

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:
Pennsylvania
COUNTY:
Adams
FOR NPS USE ONLY
ENTRY DATE

1. NAME
COMMON NAME:
The Field Inn
AND ALTERNATE NAME:
The Mansion House or Fairfield Hotel

2. LOCATION
STREET AND NUMBER:
Main Street
CITY OR TOWN:
Fairfield
CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT:
19th
STATE:
Pennsylvania
CODE:
12
COUNTY:
Adams
CODE:
001

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	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"/> Both	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered
		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No

PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural	<input type="checkbox"/> Government	<input type="checkbox"/> Park	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation	<input type="checkbox"/> Comments
<input type="checkbox"/> Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> Industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence	<input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Educational	<input type="checkbox"/> Military	<input type="checkbox"/> Religious	_____	_____
<input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	_____	_____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY
OWNER'S NAME:
James H. and Nancy J. Hammett
STREET AND NUMBER:
Main Street
CITY OR TOWN:
Fairfield
STATE:
Pennsylvania
CODE:
12

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION
COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC:
Adams County Courthouse Registrar's Office, Registry of Deeds
STREET AND NUMBER:
Baltimore Street
CITY OR TOWN:
Gettysburg
STATE:
Pennsylvania
CODE:
12

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS
NAME OF SURVEY:
Historic American Buildings Survey Pennsylvania 350
DATE OF SURVEY:
April 1958
 Federal State County Local
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Library of Congress
STREET AND NUMBER:
CITY OR TOWN:
Washington
STATE:
District of Columbia
CODE:
11

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> Good	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fair to	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unaltered		<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site	

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

The Fairfield Inn is a complex of 5 distinct sections. The earliest of these, a farm house built in 1757, was comprised of a single room with a low loft overhead. The farm house was built of stone with random width planking, three windows and a door, and a fireplace and bake oven in the south wall.

A second section was built east of the original section in the late 18th century, it is a single room (larger than the original) constructed of stone and logs, two windows and a door, overhead loft and a large fireplace on the east wall. A one and a half story addition was built over the above two sections by a vertical extension of the walls out of brick and timber. The walls of the addition were then covered with split oak lath for hair and lime plastering. Narrow stairways were retained over each fireplace.

A third section is a two and a half story stone gable house built in 1801. The house is three bays wide by two rooms deep with a chimney on the east gable end. While the exposed side of the house illustrates small stone random course masonry, the front utilizes triangular and larger polygonal stones. This section has two fine mantels, an open stairway extending to the top floor, an early set of chair rail and floor boards. The windows had 12/12 sash, the doors are recessed "Christian doors" with light above, and a boxed cornice and barge boards set off the exterior. Shutters on this section are half panel and half louvered type.

The fourth section is a three and a half story random course gable stone structure built into the west wall of the 1801 section. It is four bays across, two rooms deep with chimneys at each gable end and has a three story Victorian porch with exterior stairs on the upper floors. The ground floor contains a barroom and smoking room with fireplace and kitchen with fireplace, while the second floor is a large ballroom in the front and two smaller rooms in the rear. The ballroom is equipped with fireplaces at each end and is decorated with chair rail. The third floor is similar to the second except for chair rail. Mortised logs, adzed smooth and pinned together illustrate the early construction of the attic. Doors of this section are recessed with panels decorating the recessed area. An interesting feature is, as the height of the building increases, the size of the windows decreases from 12/12 to 6/3. Cedar shingles are present on the 1823 section above the roof line of the 1801 section. A small shed of later vintage is present behind this section.

The fifth section is referred to as the 'Hyphen'. It is two stories high and 18 feet long, connecting the 1757 section and the 1801 portion. It is built of brick and timber set on log sills. Built prior to the Civil War, it was thought to have been an early kitchen.

Alterations on the building are relatively minimal. A second story comprised of three rooms was added to the first and second sections. Doorways were opened from the 1823 to the 1801 section, but these were not done until the mid or late 19th century. The exterior stairs were also later conceived. Much of the interior original hardware is still intact

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8. 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) 1757, 1801, 1823

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/Phi- | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | losophy | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Social/Human- | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | itarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

The property for the Fairfield Inn was deeded from Charles Carroll of Anapolis to John Miller of New Castle County on the Delaware (Dec. 19, 1755). The property was a plantation and under Miller's son, the Squire William Miller, the town of Millerstown which later became Fairfield, was planned in 1801. Politics was part of the family on a state and local level. Squire Miller was a staunch Federalist, a Captain in the Revolutionary War and was elected as the first state Senator from Adams County. Patrick Henry is said to have been a family friend of the Miller's and visited them several times. Mason and Dixon were also said to have stayed at the Miller's while surveying the Line.

Squire Miller's son, General Thomas C. Miller and his brother in law established the Maria Furnace Iron Works. The Iron Works was a joint effort with Thaddeus Stevens. The Iron Works produced a few ten plate stoves but due to the poor quality of the ore it was closed. Miller also bought the Cumberland Furnace near Carlisle. In 1823 Miller and his wife established the James Wilson Tavern on the west section of the Fairfield Inn, it was a stagecoach stop on the old York-Hagerstown Pike. Miller sold the plantation ground but retained the house until 1856. The Mansion House as it was the called, was supposed to have been a hiding place for slaves from the Underground Railroad.

The Mansion House was used as officers quarters when General J.E.B. Stuart occupied Gettysburg and the surrounding area. After the Civil War the Fairfield Inn became a popular summer resort. The building has operated as an Inn since 1823 until recently.

Architecturally, the Fairfield Inn is significant because it is an interesting example of a building complex that houses five distinct sections built at various times. It contains fine woodwork, chair rail, cupboards, mantels etc., all of which enhance its historical value. At present, it is in the process of being restored and once again will operate as an Inn.

7. Description (Cont.)

with alterations being done chiefly in the area of larger paned windows and tin roofs. The usual modifications to accomodate more modern heating and electrical work are found in the Inn.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Bradsby, H.C. "History of Cumberland and Adams Counties, Pennsylvania"
 Warner, Beers and Co., 1886 Chapter V p. 21, Chap. VIII
 p. 34-36, Chap. XIII p. 72, Chap LVII p. 446-47, Chap.
 VIII p. 163

10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
	Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds		Degrees Minutes Seconds	Degrees Minutes Seconds	
NW	° ' "	° ' "		77° 22' 10"	39° 47' 15"	
NE	° ' "	° ' "				
SE	° ' "	° ' "				
SW	° ' "	° ' "				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: one acre

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:
 James H. and Nancy J. Hammett

ORGANIZATION: _____ DATE: _____

STREET AND NUMBER:
 Main Street

CITY OR TOWN: _____ STATE: _____ CODE: _____
 Fairfield Pennsylvania 12

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

Owner of property notified 10/5/72

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: William J. Wewer
 Title: Deputy Executive Director
 Date: 11/27/72

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

 Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date: _____

ATTEST: _____

 Keeper of The National Register

Date: _____

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