

(Upon removal of houses + buildings on the site in 1931, basements "may be left intact.")??



PONTIUS Av. named for the pioneer realtor, Rezin W. Pontius whose homestead was to the south between John St. + Denny Way. Lincoln A. Pontius home was the showplace of the 1880's; after his death becoming the orphanage of Mother Ryther until its demolition in 1935. Members of the Pontius family were active as Realtors, Druggists, aldermen King Co. Treas. + Seattle Trust Co.

Site selected as result of a massive community petition for "Cascade P.G." near Cascade School (1920's). The proposal of an L.I.D. for acquisition reversed the property owners who believed the trend was turning from residential to commercial; development was in 1932 Bond Funds; also opposed.

Harrison St. named for Gen. Wm. H. Harrison of Tippecanoe fame - his defeat of Tecumseh, the Shawnee Chief; became the 9th President, 1841, but died after 1 month in office, age 68.

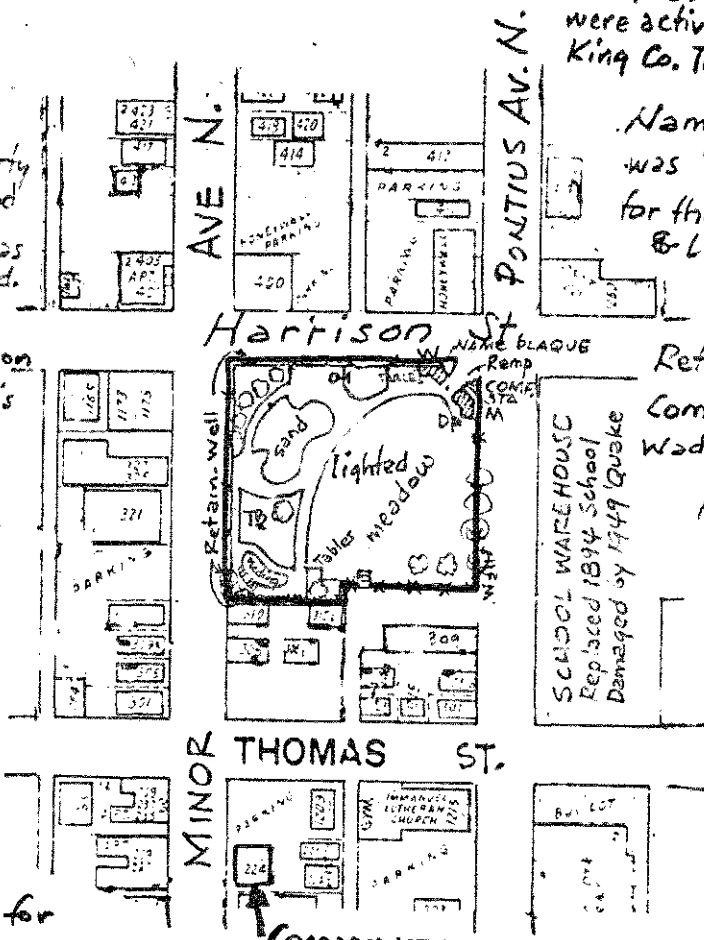
Thomas St. named for Thomas Denny, by John Denny, his father.

Minor Ave. named for Dr. Thomas T. Minor, born in Ceylon of missionary parents. As ship's doctor for expedition to Alaska, visited Washington and come back to settle in Seattle. Became active in Ch. of Commerce, Telegraph, Railroad and Navigation, Denny Hotel, State Constitution delegate, mayor '86-'88, on School Board. Drowned on duck hunting expedition. Was pres. (1888) of Lk. Wash. Cable Ry Co. (1st Cable Car line: Yesler Way).

PLAYGROUND NAME taken from name of former school (now warehouse site) whose name came from mountain range east of Seattle. David Douglas, botanist (for whom Douglas-fir is named\*) is first to record name as "Cascade" (c. 1840), which was derived from the cascading mountain rivers, particularly the Columbia.

(\* tree was discovered in 1791 by Dr. Archibald Menzies of the Vancouver party (scientific name honors Dr. M.; Douglas sent first seeds to Europe in 1827.)

By Re-zoning the district for Light Industry (urged by S. Times as a landowner) the Residential Community was programmed for destruction.



Name of original subdivision was "Fairview Homestead Assn. for the Benefit of Mechanics & Laborers."

Retaining walls by WPA: 1936  
 Conf. Sta. built by WPA: 1938  
 Wading Pool - WPA: 1939 (Plaque)  
 REDEVELOPED IN 1971  
 by Community request

IN SAND (NW CORNER):  
 2 LOGS  
 1 CUMBER  
 6 SPRINGS  
 1 SLIT

(NEW FENCING 1975)  
 RETAINING WALL MURAL by Mike Love + Geo. Shaylor funded by Seattle Arts Commission)

COMMUNITY CENTER / CLINIC operated by Imm. Serv. Ch. 1971  
 • games  
 • meeting rooms  
 • free medical clinic

1.0 AC.  
 Purch. in 1926 (\$51,500)  
 + 0.5 AC. (School Prop.)  
 Jurisdic. + use transf. 1933 for constr., maint. + operation

333 Pontius Av.

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CASCADE P.G.

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