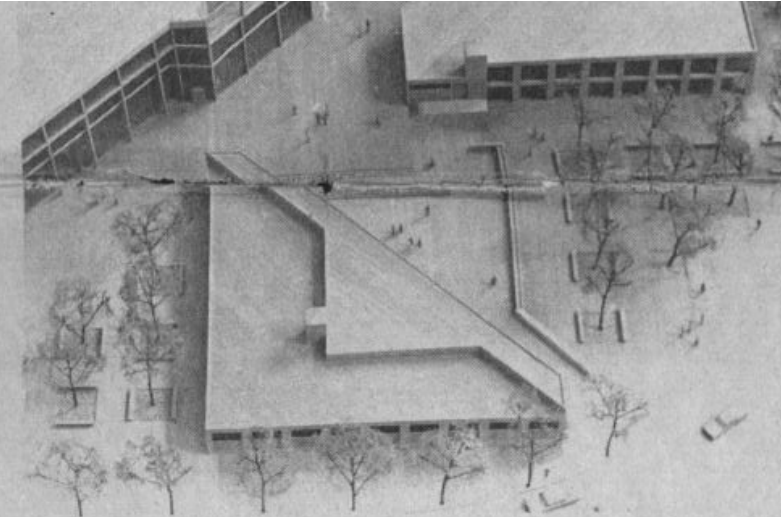
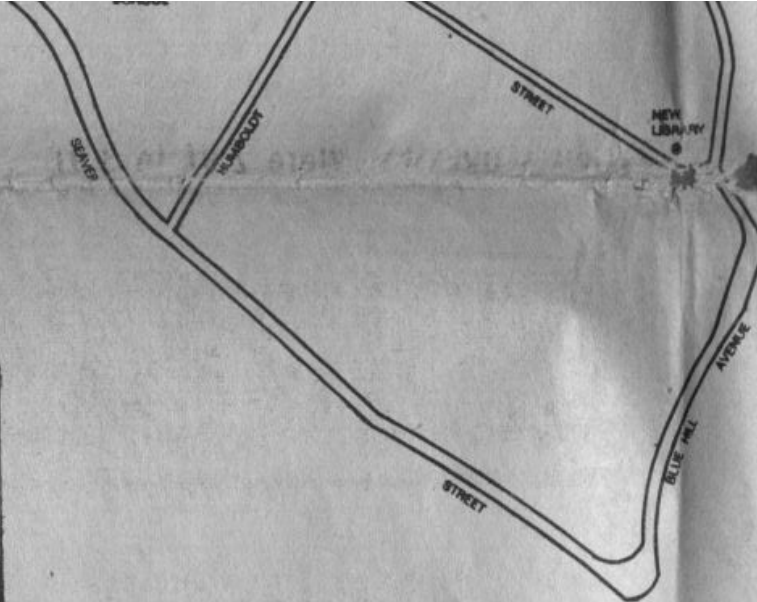


ILLUSTRATIVE SITE PLAN

Washington Park
Urban Renewal Area



New Civic Center: Congested Dudley Square will soon be opened up by a proud new Civic Center. Roxbury residents will have the finest facilities in a new district.



