

Cowley-Goettman Park

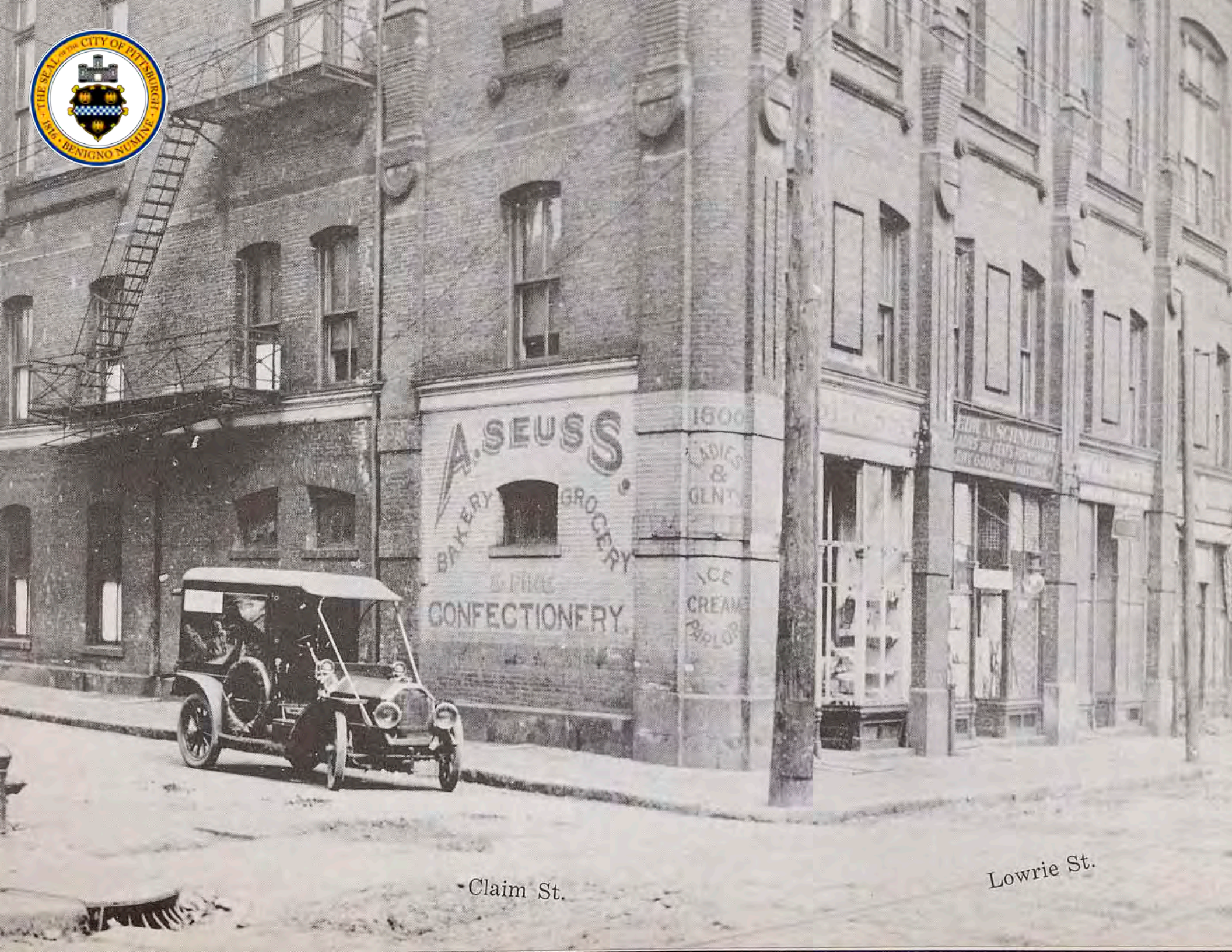


Master Planning



Presentation Overview

- 1. History**
- 2. Existing Conditions**
- 3. Community Engagement**
- 4. Conceptual Design**
- 5. Expenses**

