PITTSBURGH 2: PROJECTS:

Postwar Pittsburgh bibliography: http://www.andrew.cmu.edu/user/ma1f/ArchArch/postwarPGHarchbibliography.html

Pittsburgh Renaissance I

New Highways, Bridges, Tunnels & Parking Garages, 1945-60, 1980spresent

Point Park & Gateway Center, by Eggers & Higgins, 1950-56 Projects

Erich Mendelsohn's proposal for Pgh. Point, 1943 (proj.) F.L. Wright's "Point Park Coney Island in Auto Scale" 1947 (proj.) Mitchell & Ritchey, "Pgh in Progress", Kaufmann's Dept. Store, 1947 Le Corbusier's "Towers in the Park" (1922ff) Precedents:

Eggers & Higgins' Stuyvesant Town in NYC, 1943-47 Developed by Equitable Life Insurance Corp. (Private development)

Other Buildings: State Office Bldg (1957), Hilton Hotel (1959),

IBM Building (1963), etc.
Other Harrison & Abramovitz Buildings: Porter, USX, Four Gateway, Amer. Inst. Research, Learning Research Ctr.

Mellon Square - Mellon's bequest to Pgh.

Alcoa Building, Harrison & Abramovitz, 1950-53 Mellon - US Steel Tower, Harrison & Abramovitz, 1949-51 Landscape - Simonds & Simonds

Lower Hill Development & Civic Auditorium

Federal Housing Act of 1949 allows cities to acquire and redevelop blighted areas and slums

Hill seen as blighted: Demolition began 1956; displaced 1551 negro families & 413 businesses.

Developed by Webb & Knapp, later by Alcoa

Civic Auditorium, promoted by Kaufmann 1946-61, designed by Mitchell & Ritchey, 1957-61

Washington Plaza Apts., I.M. Pei, with Webb & Knapp, 1964 Chatham Center, by E.D. Stone / Symphony Hall & Arts Ctr, SOM, 1965

Oakland & Pitt Renewal & Expansion Panther Hollow, Abramovitz, 1967 (proj.)

Northside / Allegheny City Redevelopment

East Liberty Redevelopment









