

**United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service**

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**National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form**

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

- historic Fullerton Inn Hotel,
and/or common Jacktown Inn, Jacksonville Fullerton-Sverdrup House

2. Location

street & number 11029 Old Trail Rd. N/A not for publication
city, town North Huntingdon Twp. Irwin vic. N/A vicinity of
state Pennsylvania code 42 county Westmoreland code 129

3. Classification

| | | | |
|---|--|---|---|
| Category | Ownership | Status | Present Use |
| <input type="checkbox"/> district | <input type="checkbox"/> public | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied | <input type="checkbox"/> agriculture |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s) | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private | <input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied | <input type="checkbox"/> commercial |
| <input type="checkbox"/> structure | <input type="checkbox"/> both | <input type="checkbox"/> work in progress | <input type="checkbox"/> educational |
| <input type="checkbox"/> site | Public Acquisition | Accessible | <input type="checkbox"/> entertainment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> object | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> in process | <input type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted | <input type="checkbox"/> government |
| | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> being considered | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted | <input type="checkbox"/> industrial |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> no | <input type="checkbox"/> military |
| | | | <input 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: |

4. Owner of Property

name Edward F. and Nuala Sverdrup
street & number 11029 Old Trail Road
city, town Irwin vicinity of state PA 15642

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Courthouse, register of deeds office (Westmoreland County)
street & number Main Street
city, town Greensburg state PA 15601

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Westmoreland County Historical Site Survey, North Huntingdon Twp. index file #49. has this property been determined eligible? yes no
date 1979-1981 federal state county local
depository for survey records Planning Commission, Westmoreland County Courthouse
city, town Greensburg state PA 15601

7. Description

Condition

excellent
 good
 fair

deteriorated
 ruins
 unexposed

Check one

unaltered
 altered

Check one

original site
 moved date N/A

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Fullerton Inn is a 2½ story, four bay stone building with a five bay wood frame addition. Both sections are rectangular in plan and vernacular Federal in style.

The original section of the inn was built in 1798. The building is of fieldstone and has a porch on the front facade. Added in the late nineteenth century, the porch has a spindle friese and turned posts. There is also a cantilevered porch on the rear elevation. The roof of the building is gable and has a fieldstone chimney at both ends.

In 1805 a five bay, wood frame section was added to the original stone building. Built on a fieldstone base, the addition has a front porch with a spindle friese that was built as part of the addition in 1805. There is also a cantilevered porch on the rear elevation. The roof is gable and has a chimney at the gable end. Like the original section, the addition retains some of its original hardware including eighteenth century iron strap hinges on the doors.

Fullerton Inn has undergone few changes since its construction. Both rear porches were enclosed to conserve energy and inselbrick was applied to the frame addition (the inselbrick is being removed in an effort to restore the building to its original appearance). The roof of both sections have also been re-shingled.

8. Significance

| Period | Areas of Significance—Check and justify below | | | |
|---|---|---|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> community planning | <input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> religion |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599 | <input type="checkbox"/> agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> economics | <input type="checkbox"/> literature | <input type="checkbox"/> sculpture |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699 | <input type="checkbox"/> architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> education | <input type="checkbox"/> military | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> social/ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799 | <input type="checkbox"/> art | <input type="checkbox"/> engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> music | <input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement | <input type="checkbox"/> philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> theater |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1900- | <input type="checkbox"/> communications | <input type="checkbox"/> industry | <input type="checkbox"/> politics/government | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> transportation |
| | | <input type="checkbox"/> invention | | <input type="checkbox"/> other (specify) |

stone
frame

Specific dates 1798 stone 1805 frame **Builder/Architect** Willian Fullerton.

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

Travel to western Pennsylvania in the late eighteenth century was fraught with many hardships. The extension of the Great Road (now Rt. 30) from Philadelphia to Pittsburgh made the long trip a bit easier. Further facilitating the journey were the inns and taverns, like the Fullerton, that eventually dotted the road. These establishments provided food, lodging and a welcomed respite for weary visitors. Regular stage service and an ever increasing number of travelers in the early nineteenth century brought additional prominence to many of the wayside hospices. Inns like the Fullerton Inn became gathering places, as well as commercial centers for both travelers and the small rural communities that surrounded the taverns. By 1825 these inns had become almost as much a part of the trip west as was the Great Road itself. While most of the early nineteenth century taverns are gone, the Fullerton Inn continues to remind us of the inns that were once an integral part of travel and commerce in Pennsylvania.

William Fullerton came to western Pennsylvania from Lancaster County in the late eighteenth century and built his tavern along the Great Road in 1798. Known for its homey style, the four bay, fieldstone building quickly became a favorite stop for travelers. A large, well supplied fireplace and ready refreshments welcomed all who visited the inn.