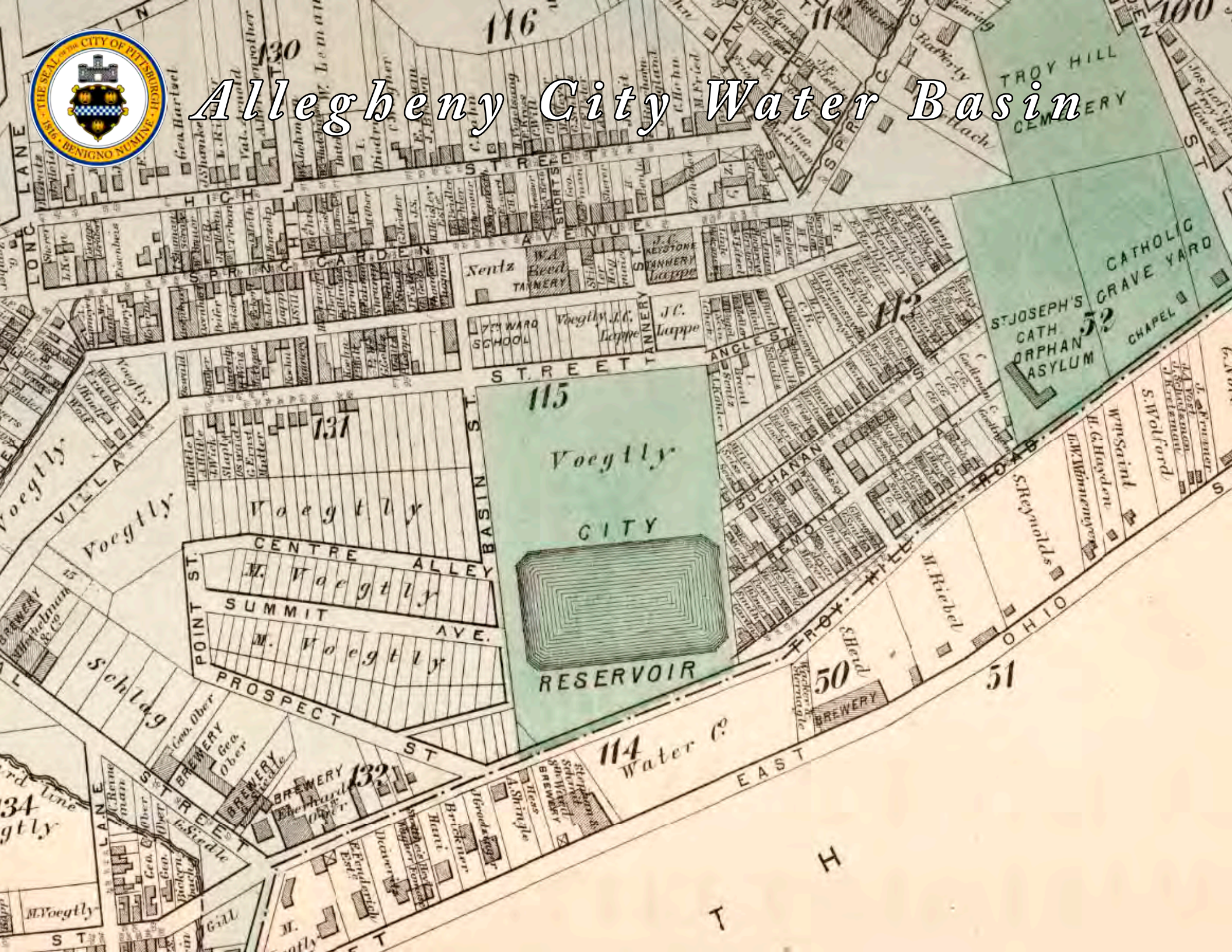


Claim St.

Lowrie St.



Allegheny City Water Basin





Allegheny City Water Basin - Est. 1848







Person of Interest



“We believe more and more in the necessity of well supervised playgrounds and in these years we have seen wonderful results. The benefits have not all been on the side of the children. **They have taught us many lessons of patience, unselfishness, fairness, gratitude and loyalty to each other.**”

- 1920 Annual Report, Playground & Vacation School Association of Allegheny, Inc.

Mary Junkin Buchanan Cowley (1853 - 1937)

- In 1912, she became a member of the First Court-Appointed Pittsburgh Board of Education
- President of the Playground & Vacation School Association of Allegheny for 34-years.
- Dedicated her life to the establishment of 40 playgrounds in underprivileged districts in the City.



BOYS AT CONROY



GIRLS AT ORPHAN ASYLUM

Photographs by Mrs. Cowley

“The work grows bigger and harder each year, with new problems to solve. Yet that means growth. The hardest question of the playground is, and always has been, the mischievous half-grown boy, how to care for him and turn his misdirected activities in the right direction. He overflows with energy at all times; and when won over is a great help and staunch ally.”

