received in this branch of the department. Once again, the usual large number of visitors passed through the park gates. The main attraction of this area seems to be the spacious picnic facilities, the numerous species of birds and animals, and prehistoric models.

The lawns and floral display added greatly to the beauty of the park. The shrubbery was pruned, re-dug, or re-planted wherever necessary. The footbridge to the North parking area was completed except for the gates, and the area was gravelled. The entire road around the Island was paved and this has proven to be one of the most important improvements ever undertaken here. All picnic tables and shelters were repaired.

The playground area was patronized throughout the year, and Mr. Bob Freeze, coach of the Junior Bronks' Football Team, and membership, co-operated wholeheartedly in keeping the area allotted to them clean, as their clubhouse and practice grounds are situated in the park.

A detailed report of activities at the Zoo has been submitted by Mr. T. Baines, Curator, and following is an excerpt:

"This has been an excellent year.

Not too much construction was undertaken this season, however, all existing cages and pens were put in good state of repair and painted.

MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF EXPENDITURE AND REVENUE

YEAR	CONST. & IMPROVEMENTS (CLUBHOUSE & COURSE)	MAINTENANCE (CLUBHOUSE & COURSE)	EXPENDED FROM ACCOUNTS OTHER THAN APPROPRIATION	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	TOTAL REVENUE
1915		962.25	398.93	1361.18	419.85
1916	1653.20	101.10	1810.43	3564.73	1803.30
1917		721.82	2166.86	3264.55	3005.30
1918	958.77	649.08	1757.47	3695.20	2777.50
1919	958.77	177.58	2335.49	4040.29	2634.00
1920	958.77	162.40	2971.26	4492.26	3301.75
1921	294.01		890.15	4400.34	5712.50
1922	253.86	220.11	694.15	4013.78	5771.15
1923	852.24		908.89	4910.43	5993.15
1924	636.78	12.00	909.75	4660.79	4688.20
1925	138.98	144.03	966.62	4113.42	5049.25
1926		169.68	925.45	4353.61	4892.25
1927	55.62	311.26	818.67	4455.09	4188.35
1928	214.39	342.27	3254.91	7686.78	6717.70
1929		113.01	3422.40	598.28	8079.02
1930	76.99	299.91	4370.09	43.48	7056.80
1931		576.02	4314.73	4192.31	8947.40
				RELIEF A/C, REMODELLING BLDG., AND NEW WATER SERVICE 1201.09	10284.15
1932	145.05	639.03	3812.74	2370.70	6967.52
1933	218.83	387.43	3925.38	1887.56	6479.20
1934	325.11	393.04	4337.33	2835.05	9561.70
				RELIEF A/C, LOG HUT 60.00 COMMISSIONERS CONTIGENT FUND, SEWER 1265.74	9156.27
1935	50.06	149.80	4824.31	3365.28	8389.45
1936			1821.15	2774.79	4595.94
1937			1561.71	4106.33	5668.04
1938	231.85		1097.82	3399.85	4729.52
1939	277.06	455.45	1167.10	4732.97	9106.77
1940		610.00	2048.41	4363.33	9106.77
1941		516.25	1112.90	10201.87	12853.02
1942			823.95	10184.60	11831.02
1943		1134.23	937.67	4896.67	11008.64
1944		1588.80	1480.61	6637.30	6968.08
1945		2483.75	1619.97	8400.69	9706.71
1946		926.90	1599.40	8880.39	12504.41
1947		2045.00	1514.17	11001.25	11406.69
1948			4315.59	10100.01	14560.32
1949			2429.30	12001.07	14415.60
1950			2527.70	10368.50	14430.37
1951	77.25		3431.01	11859.89	12896.20
1952	198.30		3597.96	13152.31	15368.15
1953			4563.29	14478.20	16948.57
1954			4292.71	13214.42	16948.57
1955	27976.59		7414.60	15582.44	20134.19
					CAP. EXPENDITURES BUDGET, 1092.70
					17507.13
					50973.63
					18913.10
					19897.84
TOTALS	\$ 36552.48	\$ 16191.10	\$ 89507.72	\$ 238953.24	\$ 13724.42
					\$ 394928.96
					\$ 339928.79

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Areas between cages were filled, loamed, seeded, and the moose pen was loamed and made ready for seeding. The small old wooden mammal pens north of the concession building were removed, and in the center of the small mammal house, a temporary flight cage was erected. Eaves troughing was put in at each end of the primate building. Construction included the building of an ostrich house, enclosure for deer and birds at west of the park, three new deer shelters, and the erection of an 80' x 20' gibbon cage and guard rails. Foundations were poured for new kodiak and black bear pens to which the Sewer Department made connections, and the otter pool was completed.

A mural depicting life on a Sea Lion Island was donated, and has drawn much comment as it is the first work of this type to be introduced here.

Exhibits.

As most of the construction was in the nature of replacement, only a few import live exhibits were added. Among the new species brought in were: A pair of ostrichs, a female kodiak bear which was presented by Mr. Carl Nickle, M.P., three moose calves, two Barbary apes presented by the Governor of Gibraltar, numerous small finch type birds, two pronghorn antelope, two giant anteaters, one sandhill crane, and a collection of tropical fish sponsored by the Calgary Aquarium Club. The most outstanding increases included eight Primates, eight lions, seven wolves, eighteen sheep and deer, peccary, patagonian cavy, etc. which proved to be a great source of interest to both young and old, and as usual, we are indebted to Dr. Gordon Anderson's Animal Clinic for another year of valuable assistance in keeping all exhibits in good health and losses to a minimum. These losses are approximately half of those suffered by any Zoo, even when such has a hospital and one or more veterinarians in attendance. Most of the losses were due to accidents, old age, etc., and the important ones during the year were - a rhea which died of peritonitis caused by internal breaking of an egg, a leopard which had internal abscesses, an axis deer with a liver complaint, and a male drill which became completely paralyzed and had to be put to sleep.

Fossil and Dinosaur Exhibits.

These were well maintained, all were either painted or oiled by Mr. John Kanerva. A series of plaster casts of Peace River Dinosaur foot prints were placed in front of the #1 Fossil House Mural which was repainted and oiled. Work has commenced on a species of early turtle, and the old fence in front of the #1 Fossil House was replaced by a cotoneaster hedge. Thanks to Mr. Bert Earle's generosity, a plaque bearing a description of the History of the Totem Pole was erected. A number of replicas were moved into position where they would show up, as these exhibits are extremely popular.

Appreciation is deeply expressed to the Officers and Directors of the Calgary Zoological Society who have donated freely, their time and effort to promote the gardens, and I would like to especially mention the chairman and members of the committees most intimately connected with the actual operation of the Zoo, namely exhibits, building, plans, dinosaurs and publicity. Food wholesalers were again generous with donations of food stuffs, and excellent co-operation was received from such agencies as the Dominion and Provincial Government, transportation companies, the City Police, and the Press and Radio. The regular staff carried out their duties in an excellent manner, and I believe this is reflected in the excellent condition of both the Zoo and the park.

In conclusion, I would like to thank yourself, Mr. Daines, and the Parks Department for help and support when needed".

The following is an Inventory of exhibits as at December 31, 1955:

3 Chimpanzees	2 Grey Fox
1 Lar Gibbon	3 Red Fox
1 Hoolock Gibbon	2 Coyotes
2 Mandrill	4 Lynx
3 Drill	2 Northern Bobcats
2 Anubis Baboons	2 California Bobcats
2 Guinea Baboons	2 Puma
4 Hamadryas Baboons	4 Wolves
2 Pig-tailed Monkey	2 Wild Boar
2 De Brazza Monkey	2 Wallaroo
2 Lion-tailed Monkey	2 Wombats
3 Vervet Monkey	3 California Sea-Lions
2 Green Monkey	3 Peccaries
2 Black Spider Monkey	5 Patagonian Cavys
1 Varigates Spider Monkey	2 Agouti
1 Weeper Capuchin Monkey	6 Guinea Pigs
1 White-faced Capuchin Monkey	6 Rabbits
1 White Fronted " "	6 Hamsters
1 Java Macaque Monkey	1 Red Squirrel
1 Java Macaque Rhesus Monkey	5 Black Squirrels
6 Rhesus Monkey	2 Gray Squirrels
1 English Badger	1 White-nosed Squirrel
3 Coati Mundi	1 Lyster Chipmunk
4 Raccoons	2 Yellow-footed Marmots
4 Cacomistles	1 Common Marmot
2 Kinkajou	6 White Rats
1 Common Gennet	12 Beavers
1 Dongola Gennet	4 Richardson ground squirrels
2 Two-toed Sloth	5 Prairie Dogs
1 Asiatic Porcupine	6 13-lined Spermophiles
1 African Porcupine	2 White Arctic Fox
1 Canadian Porcupine	2 Blue Arctic Fox
2 Wolverine	3 Big-horn Sheep
2 Fisher	6 Mouflon
3 Badgers	3 Black Fallow Deer
4 Skunks	6 Spotted Fallow Deer
1 Marten	3 White Fallow Deer
1 Weasel	6 Aoudad
2 Otters	2 Axis Deer
1 Black Kodiak Bear	1 Pronghorn
1 Polar Bear	4 Black-tailed Deer
3 Grizzly Bears	4 Mule Deer
1 Canadian Black	6 Virginia Deer
1 Can. Black Bear (Brown phase)	3 Elk
2 Sun Bears	3 Asiatic Elk
2 Sumatran Tigers	2 Tahr
7 Lions	6 Sika Deer
3 Leopards	6 Pack rats
3 Ocelots	

1 Wood Duck	1 White Zebra Finch
1 Mandarin Duck	2 Gray Zebra Finch
5 Black Swans	2 Bengalese Finch
5 Whistling Swans	2 Pope Cardinals
8 Mute Swans	2 Cut-throat Finch
2 Cackling Geese	2 Silver Bills
14 Canada Geese	2 Black-headed Nuns
3 Snow Geese	2 Golden Sparrows
10 Blue Geese	2 Combassous
3 White-fronted Geese	1 Pintail Whydah
2 White China Geese	2 Green Singing Finch
3 Brown African Geese	2 Grey Singing Finch
3 Grey Leg Geese	2 Gordon Bleus
1 Ross Geese	2 Common Crossbills
12 Egyptian Geese	1 Pekin Robin
3 Pilgrim Geese	2 Red-billed Weaver
2 Semi-palmated Geese	4 Common Weaver
1 White-crested Duck	10 Canaries
4 Pekin Ducks	2 Pine Siskins
4 Rouen Ducks	2 Song Sparrows
2 White Muscovy Ducks	2 White Crested Sparrows
11 Mallard Ducks	2 White Throated Sparrows
8 Pintail Ducks	2 Venezuelan Dickcissels
2 Red Head Ducks	1 Red-headed Indian Bunting
2 Scaup Ducks	1 Indian Song Sparrow
2 Widgeon	3 Gray Rice Birds
1 Widgeon & Mallard Cross	2 Bramble Finch
1 Black East Indian Duck	1 Chipping Sparrow
2 Coots	1 American Song Sparrow
3 Herring Gulls	2 Cut-throat Finch
1 Ring-billed Gull	2 Juncos
2 White Pelicans	1 Gray-crowned Leucosticte
1 Red and blue Macaw	5 Evening Grosbeak
1 Yellow and blue Macaw	2 Red Polls
2 Military Macaw	2 Diamond Doves
1 Large Sulphur-crested Cockatoo	2 Crested Doves
1 Lesser Sulphur-crested Cockatoo	1 Green-winged Dove
1 Yellow-naped Parrott	3 Ring Doves
10 Budgerigars	4 Indian White Doves
10 Green Budgerigars	3 Cockateels
10 Yellow Budgerigars	4 Owl Pigeons
2 Black Masked Love Birds	4 European White Pigeons
1 Cedar Waxwing	4 Muffed Tumbler Pigeons
1 Am. Goldfinch & Canary cross	4 Parlor Pigeons
2 Manikins	4 Roller Pigeons
2 Yellow-headed Sparrows	4 Tumbler Pigeons
3 Tri-coloured Nuns	4 Dragon Pigeons
2 English Green Finch	4 Homer Pigeons
3 Emu	4 Modena Pigeons
2 Rhea	4 Swallow Pigeons
1 Burrowing Owl	4 Suabian Pigeons
1 Great Horned Owls	4 Satinette Pigeons
3 Snowy Owls	4 Archangel Pigeons
1 Marsh Hawk	4 Nunn Pigeons
	4 Fantail Pigeons
	4 Magpie Pigeons

