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NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Pennsylvania
COUNTY: Chester
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ENTRY DATE

1. NAME

COMMON: Lafayette's Quarters
AND/OR HISTORIC:

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER: Wilson Road			
CITY OR TOWN: Tredyffrin Township		CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: 13	
STATE: Pennsylvania	CODE: 042	COUNTY: Chester	CODE: 029

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"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Being Considered	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input checked="" 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) _____ _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME: University of Pennsylvania, Trustees		
STREET AND NUMBER: 34th & Walnut Street		
CITY OR TOWN: Philadelphia	STATE: Pennsylvania	CODE: 042

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC: Chester County Court House		
STREET AND NUMBER: High and Market Streets		
CITY OR TOWN: West Chester	STATE: Pennsylvania	CODE: 042

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY: Pennsylvania Inventory of Historic Sites		
DATE OF SURVEY: July 1973 <input type="checkbox"/> Federal <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> State <input type="checkbox"/> County <input type="checkbox"/> Local		
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: William Penn Memorial Museum, Historic Sites Survey		
STREET AND NUMBER: Box 1026		
CITY OR TOWN: Harrisburg	STATE: Pennsylvania	CODE: 042

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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION

(Check One)

 Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated Ruins Unexposed

(Check One)

 Altered Unaltered

(Check One)

 Moved Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Lafayette's Quarters is constructed on an east-west axis corresponding to the three major stages of its development:

the eastern section, c. 1763
 the central section, c. 1837-1839
 the western section, c. 1882-1900

The east section is constructed of stone, plastered with stucco painted white, three bays long, and two wide. The section is $2\frac{1}{2}$ stories in height with a gabled roof, two dormers facing south, and a single end chimney. Two attic windows are located at the east end. The date "1763" is incised between the second floor windows at the east end of the house. The interior is a simple floor plan with two rooms on each floor, presently containing, on the first floor, a sitting room (south) and living room (north), each having a corner fireplace. Two bedrooms are located on the second floor, one with a fireplace. The attic area contains two rooms with a 6'6" ceiling height toward the interior partition. Windows are six over six double-hung sash with panelled shutters on the first floor and louvered on the second. Woodwork in the east and central sections is old pine and walls are wet-plastered.

The central section was also constructed of stone, covered with stucco, three bays long and two wide. The pitch of the roof is somewhat more gradual in a slightly higher roof line; two dormer windows face south and a single end chimney is located on the west side of the central section. The interior contains a large dining room and study on the first floor and two bedrooms, each with a fireplace, on the second. An attic area contains a large room with a 6' ceiling height. Windows are six over six double-hung sash with shutters on the first and second floor similar to the east section.

The west section is of frame construction, built between 1882-1900. The roof line is broken by dormers on both south and north sides. The roof has a steeper pitch than that of the two earlier sections resulting in a lower east-west ridge line. A small addition to the far west wall has a roof with a one-way slope to the west from below the ridge of the main gable. A porch extends beyond this addition. A frame porch also runs along part of the north wall of the eastern and central sections at first-floor level. Windows and shutters are similar to those of the east and central sections. The interior first floor presently contains a large kitchen and dining room, the second floor two bedrooms.

Pinkowski (1953) notes that Henry R. Wilson removed a lean-to kitchen next to the east wing while remodeling the house in 1903. He also notes the construction of a fourth section in 1921, perhaps one of the frame porches. The entire house was renovated in 1948.

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6. 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) 1777-1778

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 type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Military | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | _____ |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

In December 1777, the Continental Army encamped at Valley Forge in southeastern Pennsylvania, just outside of Philadelphia. Major General Marquis de Lafayette, as a general officer, was entitled to quarters somewhat above the average soldier. Lafayette's quarters were established in the farmhouse of Samuel Havard, constructed in 1763, in the Valley Creek area. These quarters were described by Lafayette as "a small barrack which are scarcely more cheerful than dungeons."

The original structure was built by Havard shortly after he had received some 200 acres of land from his father. As the next addition was not built until approximately 1837, the structure, at the time of the Revolution, consisted of only the present east section. According to Pinkowski (1953), the two rooms on the first floor were occupied by Lafayette and his staff, Havard and his sisters sleeping on the second floor.

Lafayette occupied the farmhouse for varying lengths of time during the campaigns of 1777-1778. Located in the same general area are buildings occupied by such officers as General Knox, General Maxwell, and General Lord Stirling, all of which were requisitioned by the Continental Army during the encampment at Valley Forge.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Pinkowski, Edward, Washington's Officers Slept Here, (Philadelphia: Sunshine Press, 1953).
 Woodman, Henry, The History of Valley Forge, (Oaks, Pa.: John U. Francis, 1921).

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	° ' "	° ' "		40° 04' 51"	75° 27' 21"	
NE	° ' "	° ' "				
SE	° ' "	° ' "				
SW	° ' "	° ' "				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: 34.961 acres

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

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY	CODE

11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE:

David M. Berman, Curator; David C. Stacks, Student Aide

ORGANIZATION

Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission

DATE

22 Oct 1973

STREET AND NUMBER:

Box 1026, Historic Site Survey

CITY OR TOWN:

Harrisburg

STATE

Pennsylvania

CODE

042

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.

 Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date _____

ATTEST:

 Keeper of The National Register

Date _____

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