

**United States Department of the Interior
Heritage Conservation and Recreation 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 EDWARD SAEGER HOUSE

and/or common

2. Location

street & number 375 Main Street _____ not for publication

city, town Saegertown _____ vicinity of _____ congressional district 24

state Pennsylvania code 42 county Crawford code 039

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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Mr. and Mrs. Richard Hazen

street & number 375 Main Street

city, town Saegertown _____ vicinity of _____ state Pennsylvania 16433

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Crawford County Courthouse

street & number 903 Diamond Park

city, town Meadville _____ state Pennsylvania

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Pennsylvania Inventory of Historic Places has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date January 22, 1979 _____ federal state _____ county _____ local

depository 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 seager House is a frame structure with clapboard siding resting on a cut stone foundation. The two story home measures 34' x 34', is 3 bay x 4 bay and contains a full attic and basement. The windows are 6 over 6 lights and the gable roof has two interior chimneys. A lunette is encased on the pedimented gable end.

The most interesting feature of this house is the second story veranda which dominates the north, south and west elevations. Incorporated within the Greek Revival style of the house, the columns are of square Tuscan order. A balustrade lines the three sides of the veranda.

Only two major alterations to the structure have been made. The Victorian style front door is apparently an alteration and is of unknown date. An addition was put on the kitchen in approximately 1866.

The interior is plain and symmetrical and has not been changed significantly over the years. There is a central hallway on the first and second floors running from front to back. It is 5' wide and has two rooms on each side of both levels. A narrow staircase of two flights, connected by a landing, is situated at the rear of the hallway. The first floor rooms measure 14' x 15' with 9'2" ceilings. All rooms contain connecting doors as well as openings to the hall. The front two rooms have broad openings to the hall with wide hinged panels that may be closed (front left is missing). There are 8 original fireplaces still in working order placed back to back, with the front right first floor fireplace remodeled. The large fireplace in the kitchen has its original crane, a large brick hearth, and wooden shutters for closure. The width of the second floor rooms are 4½' less than the first floor rooms due to the recessed upper veranda running the full length of the house on either side. The floors throughout the home are of 6" pine planking. A doorway was converted from a center window on the second level. The back door, on the first floor, was relocated when a new kitchen was added. The back left upstairs room was remodeled to provide modern bath facilities.

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
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<input checked="" 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 c. 1845 **Builder/Architect** Edward Saeger, Builder

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The architecture of the Edward Saeger House is of an unusual design for a rural Borough such as Saegertown. It bears a relationship to the Baldwin-Reynolds House (listed on the National Register) in the City of Meadville in that it too has a second floor, southern style porch. The state of preservation for the Saeger House can be made as very good. The Saeger House is a beautiful example of Greek Revival style. It has undergone very little remodeling over the past 130 years and still maintains its air of originality.

The settlement began at what is now known as Saegertown ca. 1795, when the brothers, Arthur and Patrick McGill, came to Woodcock Township. After Major Roger Alden built a sawmill in Saegertown, approximately 1800, the settlement was known for several years as Aldens Mill. In 1824, Daniel Saeger bought Alden's mill and adjacent lands and at the age of 44, he laid out the town under its present name.

Saeger, a native of Pennsylvania of German descent, left Egypt, Pa. in 1823 to find a suitable place to settle. After he arrived in Saegertown, he attracted to the area a large number of German yeomanry from Lehigh and other eastern Pa. counties.

Being active in the community, Saeger was an early member of the Lutheran Church, the owner of a sawmill and general store, and a justice of the peace. He was a member of the Pa. State Legislature.

Edward Saeger, born to Daniel and Margaret (Snyder) Saeger in 1806, bought the property on Main Street in 1845 and soon after built the home which is the subject of this documentation. Edward was one of the directors of the Meadville, Klecknerville and Edinboro Plack Road Company from 1849 to 1851.

9. Major Biographical References

Crawford County Bicentennial Committee, "The Saegertown Pioneers and the Patrick McGill House, Saegertown, Pa., 1802-1976." Garber Compnty, Ashland, Ohio, 1976.

History of Crawford Co. Pa., 2 Vols, Chicago, 1885, Vol. I, p. 270

10. Geographical Data

Stotz, Charles Morse, AIA, The Early Architecture of Western Pa., NY 1936

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Quadrangle name Meadville, Pa.

