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NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

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

SEE INSTRUCTIONS IN HOW TO COMPLETE NATIONAL REGISTER FORMS
TYPE ALL ENTRIES -- COMPLETE APPLICABLE SECTIONS

1 NAME

HISTORIC Williamsport City Hall

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Pine Street

CITY, TOWN

Williamsport

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

17

STATE

Pennsylvania

VICINITY OF

CODE

42

COUNTY

Lycoming

CODE

081

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE <input type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL <input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL <input type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE RESIDENCE
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGIOUS
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

NAME

City of Williamsport

STREET & NUMBER

City Hall

CITY, TOWN

Williamsport

VICINITY OF

STATE

Pennsylvania

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Lycoming County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

Third and Pine Streets

CITY, TOWN

Williamsport

STATE

Pennsylvania

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Historical Preservation, A Plan for Lycoming County

DATE

September 1974

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Lycoming County Planning Commission

CITY, TOWN

Williamsport

STATE

Pennsylvania

DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

EXCELLENT
 GOOD
 FAIR

DETERIORATED
 RUINS
 UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

UNALTERED
 ALTERED

CHECK ONE

ORIGINAL SITE
 MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Williamsport City Hall by Eber Culver of Culver and Hudson, architects, was built in 1894. It is a late Victorian and Romanesque style public building with an irregular and assymmetrical elevation and floor-plan. The main facade and adjacent side structure remain essentially as built, except that ivy is grown over much of the entrance side (Pine Street, west). The back elevation has two additions(1) a one-story entrance in front of the recessed central portion and (2) a two-story extension of the northeast corners (North and Court Streets). The overall structure measures 68' 4" x 108' 2" in a plan that juxtaposes two main blocks 40' 6" x 54' 2" and one 51' 2" x 49' 8" (latter dimentions omit additions).

On the elevation, two towers, a large rectangular tower and a smaller octagonal tower, separate the major blocks and accent the entrance. The sections are 3 to 4 stories high with numerous small chimneys, gables, domers and spires.

The building is of yellow brick and trimmed in stone. Windows and entrance emphasis low sprung rounded arches (in the Romanesque style), molded brick ornamentation and terra cotta columns. The city hall has a steeply pitched, cross gables slate roof with some copper decoration.

The interior has been greatly altered. The Common Council and Select Council chambers are now offices. The hardwood trim has been painted and the interior veneered, The third and fourth floors have never been finished or used.

81 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD

- PREHISTORIC
- 1400-1499
- 1500-1599
- 1600-1699
- 1700-1799
- 1800-1899
- 1900-

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

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| <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNITY PLANNING | <input type="checkbox"/> LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> RELIGION |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC | <input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION | <input type="checkbox"/> LAW | <input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> AGRICULTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> ECONOMICS | <input type="checkbox"/> LITERATURE | <input type="checkbox"/> SCULPTURE |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE | <input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION | <input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY | <input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ART | <input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING | <input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC | <input type="checkbox"/> THEATER |
| <input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE | <input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY | <input type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION |
| <input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS | <input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT | <input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY) |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION | | |

SPECIFIC DATES

1894

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

Eber Culver (Culver & Hudson)