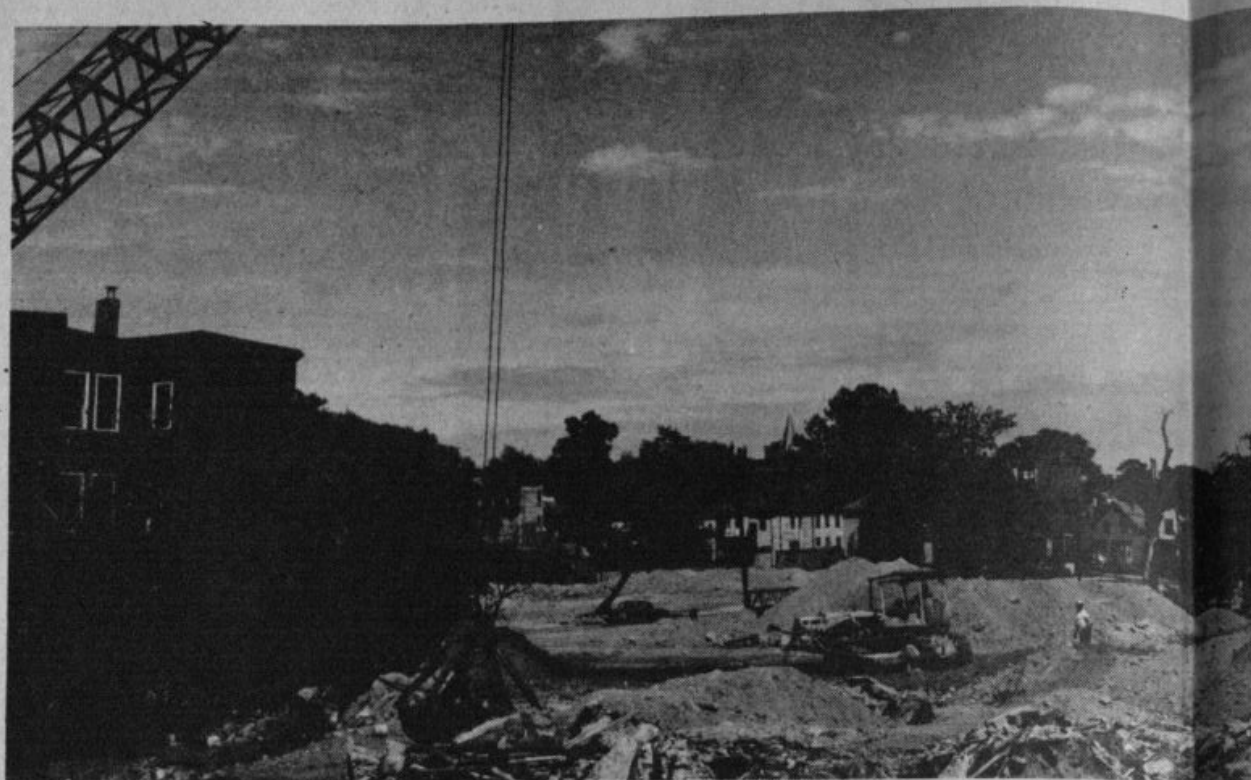
Parks and Playgrounds: There have always been children in Washington Park, but there have not always been safe, attractive places for them to play. When

plans for Washington Park were drawn up, parents made sure neighborhood parks were included. (Photo by Irene Shwachman.)



Saint James St. Park: You can sit in this small quiet park and look out over all of Boston. The Parks Department has just installed trees, plants, paths, benches, and "play sculpture", in this once-vacant lot. Mrs. Theodore

Howe, with her baby Edgar on her lap, and her other children Curtis, and Helen-Theresa, and Mrs. Joseph Petrie and her children Mathew, Martin, William and Elizabeth are already enjoying the park.



A prime demand for a good residential community is good schools. Land on Humboldt Avenue between Holworthy and Waumbeck Streets, was cleared a long time ago by the Boston Redevelopment Authority so that the School Department could buy it and build a new elementary school. (Photo by Irene Shwachman).



The Humboldt Avenue Elementary School for pre-kindergarten through fifth grade children is finally going to be built. Construction on the \$2,600,000 school for 740 pupils will begin in mid-July. The curriculum will be supervised by Boston University to make it one of the most up-to-date schools the city has to offer. Photo courtesy BOSTON GLOBE.

The Academy Homes Extension, 316 apartments on both sides of Washington Street between Townsend and Cobden Streets, is now renting to new tenants. Alan Munroe of the Development Corporation of America shows the kitchen to prospective tenants.

Apartments range from 1 to 4 bedrooms in size and from \$75 to \$110 in rentals. These apartments will also be rented on a unique cooperative arrangement whereby after a small down payment, the rent paid by a tenant each month is applied toward shares in the Academy Homes Cooperative, so that tenants become part-owners of this housing cooperative.



Helping people to have better homes by helping them to fix them up is the soul of the Washington Park Renewal Project. Rehabilitation is done on an individual basis; every family has its own needs, and the rehab staff wants to reach each particular family. At evening "Rehab Clinics", held at Freedom House, homeowners can meet personally and privately with BRA rehabilitation experts to hear how they can borrow money for necessary repairs and home improvements at low interest directly from the government. Shown at a recent meeting are (L to R) back row: Mrs. Ralph Harper and friend, Finance Specialist Ronald Thomson, Rehabilitation Specialists Simeon Niles and John Kennedy; front row: Edward Cooper, Rehabilitation Liaison officer, Mrs. Esmin Lawrence and Robert Jones.



