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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

CENTRAL RAILROAD OF NEW JERSEY FREIGHT STATION

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

602 West Lackawanna Avenue

--NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CITY, TOWN

Scranton

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

10

-- VICINITY OF

STATE

Pennsylvania

CODE

42

COUNTY

Lackawanna

CODE

069

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 type="checkbox"/> MUSEUM
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> BUILDING(S)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRIVATE	<input type="checkbox"/> UNOCCUPIED	<input checked="" 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 type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENTIFIC
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input 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

Cognetti Enterprises, Inc.

STREET & NUMBER

c/o 301 Genet Street

CITY, TOWN

Scranton

-- VICINITY OF

STATE

Pennsylvania 18505

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.

Lackawanna County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER

North Washington Avenue

CITY, TOWN

Scranton

STATE

Pennsylvania

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE

Pennsylvania Inventory of Historic Places

DATE

2/13/79

--FEDERAL STATE --COUNTY --LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission

CITY, TOWN

Harrisburg

STATE

Pennsylvania

7 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

The Central Railroad of New Jersey Freight Station is a basically rectangular brick structure with a tapering east end. This two section station is located on the banks of the Lackawanna River in Scranton. The western section is three stories with a deeply hipped roof and hipped roof dormers. Paired 6 over 6 light windows are located in each dormer. The brick walls are divided visually by brick beltcourses. Second story windows in this section are paired one over one double hung sash. The first story of the western section and eastern section are tied visually as well as physically. Large round arched windows and doorways with heavy radiating brick arches give the station a "Richardson Romanesque" flavor. Multi-paned windows topped with bars are located in these archways. A three story circular tower with a conical roof is located in the northwest corner of the western section. Decorative brick beltcourses in a checkerboard pattern separate the three tower levels. Windows under these arches are multi-paned with bars.

The eastern section is two stories with a deeply hipped sloping roof and hipped roofed dormers.

Many of the windows have been boarded up to secure the building. The eaves and roof are in an advanced state of decay. The interior of the first floor is basically unchanged, however, the second floor has been altered for use as office space.

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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
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<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> TRANSPORTATION
<input type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMUNICATIONS	<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRY	<input type="checkbox"/> POLITICS/GOVERNMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> OTHER (SPECIFY)
		<input type="checkbox"/> INVENTION		

SPECIFIC DATES 1891

BUILDER/ARCHITECT Wilson Brothers

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

From a period of 1866 to after the stock market crash of 1929, Scranton and the Lackawanna Valley supplied the nation with coal. To ship the coal, the railroads were built. This all took place locally throughout the entire Wyoming Valley, stretching from above Carbondale in the north to below Nanticoke in the south. During this period, Scranton was a boom town and railroads were a part of that success. The Central Railroad of New Jersey Freight Station played an important part in the growth of commerce in this region.

In 1886, the Central railroad extended their line from Wilkes-Barre to Scranton. In 1890 a passenger station was built across Lackawanna Avenue from the freight station was built in 1891. In 1910, the passenger station burned to the ground. A new station was then built but has since been demolished.

Railroads played a major role in the development of Scranton as well as the whole of northeastern Pennsylvania. The Central Railroad of New Jersey Freight Station is one of the few remaining stations still standing in Scranton. It is a fine example of the type of station once prevalent in the area.

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MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

See Continuation Sheet

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY 1

QUADRANGLE NAME Scranton, Pa.

QUADRANGLE SCALE 1:24,000

UTM REFERENCES

A 18 443900 4584450

ZONE EASTING NORTHING

B

ZONE EASTING NORTHING

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VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

See Continuation Sheet

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME / TITLE

John T. Cognetti

ORGANIZATION

Architectural Heritage Association of Northeastern, Pa.