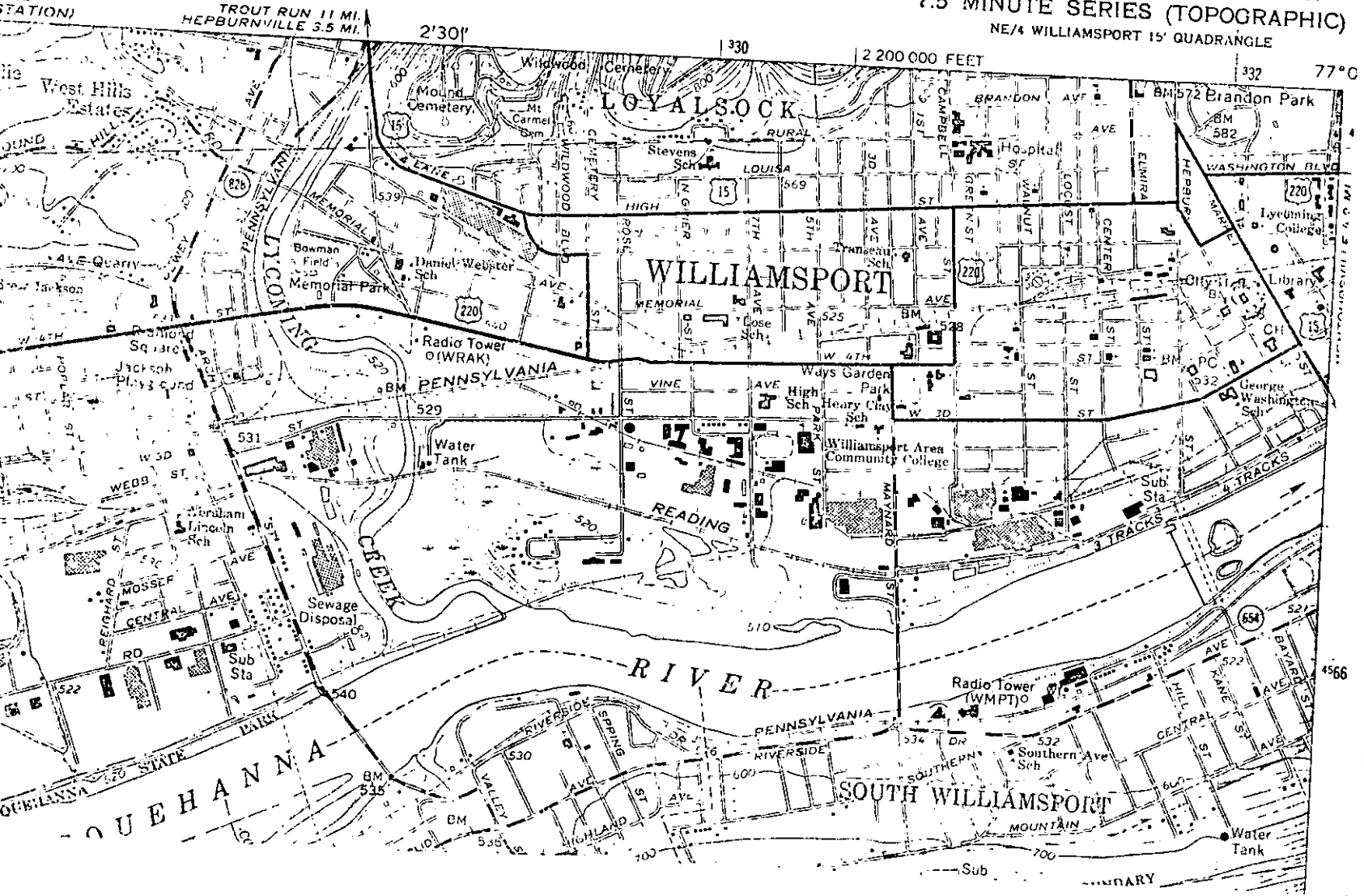
STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Williamsport City Hall was built in 1894 according to designs of Eber Culver of the firm Culver & Hudson. The firm was responsible for at least its extant speculative residences for Peter Herdic, local entrepreneur in the 1870's and 1880's in Williamsport. Culver & Hudson were the chief exponents of the eclectic Victorian style in the city. The Williamsport City Hall is the only public building executed by the firm and continues the late 19th century picturesque idiom in a Romanesque style. The city hall is the only large government building by an important local architectural firm. The style derives from several decades of Romanesque and 14th - 15th century Italianate revivals that began in U.S. with H.H. Richardson. It is the unique example of this style for public buildings in Williamsport.

PENNSYLVANIA
INTERNAL AFFAIRS
GEOLOGIC SURVEY

WILLIAMSPORT QUADRANGLE
PENNSYLVANIA-LYCOMING CO.
7.5 MINUTE SERIES (TOPOGRAPHIC)
NE/4 WILLIAMSPORT 15' QUADRANGLE

5656 IV SW
CONTOURVILLE NORTH



WILLIAMSPORT CITY HALL

Lycoming County
Zone 18

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