FIRST HILL MINI-PARK
University & Minor


Acreage: .97


Elements: landscaping, benches

415 FIRST HILL PK.
Monge assumed from the vicinity, the first major hill east of pioneer Seattle. Its highest point (81.356) was at Broadway & James St. It was the city's first area of mansions: many-storied homes with gas-diff chandeliers, fireplaces in every room (no central heating systems), enormous dining rooms, "Sunday" parlors (for entertaining guests), many bedrooms, sliding doors & leaded glass windows. Outside was a Carriage House for horse(s), one or more carriages (for different occasions), with living quarters for the servants (maid/cook and footman to care for, and drive, horse and carriage.) Most of the mansions have been "swallowed up" by hospitals, clinics, & high-rise apartments & asphalt parking areas. One mansion (Tudor style) still remaining in 1972 next to the park, occupied since 1918 by Joshua Greens financial wizard who came to Seattle in 1888 at age 16 to become a Puget Sound steamboat magnate for 40 years, then prime mover of Peoples National Bank &avid duck hunter.

Seattle Gen'l Hospital was Maynard Hospital until 1971

FIRST HILL PARK

O.2 Acre
Purch. 1972