3 Swainsons Hawks	1 Prairie Falcon
6 Red-tailed hawks	1 Barn Owl
1 Rough-legged hawk	4 Golden Eagles
5 Sparrow Hawks	3 Crows
3 Magpies	1 White Crow
6 Bronze Grackles	2 Ravens
6 English Starlings	1 Turkey Vulture
1 Black Buzzard	1 Sandhill Crane
2 White Peahens	2 Black-shouldered Peahens
20 Blue Peahens	1 Hungarian Partridge
2 Japanese Quail	2 Chukar Partridge
3 Reeve Pheasants	5 Golden Pheasants
6 Lady Amhurst Pheasants	4 Mongolian Pheasants
5 Ringneck Pheasants	5 Blue-eared Pheasants
4 White-Crested Pheasants	4 White Pheasants
2 Elliott Pheasants	6 Silver Pheasants
3 Melanestic Pheasants	4 Formosan Pheasants
3 Swinho Pheasants	

METHOD OF CONSTRUCTION OF LIFE SIZED DINOSAUR MODELS:

Mention should be made here that with the exception of color, which is largely a matter of conjecture, all details are absolutely accurate, and are based on the findings of world famous paleontologists.

After the bones are excavated, classified and placed in position, a scale model is constructed, and this model is usually 12" to 20" long. When a suitable location is decided upon, pegs are placed in the ground, where feet, head, tail, etc. will appear. Concrete foundations for feet are next constructed and iron re-inforcing rods are sunk in these, such rods protruding above the ground. Other rods are attached to them and fabricated to approximate shape of the specimen. Next metal lath is attached to these rods to give more definite shape and substance to model. Cement and concrete are then placed in both in and outside of the frame, until the model gradually assumes the correct outline. Following this, head, tail, toes, etc., are added and finally muscles and outer covering are plastered on, and paint applied. As mentioned above, color is a matter of doubt, but is assumed to be either bright camouflage, e.g. the giraffe, or a dull unobtrusive color, e.g. the elephant.

Credit for these models is due to many people, but no few notes on this unique exhibit would be complete without mention of:

The late Dr. O. H. Patrick, for fourteen years president of the Calgary Zoological Society, and originator of the entire scheme; Dr. C. M. Stenberg, National Museum, Ottawa, one of the world's outstanding paleontologists; Dr. Barnum Brown, of the American Museum of Natural Science, New York; Dr. L. S. Russell, Curator, Toronto Museum; Dr. W. E. Swinton, British Museum; Mr. Charles Gilmore of the Museum of Natural History, Washington; Mr. Charles Biel, Banff, Alberta; and Mr. John Kanerva, of Calgary, who was responsible for the construction of the life-sized models.

SWIMMING POOLS:

As the construction of the two new pools took a little longer than was anticipated, the pools were not available to the public until July 8, 1955. The opening day found 162 patrons, both young and old, at the South Calgary Kinsman Swimming Pool, and 604 at the North Hill Kiwanis Swimming Pool.

The materials salvaged from the old Municipal Pool were used in the construction of the Kiwanis Swimming Pool. There is some work to be done in so far as providing accommodation for the dispensing of refreshments, etc. Landscaping has been commenced around the West Mt. Pleasant Pool and is expected to be completed during the 1956 season.

Considerable work has been carried out during the winter months, such as plastering and painting of the interior of the buildings which gives a very pleasant effect against the former existing concrete block effort.

MEWATA STADIUM:

This year proved to be a very satisfactory one with many improvements being made. The exceptionally good weather which prevailed made possible a continuous and varied series of athletic events at the Stadium, which included games of the Junior Rugby Club, the High School Athletic Association, the Scottish Games Association, the Stampeder Football Club, and in conjunction with the "Jubilee Year", a visit from Prime Minister Louis St. Laurent, as well as numerous miscellaneous events.

At the beginning of the season, a new practice ground for the Stampeder Club was made. This area is located just East of the old practice grounds. The loaming and seeding was carried out, and the grounds were ready for use August 1st. The area in the Stadium was top dressed and seeded, and the tunnel recently constructed under the East stands, was all closed in with Plywood and painted. The hut reserved for the Stampeder Club for use as dressing room accommodation was renovated, and the fence was then moved to bring this building into the Stadium.

There were new restroom facilities erected in the northeast corner of the main building at Mewata, and this season saw the completion of a Television Booth on the top of the Press Box.

The next year will see the complete renovation of sections which are a hazard to the public. The area in the Stadium will have to be top dressed, seeded, and rolled as usual. The numbers on the West grandstands are almost unreadable and will have to be repainted.

BROADVIEW PARK:

This area was well utilized during the season with games being played every night and occasionally on Sunday. At the commencement of the season, the area was top dressed, seeded, and rolled. If lights were installed here, there would be no need for the Stadium to be used as a soccer field.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT, SOUTH CALGARY MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL

CONSTRUCTION COSTS: \$ 82,118.32

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>APPROP- RIATION</u>	<u>EXPENDI- TURE</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>SEASON'S ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>MAY 24 ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>JULY 1 ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>FREE SWIMS</u>	<u>OPERATIONAL LOSS</u>	<u>OPERATIONAL GAIN</u>
1955	10000.00	11065.63	6927.90	47771	DAY OPENED JULY 8, 1955		890	4137.73	

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONAL LABOR COSTS, MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>SUPERVISION</u>	<u>MAINTENANCE MEN</u>	<u>CASHIERS & LIFEGUARDS, ETC.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1955	1330.17	2660.90	1854.46	5845.53

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT, MT. PLEASANT MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL

CONSTRUCTION COSTS: \$ 69,513.72

NOTE: BOILERS, ETC. SALVAGED FROM OLD MEWATA POOL USED IN THIS NEW POOL

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>APPROP- RIATION</u>	<u>EXPENDI- TURE</u>	<u>REVENUE</u>	<u>SEASON'S ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>MAY 24 ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>JULY 1 ATTENDANCE</u>	<u>FREE SWIMS</u>	<u>OPERATIONAL LOSS</u>	<u>OPERATIONAL GAIN</u>
1955	10000.00	14235.88	6781.70	45182	DAY OPENED JULY 8, 1955		1210	7454.18	

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF OPERATIONAL LABOR COSTS, MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOL

<u>YEAR</u>	<u>SUPERVISION</u>	<u>MAINTENANCE MEN</u>	<u>CASHIERS & LIFEGUARDS, ETC.</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
1955	1408.04	3254.25	2203.71	6866.00

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RENFREW BALL PARK:

Renfrew Park was also actively used for the first year, including the fastball park, two soccer fields, and a baseball field. It was necessary to have two men on duty during the days, and one man during the nights, and it is anticipated that more will be needed to take care of this area.

During the past season, the Hut at Renfrew Park was completed and now includes six dressing rooms, a large storage room, waiting room, and a small storage locker on the south side. On the north end of the hut there were four divided restrooms constructed. The ball park was equipped with a new elevated score board, two new dugouts, an umpire change room and storage.

CEMETERIES:

A satisfactory year was experienced in this branch of the Department. Although there was not too much construction carried out, steady improvements are continually being made.

As had been the custom in previous years, memorial services held by several service clubs -- American Womens' Association, the B.P.O Elks, the I.O.O.F. and the War Veterans' Association. The staff at the cemeteries gave their assistance in patrolling the roads, directing traffic, and raising and lowering the flags as the various ceremonies required.

Following are reports from the Cemeteries under the sponsorship of the City:

Queen's Park Cemetery:

The construction of the Queen's Park Chapel building was completed in '55 and will be of much benefit to the public as well as considerable assistance to the operation of the Cemetery. The machinery and trucks may now be kept under cover at this location. The erection of the permanent fence was continued, and it is hoped that a major fencing project will commence in the very near future in order that vandalism and the roving of animals may be minimized.

While the summer was exceptionally dry, the grass was kept fairly green. All lawn areas were treated with weed killer, and pruning of trees was done wherever required. The roads were kept in good condition. Repairs and the painting of the Cottage were carried out. It has been decided to raise the bottom land at this Cemetery by approximately three feet in order that the drainage problem might be solved. This area will then be loamed and seeded, thereby improving the general appearance of this cemetery.

There were a total of 817 burials made during the season.

Burnsland and Field of Honour:

The general maintenance was carried out on beds, and borders cleaned of refuse, forked and cultivated. Pruning was also done wherever necessary. A new sewer line was laid in order to control the run of water from McLeod

Trail, and after completion, the area was tamped, loamed and seeded. The flower beds made a good display, and sunken graves were also tamped, loamed, and seeded. All in all, the cemetery was improved considerably.

During the year, 255 burials were made in Burnsland and Field of Honour.

Union Cemetery:

New improvements to this area included the commencement of a new garage attached to the cottage, the laying of new water lines in various sections, and the construction of two man holes on each side of the cottage to control the run of water. The general maintenance of the area was carried out. Pruning of trees, removal of dead trees, etc. also received attention.

There were a total of 187 burials made during the season.

St. Mary's Cemetery:

No new construction was in evidence at this location. The floral display was very good, and the general maintenance improved the grounds considerably.

A total of 182 burials were made for the 1955 season.

Chinese Cemetery:

The extension on the south side of the cemetery was loamed and seeded to coarse grass which included an area of 40,800 ft. Repairs were made to the fence on the south side, and there were also new water lines laid. General maintenance was carried out.

A total of 28 interments were made for '55.

PARKS SHOPS:

Due to the expansion of both horticulture and recreation projects, this branch of the Department was kept extremely busy during the year. Much repair work and servicing of equipment was carried out. The purchase of new equipment improved the efficiency of the various duties performed throughout the parks, playgrounds, and boulevards. Among the purchases were a Ferguson tractor, a new Seaman tiller, Choremaster for nursery cultivating, three new Allen motor scythes, a new hay mower knife sharpener, and a new generator.

The carpenters were also fully occupied during the season, as there was much to be done in the way of repairing, additions to buildings, dismantling various buildings, etc. Equipment was also built for the supervised playground programme and recreation centres, as well as receiving repairs and coats of paint.

