MYERS PARK COLLECTION, 1985-1986

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ABSTRACT

Myers Park opened on September 1, 1912, as a planned and designed neighborhood, on land owned by J.S. Myers. It was designed by John Nolen of Boston, and Earle Sumner Draper, both of whom would be nationally known for their future endeavors. Built in three stages throughout the 20th Century, development in Myers Park was at its height during the late 19-teens and early 20s. Many early residents were well-known members of the community, which included J.B. Duke, Oscar J. Thies, and Charles Barton Keen. Myers Park included a mix of land uses such as residences for a variety of income-levels, commercial properties, park land, Myers Park Methodist and Myers Park Presbyterian Churches, and Queens College.

The zoning plan of the 1960s hit Myers Park as well, and several sections were zoned for commercial development, in particular the oldest parts of the neighborhood. While some homes were bought out and demolished, several residents formed the Myers Park Homeowners Association in 1971 to fight zoning. They eventually won, and much of the area was rezoned as single-family use. While parts of Myers Park are under construction, it remains a highly desirable residential area, and is well-known for its landscaping.

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