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UMT References

A 17 57108610 46186180
Zone Easting Northing

B
Zone Easting Northing

C

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Verbal boundary description and justification The Saeger House is bounded on the N by Erie Street for 110'; on the E by land of Andrew H. Smith for 99'; on the S by land of Fred W. Floyd for 110'; on the W by Main Street for 99'. Tax #4511-11

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

state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Laurie Hill and Jacqueline L. Brown, Researcher

organization Crawford Co. Planning Commission date

street & number Crawford Co. Courthouse telephone 814-336-1151, ext. 61

city or town Meadville state Pennsylvania 16335

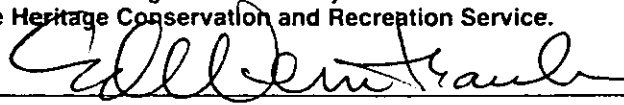
12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

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 Heritage Conservation and Recreation Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature



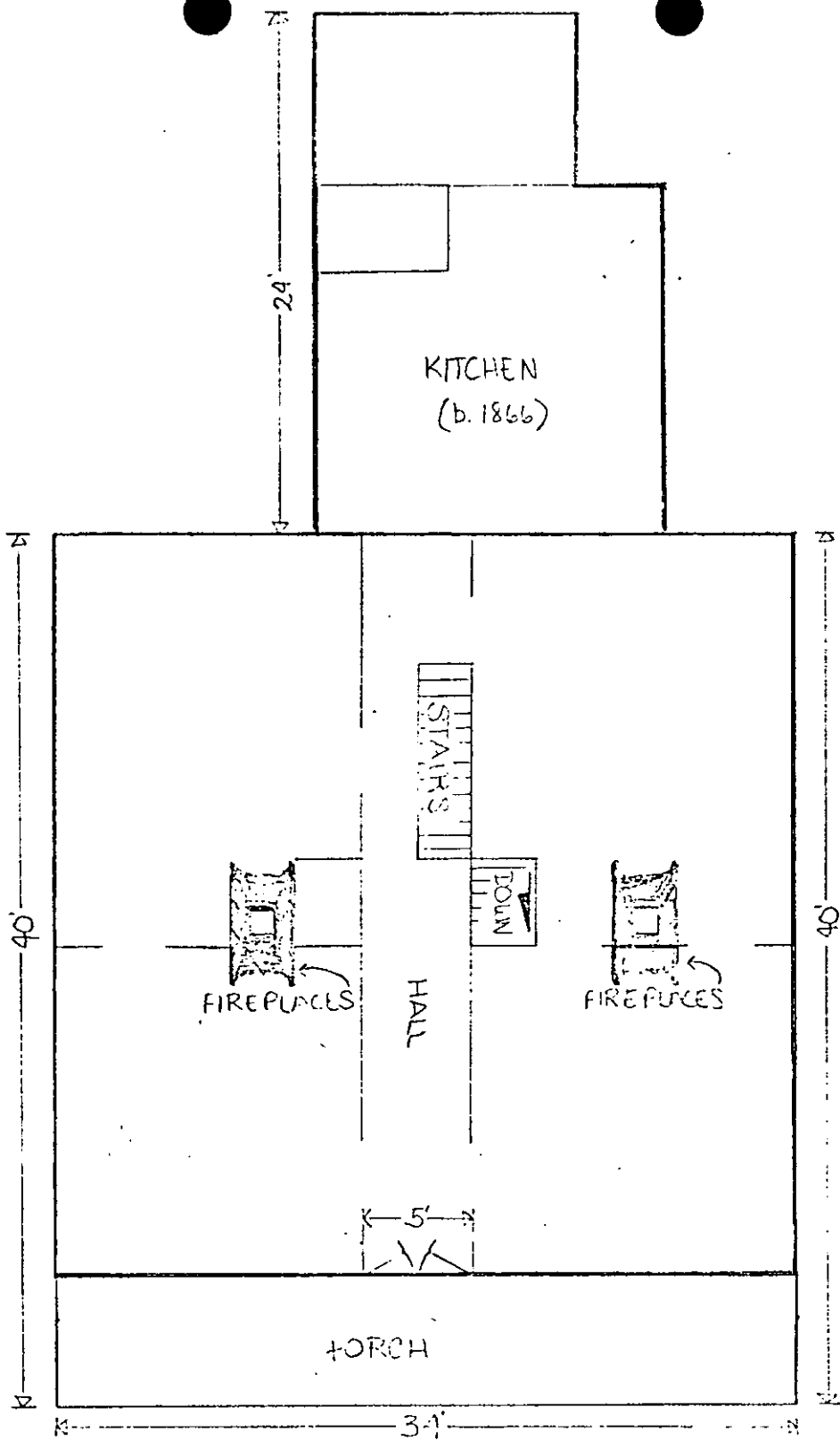
ED WEINTRAUB, Director

title Office of Historic Preservation

date 12-10-79

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register	
	date
Keeper of the National Register	
Attest:	date
Chief of Registration	

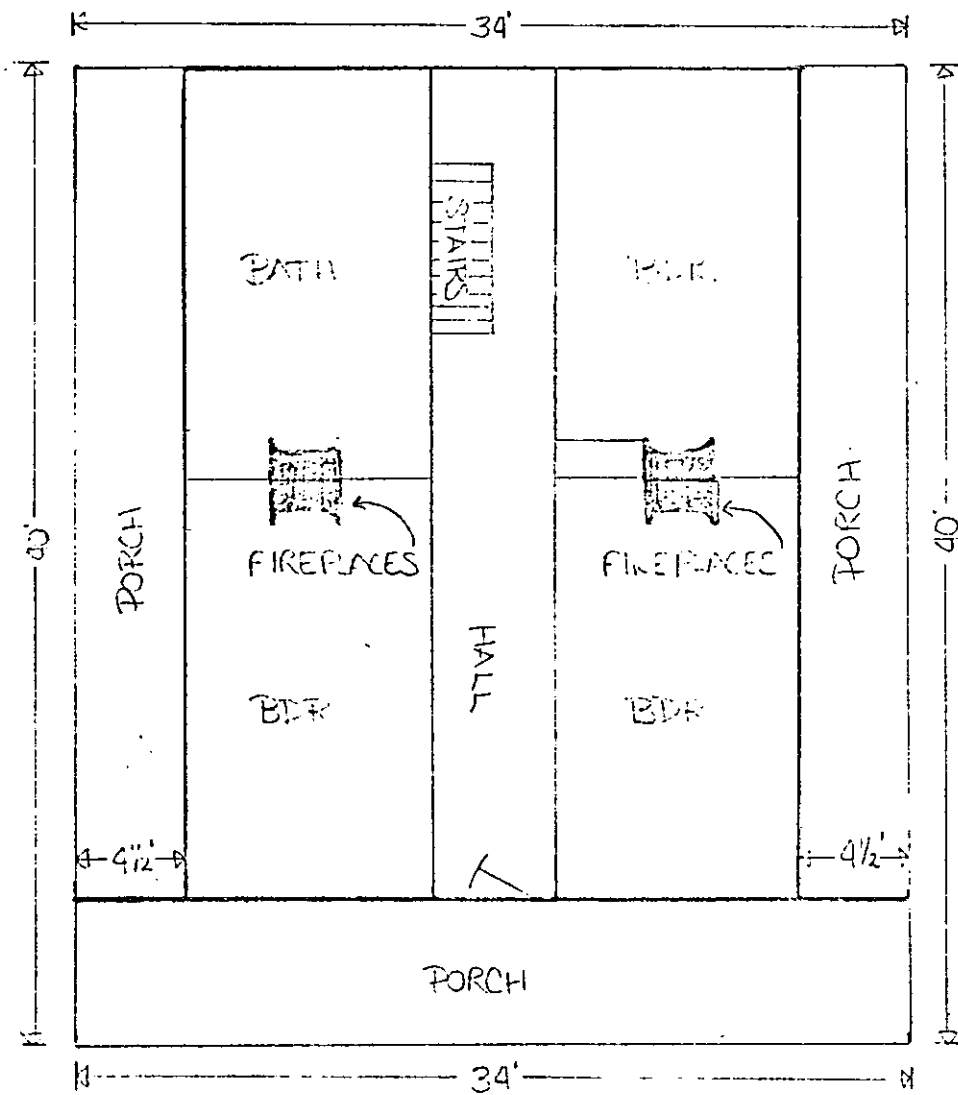
Edward Saeger House
Crawford County
Floor Plans



