

## Riverside Park Overrun; Area Residents Complain

City Manager Edward R. Henkle said today he is considering either closing city-owned Riverside park after sundown or restricting its use to New Londoners after he received a petition from residents in that area complaining about the large influx of out-of-towners there.

Henkle said he is waiting for an opinion from Director of Law Edmund J. Eshenfelder as to which step to take.

Riverside park is a small, neighborhood park with a beach and has been crowded, Henkle said,

by non-residents who have caused Director of Recreation Herbert F. Moran and the police department considerable concern, particularly after sundown.

The petitioners are justified in their complaint, Henkle feels, and since they pay taxes to keep up the park, should not have to make such complaints about it.

Police Capt. John J. Courtney said the force has no foot policeman assigned to Riverside park, but that a regular police cruiser patrols the area while making its nightly rounds.