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Another Emerald Link

Save for one minor link, Cleveland's "emerald necklace"—the Metropolitan Park System—is now complete. This achievement, the realization of a 44-year-old dream, stems from the splendid gift of 58 acres in Sagamore Hills, donated by Cyrus S. Eaton.

Mr. Eaton's contribution, containing a fine stand of virgin pine and oak near Canal Road, provides a link between the Bedford and Brecksville Reservations. Currently under construction is a tie between the South Chagrin and Bedford sections. All there is left between an uninterrupted chain of parks encircling the city is a small connection from South to North Chagrin.

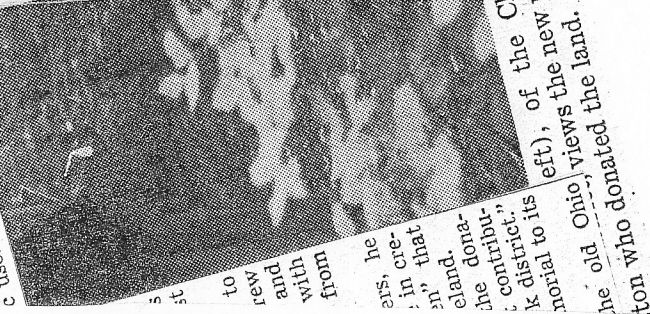
New York City conceivably might boast a park setup matching ours, but nowhere is there such an expanse of natural woodland, replete with streams, lakes, rolling uplands, beautiful vales.

The 14,000-acre park system now beckons week-long and year-around to the public. We think it a sad commentary that no accurate count has been kept of the park users. A member of the board, rather pathetically, said the only tally now available is that "it now takes three days to clean up after week ends where it used to take a day or a day and a half."

William A. Stinchcomb, the park system's guiding light, once was called "Bunkum Bill, Builder of Bear Bungalows" for his avid devotion to the job.

Now Stinchcomb can feel the satisfaction of being in on the birth of a great idea, of watching it mature, of fighting for it over the years and of giving it intelligent direction. He has made this a better community, and while our immediate thanks go to Mr. Eaton, it gives the Plain Dealer pleasure to salute Bill Stinchcomb as well.

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A Land Gift from Cyrus Eaton (left) Metropolitan Park yesterday was 58 Hills bordering his Acaquia Farms. A Metropolis industrialist is William

lionaire director-secretary. board Rd. but Stinchcomb age on Canal Rd. for a parkway said plans. Acquisition of the tract leaves only a few parcels through it. Acquisition River the land in the Chagrin ring the ley to be acquired with parks, he city in solidly with parks, he

Eaton, chairman of the board of the Chesapeake & Ohio Railroad and head of several industries, said he made of Andrew honor Warren S. Hayden and Squire, Warren, with whom from A. D. Baldwin, park board from served on the board

1930 to 1940. Eaton recently, N. S., as Eaton Pugwash, for auth estate at spot for author vacation businessmen and scholars, from Canada their leaders States "to give this United States an opportunity to relate men an opportunity to relate exchange views."