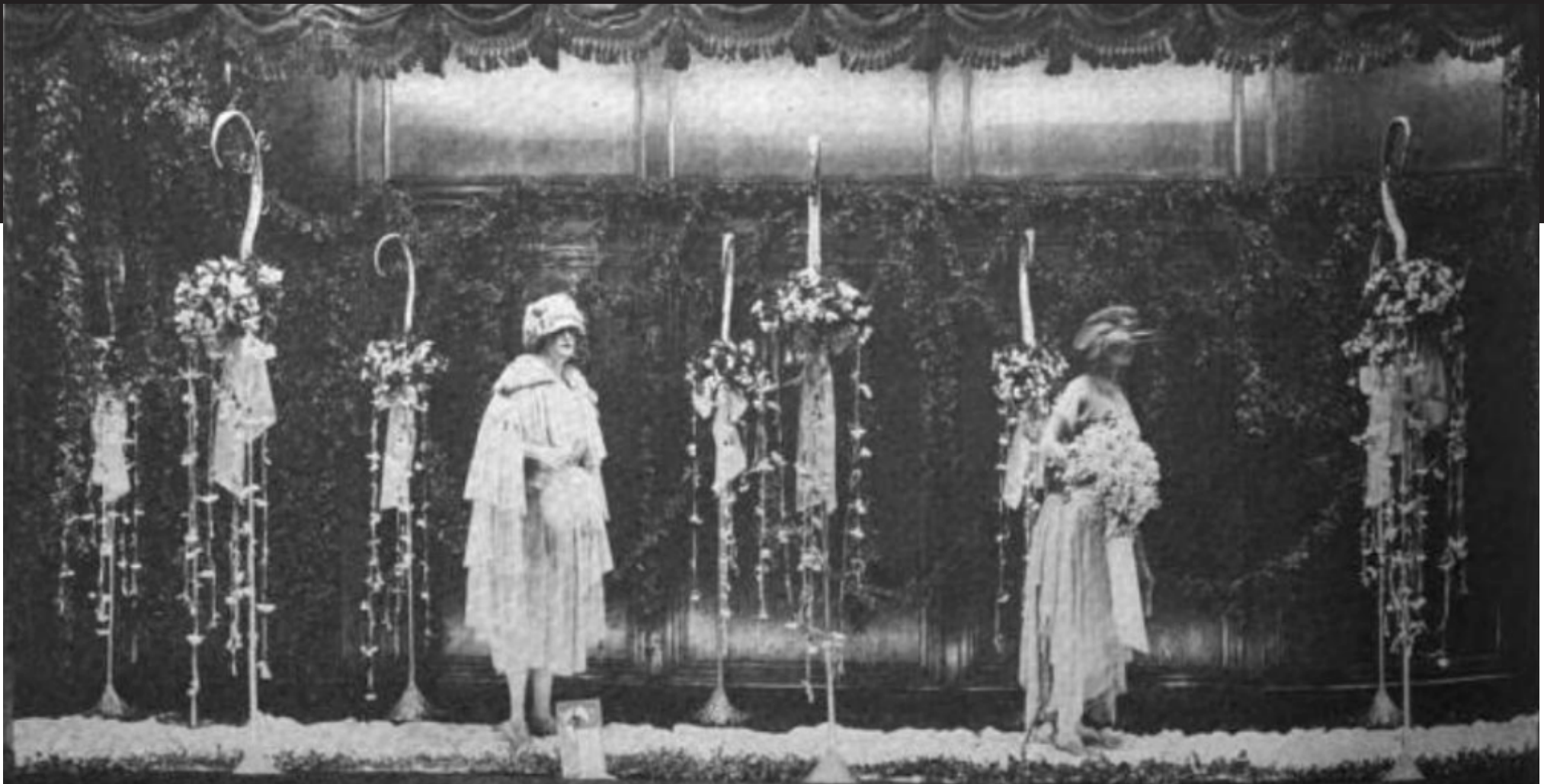
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During WWI, he was Chairman of Draft Board No. 20, and while serving in this capacity “attracted almost nation-wide attention when he firmly refused to allow a trainload of draftees to move out because there was not sufficient seating accommodation for each man, and no drinking water...” **Pittsburgh City Council honored Mr. Goettmann by changing the name of the street in which he lives from Return Street to Goettmann Street.**

Carl F. Goettmann

- From a young age, he worked for the Joseph Horne Co., eventually becoming the Director of Store Decorations, creating window displays that were “notable for their rich simplicity.”



“Psychology has taught in great measure the essentials in the four stages through which the successful window display must function: **it must attract, interest, convince and influence to action... the appeal must not only be to the intellect, but also to the emotions.** In this respect the display man never forgets that the display must be essentially correct **and at all times noble and worthy of respect.**”

- Carl F. Goettmann, addressing the 1921 Convention of the International Association of Display Men



Swimming Pool





Recreation Bldg.



