By the summer of 1894 the two artificial lakes had been constructed and the landscaping completed. In the course of time the fence surrounding the park rotted down and was not replaced.

Springfield Park.—In 1898 the Springfield Company offered to deed to the city about 40 acres of land on the north side of Hogans Creek, comprising mostly low land along the creek from Laura to Tenth Streets, if the city would improve the land as a park and open and maintain a paved boulevard along its northeastern border. The offer was accepted by the city in May, 1898, and the work of improvement was started in the winter of 1899-1900. Hogans Creek was improved, and sanitary garbage was dumped on the low land and covered with soil. By the summer of 1901 the improvement work was practically completed.

Confederate Park.—The 20 acres comprising this park were acquired by the city to form a link with Springfield Park and the waterworks grounds in the development of a continuous park along the north side of Hogans Creek. Like Springfield Park, it was low land and had to be filled in, by hauling in sanitary garbage and covering over with sand, which work was begun in August, 1907. It was originally named Dignan Park, but it was changed to Confederate Park October 15, 1914, in view of the erection of the beautiful memorial to the women of the Confederacy.

Fairfield Park.—The tract now comprising Fairfield Park, 18 acres, was acquired by the city while it was low, wet land. The work of filling in was done in 1915-16, but in 1916 the ground began to settle and a considerable amount of filling in had to be done over again. The Fairfield Improvement Association was largely responsible for the improvement of this park. The site has been strongly advocated as one for a municipal stadium and athletic field.

East Jacksonville Park.—This park comprises three acres, bounded by Adams, Monroe, Van Buren and Georgia Streets. It was acquired by purchase from private lot owners the first lot, No. 3, Block 16, being purchased in September, 1910, for $2,500.

Memorial Park.—In response to a sentiment for a memorial to those who lost their lives as a result of the World