

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Pennsylvania	
COUNTY: Lebanon	
FOR NPS USE ONLY	
ENTRY NUMBER	DATE

1. NAME

COMMON:
House of Miller at Millbach

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Mueller House; Illig's Mill

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
Route 1 Box 48

CITY OR TOWN:
Newmanstown

STATE Pennsylvania	CODE 42	COUNTY: Lebanon	CODE 075
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3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure 	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<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	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)				
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <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 (Specify)	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Mrs. H. O. Lewis

STREET AND NUMBER:
Route 1 Box 48

CITY OR TOWN:
Newmanstown

STATE: Pennsylvania	CODE 42
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5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Municipal Bldg., Recorder of Deeds, Book D, vol. 9, pg. 584

STREET AND NUMBER:
South Eighth and Oak Streets

CITY OR TOWN:
Lebanon

STATE: Pennsylvania	CODE 42
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6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
Historic American Buildings Survey

DATE OF SURVEY: 1959 Federal State County Local

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Library of Congress

STREET AND NUMBER:
10 First Street S.E.

CITY OR TOWN:
Washington

STATE: D.C.	CODE 08
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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 House of Miller (Mueller) at Millbach bears a date stone of 1752. This Germanic-influenced house is 2½ stories high with a double attic. It is made of cut limestone with red sandstone used in the quoins and radiating arches over the first floor windows and doors. The house is three bays across and is 2 rooms deep.

The roof is gambrel with a kick or bell cast. A pent eave was originally built around the first floor but was removed as is evidenced by the remaining belt course. A pent eave still can be seen on the open end of the gambrel roof. Originally fitted with 6-over-6 sash, the house is now fitted with Victorian 4-over-4 and lighter frames. A moulded cornice rounds the house just above the second story. A small pedimented eave portico hangs over the front door while a veranda is on the rear of the house. The house has a basement with windows on the ground level.

Attached to the Miller house is a stone mill building built in 1784 on the foundations of an earlier log structure. The Mill building is built of limestone cut similar to the house. It has a gable roof, is 2½ stories high and has circular windows at each gable end of the building. The present porch replaces an original pent roof and the string course between the floors indicates that a pent was once there. Window placement on the outside wall of the mill is irregular and the main feature of the mill is a door built into a dormer with an extended pediment over the door. The mill also has a beautifully done raised panel door.

On the property is a small log cabin. The cabin is one story and about 11 feet high by 10 feet across by 8 feet deep. It is constructed of dovetailed logs filled in with mortar. To the left front of the cabin is a door and the left side contains a small window about 5 feet off the ground. The cabin has a wooden shingle roof.

A barn is also on the property.

The interior of the Miller house was done in elegant style with richly carved but simple woodwork. Much of the woodwork was removed and is on display in the Philadelphia Museum of Art.

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3. 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)

1752 and 1784

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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

Germanic architecture

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The Miller house at Millbach is significant mainly for its accurate representation of Germanic architecture as found in Pennsylvania. The gambrel roof and absence of symmetry in exterior features balanced with the asymmetrical floor plan and central chimney point to a premier example of German architecture in the Pennsylvania style.

The Mill is significant as a representation of the co-ordination of small industry with the family. The mill is directly attached to the house and both form an 'L'. Parts of the mill are still on the property.

Besides being one of the finer examples of German architecture in the Commonwealth, the Miller house and mill are significant because of its massive dimensions for that era and location. Its interior which is also representative of Germanic tastes is intact in the Philadelphia Museum of Art, although some of the upper floors remains. Some features such as the arched stairway, exterior millwork and associated rural buildings still exist on the property.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Brumbaugh, G. Edwin, Colonial Architecture of the Pennsylvania Germans., 1933
 Dickson, Harold E., A Hundred Pennsylvania Buildings. 1954
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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			CORNER	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
LATITUDE		LONGITUDE		LATITUDE		LONGITUDE
CORNER	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds	Degrees	Minutes	Seconds
NW	40°	19'	54"	76°	14'	38"
NE	40°	19'	54"	76°	13'	54"
SE	40°	19'	27"	76°	13'	54"
SW	40°	19'	27"	76°	12'	38"

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY:

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:
 Register of Pennsylvania Historic Sites and Landmarks

ORGANIZATION:
 Pennsylvania Historical and Museum Commission

DATE:
 March, 1972

STREET AND NUMBER:
 Box 1026

CITY OR TOWN:
 Harrisburg

STATE:
 Pennsylvania

CODE:
 42

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

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 _____

Title _____

Date _____

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

 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date _____

ATTEST:

 Keeper of The National Register

Date _____

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SE	46°	19'	27"	76°	13'	54"						
SW	46°	19'	27"	76°	14'	38"						

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National State Local

Name: William J. Shreve
 Title: Deputy Executive Director, Pa. Historical & Museum Commission
 Date: 5/18/72

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

Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation
 Date: _____
 ATTEST: _____
Keeper of The National Register
 Date: _____

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57° 14' N
156° 10' W
(BETHEL)

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

76° 15' W
40° 22' 30" N