Photos By Jon Barber



The old Hersey Estate on Walnut Avenue and Westminster Avenue is gone; and Westminster Terrace, fine private apartments, stands in its place. Moreover, private sales housing is being built across the street for the first time in decades. Photo by Shwachman.



Hilton Terrace is being sponsored by a group of Roxbury business and professional men known as Phalanx, Inc. Taking part of groundbreaking ceremonies last February were (L to R): Stanley Sydeny, Sydeny Construction Co., Dr. Rominus Stokes, Phalanx, Inc., Dr. William Price, President, Phalanx, Inc., Edward Logue, BRA Development Administrator, Clarence Elam, Phalanx, Inc., and Paul Park, Associated Architect and Engineer. Other members of Phalanx, Inc. are Samuel McCoy, Atty. Herbert Tucker, and Atty. Anthony Cardozo.



A model home will soon be open for inspection on Walnut Avenue. The 11 two-bedroom homes and 4 three-bedroom homes will sell between \$17,000 and \$18,000. Every family will have a backyard, long front lawn, modern kitchen, a heated basement-playroom, and an open parking space.



Those extra pipes you have seen running along the sidewalks of many Washington Park streets are auxiliary water pipes used to provide uninterrupted water service during the time that water mains are being cleaned of mineral deposits that build up in them. Undersized and outmoded water mains, some up to one hundred years old, are being replaced with new larger pipes. Improved water service, as well as construction and improvement of streets, sidewalks, sewer lines, parks and playgrounds, are all City programs made possible through urban renewal.



Working at the Washington Park Site Office at 105 Crawford Street is a staff of urban renewal specialists. Supervisors meeting in the conference room are: (foreground pointing) project director Samuel Thompson and (clockwise): Charles Adams, acting project manager; Raymond Acciardo, development specialist; Maynard Guy, office manager; Joseph Maddox, director of relocation; Ernest Berry, director of Rehabilitation; Edward Burke, director of business relocation; Louise Bynoe, director, Home Guidance Program; Sondra Scheir, project planner and Thomas Jenkins, deputy project director.