As the western traffic accelerated and because his inn had become a regular stage-coach stop, Fullerton expanded his business in 1805. A five bay, wood frame addition was built onto the original stone structure. Afterwards the inn sheltered wagoners, coach drivers and travelers 365 days a year. A place where abundance made up for delicacy and common manners for urbanity, the inn was recognized as a place of conviviality as well as comfortable, clean lodgings.

In addition to being a popular hospice, Fullerton Inn became the commercial heart of the small community, Jacktown, that developed around it. Local farmers found a thriving market at the inn. Meat, fowl, vegetables and fruits were sold to both the tavernkeeper and travelers staying at the tavern. By the 1830's the inn had become a local gathering place where social events could be planned and current events discussed. At least one local fraternal organization, Huntingdon Lodge # 549 of the Independent Order of the Odd Fellows, was formed at the inn. Runaway slaves may also have been harbored at the tavern just prior to the Civil War. Though the name was changed to the Jacktown Inn sometime after the death of William Fullerton in 1820, the inn continued to play a very prominent role in the community well into the late nineteenth century.

Though it survived longer than most stagecoach inns, the Fullerton Inn succumbed in the late nineteenth century. Fortunately the building was maintained and today offers a rare insight into the evolution of transportation, commerce and community in western Pennsylvania.

9. Major Bibliographical References

History of Westmoreland County, George Dallas Albert, Phila. 1882 pp 553, 556, 654.
 History of Westmoreland County, John N. Boucher, edited by John W. Jordan,
 1906, New York/Chicago, Vol. I, p 515; Vol. II, p 477; Vol. III, pp 154-155.
 Westmoreland County Atlas, 1867, 1876, p 54, (H. Fullerton Heirs.)
 Tales from Tinker Run, Gail P. Altman and Dr. Tom Agnew, Irwin, PA 1872, 524.

10. Geographical Data Westmoreland County Deed Book, Vol. 2208, p/

Acreeage of nominated property 0.97 acre
 Quadrangle name Irwin Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UTM References

| | | | | | | | |
|---|------|-------------|---------------|---|------|---------|----------|
| A | 1 7 | 6 0 8 2 0 0 | 4 4 6 4 9 2 0 | B | | | |
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| C | | | | D | | | |
| E | | | | F | | | |
| G | | | | H | | | |

Verbal boundary description and justification

(See Continuation Sheet)

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

| | | | | | | | |
|-------|-----|------|-----|--------|-----|------|-----|
| state | N/A | code | N/A | county | N/A | code | N/A |
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11. Form Prepared By

name/title Helene Smith & George Swetnam
 organization N/A date April 16, 1982
 street & number P.O. Box 140 A, R.D. #3 telephone Smith (412) 832-7767
Swetnam (412) 486-7880
 city or town Greensburg state PA 15601

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

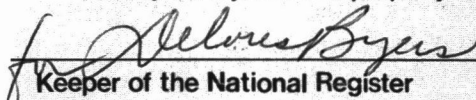
national state local

As the designated State Historic Preservation 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

State Historic Preservation Officer signature 
 title Larry E. Tise, State Historic Preservation Officer date 5/12/83

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


 Keeper of the National Register date 6/30/83

Attest: date
 Chief of Registration

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Westmoreland County

Continuation sheet Fullerton-Stagecoach Inn Item number 10 Page 2

All that certain lot, piece or parcel of ground situated in the Township of North Huntingdon, County of Westmoreland and Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, being an unnumbered parcel in the White Plan of Lots recorded in the Office of the Recorder of Deeds in and for Westmoreland County, Pennsylvania in Plan Book Volume 38 page 23, more particularly bounded and described as follows, to wit:

BEGINNING at a point on the Northwesterly corner of the intersection of the Lincoln Highway, Old ROUTE, AND Southside Road; thence from said point of beginning and by the Northerly line of the Lincoln Highway, Old Route, North 75° 03' West 321.09 feet to a post; thence leaving said Lincoln Highway and proceeding in a Northernly direction, North 12° 05' East 133 feet to a point; thence by other property of the grantors herein, South 77° 50' East 291.27 feet to a point on the Westerly line of Southside Road aforesaid; thence by the Westerly line of Southside Road, South 4° 15' West 149.83 feet to a point at the place of beginning. CONTAINING an area of 0.97 acres according to survey of Richard F. Territt, Registered Surveyor.

HAVING erected thereon a two-story stone dwelling and an adjoining two-story frame dwelling. DEED BOOK 2208, p. 524.