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SAEGERTOWN
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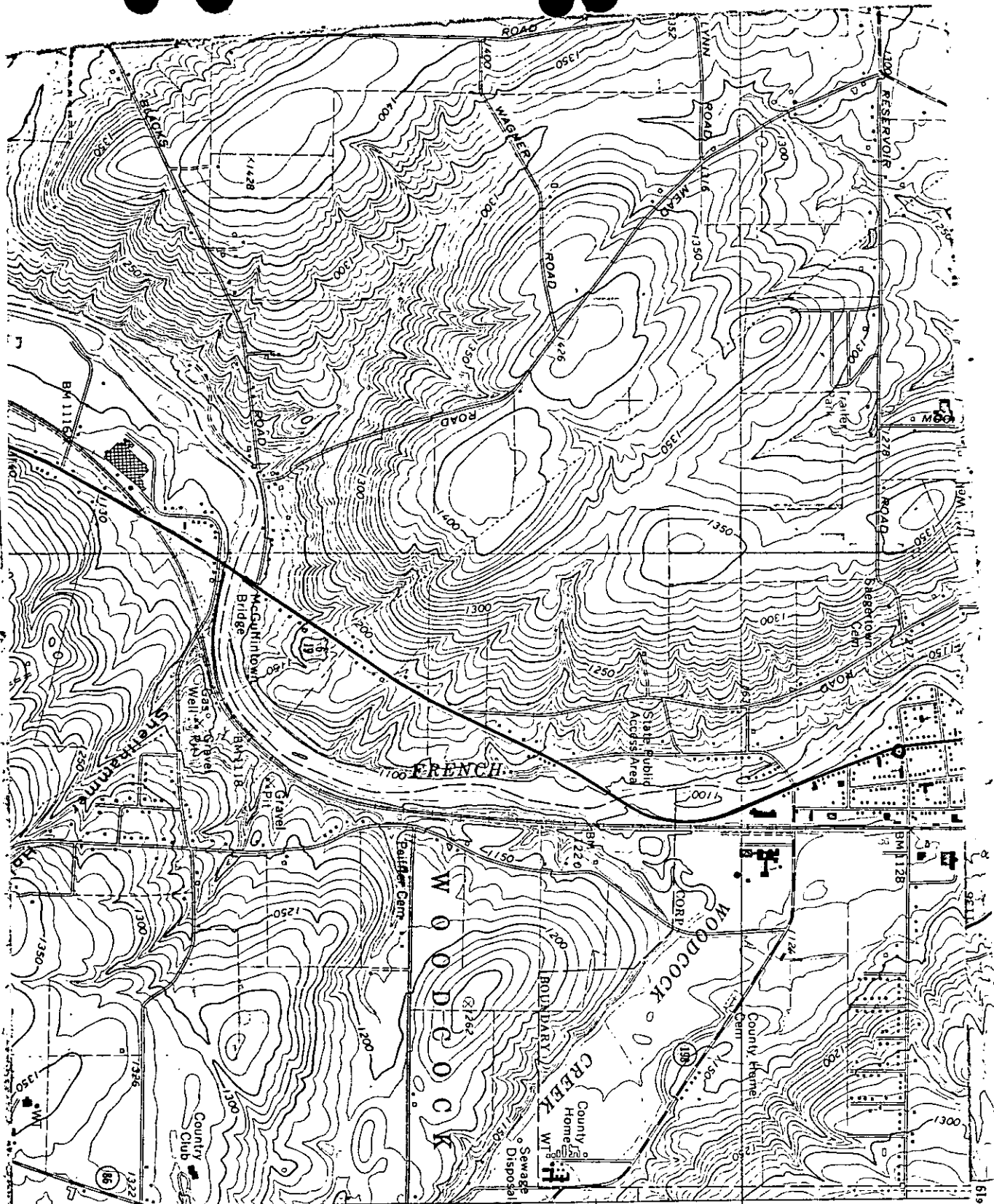
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FIRST FLOOR



SAEGER HOUSE
 SAEGERTOWN
 CRAWFORD COUNTY

↑ NORTH
 SECOND FLOOR



MING VALLEY 1967 11 NE
 WOODCOCK 4.1 MI.
 14 MI. TO U.S. 6N

Edward Saeger House
 Crawford County
 Zone 17 E570860 N46