Improvement of Washington School Playground Begun; Area Is Cleared

The old Evans property at the rear of the Washington elementary school building, donated to the Hillsboro school system for playground development, was given the scalp treatment by a bulldozer this week as the first step by the current board toward this dedicated purpose.

Trees, brush and other debris were cleared and moved down the sloping terrain to a low place at the northeast corner of the lot, which contains between six and eight acres.

The next step will be the digging of trenches and laying of drainage tile across the area. The board has been discussing types of tile but has reached no definite decision on the matter.

WHEN COMPLETED, the tile expected to fall in a Y-shaped pattern across the entire school property, according to present plans.

Later on, more leveling and fill work is scheduled to make the hill area more suitable for playground area. The Washington building has always been somewhat cramped for recreation areas, with some 50 children attending there, and the new area should provide an answer to this problem, school officials indicated.

A bulldozer of the Fling Brothers was used to clear the site this week.