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Fullerton Inn
Westmoreland County
PENNSYLVANIA

Working No. 6/1/83
Fed. Reg. Date: 2-7-84
Date Due: 6/30/83 — 7/16/83
Action: ACCEPT 6/30/83
 RETURN
 REJECT
Entered in the National Register
Federal Agency: _____

- resubmission
- nomination by person or local government
- owner objection
- appeal

Substantive Review: sample request appeal NR decision

Reviewer's comments: _____
Recom./Criteria _____
Reviewer _____
Discipline _____
Date _____
see continuation sheet

Nomination returned for: technical corrections cited below
 substantive reasons discussed below

1. Name

2. Location

3. Classification

| | | | |
|----------|--------------------|------------|-------------|
| Category | Ownership | Status | Present Use |
| | Public Acquisition | Accessible | |

4. Owner of Property

5. Location of Legal Description

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

Has this property been determined eligible? yes no

7. Description

| | | | |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| Condition | | Check one | Check one |
| <input type="checkbox"/> excellent | <input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated | <input type="checkbox"/> unaltered | <input type="checkbox"/> original site |
| <input type="checkbox"/> good | <input type="checkbox"/> ruins | <input type="checkbox"/> altered | <input type="checkbox"/> moved date _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> fair | <input type="checkbox"/> unexposed | | |

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

- summary paragraph
- completeness
- clarity
- alterations/integrity
- dates
- boundary selection

8. Significance

Period _____ Areas of Significance—Check and justify below

Specific dates _____ Builder/Architect _____

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

- _____ summary paragraph
- _____ completeness
- _____ clarity
- _____ applicable criteria
- _____ justification of areas checked
- _____ relating significance to the resource
- _____ context
- _____ relationship of integrity to significance
- _____ justification of exception
- _____ other

9. Major Bibliographical References

10. Geographical Data

Acres of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

UNIT References

Verbal boundary description and justification

11. Form Prepared By

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

_____ national _____ state _____ local

State Historic Preservation Officer signature _____

title _____ date _____

13. Other

- _____ Maps
- _____ Photographs
- _____ Other

Questions concerning this nomination may be directed to _____

Signed _____ Date _____ Phone: 202 272-3504

Comments for any item may be continued on an attached sheet



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Jacktown Inn - rear view
N. Huntingdon Twp. Westmoreland
County - Swetnam/Smith photo

Fullerton Stagecoach Inn
Westmoreland County
PD: 1980 PC: Smith & Swetnam
NL: with photographers
PV: rear and side elevations



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Jacktown Inn - front view
N. Huntingdon Twp. Westmoreland
County - Swetnam/Smith photo

Fullerton Stagecoach Inn
Westmoreland County
PD: 1980 PC: Smith & Swetnam
NL: with photographers
PV: front and side elevations



Fullerton - Sverdrup house
(inn)

