

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Wallace/ Baily Tavern

other names/site number N/A

2. Location

street & number U.S. Rt. 40, 1 1/2 miles west of Brier Hill not for publication

city or town Brier Hill (Redstone Twp.) vicinity

state Pennsylvania code PA county Fayette code 051 zip code 15415

3. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

DR. BRENT D. GLASS

Signature of certifying official/Title

Date

PA HISTORICAL & MUSEUM COMMISSION

State of Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)

Signature of commenting official/Title

Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that the property is:

Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

entered in the National Register.
 See continuation sheet.

determined eligible for the
National Register
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determined not eligible for the
National Register.

removed from the National
Register.

other, (explain): _____

Wallace/ Baily Tavern
Name of Property

Fayette County, PA
County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property
(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property
(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property
(Do not include previously listed resources in the count.)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
<u>1</u>		buildings
		sites
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	structures
		objects
<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	Total

Name of related multiple property listing
(Enter "N/A" if property is not part of a multiple property listing.)

Hist. Resources of the National Rd. in PA

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

0

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

Domestic : Hotel
Domestic : Single Dwelling

Current Functions
(Enter categories from instructions)

Domestic : Single Dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification
(Enter categories from instructions)

Greek Revival

Materials
(Enter categories from instructions)

foundation Stone

walls Stone

Stucco

roof Asphalt

other Wood

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

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8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "x" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing.)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "x" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years.

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

Commerce

Architecture

Period of Significance

C. 1840 -C. 1855

Significant Dates

N/A

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

Unknown

Primary location of additional data:

- State Historic Preservation Office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Name of repository:

Wallace/ Baily Tavern
Name of Property

Fayette County, PA
County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property Less than one acre

UTM References

(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet.)

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Zone Easting Northing
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Zone Easting Northing
4

See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Jerry A. Clouse, Preservation Specialist

organization Penna. Hist. & Museum Commission date July 28, 1995

street & number P.O. Box 1026 telephone

city or town Harrisburg state PA zip code 17108-1026

Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.

A Sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of SHPO or FPO.)

name Clifton Bowser

street & number P.O. Box 1347 telephone

city or town Barstow state CA zip code 92311

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Description

The **Wallace/Baily Tavern** is situated about fifty-five feet off the north side of U.S. Route 40, about one-and-a-half miles west of Brier Hill. Like all the National Road taverns, not only is it situated near the road, but faces the road as well. The front and sides of the building are surrounded with a tree shaded lawn. The rubblestone walls of this three-bay, single pile, two-and-a-half story, stone house were laid up c. 1840. It was built with a central hall plan and has a frame kitchen ell to the west side, apparently built contemporary with the main block of the house. A shed-roof porch extends along the east side of the kitchen ell. A noncontributing gazebo sits just southwest of the house. The ruins of a wash house/summer kitchen remain directly behind the porch and has been counted as a contributing site. The building is distinguished as a tavern by its proximity to the road, relatively large size, and its large kitchen ell. Although changes have been made to this property since its construction, it retains sufficient integrity to represent its historic association with the National Road.

The exterior features that indicate that the **Wallace/Baily Tavern** was influenced by the Greek Revival style include the double stacked portico, the narrow sidelights and rectangular line of transom lights that surround the front doors on the first and second floors, and the low pitch of the roof. The house's rubblestone walls are partially covered with a tan stucco. The frame section is covered with German drop siding. There are no gable end windows.

The front is highlighted with a double stacked portico. The gable front of the portico intersects with the gable of the main block. The porch is supported with four square posts. The balustrade of the second floor porch retains its turned spindles. The front doorways are framed with simple pilasters. There are two sidelights of red glass on each side of the door and a two-paned, red glass transom above each door. There is a single recessed panel beneath the sidelights. Two interior brick chimneys pierce the gable roof. The main block of the house has two-over-two double hung sash with projecting stone sills while the kitchen ell has six-over-six double hung sash. There is a bulkhead entrance into the cellar beneath the rear east parlor window.