PLUMBING DIVISION:

There was also an increase over previous years' activities here, as a great number of new connections, repair work, water and heating installations and the laying of new water lines in newly developed parks were among the many projects completed.

Work completed included a few plumbing adjustments to the two new swimming pools, building of rest rooms at Mewata Stadium, restrooms and furnaces completed and installed at Renfrew Park, sewer and water lines laid at the Parkhill Community Club and the new chapel. A start was made on renovating sprinkler lines on the main drive at the Union Cemetery. A quantity of old pipe was supplied to the Zoo for making fences and pens. The old plumbing was taken out of Hing Wah Greenhouse, and the usable pipe and fittings were stored.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

One of the foremost objectives of any park board is to strive for the ornamentation of the City, thus relieving the monotony of pavement and drab buildings, and this can only be done by the beautifying of boulevards, setting out small parks and playgrounds throughout the city, planting trees, etc. In view of the rapid growth of the City, I would like to suggest several projects which we hope to give our attention to in the forthcoming season.

It is felt that a man from the Parks Department be given a police uniform and motorcycle in order to attend to all complaints received from residents in various districts, as the damage to parks and buildings is steadily increasing. This past season, an estimated amount of \$5,000.00 was incurred due to damage of trees, shrubs, fences, etc. This amount, alone, should warrant a police patrol in order that such harm to parks property may be minimized.

The time has arrived when all roads in our cemeteries and parks must be paved, especially the driveways which are constantly being used. As the roads are now, they are literally dust bowls, and may endanger the life of any motorist, child, or adult who may happen to be in the area. Also, it is recommended that a footbridge be constructed across the gully running East and West between the 11th green and the 12th tee at the Municipal Golf Course which would be of great assistance to the patrons and add to the appearance of the course.

The lighting system at St. George's Island is extremely poor, and it is suggested that the Electric Light Department be approached to see if something could be done about having better lighting installed, especially between the two bridges. In view of the patronage at the Zoo, it is recommended that the entrance to St. George's Island be beautified in order to create a much better impression.

It is the hope of the Department to continue the construction of chain link fencing throughout the parks system. This type of fence is not only economical, but will last for many years without too much attention. This project, when completed, will help considerably in keeping cars off the parks and recreation areas.

Following is a list of lands set aside for parks and recreation purposes for the 1955 season:

1955 SUMMARY OF EXISTING PARKS AND OPEN AREAS

SECTIONS	LEGAL DESCRIPTION	STREET LOCATION	PLAYGROUND RECREATION	ORNAMENTAL PARKS	UNDEVELOPED LOCAL PARKS	NATURALISTIC PARKS	AREAS IN ACRES	SCHOOL SITE	REMARKS
THORNCLIFFE SE $\frac{1}{4}$ 4-25 1/5	BLK. 5-6455 G.O.S	TRAFFORD CRS.		0.43			0.43		
HIGHWOOD NW $\frac{1}{4}$ -33-24 1/5	BLK. 25-8324 G.O.V.	HOUNSLOW DR. & HOLLY ST.		1.28			1.28		
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ - 33-24 1/5	BLK. 26-8324 G.O.V.	HIGHWOOD PLC. NORTHMOUNT DR.		1.13			1.13		
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ -33-24 1/5	BLK. 14-1106 H.O.A.	NORTHMOUNT DR. HARLOW AVE.	14.65				14.65		
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ -33-24 1/5	BLK. 12-1106 H.O.A.	HARTFORD RD. HARTFORD PL.		0.66			0.66		
NE $\frac{1}{4}$ -33-24 1/5	BLK. 2-8647 G.T.	HENDON DR. HENDON PL.		0.79			0.79		
N. CAPITOL HILL EXTENSION NE $\frac{1}{4}$ -30-24 1/5	BLK. 3-2846 G.W.	CATHEDRAL RD. EXCHAW RD.	3.26				3.26		
HOUNSFIELD HGTS. NE $\frac{1}{4}$ -20-24 1/5	BLK. 1-1766 H.O.B.	16 AVE. - 19 ST. NORTHWEST	7.26	7.71			14.97		7.71 IS THE BUFFER ZONE-SOUTH OF SIMPSON SEARS.
GLENDALE SE $\frac{1}{4}$ -12-23 1/5	PARCEL "A" 7690 F.O.G.	38 AVE. & 41 ST. SOUTHWEST	1.03				1.03		
MOUNTVIEW ADDITION SW $\frac{1}{4}$ - 26-24 1/5	BLK. 2, LOTS 6-7 7854 G.O.V.	22 AVE. & 7 ST. NORTHEAST	2.22				2.22		
LYNWOOD NE $\frac{1}{4}$ 25-23 1/5	BLK. 7, 9017 G.O.V.	LYNDALE ROAD & 20A ST. S. E.					3.25	3.25	
MEADOWLARK PARK SE $\frac{1}{4}$ - 33-23 1/5	BLK. D-756 H.O.A.	MEADOWLARK CRS. & MCKAY DRIVE	2.84				2.84		
SE $\frac{1}{4}$ - 33-23 1/5	PARCEL "A" 4808 G. V.	MEADOWVIEW RD. 58 AVE. S. W.	3.16				3.16		
HIGHLAND PARK NE $\frac{1}{4}$ - 34-24 1/5	BLK. 20-23 & 28-30 6269 G. W.	48 AVE. & 1 ST. NORTHWEST	4.13				4.13		
			<u>38.55</u>	<u>4.29</u>			<u>46.09</u>	<u>3.25</u>	

COURTESIES:

At this point, I would like to express my sincere thanks to all who have co-operated so heartily with our Department throughout the season, and to the Calgary Herald and the Albertan for their coverage and interest in our parks system during the past year.

To the service clubs, namely the Kinsman and Kiwanis Clubs, who have continually lent their support to civic enterprises, we owe a depth of gratitude. Their public spirit is to be highly commended, and may they all enjoy success in the years to come.

Mrs. H. W. Riley, President of the Alberta Council of Child and Family Welfare, is also thanked for her constant interest and welfare of the children of this City and Alberta. Throughout the years, she has never failed this Department or the children of Calgary, in supplying the prizes and shields for the boys and girls who have participated in our recreation programs both winter and summer.

In conclusion, I would like to personally thank the Mayor, Commissioners, City Council, and all the members of the Parks Department, who so willingly played their part in making the Parks and Recreation Department of Calgary one of the best in Western Canada.

Respectfully Submitted,



A. MUNRO, Superintendent.

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REPORT

SPORTS AND RECREATION DIVISION

of the

PARKS DEPARTMENT

Mr. A. Munro,
Parks' Superintendent,
City Hall, Calgary.

Dear Sir:

The report of the Recreation Division for the year 1955 has been prepared in a composite form.

The general thoughts on development and program have been prepared by myself with the inclusion of reports submitted by the Supervisor of Athletics, Mr. J. R. Houghton, and the Supervisor of Recreation Centres and Playgrounds, Miss Del Wright, in order that no great overlapping in the information provided would occur.

The Sketch on the frontispiece with the quotations "Leisure Time" the opportunity; "Recreation" the medium; "Satisfaction and Enjoyment" the result; influences the thinking expressed in the preparation of this report.

After the very outset, I would extend my appreciation to the staff of the Parks' Department, the personnel of the office and shops, as these are the people with whom we come most directly in contact. We should also express out thanks to the various media of publicity, the press, which includes the Calgary Herald, the Albertan, and small community papers such as the North Hill News and the Western News and Advertiser; and the co-operation we have received from the radio stations and the CHCT-TV Studio. All these channels have assisted us in publicizing the program now conducted under the Recreation Division, and have made it possible for the public to become aware of the opportunities to recreation.

The increase of leisure time, and the improvement of facilities for recreation activities, is creating a great interest among the citizens for a publicly organized recreation program.

The development of new areas due to the growth and the changing conditions in Calgary, is a matter of deep concern to the administrative staff of the Recreation Division, upon whom the responsibility falls, to recommend, promote, and direct a program in our recreation centres and to assist in the planning with community groups satisfactory leisure time pursuits for people of all ages throughout the City.

RECREATION is a word of many meanings, but it is gaining world-wide recognition as an essential element of good life; no longer a luxury, recreation is now accepted as a necessity in the proper growth and development of every man, woman and child.

It is quite true that for that period of existence of the human race, men have found some way or other to enjoy a form of relaxation and have found pleasure in such activities. The creation of music, instruments, weapons and the crafts of weaving have been handed down through the years, and still form a very interesting form of recreation, nevertheless, just as the science of engineering, medicine, education, and agriculture have broadened, so have the skills and science of physical development, athletics, and arts and crafts become a much greater field of study.

There are members of our society who have not enjoyed the use of many of the modern facilities found in the home, nor have they controlled an automobile, airplane, or television, yet we do not deny that such conveniences are part of modern life.

The trend, whatever field we may be interested in, is governing our thinking and it is to be expected that should there be a trend in the field of public recreation, our governments, Federal, Provincial, and Municipal, will give much study to its development.

The use of professionally trained leaders to direct the activities which the public find satisfying, relaxing, re-creating or refreshing and which require time in planning and organization, is equally important in the lives of our citizens as skilled personnel who direct the construction of our highways, our water and electrical services.

With this in mind, the City of Calgary has employed a very successful team of Recreational workers who have developed a program of activity which provides an outlet for people and classes such as are found in the population which call Calgary their home.

The details and statistics of this report have been provided as a result of the records prepared by our Supervisor of Athletics and Supervisor of Recreation and Playgrounds. Each person has made a complete study of the activities directed by their respective branches, and have included commentaries and recommendation which are considered to be of benefit to the City and Citizens.

No effort has been made to enlarge on the establishment of new areas as this matter has been dealt with in the preamble by Mr. Munro. It will be noted in the list of playgrounds, where new equipment has been erected.

In the purchase of such equipment and apparatus which has been installed, we have been required to call for tenders this year, and although I do not believe that the best quality has been purchased, I do feel that the goods received are reliable and that the design is satisfactory. New patterns will be appearing in the newly developed areas which I feel will be appreciated by the younger age groups using our tot lots.

PERSONNEL

We are still faced with the difficulty of obtaining qualified personnel to replace the persons who leave the service of the City of Calgary or to take care of the expanded program. During the past year, Mr. K. Burgess accepted the position of Director of Recreation for the City of Chatham, Ontario, therefore, our senior employee left us at the end of October. I feel that the Department should be honoured in the fact that personnel employed herein are considered qualified to take positions of this nature, and Ken is wished every success in his new appointment. This made it necessary to transfer Dave Berry from the centre section of the North Hill and place him in charge of the district from the C.P.R. Track on the North, South to the Glenmore Dam and including the area West of 4th St. West and bounded on the South and East by the Elbow River including the communities of Sunalta, Elbow Park, Mt. Royal, South Calgary, Scarboro and Altadore. In view of the difficulty aforementioned re professional personnel, we obtained the services of Mr. Larry Larkum who was previously employed in the Finance Department, but who had considerable experience in the field of athletics. Mr. Larkam was given supervision of the area including the following communities:- Crescent Park, Rosedale, West Mt. Pleasant, Tuxedo, Highland North Balmoral, Highwood and Thorncliffe Heights. Although new in our organization, credit must be given to Mr. Larkam for his sincerity and his organizational ability which is evidenced by the splendid program being carried on in that area.