DATE

STREET & NUMBER

Box 1301

TELEPHONE

CITY OR TOWN

Scranton

STATE

Pennsylvania 18501

12 STATE HISTORIC PRESERVATION OFFICER CERTIFICATION

THE EVALUATED SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS PROPERTY WITHIN THE STATE IS:

NATIONAL

STATE

LOCAL X

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 Ed Weintraub
Director, Office of Historic Preservation

DATE

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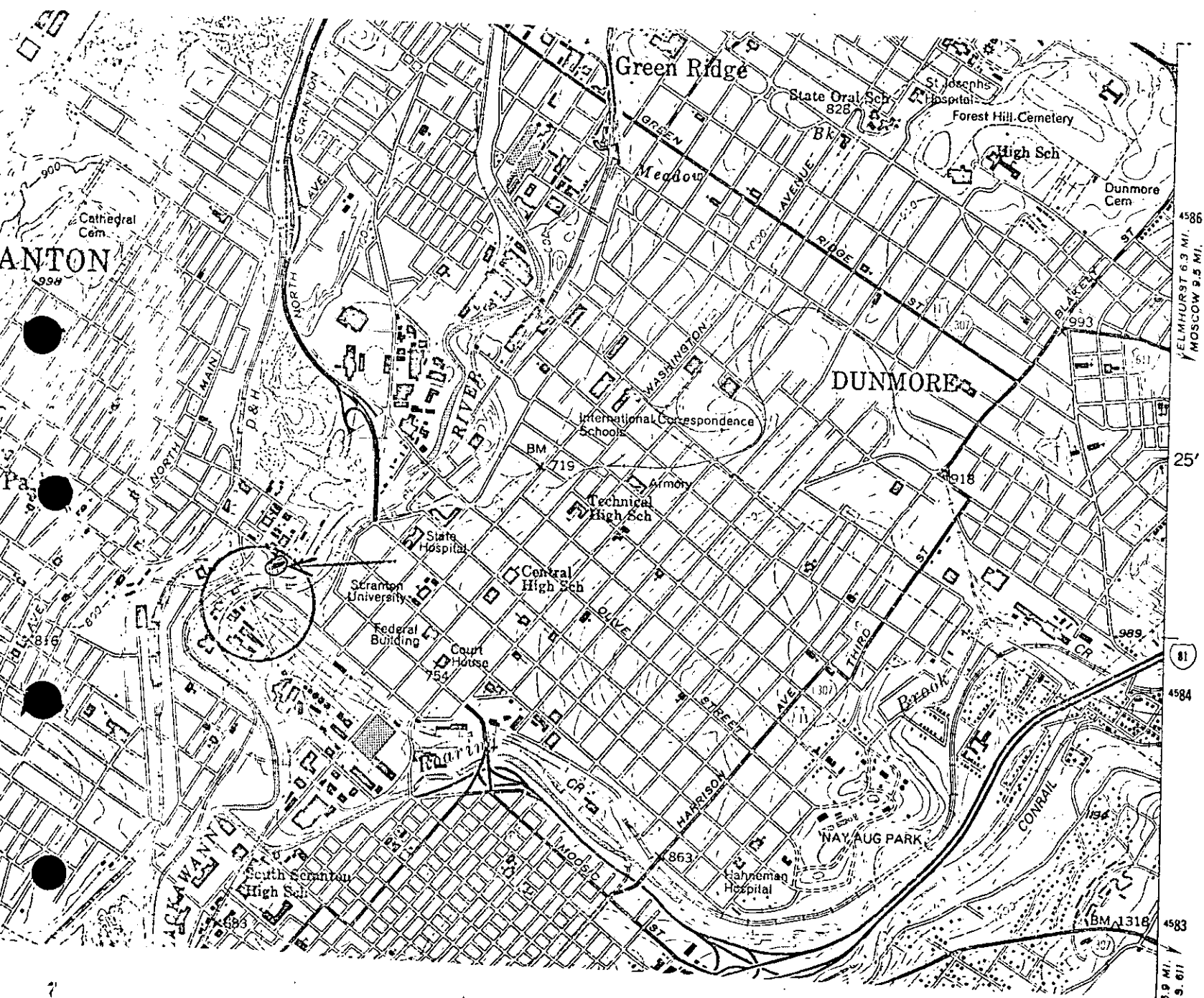
I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

ATTEST: KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER

DATE

CHIEF OF REGISTRATION



ANTON
998

Green Ridge

State Oral Sch
828

St. Josephs
Hospital

Forest Hill Cemetery

High Sch

Dunmore
Cem

DUNMORE

International Correspondence
Schools

Technical
High Sch

Central
High Sch

Stranton
University

Federal
Building

Court
House

South Stranton
High Sch

Wahnehan
Hospital

WAYAUG PARK

4586
VELMHURST 6.3 MI.
MOSCOW 9.5 MI.

25'

81

4584

4583

3.9 MI.
9.6 MI.