Cowley-Goettman Recreation Center (1939 - 2003)

- Built in 1939, renovated in 1977 and in 1987. The facility closed in 2003.
- Windows & MEP Systems are all original to the building.
- The facility is severely deteriorated and in a significant state of disrepair. Flooring has been ruined due to water infiltration and painted surfaces have peeled.
- There are significant hazardous materials present (mold, lead paint, asbestos).





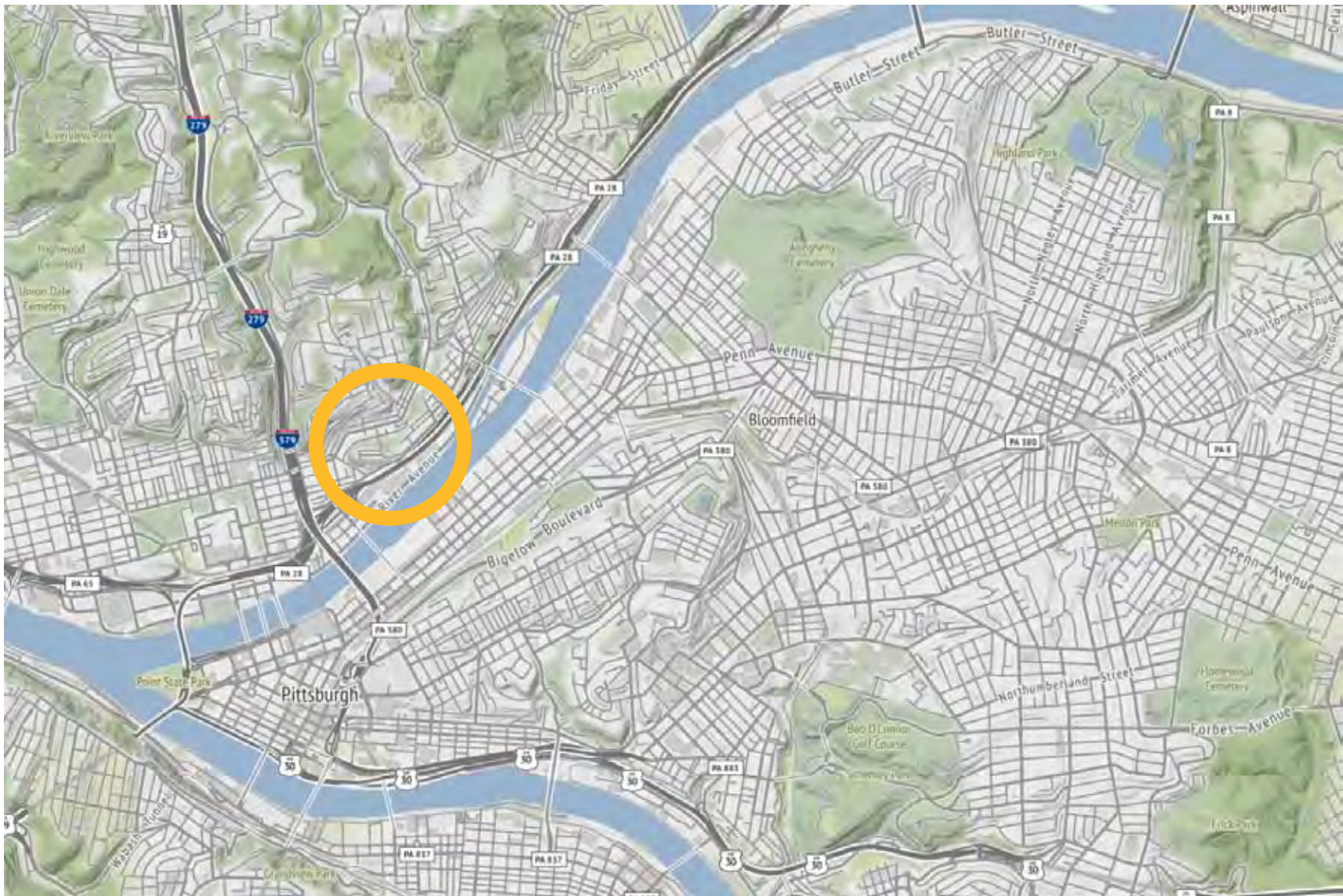


The Park





1200 Goettmann Street, Pittsburgh, PA 15212





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