Miss Betty Van Norman, Mr. E. MacInnis, Mr. G. Slawosky and Mr. Theo. Van Biezen, were appointed to the areas in which they served during the winter of 1954-55, with Mr. Slawosky adding the Bridgeland area to his district.

The public response to the programs organized by these individuals is shown in the registration and participation report which is attached hereto. Again due to the inability to employ permanent employees, we were very happy to have Mrs. Rhona Duncan and Mrs. Anne Goresht, two former district supervisors, return to us on a part-time basis to assist in the direction of program in the Parkdale areas and the Elboya areas.

An innovation introduced was the New Canadian Program organized in the down town area and mainly using the facilities at the Mewata Recreation Hall allowing persons who had arrived in Calgary recently, to participate in a program of activities which would introduce them to the Canadian way of life, Canadian games and Canadian methods of living including food preparations. This was supervised by Mrs. A. Dinzl, herself a recent arrival from



Austria. Mrs. Dinzl is a graduate in physical education and has extensive background in the recreation field in her own country. This experience placed her in a very fine position with the new members of the Community and established a composite program of European and Canadian activities.

WINTER RECREATION CENTRES:

The winter recreation program is, of necessity, divided into two portions, the months of January to May and October to December. The months January to May were extremely active with 12,359 persons registering in the dance groups and 7,568 in the craft activities. 31 activities in all, were made available to the public. During the months of October to December and as staff become available, the recreation areas opened with a total of 4,007 people enrolled. The total participation during this period was 40,166 which reveals that our registered persons attended an average of once per week during the periods that these centres were functioning.

In her capacity of Supervisor of Recreation Centres, Miss Wright has undertaken the publicity program which includes a daily radio release "Your Community". This is by the kind co-operation of radio station CFCN and is rendered as a public service without charge to the Department. Miss Wright has also been responsible for organizing and introducing to the public a television program over station CHCT-TV. This is also a public service program and is approximately of a half hour's duration each Monday from 4:30 to 5:00 P. M.

The following is a report on playgrounds and community centres submitted by Miss Del Wright.

Community Centres:

"One hundred and seven thousand, seven hundred and seventy four (107,774) Calgarians attended community centre programs in 1955. To conduct the programs required in the various communities, we utilized 54 community recreation leaders, 96 part-time instructors, 96 junior leaders and 145 volunteers.

To house the centre programs, 24 schools (both public and separate) 7 community association halls, 3 churches, 1 library and the basement of a private home were used.

A complete breakdown on program content, leadership, facilities, and district served, is contained herein. A composite attendance and participation report for January to May and October to December program also appears in this report.

Attendance and Participation Report

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Total Part.</u>	<u>Girls</u>	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>
Basketball	8,644	2,694	4,955	743	252
Volleyball	6,059	2,471	2,377	579	632
Table Tennis	5,155	1,553	1,815	990	797
Tumbling and Vaulting	24,936	9,460	14,436	669	371
Boxing and Wrestling	2,268		2,268		
Group Games	19,778	9,275	10,440	21	42

Report (Cont'd.)

<u>Activity</u>	<u>Total Part.</u>	<u>Girls</u>	<u>Boys</u>	<u>Men</u>	<u>Women</u>
Quiet Games	1,210	414	581	164	51
Badminton	10,101	2,434	3,136	2,384	2,147
Ladies Keep Trim	1,076				1,076
Men's Keep Fit	165			165	
Ice Hockey	381		381		
Square Dancing	5,962	2,068	1,696	1,133	1,065
Social Dance Instructions	4,855	1,964	1,617	625	649
Tap Dancing	3,134	2,824	310		
Rhythmics	1,654	1,068	586		
Leathercraft	1,752	245	374	510	623
Coppercraft	3,828	1,051	1,220	552	1,005
Miscellaneous	5,423	3,284	1,629	142	368
First Aid	271	158	97	5	11
Model Building	836		836		
Teen Club	8,569	4,374	4,195		
Sewing	792	425			367
Music	803	478	276	17	32
Drama	1,019	745	248	16	10
Puppetry	393	293	100		
Art	213	50	131	23	9
Pre-School	61	98	63		
Special Events	6,046	1,894	2,299	764	1,089
Spectators	1,582	310	457	324	491
Fly Tying	67			67	
Figure Skating	524	524			
Public Speaking	72			30	42
Lectures	393		199	67	127
English	101			75	26
Discussion Groups	67			45	22
Home Decorating	12			4	8

Total Attendance: 102,774

Total Participation: 128,302.

Teen Council

Formed February 21, 1955, to bring together representatives from the nine Recreation Division Teen Clubs to exchange ideas and co-ordinate thinking on various programs for teen agers. The council is set up on a co-chairman and co-secretary basis and delegates are as follows:

Chairman	Art Smith, Inglewood Teen Club
Co-Chairman	Wm. Garnett, Director of Recreation
Vice Chairman	Bill Nurcombe, Valteen Club
Co-Secretary	Del Wright, Supervisor of Community Centres,

Delegates: Hillteen Club	- Dan Cove, Dave Campbell.
North Teen Club	- Tom Williams, Sandra Savage
Renfrew Teen Club	- Peggy Illott, Brian Birchall
Valteen Club	- Bill Nurcombe, Pat Graham

Delegates (Cont'd)

Friteen Club - Barbara Birney, Bev. Bostick
South Teen Club - George Smith, Penny Campbell
Inglewood Teen Club - Art Smith, George Jorginson
Elwin Sr. Teen Club - Marshall Marmyluke, Arvilla Becker
Elwin Jr. Teen Club - Norm Dymond, Louise Denny
Supervisors' Representatives - Mrs. Rhona Duncan, Mr. K. Burgess.

Junior Leader Course

This annual course is open to boys and girls 15 and over so that they may qualify to assist class leaders in the centre program. 26 qualified in this year's course which was conducted in the Calgary Boys' Club, April 11 to 15. Classes offered and instructors were:

Gymnastic Safety	-	Ted Van Biezen
Scrap Crafts	-	Betty Van Norman
Puppetry	-	Anne Goresht
Low Organized Games	-	George Slawosky
Social Recreation	-	Del Wright

Recreation Week

The week of April 26 - 30, 1955, was proclaimed Recreation Week in Calgary, and the many community and city-wide events scheduled were jointly sponsored by the Calgary Recreation Division, the Calgary Golden Age Club, and the Calgary and District Square Dancers. 11,727 Calgarians participated in the various programs, while 21,104 attended the week long events.

Playgrounds.

Previous to the opening of the parks and playgrounds, an intensive two week training course was held at the Mewata Recreation Hut and Mewata Stadium. Instructors for this course included Wm. Garnett, Director of Recreation, Miss Del Wright, Supervisor of Playgrounds, Betty Van Norman, Day Camp Director, Jen Crawford, George Slawosky, Dave Berry, and Ken Burgess, District Supervisors, Captain Wm. Phillips, Calgary Fire Department, Dorothy Rogers, Children's Librarian Calgary Public Library, Marion Nicoll, Instructor Provincial Institute of Technology and Art, Pearl Borgal, Director of special services CKXL, Tom Baines, Curator, Calgary Zoo, Paul Lawrence, Executive Director, Alberta Safety Council.

Course content included lectures, crafts, sports, first aid, storytelling and field trips. Increased skills amongst the playground supervisors were easily noted as the result of intensive training. Storytelling, first aid, low organized games, crafts and discussions proved the most valuable, while the pedal pusher club and team games were the least beneficial. It was suggested that team games be approached as to coaching, learning the rules and techniques of refereeing rather than actual participation. It has also been recommended that some thought be given to instruction in creative drama.

Total attendance over an 8½ week period was 89,347, a 5,000 increase over 1954. Playground participation rose to 160,841, a 14,000 increase over 1954. A weekly average of 10,000 participants joined in the playground program. The following is a breakdown:

Playgrounds Attendance

Altadore	2,169
Bridgeland*	2,464
Capitol Hill	2,004
Connaught	3,579
Haultain*	2,836
Inglewood	2,106
Kensington Road*	3,207
Killarney*	3,463
Manchester	
(Open twice weekly)	916
Mountview	6,253
Ogden	3,842
Parkdale	2,587
Ramsay	2,321
Renfrew	3,123
Richmond	3,933
Riley	10,502
Rosedale	2,967
Rotary	4,795
Scarboro*	
(Open thrice weekly)	1,540
Melville Scott*	2,329
South Calgary	7,122
Tuxedo	5,565
West Calgary*	
(Open twice weekly)	1,380
West Mt. Pleasant	4,438
Windsor Park*	
(Open thrice weekly)	1,760

Weekly average: 10,100

Teen Age Activities

Teen activities appear to revolve around dances, weiner roasts and team games. Teen agers also served as junior leaders on the various grounds. Dances were held on the parks and one dance was held at the Mewata Recreation Hut for the entire North District. It is recommended that teen dances be held on a scheduled basis at the Recreation Hut and that the various teen clubs take turns acting as hosts. This would serve to avoid two parks continually exchanging invitations and allow more clubs to participate as well as mix freely in a supervised setting.

Playgrounds Special Events

A total of 17,740 children participated in special events, which included everything from carnivals and stampedes to freckle contests, doll shows, pet shows and yacht races in the wading pools.

Swim Meet

This year's swim meet was held at the Mount Pleasant Swimming Pool and had over 400 competitors from our 25 playgrounds. Successful as it was, consideration should be given to holding it the latter part of July. This year, South Calgary won the grand aggregate and boys' aggregate while the girls aggregate was won by Rosedale.

Participation Record

Fastball	14,053
Basketball	13,658
Volleyball	5,416
Touch Football	3,882
Paddle Tennis	5,436
Table Tennis	740
Lawn Tennis	1,340
Play Apparatus	23,949
Athletics	4,164
Gymnastics	845
Group Games	20,710
Paddling	7,197
Swimming	2,215
Swimming Instructions	528
Handicrafts	20,332
Music	1,714
Dancing	1,443
Drama, Storytelling	7,632
Hikes	1,471
Picnics	1,512
Tours	1,104
Sundry	<u>13,653</u>

TOTAL 152,994

Track and Field Meet

The track and field meet, held this August for the first time in three years, attracted 547 playground entries. South Calgary won the grand aggregate and the girls aggregate while Kensington Road was awarded the boys aggregate. This meet was run off very efficiently.

Craft Display

The annual playground craft display was held in the Gas Company Auditorium, August 15, 16, and 17. This entire display was planned and organized by Area Supervisor Jen Crawford and a committee of playground supervisors. The grand aggregate was presented to Riley Park.

Equipment

The marking of equipment has greatly lessened our loss of such. The introduction of tether ball equipment proved outstandingly popular.

Playground Supervisors-at-Large

Two additional assistant playground supervisors were employed this year to work in whatever area was required and to assure all playgrounds remaining open in the event that the regular supervisor scheduled an off-playground activities. These assistants proved very valuable.

DAY CAMP:

For the first time since its inception, the Day Camp had a complete camping program that was outstandingly successful and popular. The program was directed by Betty Van Norman, assisted by Cec Eaves, and included introduction to the camping area, archery, campcraft (emphasis on utilizing natural materials), fishing, breakfast and dinner cookouts, games, horse-shoes, exploring, use of a knife, excursions to Shouldice for clay and crystal, special events, scavenger and treasure hunts and campfire programs.

