

**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Pennsylvania
COUNTY: Lancaster
FOR NPS USE ONLY
ENTRY DATE DEC 1 6 1974

1. NAME

COMMON:
Julius Sturgis Pretzel House

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Krieter House

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
219-221 East Main Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Lititz

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:
16th Congressional District

STATE: Pennsylvania CODE: 42 COUNTY: Lancaster CODE: 071

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Comments _____ _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Clyde R. and Barbara Ann Tshudy

STREET AND NUMBER:
32 South Broad Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Lititz

STATE:
Pennsylvania

CODE:
42

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:
Lancaster County Courthouse

STREET AND NUMBER:
East King and North Duke Streets

CITY OR TOWN:
Lancaster

STATE:
Pennsylvania

CODE:
42

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State County Local

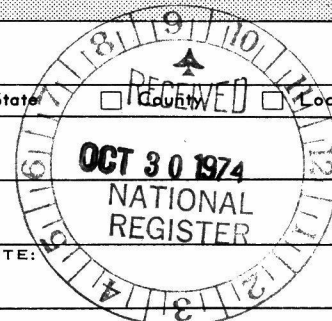
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN:
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STATE:
Pennsylvania

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7 DESCRIPTION

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

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The main section of the Sturgis Pretzed House is a two and one half story stone structure built by ~~Dr. August~~ Peter Kreiter in 1784. The house is constructed of cut stone laid in narrow coursed rows and is three bays across and two bays deep. Windows on the first floor are headed with radiating arches and on the second with flat arches. The original windows have been replaced by two-over-two Victorian sash. The main entrance is set off center in the first bay, Its appearance has been altered by the small Victorian porch addition. A central chimney straddles the ridge of the steep pitched gable roof.

Before 1861 a one story stone section, constructed in similar fashion to the main house, was added to the west gable end. This addition probably served as a small kitchen wing. When Julius Sturgis moved to the house and established his pretzel factory in 1861, he added a second story to the small wing. This addition is constructed of brick and in contrast to the main section has a flat roof. The box cornice of the main house is carried across this new addition. During the same year a one and two story structure, housing the Sturgis Pretzel Factory, was adjoined to the rear of the house.

Although the house has been converted into a restaurant and museum, some of the original woodwork is still extant. Original details of note include: random Plank, pegged floors; exquisite carved panels on the staircase; hand-grained doorways and colonades; and solid wooden doors supported by strap iron hinges. The house also features original fireplaces, a smoke house in the attic. Finally the 1861 factory contains almost all of its original equipment. Ovens, iron kettles, dough breaking machines, raising racks, and drying racks have all been preserved and are still used on a limited basis for demonstration purposes.

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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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|--|---------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Pre-Columbian | <input type="checkbox"/> 16th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 18th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 20th Century |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 15th Century | <input type="checkbox"/> 17th Century | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 19th Century | |

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) 1784 and 1861

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Sturgis Pretzel Factory begun by Julius Sturgis in 1861 was the first commercial factory for pretzel manufacturing in the United States. After serving an apprenticeship with a Lititz baker Julius moved his wife and fourteen children into the 1784 Kreiter house in Lititz with the intention of establishing a pretzel bakery.

Julius Sturgis added the brick second story to the west end first story stone addition and the one and two story factory at the rear of the Kreiter house the year he moved there. The manufacturing process which Julius perfected included every step from culturing yeast to baking and kiln-drying the pretzel dough. Supposedly, the secret Sturgis pretzel recipe was obtained by Sturgis from a wandering tramp in the Lititz area. To promote his business Sturgis established a door to door delivery route within a day's driving radius of Lititz.

Production was at its height in 1900 when four bakers and five twisters produced 5,000 pretzels a day. Retail was then extended to local stores. Until 1951 when the company moved to a new location, the factory remained in operation. The Sturgis Pretzel House is now operated as a museum where demonstrations of the pretzel manufacturing are given by Lewis Sturgis, ninety-one year old son of the founder.

Architecturally the Krieter/Sturgis Pretzel House is significant as a late eighteenth century vernacular styled house with central chimney. Not only does the interior still contain much of the original woodwork, but also the factory is still equipped with its original fittings including: bake ovens; iron kettles; dough breaking machines; and raising and drying racks.



