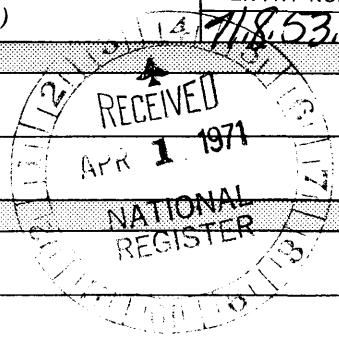


NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Washington	
COUNTY: King	
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**1. NAME**

COMMON:  
Iron pergola

AND/OR HISTORIC:

**2. LOCATION**

STREET AND NUMBER:  
First Avenue and Yesler Way

CITY OR TOWN:  
Seattle, 98104

STATE: Washington CODE: 53 COUNTY: King CODE: 033

**3. CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
District <input type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/>	Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Yes: Restricted <input type="checkbox"/>
Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Private <input type="checkbox"/>	Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/>	Unrestricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Object <input type="checkbox"/>	Both <input type="checkbox"/>	Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/>	No: <input type="checkbox"/>

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/>	Government <input type="checkbox"/>	Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Transportation <input type="checkbox"/>	Comments <input type="checkbox"/>
Commercial <input type="checkbox"/>	Industrial <input type="checkbox"/>	Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/>	Other (Specify) <input type="checkbox"/>	
Educational <input type="checkbox"/>	Military <input type="checkbox"/>	Religious <input type="checkbox"/>	<u>a resting place</u>	
Entertainment <input type="checkbox"/>	Museum <input type="checkbox"/>	Scientific <input type="checkbox"/>		

**4. OWNER OF PROPERTY**

OWNERS NAME:  
City of Seattle, Seattle Park Department

STREET AND NUMBER:  
100 Dexter Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Seattle, 98109 STATE: Washington CODE: 53

**5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION**

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:  
King County Auditor's Office

STREET AND NUMBER:  
County Courthouse

CITY OR TOWN: Seattle, 98104 STATE: Washington CODE: 53

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: .1

**6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE OF SURVEY:  
Seattle Park Department History

DATE OF SURVEY: 1960's Federal  State  County  Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:  
Seattle Park Department

STREET AND NUMBER:  
100 Dexter Avenue

CITY OR TOWN: Seattle, 98109 STATE: Washington CODE: 53

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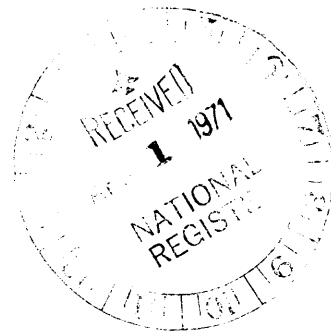
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7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	Excellent <input type="checkbox"/>	Good <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Fair <input type="checkbox"/>	Deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/>	Ruins <input type="checkbox"/>	Unexposed <input type="checkbox"/>
INTEGRITY	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	Altered <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Unaltered <input type="checkbox"/>		Moved <input type="checkbox"/>	Original Site <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The pergola is an arched-roofed shelter over park benches. It is constructed in ornate cast iron with bent iron brackets, cornice, and ridge line and decorative tulips. The roof was originally ribbed wire glass, <sup>on copper</sup> but has been replaced with sheet metal. The pergola was the entrance to an underground comfort station, the floors terazzo and tile, lamp posts acting as plumbing vents. Glass pavement lights illuminated the underground facilities. The comfort facilities, and shoe shine parlor, ~~were~~ closed in 1958 as it received little use and was in sad condition. The ground was then asphalted. Park benches and the pergola remain with few structural changes.



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**8. SIGNIFICANCE**

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Pre-Columbian       16th Century       18th Century       20th Century   
 15th Century       17th Century       19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

1909 to present

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

Aboriginal	Education	<input type="checkbox"/>	Political	<input type="checkbox"/>	Urban Planning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Prehistoric	Engineering	<input type="checkbox"/>	Religion/Phi-		Other (Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/>
Historic	Industry	<input type="checkbox"/>	losophy	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
Agriculture	Invention	<input type="checkbox"/>	Science	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
Art	Landscape	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Sculpture	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
Commerce	Architecture	<input type="checkbox"/>	Social/Human-		_____	
Communications	Literature	<input type="checkbox"/>	itarian	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	_____	
Conservation	Military	<input type="checkbox"/>	Theater	<input type="checkbox"/>	_____	
	Music	<input type="checkbox"/>	Transportation	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	_____	

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE (Include Personages, Dates, Events, Etc.)

The iron pergola was designed in 1909 by architect Julian F. Everett to shelter cable car passengers when waiting for the Yesler Cable car (1888 to 1940) and the James Street Cable (1893 to 1940), and also for a period the interurbans to south and west Seattle, and the streetcars north on First Avenue. The ground, a triangle at the intersection of streets, had been purchased in 1889 from Henry Yesler, Seattle industrialist, by the City of Seattle. The pergola was built on part of the park, in the midst of much dissent.

The comfort station was described at the time as the "finest in the United States". It was said to have cost over \$24,000. It featured plumbing vented by individual fans, a shoe shine stand, and sold soap and towels.

The pergola remains as a quaint and decorative reminder of earlier, slower travel and pedestrian movement. It also provides a focal point for the meagre social life of the indigents and lost souls who live and roam in the "Skid Road" area. It is most decorative and representative of the period of the buildings surrounding it. The small park is a needed open space in the heart of an old business district. The historic buildings adjacent to this park are being designated an historic district, dating to the same time.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Sherwood, Don, History of the Seattle Park Department, a continuing notebook compilation of information, 1960's. photocopy by Seattle Park Department.

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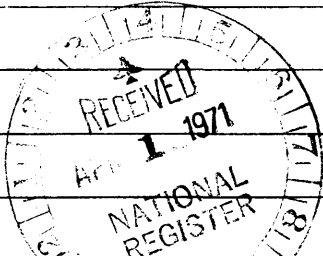
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LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE



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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: Margaret A. Corley, King County Liaison

ORGANIZATION: Seattle Historical Society

DATE: June, 1969

STREET AND NUMBER: 2161 East Hamlin Street

CITY OR TOWN: Seattle, 98102

STATE: Washington

CODE: 53

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National  State  Local

Name: Charles H. Odegard  
Charles H. Odegard

Title: Director - Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Ann A. Connolly  
Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

AUG 26 1971

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

ATTEST:

William J. Mantel  
Keeper of The National Register

APR 30 1971

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

(SHILSHOLE BAY)

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47°37'30"



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SEATTLE-WINSLOW FERRY  
SEATTLE-BREMERTON FERRY

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N 47° 36' 07"

Iron Pergola

King Street Station  
Yesler Terrace  
Union Park

