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## INDIANAPOLIS METROPOLITAN PARK BOARD MATERIALS, 1966-1969

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## **HISTORICAL SKETCH**

The Indianapolis Metropolitan Park Board got its start with George Merritt in 1866. That year, Merritt was given permission by then Governor Oliver P. Morton to make improvements on Camp Sullivan, a military reservation, for use as a public park. These improvements led to the development of the Indianapolis Park Board, and in 1895, the board was given jurisdiction over the land, which they called University Park. This land became what is now known as Military Park. Prior to, the Indianapolis Board of Public Works was in charge of all park matters in the city. The Indianapolis Metropolitan Park Board was later reformed in 1963, acting as commissioners of the Indianapolis Metropolitan Park Department, and had jurisdiction over all parks and parkways in Marion County. Over the years, the Park Board enacted many programs and projects to improve and maintain accessibility and cleanliness of the city's parks. The board handled any public matters such as changes in law, renovations and permissions, zoning ordinances, and discrepancies.

Sources:

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## **SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE**

This collection contains board minutes and related documents from 1966-1968, and correspondence, from 1966-1968, among board members and other city officials and organizations, including the mayor, city council, and the Metropolitan Planning Commission. There are photocopied pages from the 1968 *Cumulative Pocket Supplement: Burns Annotated Indiana Statute* Volume 9, Part 2. Also included in the collection are, what was divided into 3 volumes, various articles from 1966-1968 related to the Park Board and their endeavors within the city.

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