

PENNSYLVANIA HISTORIC RESOURCE SURVEY FORM
BUREAU FOR HISTORIC PRESERVATION Box 1026
PA HISTORICAL & MUSEUM COMMISSION Harrisburg, PA 17120

7. Local survey organization
Pittsburgh History & Landmarks Foundation

8. property owners name and address
Robert & Barbara Kwalwasser
214 Vineland Street
Pittsburgh, PA 15234

9. tax parcel number/other number
25C-214
 11. status (other surveys, lists etc.)
Allegheny County Survey

10. U.T.M. **117** **5872110**
 Zone **less than one** easting
4479110 northing
 usgs sheet: **Pgh East**

12. classification
 site () structure () object ()
 building (X) district ()
Thematic (X)

13. date(s) (how determined)
1871
 14. period
1861-1880

15. style, design or folk type
Italianate

19. original use
School
 20. present use
Warehouse

16. architect or engineer
T.D. Evans (?)

17. contractor or builder

18. primary building mat./construc.
Brick

21. condition
Poor
 22. integrity
Poor

23. site plan with north arrow

24. photo notation

25. file/location

BLACK AND WHITE PRINT(S)
 3 1/2" x 5" enlargement or medium format contact
 note location of negative in block 24.

26. brief description (note unusual features, integrity, environment, threats and associated buildings)
Springfield School stands on a corner lot in Pittsburgh's Strip District where it towers over low industrial and warehousing structures. A sense of the original school-yard remains, and there are some sections of iron fencing, but large concrete block additions which turned the school itself into a warehouse are ----- (continue on back if necessary)

27. history, significance and/or background
Springfield School was part of the Springfield Sub-district when it opened in 1872. It was closed in 1934 because the local residential population was depleted, and was operated by the Pittsburgh Board of Public Education as the school district warehouse from 1934-1946. The building was sold in 1946 and has continued to be used as a warehouse. It is currently for sale. Springfield School very closely resembles the Morse School ----- (continue on back if necessary)

28. sources of information
 (continue on back if necessary)

29. prepared by:
Martin Aurand
PHLF

Computer Coding (BHP Survey Grantees Must Complete)

30. date
4/86
 revision(s)

31. county **003** 32. style **11**; _____; _____; _____
 32. construction material **03**; _____; _____; _____ 34. roof _____; _____; _____
 35. design type _____; _____; _____
 36. historic function **0 8 0 3 0 1P**; _____; _____; _____; _____; _____
 37. construction feature _____; _____; _____; 38. ext. walls **03**; 39. plan _____
 40. facade width **6** 41. roof material _____ 42. stories **E** 43. depth _____
 44. ext. design _____; _____; _____; _____; _____
 45. int. design _____; _____; _____; _____; _____

1. County **Allegheny**
 2. municipality **Pittsburgh**
 3. street address or specific location **Smallman and Thirty-First Streets**
 4. survey code
 5. present name **M/S**
 6. other name (historic name if any) **Springfield Public School**

26. (cont.)
found on the southwest side.

Springfield School is a bulky brick three-story building. The facade is nine bays wide with a projecting three-bay center section. The basement and watertable are stone. A stone beltcourse with brick dentils rings the building between the first and second stories, and there is a brick soldier course beneath the wood box cornice. The main roof is hipped, but the projecting section of the facade has a pedimented gable roof.

First floor windows are flat-headed. Upper floor windows, which probably originally had segmental arches, have all been altered to be flat-headed. All windows are replacement. The projecting section of the facade still features a trio of entries with rounded stone arches with incised keystones supported on Corinthian columns. Rounded arch windows remain within the entry porch. The projecting section is further detailed with corbeled brick, and has a namestone.

Stairtowers project slightly from the sides of the building, and there is a massive free-standing terra cotta block chimney at the rear. The interior is inaccessible for examination, but is presumed to be compromised.

