

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY -- NOMINATION FORM

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1 NAME

HISTORIC The Drift Mansion

AND/OR COMMON

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2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER 3½ miles south of the village of Wrightsville
on State Route 624 in Lower Windsor Township

CITY, TOWN

Wrightsville

VICINITY OF

NOT FOR PUBLICATION

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

19

STATE

Pa.

CODE

42

COUNTY

York

CODE

133

3 CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	PRESENT USE
<input type="checkbox"/> DISTRICT	<input type="checkbox"/> PUBLIC	<input 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"/> MUSEUM
<input type="checkbox"/> STRUCTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> BOTH	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WORK IN PROGRESS	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCIAL
<input type="checkbox"/> SITE	PUBLIC ACQUISITION	ACCESSIBLE	<input type="checkbox"/> PARK
<input type="checkbox"/> OBJECT	<input type="checkbox"/> IN PROCESS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: RESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATIONAL
	<input type="checkbox"/> BEING CONSIDERED	<input type="checkbox"/> YES: UNRESTRICTED	<input type="checkbox"/> ENTERTAINMENT
		<input type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT
			<input type="checkbox"/> INDUSTRIAL
			<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY
			<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OTHER:

4 OWNER OF PROPERTY

(unoccupied private residence)

NAME Kenneth and Helen Wallick

STREET & NUMBER Buttonwood Way

CITY, TOWN

Moylan-Rose Valley

VICINITY OF

STATE

Pa.

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC. York County Courthouse

STREET & NUMBER Market Street

CITY, TOWN

York

STATE

Pa.

6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE Deed Survey

DATE October, 1958

FEDERAL STATE COUNTY LOCAL

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS York County Courthouse

CITY, TOWN

York

STATE

Pa.

7 DESCRIPTION

CONDITION		CHECK ONE	CHECK ONE
<input type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> UNALTERED	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ORIGINAL SITE
<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> ALTERED	<input type="checkbox"/> MOVED DATE _____
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> UNEXPOSED		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Dritt House was built in the early 18th century and has remained virtually unchanged, since its construction. It is a two-and-a-half story fieldstone house, 50 ft. long and 40 ft. wide with cedar-shingle saddle roof. Hand-hewn logs support the first floor and a brick partition forms the hallway walls on the first floor.

There are six panellèd doorways on the first floor and seven nine-over-nine sash windows. The second floor has twelve nine-over-nine sash windows. A single flue chimney is on each gable and an attic which is 20 ft. high contains three small two-over-two windows on one gable and one of these windows on the opposite gable. The house also contains a vaulted cold cellar. A stone brick course can be found on the four facades between the first and second floors and between the second and attic floors.

The flooring material used throughout the house is 5/4" Pennsylvania pine of a variety of widths. Each board is either tongued on both edges or grooved on both edges. The nails used in the floors are hand shaped and tapered on four sides. Extending the entire width of the door are pintle and gudgeon hinges.

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
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC	<input type="checkbox"/> CONSERVATION	<input type="checkbox"/> LAW	<input type="checkbox"/> SCIENCE
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> ARCHITECTURE	<input type="checkbox"/> EDUCATION	<input type="checkbox"/> MILITARY	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> ART	<input type="checkbox"/> ENGINEERING	<input type="checkbox"/> MUSIC	<input type="checkbox"/> THEATER
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> COMMERCE	<input type="checkbox"/> EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT	<input type="checkbox"/> PHILOSOPHY	<input 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

1758

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This 18th century stone farmhouse has architectural significance as a fine example of early Colonial Housing. The house was built by an Englishman, but the craftsmen were of German ancestry and both influences are present in the architectural style. The staircase represents the Germanic architectural style while the corner fireplaces are representatives of the English.

During its time, the house was considered a "General's Mansion" and only a wealthy man like General Jacob Dritt could afford such a luxury. He was a Major General of the 5th Division of the Pennsylvania Militia composed of York and Adams Counties.

The simplistic beauty of the house and the fact that it has remained well preserved for 200 years provides an opportunity for us to gain insight to an important era in our nation's history.

9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

10 GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY .4 acres

UTM REFERENCES

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ZONE				EASTING				NORTHING					

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION

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

STATE	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11 FORM PREPARED BY

NAME/TITLE P. L. Wallick
Irene Schiavoni, Student Aide

ORGANIZATION None DATE

Pa. Historical and Museum Commission

STREET & NUMBER Buttonwood Way TELEPHONE

Box 1026, Wm. Penn Museum

CITY OR TOWN Moylan-Rose Valley STATE

Harrisburg Pa.