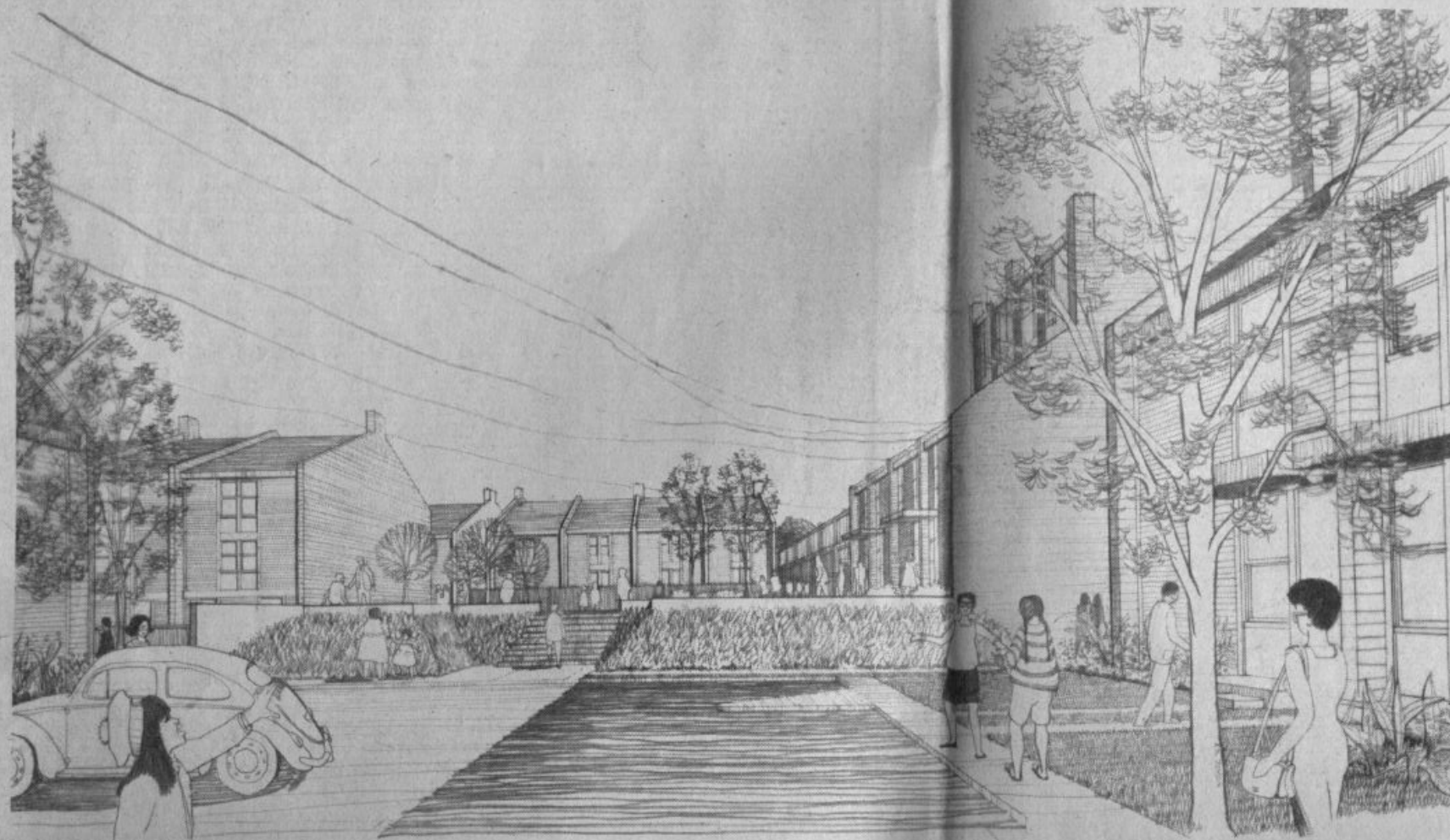
Boys' Club: The present Boys' Club on Dudley Street has served boys from six to 21 years old for over 50 years. These clubs have been a second home for thousands of boys, and it is now time for the Roxbury Boys' Club to have a new home.



The Francis Countway Memorial Clubhouse is now under construction at Cliff and Warren Streets as a part of the Civic Center. Boys' Club director John Magistrelli stopped there to see how work was going and said, "I expect we'll be moving in during January, 1968. It will be a big day."



The new clubhouse, designed by The Architects Collaborative, will have a swimming pool, full-sized gym, indoor game rooms, and outdoor playing fields with space for additional courts. An important feature of the new clubhouse will be a dental clinic, and medical examination room where all boys may receive free health services. Yearly membership fees will remain \$1.00 for the youngest boys and \$4.00 for the oldest. (Photo by Robert Harvey.)



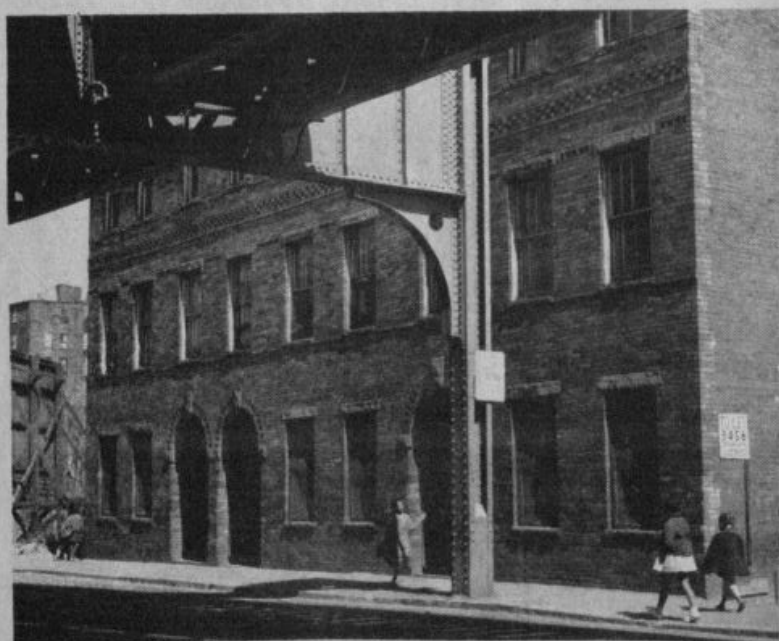
WARREN GARDENS: The goal of the Washington Park Project is to build a better place to live. The plan calls for construction of approximately fifteen hundred units of new moderate rental housing. Over 1000 units are now under construction or have been completed. One of these developments, now under construction at Warren Street and Walnut Avenue, Warren Gardens, will add 228 new apartments. This drawing shows the inner courtyard, and play area in the background. On the right are front entrances to the two, and two and a half story apartments. Most of the apartments will have three bedrooms. The Beacon Redevelopment Corporation is the sponsor of this non-profit, private housing.