There was a total of 246 children who attended the Day Camp for the 1955 season.

RILEY PARK WADING POOL:

This pool was open to the public under the supervision of Mrs. Valborg Moller from June 30 through September 10th. Although Mrs. Moller was not hired as an instructor this year, she did however instruct many youngsters on her own."

ORGANIZED ATHLETICS:

The duties of the Supervisor of Athletics have increased considerably in the past year. Two years ago, it was recommended that this employee be placed in charge of the correlation of all sport activities in the City requiring public areas in which to carry out their activities. The results of this organization have been beyond our fondest expectation in that this employee has since been appointed Director or Executive member of many organizations which place him in the position to do much more planning and guidance than had been had in previous years.

The following is a report submitted by the Supervisor of Athletics, Mr. J. R. Houghton:

Since March, 1954, when the above position became effective in the Recreation Division of the Parks Department, the organization, administration and co-ordination of many public community activities and programmes, on a city-wide basis, has been the responsibility of the City's Supervisor of Athletics.

Specifically, the position entails the preparing of schedules for athletic events and activities, stimulating interest in and organizing baseball, hockey, track and field, touch rugby, table tennis, and other athletic teams, leagues, tournaments, or contests. During the past year, many meetings, discussions, radio broadcasts, and attendances at sporting events, were recorded, resulting in mutual benefit through exchange of ideas. The varied outlook of these meetings is realized by the following details:

Student Nurses Organization - Advice and assistance provided in preparing and conducting an inter-hospital track and field meet, swim meet, and fastball tournament.

Y.M.C.A. - Acted as registrar and judge on the occasion of the Provincial Gymnastic Competition.

Booster Club - Undertook the duties, on several occasions, as moderator on the CFAC Booster Club radio programme.

United Scottish Games Association - Prepared programme for track and field events for annual Highland Games, also contacted and obtained necessary officials.

Calgary Stampede - Assisted in the promotion of an Indian track and field day at Victoria Park during Stampede Week.

Fastball - In 1955, due to the requirements of the Fourteenth St. West Bridge, it was found necessary to move the facilities of Mewata Fastball Park to the Renfrew District. Close co-operation with the Calgary and District Fastball Association enabled this transfer to be undertaken with a minimum of disruption.

Boxing and Wrestling - The re-organization of the Calgary Boxing and Wrestling Commission resulted in the appointment of the City's Supervisor of Athletics as Secretary, thus creating a closer alliance between professional organizations and amateur enthusiasts, as evidenced by the pro-wrestling card presented as a means of raising funds for the Victoria Community Association.

Buffalo Stadium - This winter the Recreation Division, through authority granted by the City Commissioners, leased Buffalo Stadium for the months of December, January, February, two fully supervised hockey rinks being in operation and consistently used by local hockey clubs from Tiny-Mite to intermediate categories.

Mewata Stadium - It is with a certain amount of regret that the writer must report the running track at Mewata Stadium not quite up to standard, particularly on the East side, brought about by the moving of the stands at this site.

Your Supervisor of Athletics would recommend that time and money be expended in an effort to rebuild the entire track, particularly in view of the fact that 1956 is Olympic year, and the Provincial Track and Field Championships are being held in Mewata Stadium on June 23rd.

Tiny-Mite Activities - Further development of Tiny Mite activities took place, featuring a touch football league of eight teams, a hockey league of eighteen clubs, and a soccer league. Through the courtesy of Mr. Ed Whelan of CHCT-TV, the presentation of the Soccer Trophy to the winning team, was televised. Other Tiny Mite activities such as tennis, marbles, etc. are contemplated for the 1956 season.

Little League Baseball - This sport continued to function successfully in the City of Calgary, operating six National and six American League Teams, eight Pony Leagues, and eighteen farm clubs. By providing grounds and bleacher facilities, the Recreation Division continued to share to some extent in the success of this organization, and your Supervisor of Athletics was honoured by being elected to the Board of Governors.

Convention - Thanks are expressed to the City Commissioners for having been afforded the opportunity of attending with Mr. A. Munro, the 10th Annual Convention of the Parks and Recreation Association of Canada, held in Vancouver last September, which resulted in the writer being assigned to speak to the delegates on the subject "Operation of Community Centres in the City of Calgary".

Liaison - Feeling the need of liaison of a high standard with various organizations, your Supervisor of Athletics acts as Secretary of the Advisory Board on Sports and Recreation, Secretary of the Calgary Boxing and Wrestling Commission, Registrar Alberta Amateur Hockey Association, Local Registrar Amateur Athletic Union of Canada (Alberta) branch, Auditor Calgary Community Recreation Association, Board Member Calgary Girls' Town Society, Governor Little League Baseball, Member Calgary Hockey Commission, and appears on the Directorate of the Calgary Booster Club. In addition, the writer together with the majority of the staff of the Recreation Division, is an active member of the Canadian Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, and its Professional Registry.

The work of your Supervisor of Athletics is closely allied to that of Mr. J. F. Mayell, Director of Athletics, Calgary School Board, and a personal friendship, engendered through years of co-operation in track and field, basketball and football, enables the two departments to function smoothly together, with the use of combined personnel being available, when required, for events of this nature.

It is with a sincere sense of appreciation that I extend thanks to the sports-minded citizens of Calgary who assisted me greatly during the past year. The following are specifically mentioned: Mr. J. H. Brandreth, Past President, Alberta Amateur Hockey Association, Mr. A. R. Smith, M.L.A., Chairman, Advisory Board on Sports and Recreation, Mr. Lloyd Turner, Stampede Corral, Mr. F. Stuart Aiken, Secretary-Manager, Glencoe Club, Mr. Len Marshall, Calgary Table Tennis Club, Mr. J. Baker and Mr. Art Davis, Alberta Soccer Association, Mr. J. Taylor, Mewata Stadium, and the members of the press, radio, and television.

Appreciation is also extended to Mr. A. Munro, Parks' Superintendent, and Mr. W. Garnett, Director of Sports and Recreation, for their assistance and encouragement."

CALGARY COMMUNITY RECREATION ASSOCIATION:

Your Director of Recreation still holds the position of Executive Secretary for the Calgary Community Recreation Association, and it has been possible to more closely co-ordinate the affairs of this Association which has a membership of 28 communities out of the 46 areas now considered satisfactory community districts in the opinion of the City Planners. It is expected that the Director of Recreation will be called upon to address the needs of these 46 organizations in the very near future with view to adopting the boundaries which have been prepared and considered by himself, in conjunction with the Town Planning Division. The purpose of these boundaries is to conduct a more satisfactory program of recreation within the bounds of the communities and the city at large.

The local communities are taking advantage of the opportunity to extend their buildings and facilities as a result of the grants made possible by the City Council.

An extremely active sports program was conducted in the fields of baseball and hockey, and the C.C.R.A. were pleased with the generosity of the Calgary Buffalo Athletic Association in providing a splendid dinner for all hockey players in the Community leagues which was held in the Stampede Corral with some 800 persons being in attendance.

BAND CONTEST:

The Recreation Division was responsible for the organization of a committee to prepare details for a band contest which was held in the Mewata Stadium on Sunday previous to the annual Stampede. By the kind co-operation of the Civic Jubilee Committee, who made available the funds forwards in these competitions, the Golden Jubilee Band Contest was carried out and some 4,500 persons attended the afternoon session. The winning contestants were the Swift Current Band, H.M.C.S. Tecumseh, and the Mandan High School Band from North Dakota.

Plans are afoot for the continuation of the band contest, and the community are considering expanding to five sections of concert performances, music to be played on stage in the afternoon and a marching display and competitions with trophies to be awarded. This would provide a greater opportunity for the people of Calgary to enjoy the musical presentation of such organizations as may agree to participate.

HOCKEY AREAS:

The preparation and supervision of numerous hockey and skating areas comes under the jurisdiction of the Supervisor of Athletics, and the following areas were cleaned and flooded by the maintenance crews at our disposal, working in co-operation with various community associations throughout the City.

Hockey Areas

Altadore - 46 Ave. & 17 St. S.W.

Bankview - 23 Ave. & 17 St. S.W.

Briar Hill - 14 Ave. & 19 St. N.W.

Banff Trail - 20 Ave. & 22A St. N.W.

B.R.A.A. - Riverside Boulevard

Broadview - Broadview Rd & 16 St. NW

Hockey Areas (Cont'd)

Capitol Hill - 21 Ave. & 15 St. NW
Elboya - Park Ave. & 4 St. W.
Glengarry Comm. - 26 Ave. & 28 St. SW
Grandview - Burns Ave. & Ramsay St.
Hillhurst Pk. - Hillhurst Park
Inglewood - 9 Ave. & 14 St. E.
King George - 22 Ave. & 9 St. N.W.
Lower Sunalta - 11 Ave. & 16 St. W.
Millican - 64 Ave. & 18 St. SE
Mountview - 18 Ave. & 4 St. NE
Parkdale - 6 Ave. & 27 St. NW
Parkview - 26 Ave. & 3 St. E.
Renfrew Rec. Pk. - 16 Ave. & Russet Rd.
Riverdale Ave. - Riverdale Ave (West End)
Rosevale - 34 Ave. & 8 St. W.
Rotary Pk. - 6 Ave. & 1 St. NE
Scarboro - Scarboro Ave. & Stockton St.
South Mt. Royal - Prospect Ave. & 10 St. W.
South Ogden - 82 Ave. & 24 St. SE
Sunnyside Sch. - 2 Ave. & 7 St. NW
Tuxedo - 30 Ave. & 1 St. NE
West Calgary - 14 Ave. & 25 St. W.
West Hillhurst - 6 Ave. & 9 St. NW
Windsor Park - 54 Ave. & 2 St. SW
Winston Hgts. - 27 Ave. & 4 St. NE

Crescent Park - 11 Ave. & 2 St. NW
Elboya Hgts. - 46 Ave. & 5 St. SW
Glenmore - 50 Ave. & 19 St. SW
Harvetta Hgts. - 47 Ave. & 22 St. SE
Hillhurst Park - Hillhurst Park
Inglewood Comm. - 28 Ave. & 17A St. E.
Knob Hill - Richmond Rd. & 24 St. W.
Manchester - 56 Ave. & 1a St. SW
Mountview - 18 Ave. & 4 St. NE
Ogden - 74 Ave. & 24 St. SE
Parkhill - 38A Ave. & 1A St. SW
Renfrew - 8 Ave. & 6 St. NE
Renfrew Rec. Pk. - 16 Ave & Russet Rd.
Rosedale - 10 Ave. & 9 St. N.W.
Rotary Pk. - 6 Ave. & 1 St. NE
Roxboro - 30 Ave. & 1 St. W.
South Calgary - 30 Ave. & 14 St. W.
South Mt. Royal - Prospect Ave & 10 St.
St. Andrews - London St. & 13 Ave. NW
Technical Sch. - 13 Ave. & 11 St. NW
Victoria Comm.-12 Ave. & 6 St. E.
West Hillhurst - 6 Ave. & 19 St. NW
West Mt. Pleas.-23 Ave. & 5 St. NW
West Parkdale - 5 Ave. & 34 St. NW

Pleasure Skating Areas

Altadore - 46 Ave. & 17 St. S.W.
Bankview - 23 Ave. & 17 St. W.
Bonnybrook - Ogden Rd. & 36 St. SE
Boys' Town - 8 Ave. & 5 St. E.
B.R.A.A. - Riverside Blvd.
Broadview Rec. - Broadview Rd & 19 St. NW
Capitol Hill - 21 Ave. & 15 St. NW
Central Comm. - 16 Ave. & 8 St. W.
Crescent Park - 11 Ave. & 2 St. NW
Elboya - Park Ave. & 4 St. W.
Erlton - 34 Ave. & Erlton Road
Glengarry Comm.-26 Ave. & 28 St. SW
Grand Trunk - 6 Ave. & 23 St. NW
Hampton Cresc. & 29 St. SW
Highwood - Hudson Road
Hillhurst Park-Hillhurst
Jefferies - 11 Ave. & 10 St. E.
Jewis School - 17 Ave. & Centre St. S.
Killarney Park - 21 Ave. & 25 St. SW
Knob Hill - Richmond Rd & 24 St. W.
Mission - 25 Ave. & 2 St. W.
Mountview Plygrd.-18 Ave. & 4 St. NE
National - 11 Ave. & 11 St. E.