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 *[Signature]*

TITLE Executive Director
Pa. Historical and Museum Commission

DATE 3/3/77

FOR NPS USE ONLY	
I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS PROPERTY IS INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL REGISTER	DATE
DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF ARCHEOLOGY AND HISTORIC PRESERVATION	DATE
ATTEST:	DATE
KEEPER OF THE NATIONAL REGISTER	

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COLUMBIA 5 MI.
WRIGHTSVILLE 3.2 MI.

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Corner

Dritt Mansion,
York County
zone 18

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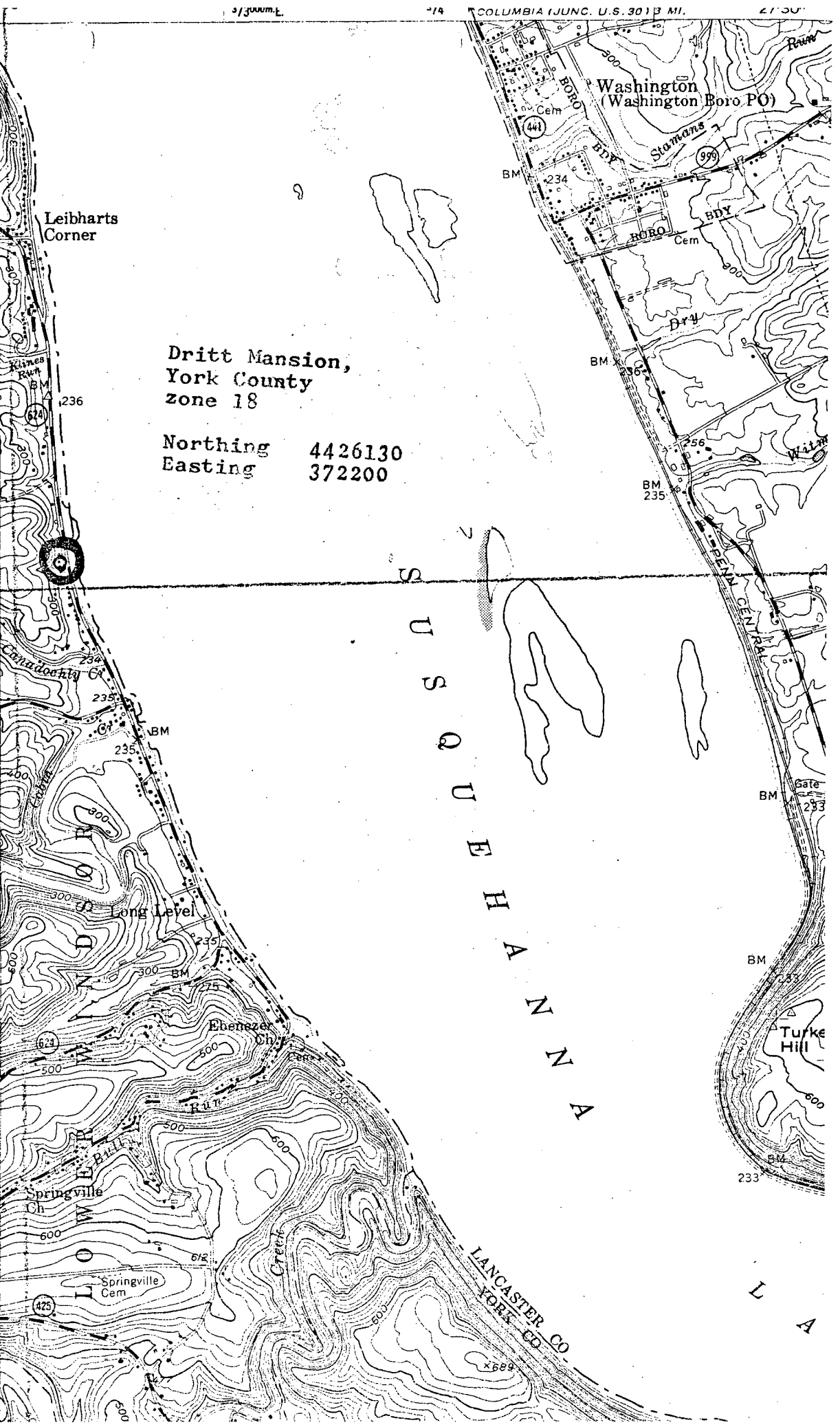
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OSPECT 2.8 MI.
CRALEY 0.6 MI.



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YORK CO.

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