Pioneering Progress

WASHINGTON PARK SHOPPING CENTER: When the Washington Park Shopping Center opened its doors last fall, it brought the convenience of an indoor shopping mall and the economy of its stores to local shoppers. Most important, because almost all of its employees are from Roxbury, the Center provides jobs worth \$2-1/2 million dollars each year to our residents.

The coming of the shopping center also means baseball uniforms and equipment for kids in the Little League playing in Franklin Park. The Giants are sponsored by Blairs Foodland. Zayre's sponsors the Dodgers (pictured).

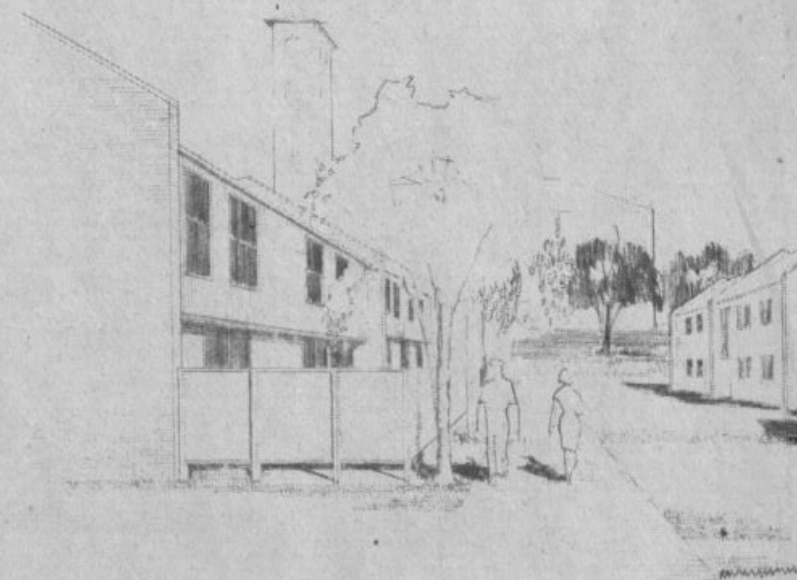
The Giants team is composed of (L to R) first row sitting: John Sullivan, Robert Clark, Charles Adell, Loran Jabb, Joseph Sullivan - second row standing: Richard Sutherland, Charles Mathis, Don Adams - third row: Louis White and David White, assistant managers of Zayres, Macklin Harding, William Markum, James Parker, Robert Corry, Anthony McCleary, Earl Rubin, manager of Zayres, and coach Paul Clancy



NEW SAINT JOSEPH'S HOUSING: A few years ago, these children grew up cut off from the sun in the shadow of the "elevated" on Washington Street. This old brick building and other dilapidated wooden houses in the area are gone today to make way for bright new places to live. (Photo by Irene Shwachman)



St. Joseph's Roman Catholic Church on Regent Street is sponsoring the development of 148 low and moderate cost apartments. Inspecting the main site for the housing on Circuit and Washington Streets are (L to R) Architect Paul Feloney, Sister Agnes Genevieve of St. Joseph's Academy, Atty. Louis White, Monsignor Collins, Joseph Brown, and Architect Donald Jacobs. Some apartments will also be constructed on Regent, Rockland, and Rock Streets.