Benff Trail - 20 Ave. & 22A St. NW
Belfast - 18A St. NE
Booth Memorial - 17 Ave. & 29 St. SW
Briar Hill - 14 Ave. & 19 St. NW
Bridgeland Ex. - Child Ave. & Park Cres.
Broadview Rd - 16 St. NW
Central Rotary - 16 Ave. & 11 St. W.
Chinese - 1 Ave. & Centre St.
Elbow Park - 39 Ave. & 4A St. SW
Elboya Hgts - 46 Ave. & 5 St. SW
Glendale - 25 Ave. & 42 St. SW
Glengarry Sch. - 17 Ave. & 29 St. W.
Grandview - 17 Ave. & 8 St. E
Harvetta Hgts.-Valleyfield -
(47 Ave. & 22 St. SE)
Hounsfield Hgts-14 Ave. & 15 St. NW
Jewish Comm.- 17 Ave. & Centre St. S.
Kildare Park - 30 Ave. & 35 St. SW
Killarney Sch.-28 Ave. & 30 St. SW
Lower Sunalta- 11 Ave. & 16 St. W.
Mountview Home - 17 Ave. & 5 St. NE
Mountview Speed Skating Track -
(18 Ave. & 4 St. NE)

Pleasure Skating Areas (Cont'd)

New Edinburgh - 3 Ave. & 5A St. NW
North Balmoral - 36 Ave. & 2 St. NW
Pleasant Hgts - 29 Ave. & 5 St. NW
Renfrew - 8 Ave. & 6 St. NE
Rosedale - 10 Ave. & 9 St. NW
Rotary - 6 Ave. & 1 St. NE
St. Andrews - London St. & 13 Ave. NW
St. Monica - St. Monica & 14 St. E.
Seventh Day Adventist-43 Ave. & 2a St. NW
Spruce Cliff-Poplar Drive & Tamarac Cresc.
South Calgary-30 Ave. & 14 St. W.
Tuxedo - 30 Ave. & 1 St. NE
Victoria Community Playground
(17 Ave. & 3 St. E)
West Mt. Pleas.-23 Ave. & 5 St. NW
Windsor Park-54 Ave. & 2 St. SW

North Altadore - 38 Ave. & 16A St SW
Parkhill - 38A Ave. & 1A St. SW
Ree Hgts. School - Ree Hgts.
Richmond Sub-Division-30 Ave & 26 St. SW
Rosewale - 34 Ave. & 8 St. W.
Roxboro - 30 Ave. & 1 St. W.
St. Anne's Sch. - 22 Ave. & 9 St. E.
Scarboro - ScarboroAve. & Stockton St.
South Richmond-34 Ave. & 32 St. W.
Sunnyside Sch.-2 Ave. & 6 St. NW
Thorncliffe Hgts.-Centre St. & 57 Ave. N.
Upper Hillhurst-2 Ave & 21 St. NW
Victoria Comm.-12 Ave. & 6 St. E.
West Hillhurst-6 Ave. & 19 St. NW
West Parkdale-5 Ave. & 34 St. NW

PLAYGROUNDS:

The erection and maintenance of playground equipment is a further task undertaken by the Supervisor of Athletics and the following play areas are in operation throughout the City:

Major Playgrounds (Containing a Minimum of six pieces of apparatus).

Bankview Playground-23 Ave. & 17 St. W. Booth Memorial - 17 Ave. & 29 St. W.
Bowview Rec. Site-6 Ave. & 19 St. N.W. B.A. Playground - 9 Ave. & 20 St. S.E.
Capitol Hill Park - 20 Ave. & 15 St. N.W. Central Rotary-16 Ave. & 11 St. W.
Centre St. Plygrd.-17 Ave. & Centre St. Crescent Park-11 Ave. & 3 St. NW
Elbow Swimming Pool Grounds- Earl Grey-Hillcrest Ave. & 8 St. W.
(30 Ave. & Elbow Drive) Killarney Pk.-21 Ave. & 26 St. W.
Inglewood Plygrd.-22 Ave. & 16A St. SE Knob Hill-Richmond Rd. & 24 St. SW
Mt. Pleas.Rotary-6 Ave. & 1 St. NE Mt.View Plygrd.-18 Ave. & 4 St. NE
Ogden Park-74 Ave. & 24 St. SE Regal Terrace-8 Ave. & 6 St. NE
Riley Park-6 Ave. & 12 St. NW South Calgary Recreation Grounds
St. George's Island-9 Ave. & 11 St. E. (30 Ave. & 16 St. S.W.)
Tuxedo Park - 29 Ave. & 11 St. NE Victoria-Rotary-12 Ave. & 6 St. E.
West Mt. Pleas.-22 Ave. & 5 St. NW

Minor Playgrounds

Altadore 43 Ave. & 16 St. S.W.
Belfast 17 St. N. E.
Bowview Playground 8 Ave. & 17 St. N. W.
Briar Hill 12 Ave. & 21 St. N.W.
Bridgeland Extension Child Ave. & Park Crescent
Bridgeland Playground 4 Ave. & 9A St. N.E.
Central Community 16 Ave. & 8 St. West
Chinese Mission Playground 1st Ave. & Centre St. S.
City Hall Playground 8 Ave. & 3 St. E.
East Calgary Rotary 9 Ave. & 16 St. E.
Elbow Park Playground 39 Ave. & 4A St. S. W.
Elboya Park Ave. & 4 St. W.
Elboya Heights 46 Ave. & 5 St. S. W.

Minor Playgrounds (Cont'd)

Grandview Recreation Grounds
Grand Trunk
Hounsfield Heights
Jenkin's Groceteria
King George Playground
King, Ex-Sheriff Home
Lower Sunalta
Manchester
Millican Playground
Mission Playground
National Playground
North Balmoral
North Mt. Pleasant
Parkdale Extension
Parkhill Recreation Grounds
Renfrew
Richmond Park
Richmond Sub-Division
Rosedale
Rosevale Park
Roxboro
South Altadore
Sunnyside School
Sunnyside Playground
Union Milk Playground
Victoria Playground
West Calgary
West Hillhurst
Westmount Playground
Windsor Park
Winston Heights

Burns Ave. & Alexander St.
5 Ave. & 23 St. N. W.
14 Ave. & 15 St. N. W.
14 Ave. & 4 St. E.
22 Ave. & 9A St. N. W.
9 Ave. & 7A St. N. W.
10 Ave. & 16 St. W.
55 Ave. & 1A St. S. W.
64 Ave. & 18 St. S. E.
24 Ave. & 2 St. S. W.
11 Ave. & 11 St. E.
36 Ave. & 2 St. N. W.
29 Ave. & 5 St. N. W.
7 Ave. & 34 St. N. W.
38A Ave. & 1A St. S. W.
8 Ave. & 7 St. N. E.
28 Ave. & 27 St. S. W.
30 Ave. & 26 St. S. W.
11 Ave. & 9 St. N. W.
34 Ave. & 7 St. S. W.
30 Ave. & 1 St. W.
47 Ave. & 16 St. S. W.
1 Ave. & 7 St. N. W.
Boulevard & 9A St. N. W.
5 Ave. & 1 St. E.
15 Ave. & 3 St. E.
14 Ave. & 25A St. W.
2 Ave. & 21 St. N. W.
Broadview Road & 16 St. N.W.
54 Ave. & 2 St. S. W.
27 Ave. & 4 St. N. E.

Recreation Sites (Developed, or in process of development, with soccer
rugby or baseball facilities).

Altadore
Bankview
Bowview Recreation Grounds
Bridgeland Recreation Grounds
Capitol Hill School
Crescent Ladies Ball Park
Earl Grey
Elbow Park School
Elboya School
Glengarry
Grandview Recreation Grounds
Harvetta Heights
Hillhurst Athletic Park
Hounsfield Heights
Killarney Park
Killarney Recreation Grounds
King George
Manchester Recreation Grounds

48 Ave. & 14 St. S. W.
23 Ave. & 17 St. W.
6 Ave. & 19 St. N. W.
Blvd. & 9 St. N. E.
21 Ave. & 18 St. N. W.
9 Ave. & 2 St. N. W.
Dorchester Ave. & 8 St. W.
38 Ave. & 7 St. W.
46 Ave. & 5 St. W.
17 Ave. & 29 St. W.
Burns Ave. & Ramsay St.
Valleyfield
5 Ave. & 12 St. N. W.
14 Ave. & 16 St. N. W.
21 Ave. & 26 St. West
28 Ave. & 30 St. S. W.
22 Ave. & 9 A St. N. W.
57 Ave. & 1 St. S. W.

Recreation Sites (Cont'd)

Mountview Recreation Grounds	18 Ave. & 4 St. N. E.
Mountview Home	16 Ave. & 5 St. N. E.
Mt. Pleasant Rotary	6 Ave. & 1 St. N. E.
Municipal Baseball Park	14 Ave. & 6 St. N. E.
Ogden Recreation Grounds	74 Ave. & 22 St. S. E.
Parkdale Extension	7 Ave. & 34 St. N. W.
Parkhill Recreation Grounds	38A Ave. & 1A St. S. W.
Regal Terrace	7 Ave. & 6 St. N. E.
Renfrew	8 Ave. & 7 St. N. E.
Renfrew Recreation Park	16 Ave. & Russett Road
Richmond Park	26 Ave. & 28 St. S. W.
Riley Park	6 Ave. & 12 St. N. W.
Rosedale	13 Ave. & 9 St. N. W.
Rosevale Park	32 Ave. & 8 St. West
St. George's Island	9 Ave. & 11 St. E.
South Calgary	32 Ave. & 16 St. S. W.
Sunnyside School	1 Ave. & 7 St. N. W.
Tuxedo Park	30 Ave. & 1 St. N. E.
Victoria-Rotary	12 Ave. & 6 St. East
West Mt. Pleasant Recreation Grounds	22 Ave. & 5 St. N. W.
Windsor Park	52 Ave. & 6 St. S. W.
Winston Heights	27 Ave. & 4 St. N. E.

RECOMMENDATIONS:

In preparation for the future, I would suggest that the City be divided into six major areas, and that the District Supervisors be employed in this capacity on a year-round basis, thereby making it possible to conduct a much closer program of activities as desired by the community clubs.