The front door opens into the central hall providing access to the east and west parlors and rear opposing door. The tall doors leading into the parlors have six sunken panels. The door surrounds in the hall are heavily molded. The open stair rises along the west wall. A closet is located beneath the rear of the stairs. The balustrade consists of a heavy turned newel post, turned spindles, and a carved handrail. There is no ornamentation beneath the treads, but the spandrel is sheathed with long sunken panels. The staircase is very similar to the one in the 1879 Jones House in Greensboro, indicating

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renovations likely occurred to Wallace/Baily Tavern in the late nineteenth century.

The east parlor has a fireplace centered on the gable wall. There is a simple, flat Greek Revival influenced fireplace surround. The opposing front and rear windows of this room are splayed and have a single, sunken molded panel beneath. The high molded baseboard is curved at the base of the window openings.

The west parlor does not have as refined architectural details as the east parlor. The windows are not splayed and do not have panels beneath. The fireplace has a similar surround, however. In the position opposite the front window of this room is the door into the kitchen ell.

The kitchen ell is divided about evenly into two rooms, up and down. The window and door surrounds of this section are more simple in form. The room directly behind the west parlor is the present cooking kitchen and probably served as such from the late 19th/early 20th century when this section appears to have been built. There is an enclosed fireplace centered along the north wall. Built-in cupboards fill the space between the fireplace and the west wall. The room behind the kitchen appears to have served as a pantry and contains the enclosed back stair. A centered chimney rises along the west wall. Evidently, it was constructed to service a stove or stoves. Between the chimney and the west wall are more built-in cupboards.

On the second floor the doors opening into the bedrooms above the parlors have four sunken panels. There are single-paned transoms above each door. Floor-to-ceiling closets are located on either side of the chimney in the east bedroom. The fireplace surround in this room was removed at some point in the house's history. The window reveals of both these bedrooms are hand planed boards. The stairs to the attic are enclosed with beaded vertical boards. Some of the rafters are mortised, tenoned, and pegged while others are butted at their apex.

The frame, open porch along the east side of the kitchen has a concrete floor. Directly north and in line with the porch are the ruins of an original wash house/summer kitchen. A stone chimney stack with its wooden lintel are all that remain of this building.

The nearly square, hipped-roof gazebo early twentieth-century gazebo serves as a well cover. Its hipped roof is covered with asphalt shingles and lattice work is fixed between the vertical posts on all sides. Due to its construction period, it is noncontributing to this nomination.

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Despite alterations, such as replacement of the original multi-paned window sash with two-over-two sash, replacement elements in the front portico, and a late nineteenth-century frame replacement for the kitchen ell, the building is still able to convey its early nineteenth century significance in association with the National Road. The Wallace/Baily Tavern retains good integrity overall, and the character and feeling of the property remains intact. Likewise, the building remains a good example of the vernacular Greek Revival style.