This drawing shows how the apartments will look when they are completed in 1968. The apartments, ranging from 1 to 5 bedrooms, were designed by Paul Feloney. Father Groden of St. Joseph's explained that although most of the apartments will have moderate rentals, 38 percent of them will have the same low rents as public housing through a "leasing" arrangement with the Boston Housing Authority.



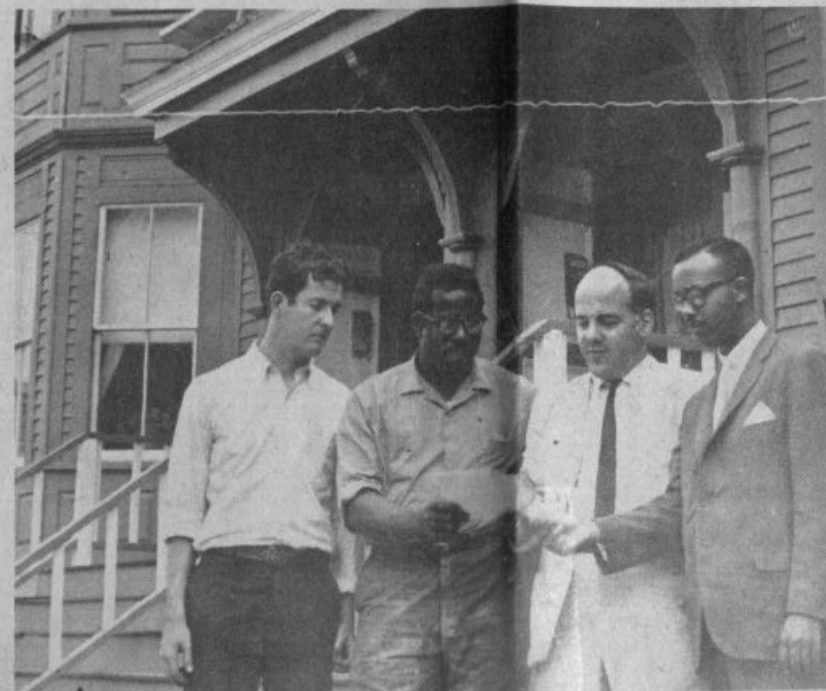
Charlame Extension: Ninety-two families have been living in the first moderate rental apartments sponsored by the Charles St. A.M.E. Church since 1964. Until last fall, the land across the street at the corner of Humboldt Avenue and Walnut Avenue, was empty. Soon 38 families will be moving into modern apartments at low rents on this same spot. (Photo courtesy of BOSTON Magazine).



At a recent conference of churchmen, Rev. Walter C. Davis, of the Charles St. A.M.E. Church (far right) took visiting clergymen on a tour of Charlame II. Admiring the new apartments are (L to R) Rev. Stokes of New York City, Harold Michelson, the developer, Bishop Blakely, Bishop Bright, and Rev. Davis. All 38 apartments will be available at low rents under the Rent Supplement program. Eligible tenants will pay no more than a quarter of their income for rent, the rest will be paid by the Boston Housing Authority.



New look for Catawba Street: This "before" picture of Catawba Street shows how the homes on the "wrong side of the street" looked before anyone paid attention to them. While most homeowners on the other side of the street had painted and repaired their homes, the houses facing them remained eyesores.



King-Bison, Inc. decided that these homes could and should be rehabilitated as well. They have transformed the neglected side of Catawba Street to roomy modern apartments at reasonable rents. Shown inspecting their work are (L to R) Jonathan Revere, architect, Rudy Waker, construction supervisor, David Bird, trustee, and Samuel Thompson, Washington Park project director.



The results are most impressive. King-Bison is one of the many real estate firms at work today in Washington Park rehabilitating old homes and apartment houses. Rehabilitation has proved to be a good investment in the future of older neighborhoods.



New neighborhood stores have grown from old shops in the course of renewal. This picture shows the old apartments and shops on Humboldt Avenue near Townsend St. (Photo by Irene Shwachman).