27. (cont.)
designed by architect T. D. Evans. It was probably also designed by Evans, who trained with the firm of Barr & Moser which designed numerous school buildings including Lawrence School. The original appearance of Springfield School can be conjectured with reference to the virtually intact and rehabilitated Morse School

Its integrity has been diminished, but Springfield remains significant as a good example of a large-scale Italianate schoolhouse.

significance: architecture

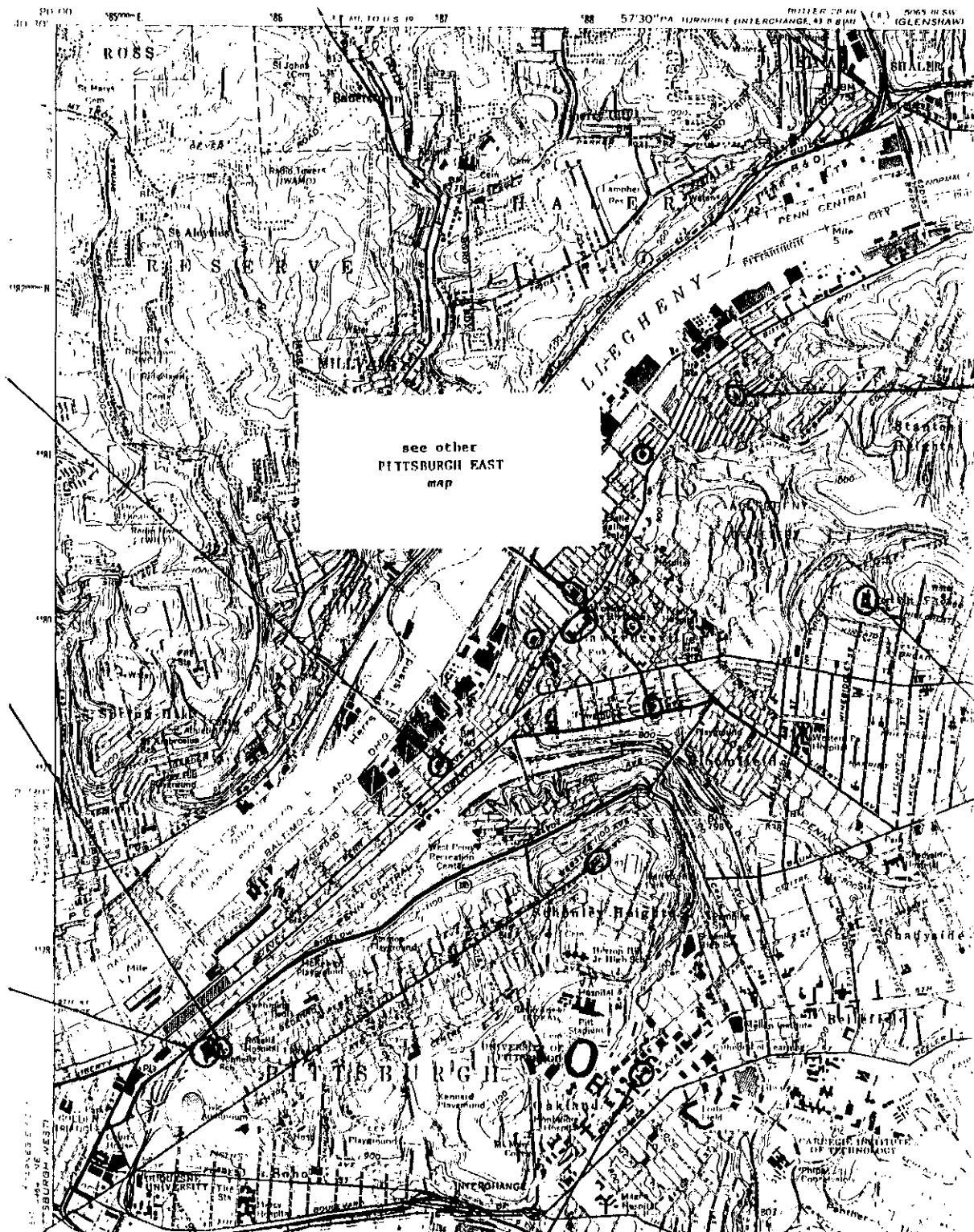
Verbal boundary description and justification.

The nominated property consists of Allegheny County Block and Lot 25C-214 which encompasses the school building and its contiguous grounds.

EVALUATION

EVALUATOR(S)

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY



Pitts. East

PITTSBURGH PUBLIC SCHOOLS:
Springfield School
Allegheny County

Zone 17
5587210 34479110

PITTSBURGH PUBLIC SCHOOLS:
Larsene School
Allegheny County

Zone 17
5585810 34477380

PITTSBURGH PUBLIC SCHOOLS:
Clifford B. Connelly Trade School
Allegheny County

Zone 17
5585720 34477380

SPRINGFIELD

SCHOOLS:
School