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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Buch, Robert D., and Ralph Henry Sides. The Pretzel Story. Lincoln, PA: Buch Records Inc., 1966.
Catholic Witness. Harrisburg.
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World Book Encyclopaedia. Vol. P, Chicago: Field Enterprises Educational Corporation, 1971, 684,

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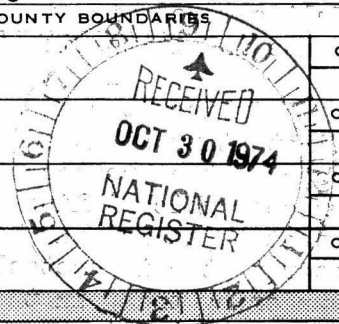
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LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: less than one acre

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: William K. Watson, Historian & Janet G. Smith, Student Aide

ORGANIZATION: PA. Historical and Museum Commission DATE: July, 1974

STREET AND NUMBER: Box 1026, William Penn Memorial Museum

CITY OR TOWN: Harrisburg STATE: Pennsylvania CODE: 42

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: William J. Wewer
 Title: Executive Director of Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission
 Date: 10/25/74

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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

Arthur W. ...
 Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date: 12/16/74

ATTEST: George Emery
 Keeper of the National Register

Date: Dec 12, 1974

PROPERTY Sturgis, Julius, Pretzel House

STATE Pa.

WORKING NUMBER 10.30.74.1827

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Lancaster Co.

TECH REVIEW

PHOTOS 2

MAPS 1

CONTROL REVIEW

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ARCHITECTURAL HISTORIAN

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1/15/75

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Federal Register entry

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Sturgis Pretzel House - Lancaster County
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Broad Street, Lititz, Penna.

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MEL HORST	
WITMER, PENNA. 17585	
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Pretzel House
RESTAURANT & MUSEUM

PRETZEL
HOUSE
RESTAURANT
EST. 1784

Original Pretzel Bakery

EST. 1784

FORM 10-301 A
(6/72)

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Facade and gable end of Sturgis House



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Interior of factory section, showing bake ovens.

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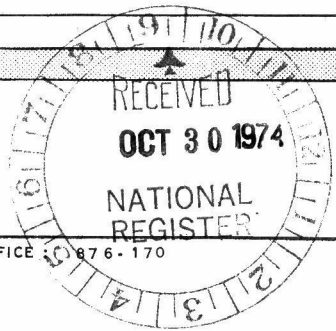
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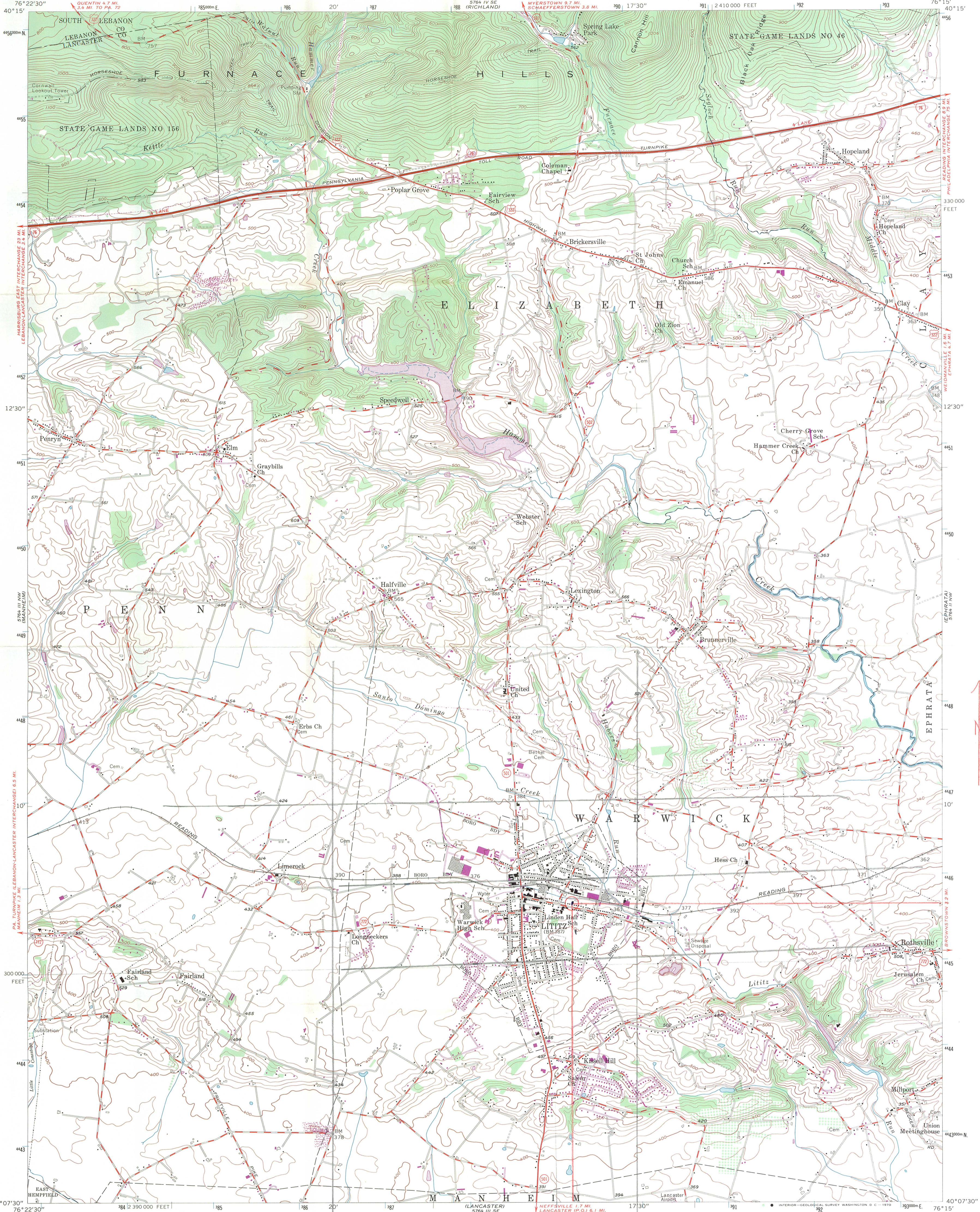
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2. North arrow.
3. Latitude and longitude reference.