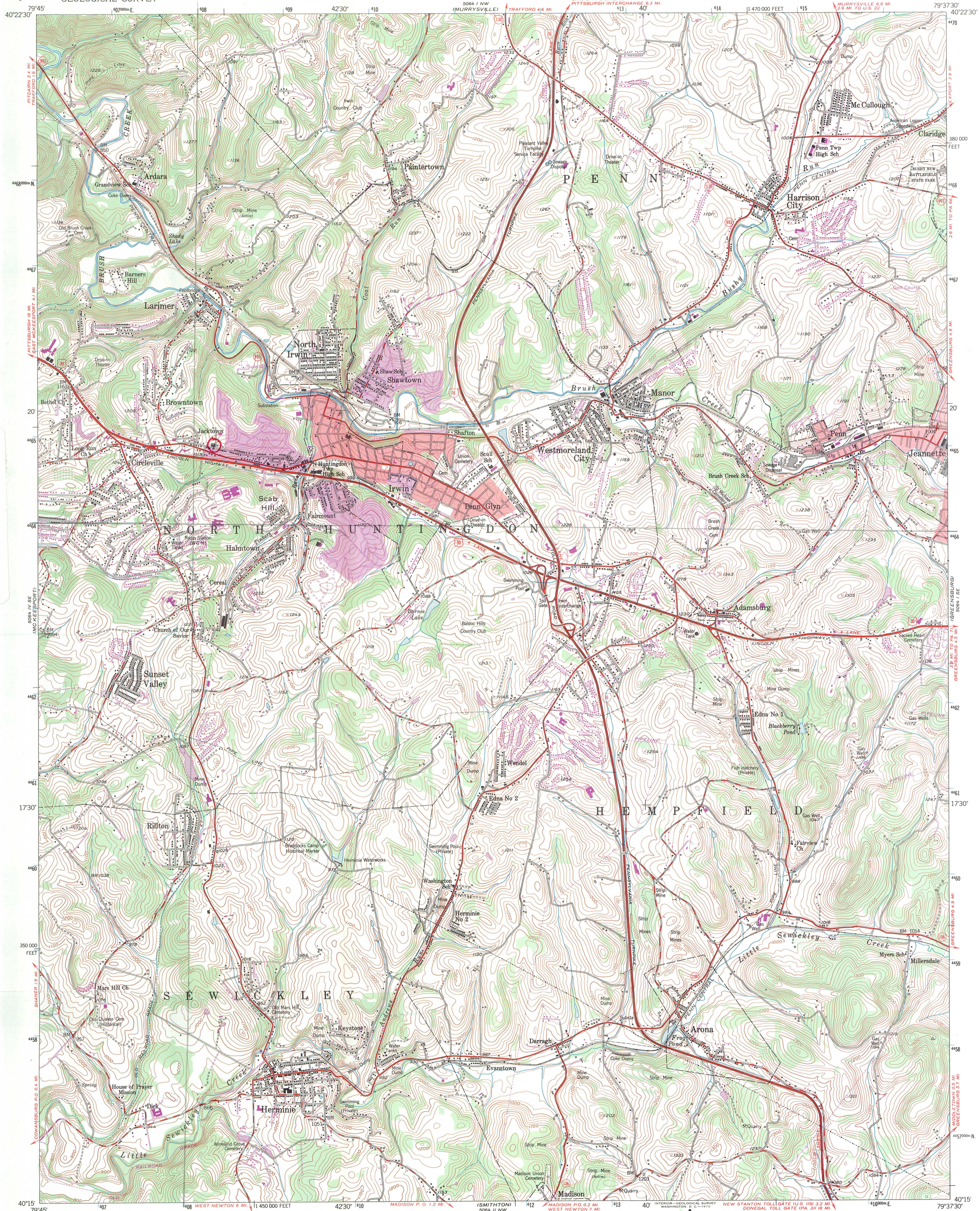
Westmoreland County
Museum of Art

Fullerton Stagecoach Inn
Westmoreland County
PD: 1980 PC: ?
NL: with owners
PV: historic photo of Inn



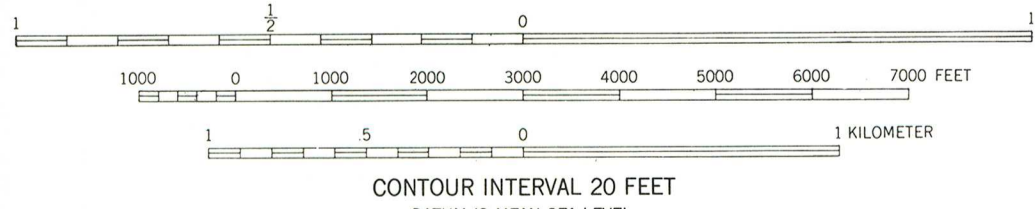
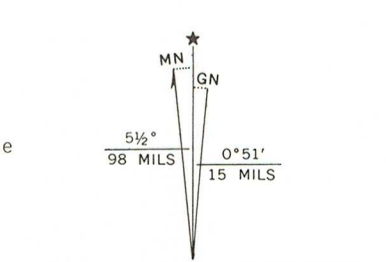
Fullerton-Sverdrop house (inn)
County
photo - Westmoreland, Museum
of Art

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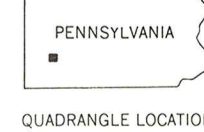
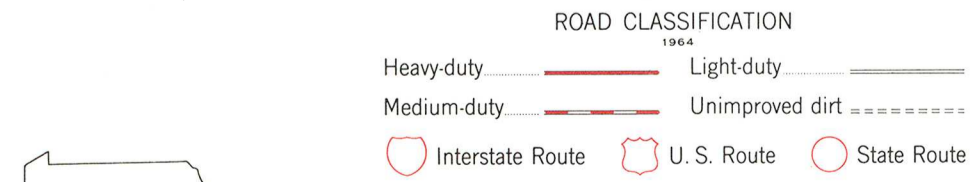


Fullerton Stagecoach Inn
Westmoreland County, Pa.
Zone: 17
E. 608200 N. 4464920

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Topography from aerial photographs by multiplex methods
Aerial photographs taken 1952. Field check 1953
Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum
10,000-foot grid based on Pennsylvania coordinate system, south zone
1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks, zone 17,
shown in blue
Red tint indicates areas in which only landmark buildings are shown
Revisions shown in purple compiled in cooperation with
State of Pennsylvania agencies from aerial photographs taken 1969
This information not field checked
Purple tint indicates extension of urban areas



CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL



IRWIN, PA.
SW/4 GREENSBURG 15 QUADRANGLE
N4015—W7937.5/7.5

1953
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