It is also recommended that a Supervisor of Camps and Crafts be appointed. This person would then have the responsibility of instructing all person who would likely be employed on a part-time basis in our craft program, and would be completely responsible for the organization of our Day Camp which for the past two years, has been a big success. Again, I would remind you of the suggestion that someone be given the responsibility of inspection and maintenance of all existing recreation areas.

I would like to recommend also, that the City Parks Department embark on a policy of swimming instructions. It would be to our advantage to engage a swimming instructor qualified to give instructions to all ages and that the City of Calgary charge the individuals desirous of participating in this activity for the lesson, such charges to be included in the admission fee.

I wish to thank yourself for your sincere co-operation and trust that we will enjoy these relationships for the years that are to come.

Respectfully Submitted,
WM. GARNETT, Director,
Sports and Recreation Division.

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STATEMENTS OF EXPENDITURES
AND REVENUE

SHAGNAPPI GOLF COURSE:

Appropriation:	\$ 35,000.00
Expenditures:	22,997.04
Revenue:	19,897.84

Maintenance:

Course:

Fairways, greens, tees and grounds	\$ 11,846.56	
Tools, equipment and repairs	1,674.08	
Water service maintenance	655.80	
Starter	<u>1,406.00</u>	\$ 15,582.44

Clubhouse

Building mtce.	2,357.47	
Telephone	100.20	
Electric Light & power	1,301.08	
Gas Heating	260.10	
Stationery, tickets, etc.	298.14	
Supplies	397.61	
Steward	<u>2,700.00</u>	<u>7,414.60</u>
		<u>\$ 22,997.04</u>

Revenue:

Green Fees:

426 Junior @ .50:	213.00	
352 Junior @ .75:	264.00	
2,541 Senior @ .75:	1905.75	
8,587 Senior @ 1.00:	8587.00	
9,814 9 Holes @ .40:	<u>3925.60</u>	\$ 14,895.35

Season Tickets:

Gents: (92)	2530.00	
Ladies: (44)	880.00	
Junior: (39)	390.00	
Man & Wife (10)	<u>400.00</u>	4,200.00

Locker Rents:

23.00

Beer Sales:

2,084.29

Empties:

116.00

Less: Cost of Beer 1420.80

\$ 19,897.84

ST. GEORGE'S ISLAND ZOO:

Appropriation: 35,000.00
Expenditure: 36,120.85

Maintenance:

Supervision	2,093.75	
Tools and repairs	174.04	
Water Service Maintenance	993.64	
Maintenance of walks, etc.	216.41	
Mtce. buildings, supplies	1,188.04	
Feeding & attending specimens	14,421.46	
Telephone	48.15	
Electric Light & Water	5,066.91	
Gas heating	1,571.80	
Feed, medicine, disinfectants	<u>10,346.65</u>	\$ <u>36,120.85</u>

STADIUM:

Appropriation: 11,500.00
Expenditure: 15,553.41

Stadium, Operating and Maintenance:

Supervision	2,146.62
Repairs and equipment	140.61
Water service maintenance	366.60
Maintenance, field	4,002.69
Mtce. fence, bldgs., restrooms	3,283.63
New Fencing	2,174.00
Mtce. track	2,673.90
Telephone	87.05
Electric Light	1,212.54
Gas Heating	523.68
Practice Field	1,874.22
Tickets	19.87

Credits:

Cash, Electric Light	1,087.50	
Game Permits	39.50	
Concession	1,600.00	
Moving bleachers	<u>225.00</u>	<u>15,553.41</u>

WEED CONTROL:

Appropriation 4,000.00
Expenditures 5,084.06

STADIUM STATISTICS: (Stampeders)

	<u>Attendance:</u>		<u>Attendance:</u>
Inter Squad Game	2,311		
Game #1	14,116	Game #5	11,735
Game #2	12,231	Game #6	11,214
Game #3	11,515	Game #7	11,425
Game #4	11,283	Game #8	8,994

Gate Percentage: 7½ %: \$ 19,046.23

MUNICIPAL SWIMMING POOLS:

Appropriation: \$ 20,000.00
Expenditure: 25,301.51

Operating and Maintenance:

	<u>South Calgary</u>	<u>Mt. Pleasant</u>
Supervision	\$ 1,330.17	\$ 1,408.04
Wages, mtce. men	2,660.90	3,254.25
Cashiers, Life Guards etc.	1,854.46	2,203.71
Bacteriological tests	12.00	8.00
Telephone	15.00	15.00
Electric lgt, power & water	451.06	488.04
Gas Heating	432.04	478.90
Supplies and Material	2,904.53	3,185.58
Stationery and tickets	161.71	161.71
Swimming trunks, towels, laundry	895.99	501.48
Liability Insurance	42.50	42.50
Landscaping and walks	305.27	2,488.67
	<u>11,065.63</u>	<u>14,235.88</u>

Statistics:

Single admissions	43,251	41,182
Admissions, free inst.	890	1,210
Punch ticket swims	<u>3,630</u>	<u>2,790</u>
	47,771	45,182

Revenue:

Swim Tickets:

<u>South Calgary</u>			<u>Mt. Pleasant</u>		
24,031	@ .10¢	\$ 2,403.10	20,118	@ .10¢	\$ 2,011.80
10,940	@ .15¢	1,641.00	11,793	@ .15¢	1,768.95
8,280	@ .25¢	2,070.00	9,271	@ .25¢	2,317.75

Punch Tickets:

523 @ 1.00 523.00 478 @ 1.00 478.00

	<u>South Calgary</u>	<u>Mt. Pleasant</u>
<u>Towels:</u>	753 @ .10¢ \$ 75.30	532 @ .10¢ \$ 53.20
<u>Swim Suits :</u>	505 @ .15¢ 75.75	155 @ .15¢ 23.25
	559 @ .25¢ <u>139.75</u>	387 @ .25¢ 96.75
	\$ 6,927.90	
	Season tickets to Kiwanis Club	<u>32.00</u>
		6,781.70
	TOTAL REVENUE: <u>\$13,709.60</u>	

Appropriation: \$ 20,000.00	Expenditure: \$ 25,301.51
	Operational Loss: 11,591.91

BOULEVARDS:

Appropriation: \$ 23,000.00
Expenditure 21,581.59

Maintenance:

New equipment	\$ 207.79	
Renovating Blvd.	11,288.04	
Mtce. equipment	1,710.51	
Heading back & pruning trees	4,690.00	
Removal of Trees	155.33	
Planting trees & shrubs	<u>3,529.92</u>	<u>\$ 21,581.59</u>

UNION CEMETERY:

Supervision	3,570.70
Repairs, tools & equipment	6,367.40
Water service mtce.	2,760.37
Mtce. Plots and watering	19,828.42
Markers	884.21
Grave digging, loaming & seeding	3,793.37
Roads and paths, mtce.	1,104.22
Mtce. borders	6,262.40
Foundations	480.33
Telephone	78.00
Electric Light & gas	187.96

Less Credits:

Int. Perp. care fund	\$3,467.73	
Disinters, late funerals, etc.,	461.40	
Foundations	<u>674.53</u>	<u>\$ 40,713.72</u>

ROCK GARDEN, (Union Cemetery):

Mtce. grounds & watering	5,814.39	
Mtce. Equipment	11.28	
Planting	<u>63.84</u>	<u>\$ 5,889.51</u>

BURNSLAND CEMETERY:

Repairs, tools and equip.	\$	443.43	
Water Service Mtce.		691.07	
Mtce. Plots and watering		17,789.78	
Grave Digging		4,723.31	
Mtce. roads and paths		386.82	
Mtce. borders		3,792.38	
Markers		22.24	
<u>Less Credits:</u>			
Perp. Care Fund	\$	6,487.40	
Late Funerals		15.00	
			\$ <u>21,346.63</u>

QUEEN'S PARK CEMETERY:

Supervision	\$	3,348.00	
Repairs, tools and equip.		1,878.52	
Water service mtce.		583.29	
Mtce. plots and watering		18,553.08	
Grave Digging		12,223.71	
Mtce. paths and roads		1,204.38	
Mtce. borders		2,641.81	
Lot Markers		80.04	
Foundations		476.07	
Telephone		99.00	
Electricity Lgt. gas, and water		187.86	
Development		2,727.50	
<u>Less Credits:</u>			
Perp. care fund	\$	5,082.80	
Disinters, late			
Funerals, etc.		266.30	
Foundations		901.83	
			\$ <u>37,752.43</u>

ST. MARY'S CEMETERY:

Repairs, tools, equip.	\$	151.05	
Water service mtce.		84.40	
Mtce. plots, watering		8,174.89	
Grave digging		3,054.17	
Mtce. paths and roads		110.68	
Mtce. borders		270.99	
<u>Less Credits:</u>			
Perp. care fund	\$	1,302.72	
			\$ <u>10,543.46</u>

CHINESE CEMETERIES:

Repairs, tools and equip.	\$	68.24	
Water service mtce.		45.52	
Mtce. plots and watering		2,864.08	
Grave digging		566.58	
Mtce. borders		49.96	
<u>Less Credits:</u>			
Perp. care fund	\$	179.65	
			\$ <u>3,407.73</u>

ALL CEMETERIES: (recap.)

Appropriation:	\$	128,015.00
Expenditures:		119,653.48

All Cemeteries (recap.) Cont'd.

Expense Distribution:

Union	\$	40,713.72	
Rock Garden (Union Cem)		5,889.51	
Burnsland Cemetery		21,346.63	
St. Mary's Cemetery		10,543.46	
Queen's Park Cemetery		37,752.43	
Chinese		<u>3,407.73</u>	\$ <u>119,653.48</u>

NURSERIES:

Appropriation:	\$	8,500.00
Expenditure:		5,844.54

Operation and Maintenance:

Repairs, tools, equipment	72.98
Water Service mtce.	530.53
Mtce. grounds and watering	6,690.97
Mtce. buildings	77.29
Pruning	824.40
Propogating	453.32
Planting, transplanting, etc.	563.04
Trees, shrubs and seed	2,846.26

Less Credits:

Sale of trees, shrubs	2,882.35	
Inter-departmental & by-laws	<u>3,331.90</u>	\$ <u>5,844.54</u>

AUTO MAINTENANCE:

Appropriation:	\$	25,000.00
Expenditure:		28,392.37

Maintenance:

Vehicle No.89	815.97
" " 91	1,719.42
" " 92	189.36
" " 98	946.72
" " 99	1,905.44
" " 100	804.63
" " 101	2,295.13
" " 102	55.54
" " 128	1,400.69
" " 130	946.79
" " 169	1,646.11
" " 170	1,157.59
" " 192	2,271.90
" " 200	896.46
" " 201	740.58
" " 237	2,557.87
" " 282	568.54

Auto Maintenance (Cont'd)

Vehicle No. 283	633.41	
" " 284	939.76	
" " 374	716.63	
" " 507	1,202.99	
" " 553	1,597.73	
Chauffeur Licenses	63.00	
Insurance	295.02	
Car Allowance	1,929.90	
Sundries	95.19	
		\$ <u>28,392.37</u>

MAINTENANCE OF TOOLS:

Appropriation: \$ 6,000.00
Expenditures: 4,287.64

Maintenance:

Supervision	\$ 1,844.73	
Repairs, equipment	1,377.61	
Electric Light and power	677.46	
Gas heating	352.14	
New tools	399.91	
Supplies	276.70	
<u>Less Credits:</u>		
Cash	58.00	
Inter-departmental making keys, etc.		
	<u>582.91</u>	\$ <u>4,287.64</u>

SALARIES:

Appropriation: \$ 35,794.00
Expenditures: 39,155.82

Expended:

Superintendent	\$ 7,250.03	
Assistant Superintendent	5,171.55	
Accountant	4,027.42	
Accounting Clerk	3,041.61	
Clerk	2,884.32	
Clerk	882.00	
Secretary-Steno.	1,986.69	
Steno-Clerk	2,582.54	
Director of Recreation	5,388.00	
Supervisor of Athletics	4,240.16	
Steno-Clerk	792.38	
Temporary Staff	909.12	
		\$ <u>39,155.82</u>

GREENHOUSE:

Appropriation: \$ 8,500.00
Expenditure: 12,495.53

Operation and Maintenance:

Repairs to equipment	\$	653.52
Water service maintenance		410.50
Mtce. buildings		4,654.12
Mtce. plants		5,000.14
Planting, potting, etc.		1,958.58
Flats and labels, pots, etc.		940.00
Electric Light and water		56.89
Gas heating		459.78

Less Credits:

Sale of plants	\$	778.40
Inter-Dept.		<u>859.60</u>

\$ 12,495.53

NEW EQUIPMENT:

Appropriation: \$ 2,845.00
Expenditures: 2,085.05

STATIONERY:

Appropriation: \$ 1,000.00
Expenditure: 1,664.16

WATER:

Appropriation: \$ 15,000.00
Expenditures: 19,320.82

REVOLVING FUND FOR NEW EQUIPMENT:

Appropriation: \$ 11,166.20
Expenditures: 10,824.93

ALL PARKS:

Appropriation: \$ 154,000.00
Expenditures: 174,169.71

General Expenditures:

Water service mtce.	\$	2,481.70
Mtce. fences, equip., etc.		24,412.69
Mtce. grounds		19,034.99
Mtce. buildings		3,075.73
Supplies and grass seed		7,898.93
New tools and equipment		5,319.57
Water pipe requirements		3,360.90
New fencing		493.50
Compensation		906.67

Individual Parks:

Altadore	230.72
Balmoral Circus	618.48
Beaumont Circus	396.00
Bridge Approach (Louise)	880.20
Bankview Plot	86.08
Bowness Road Plot	171.64
Briar Hill	722.40
Cliff Triangle	277.04
Coste Place	602.08
Crescent Park & Triangle	3,280.56
Cartier Park	427.52
City Hall Gardens	462.40
Capitol Hill Park	1,876.14
Elbow Park (River)	5,774.27
Elboya Triangle	43.36
East Calgary Rotary	564.64
Earl Grey Park	399.44
Garden Crescent	277.60
General Hospital	215.28
Gladstone Road Plot	44.88
Glencoe Gardens	750.96
Harvie Park	4.60
Kiwanis Park #2	65.04
Kiwanis Park	612.76
Killarney Park	1,845.26
Knob Hill	1,912.90
Levis Park	559.40
Mt. Pleasant Rotary Park	3,498.12
Mountview Park	3,244.43
Memorial Park	7,284.99
Less Int. on <u>Cenotaph Fund</u> 49.12	7,235.87
Memorial Drive & Sunnyside Blvd.	6,434.54
Mewata Blvd. Triangle	21.68
New Edinborough	91.90
North Mt. Pleasant	65.97
O'Brien's Corner	75.28
Prospect Ave. Plot	31.92
Premier Way	1,490.78
Reader Cresc.	98.32
Richmond Park	1,529.32
Rideau Plot	259.91
Riley Park	12,322.01
Riverdale Ave. Plot & Tri.	1,651.02
Rosevale Park	1,180.20
Renfrew Park	503.12
St. George's Island Park	13,863.39
Sharon Ave. Plot	613.95
Scarboro Plot	911.82
Scotland St. Plot	196.16
Short Street Plot	307.17
Roxboro Park	232.77

Individual Parks (Cont'd)

✓ Shaganappi Park	491.20	
✓ Stanley Park	106.40	
✓ Sunalta Park	420.00	
✓ Sunnyside Slope	422.40	
✓ South Calgary Park	2,243.42	
✓ South Mt. Royal Pk.	2,751.26	
✓ Sunken Garden	558.84	
✓ Superior Ave. Plots	209.48	
✓ Tech. View Park	12,751.27	
✓ Tompkins Park	377.52	
✓ Triangle Park	1,117.87	
✓ Tuxedo Park	2,021.72	
✓ Talon Ave. Plot	362.72	
✓ Upper Elboya	2,023.06	
✓ Ward Plot	192.48	
✓ Westmt. Blvd. Park	157.44	
✓ West Mt. Pleas. Pk.	555.83	
✓ Winston Hgts.	510.80	
✓ Windsor Park	22.24	
✓ Wood, J. H., Park	917.14	
✓ Watson's Corner	10.64	
		\$ <u>174,169.71</u>

SPORTS AND RECREATION:

RINKS:

Appropriation: \$ 26,200.00
Expenditures: 39,035.85

Maintenance:

Mtce. repair, rink sides	4,052.69	
Repair equipment	770.36	
Water service mtce.	793.35	
Cleaning & flooding	17,988.88	
Erecting & dismantling	6,453.42	
Lighting	1,161.34	
Water	1,000.00	
Heating	223.80	
New hockey rinks	1,305.81	
Levelling rinks	5,286.20	
		\$ <u>39,035.85</u>

MEWATA RECREATION HUT:

Appropriation: \$ 3,600.00
Expenditures: Maintenance: \$ 1,498.83
New Addition: 6,560.29 Less Rentals \$347.00
\$ 7,712.12

PLAYGROUNDS:

Appropriation: \$ 52,805.50
Expenditures: 51,577.19

Playgrounds (Cont'd)

Maintenance:

Supervisors	\$ 15,311.03	
Mtce buildings	2,120.15	
Mtce. ground and equip.	24,829.87	
Mtce Water service	1,540.99	
Supplies and materials	7,151.54	
Telephone	72.70	
Electric Light	32.17	
Gas heating	68.74	
Insurance	450.00	
		\$ <u>51,577.19</u>

RECREATION CENTRES:

Appropriation: \$ 34,988.00
Expenditure: 35,527.57

Maintenance:

Supervision	\$ 18,710.03	
Supplies	2,229.50	
School Rental	8,490.50	
Part-time leaders	3,245.16	
Repairs to equipment	3,365.23	

Less Credits:

School Rental	\$ 512.85	<u>\$ 35,527.57</u>
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RENOVATIONS, (Old Sites):

Appropriation: \$ 1,500.00
Expenditures: 555.87

NEW EQUIPMENT:

Appropriation: \$ 1,450.00
Expenditures: 1,417.39

GENERAL REVENUE STATEMENT, 1955.

	<u>Estimated</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Monument and Vault fees	600.00	536.00
Cemetery Lot Sales	3,040.00	2,741.20
Rink Fees	300.00	680.75
Golf Course	22,000.00	19,897.84
Grave Digging	23,000.00	22,210.30
Swimming Pool	12,000.00	13,709.60
Percentage, Stadium Gate Rcpts.	2,000.00	1,542.35
Mtce. Grave Plots	3,500.00	3,014.30
Rental, Lowering Devices	2,250.00	2,234.00
	<u>\$68,690.00</u>	<u>\$66,566.34</u>

APPROPRIATIONS & EXPENDITURES

1955

PARKS AND CEMETERIES:

	<u>Appropriation</u>	<u>Expenditure</u>
Salaries	\$ 35,794.00	\$ 39,155.82
St. George's Island Zoo	35,000.00	36,120.85
Mtce. of All Parks	154,000.00	174,169.71
Golf	35,000.00	22,997.04
Mewata Stadium	11,500.00	15,553.41
Renfrew Ball Park & Broadview	4,000.00	4,095.28
Swimming Pools	20,000.00	25,301.51
Boulevards	23,000.00	21,581.59
Weed Control	4,000.00	5,084.06
Cemeteries	128,015.00	119,653.48
Nurseries	8,500.00	5,844.54
Greenhouse	8,500.00	12,495.53
Stationery and General Supplies	1,000.00	1,664.16
Tools and Equipment	6,000.00	4,287.64
Auto and truck mtce.	25,000.00	28,392.37
Water account	15,000.00	19,320.82
New Equipment	2,845.00	2,085.05
Revolving Fund	<u>11,166.20</u>	<u>10,824.93</u>
	<u>\$ 528,320.20</u>	<u>\$ 548,627.79</u>

SPORTS AND RECREATION:

Rinks	\$ 26,200.00	\$ 39,035.85
Playgrounds	52,805.50	51,577.19
Recreation Centres	34,988.00	35,527.57
Outdoor Artificial Ice Rinks (Trans. to Reserve for Incompleted Works)	60,000.00	60,000.00
Renovation of Old Sites	1,500.00	555.87
New Equipment	1,450.00	1,417.39
Mewata Recreation Hall	<u>3,600.00</u>	<u>7,712.12</u>
	<u>\$ 180,543.50</u>	<u>\$ 195,825.99</u>

SUMMARY:

Parks and Cemeteries:	\$ 528,320.20	\$ 548,627.79
Sports and Recreation:	<u>180,543.50</u>	<u>195,825.99</u>
	<u>\$ 708,863.70</u>	<u>\$ 744,453.78</u>

CREDITS TO ESTIMATES - 1955

ALL PARKS:

Rental of Jack Hammer	\$ 18.68
Lease	1.00
Spraying trees	5.00
Renovations	62.96
Kiwanis Park Contribution	500.00
	<u>\$ 587.64</u>

BOULEVARDS:

Renovations	\$ 972.60
Grass Seed	54.00
	<u>1,026.60</u>

CEMETERIES:

Late Funerals	\$ 360.00
Transfer Charges	35.00
Disinters	98.00
Overtime	99.60
Renovations	126.60
Transportation	12.00
Setting monument	11.50
Foundations	1,576.36
Int. Perp. Care	<u>16,520.30</u>
	18,839.36

STADIUM:

Lights	1,087.50
Permits	39.50
Concession	1,600.00
Telephone Charge	3.00
Chairs	10.80
Moving Bleachers	<u>225.00</u>
	2,965.80

NURSERIES:

Sale of trees	\$ 2,882.35
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GREENHOUSE:

Sale of plants	\$ 778.40
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SUNDRIES:

Renovations	\$ 1,285.26
Rental bleachers	<u>86.12</u>
	1,371.38

PLAYGROUNDS:

Damages	\$ 1.50
Day Camp Cont.	<u>1.75</u>
	3.25

TOOLS AND EQUIPMENT:

Tractor	\$ 50.00
Sharpening	<u>8.00</u>
	58.00

ZOO:

Material for use of Zoological Society	\$ 187.75
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AUTO MAINTENANCE:

Damages	\$ 20.94
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RECREATION CENTRES:

School Rentals	
Credits	\$ 512.85
Table Tennis Paddle	<u>1.20</u>
	514.05

RECREATION HUT:

Rental	\$ 347.00
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TOTAL: \$ 29,582.52