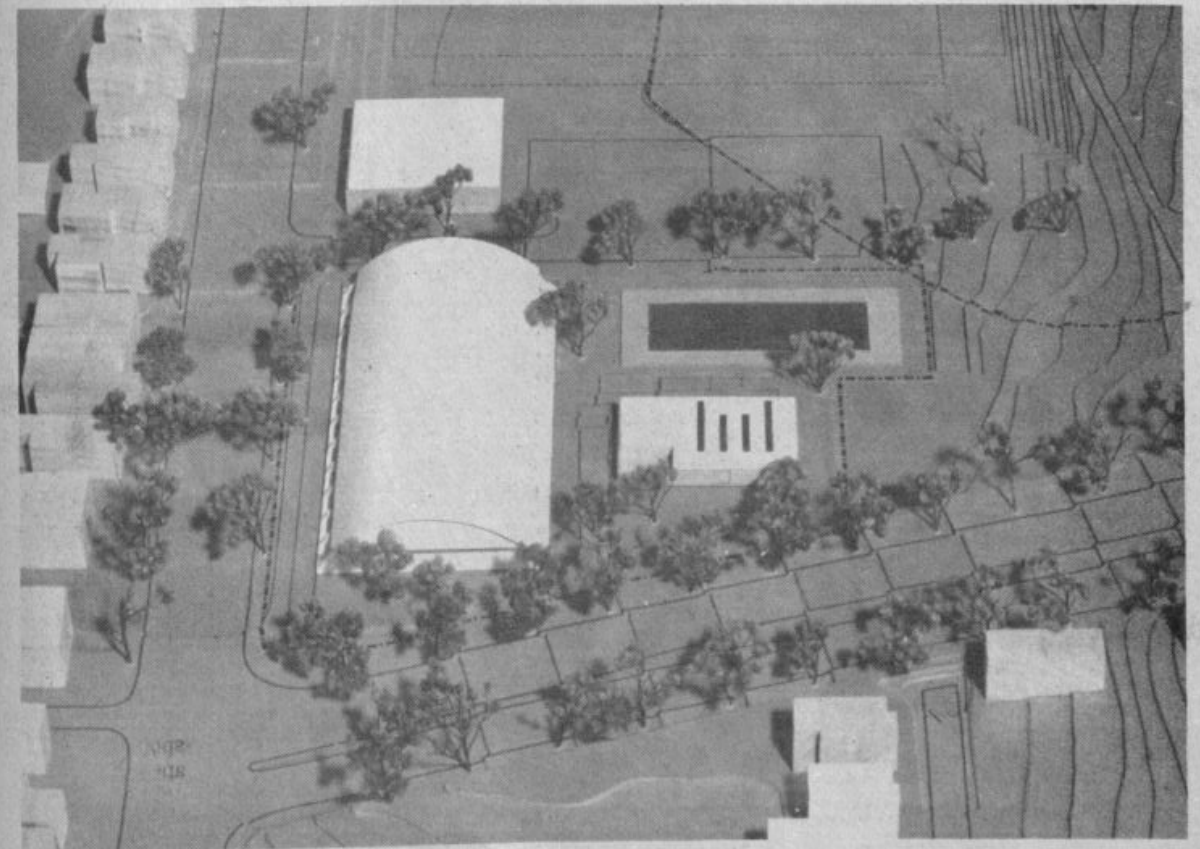
The new Marksdale Superette's, a part of the recently completed extension of Marksdale on Humboldt Avenue and Townsend Street, is a great improvement. Owner Samuel Austin was able to move back to almost the exact spot he had vacated several years ago. He was temporarily relocated on Harvard Street, but is today glad to return to Washington Park.

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MDC Recreational Facility: The creation of a full range of recreational facilities for people of all ages is a major goal of the renewal project. Washington Park, between Washington Street, Dale Street, and Paulding Street, provided space but little else. Vacant land nearby served as dumping grounds for garbage and abandoned cars.



Construction will soon be underway on a major recreation center between Washington Park Boulevard, Washington Street, Dale Street and Paulding Street. The Metropolitan District Commission is building a skating rink, to be completed this fall and a swimming pool, to be completed next summer. The Parks Department will soon construct a Community Center Building containing a full-sized basketball court, bleachers, lockers, shower room, an auxiliary gym for dances and meetings, a ping pong and pool room. The swimming pool is in the right foreground of the model, the skating rink is in the left foreground, and the Community Center is in the background.