Sturgis Pretzel House
40° 09' 23" 76° 18' 02"

LITITZ QUADRANGLE
PENNSYLVANIA
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)
NE/4 LANCASTER 15' QUADRANGLE

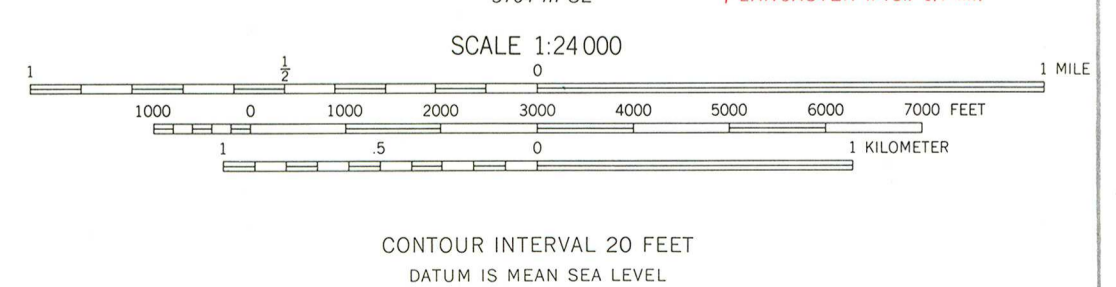
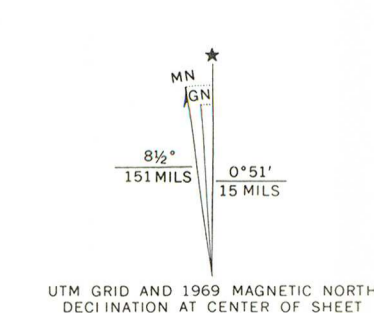
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Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
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ROAD CLASSIFICATION

Heavy-duty	Light-duty
Medium-duty	Unimproved dirt
U. S. Route	State Route
	Interstate Route

LITITZ, PA.
NE/4 LANCASTER 15' QUADRANGLE
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ENTRIES IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

STATE PENNSYLVANIA

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Location</u>
John's Brunt Mill Bridge	South Branch vicinity Adams County
Sturgis, Julius, Pretzel House	Lititz Lancaster County
Meredith, Simon, House	South Coventry Township Chester County
Coventry Hall	South Coventry Township Chester County
Townsend, Samuel and Priscilla, House	South Coventry Township Chester County

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