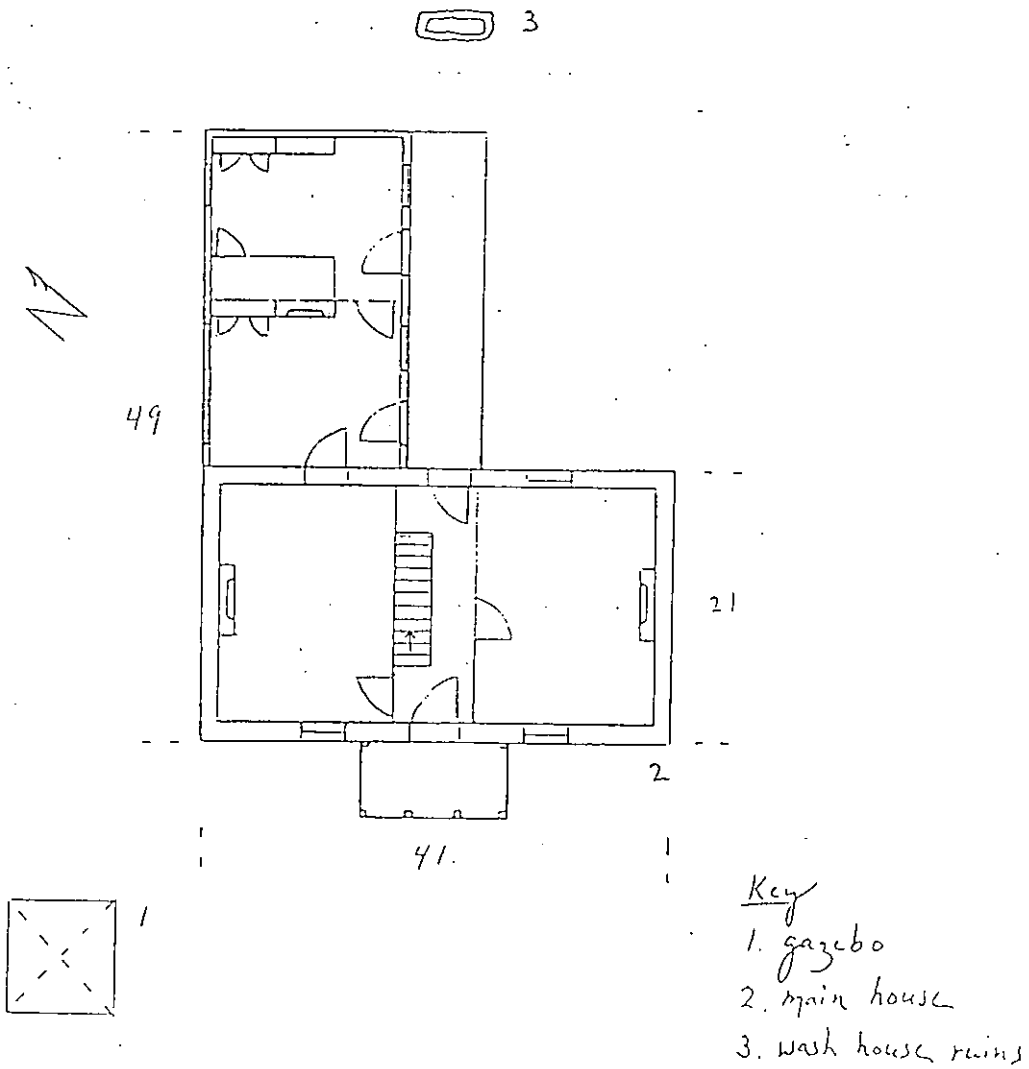
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First Floor Plan
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Significance

The Wallace/Baily Tavern is significant in the areas of commerce and architecture. This building is part of the property type "Tavern Buildings" as discussed in Historic Resources of the National Road in Pennsylvania Multiple Property Documentation Form. Among the requirements to meet Criterion A the tavern must be documented to be associated with the National Road. To meet Criterion C a tavern must possess architectural integrity which means it should still be identifiable as a tavern through its form and basic floor plan.

Redstone Township, located in the Redstone Valley, continued to be known as a rich agricultural area in the late nineteenth century. The National Road cut across the township in a northwesterly direction, connecting Uniontown with Brownsville, creating a commercial outlet for the township. By 1819 there were three taverns in the township. This had increased to four by 1822. The Peter Colley Tavern, listed on the National Register in 1973, and the Johnson/Hatfield Tavern, part of this Multiple Property nomination, were the best known in the township. Redstone never had the number of taverns which Menallen Township, its neighbor to the east, had. This was likely due to the fact that it was so close to Brownsville. The number of stone masons (six) in 1819 illustrates the township's prospering status. Four men were also taxed as "pikers" in that year. (Pikers were men who piked or picked stones of a prescribed size or sizes for use on the turnpike. Apparently, later the term was applied to men of various vocations who lived or plied their trade on the pike.)

Like most tavern stands between Uniontown and Brownsville, this tavern was not owner operated. In 1824 Hugh Laughlin sold this property of 114 acres to George Hogg who owned it until 1839. In that year Hogg and his wife Mary sold it to David Skeen. Skeen soon after was sold it to John S. Craft. Craft, who did not live in the township, owned the property into the 1860s. The 1872 Fayette County atlas shows W. G. Higinbotham as the owner of this property. (1)

Although Searight states that Arthur Wallace kept this tavern before Isaac Baily, the tax assessments show a different story. Isaac Baily first appears as a tavern keeper in Redstone Township in 1841. By 1843 Bailey is noted as a farmer, and in 1845 he is taxed as a trader. In 1850 Baily is assessed as a general agent. Baily was married to a daughter of Solomon Colley and was later a postmaster of Brownsville and a member of the Fayette County Bar. (2)

According to Ellis's history Arthur Wallace rented the Johnson/Hatfield Tavern from 1842-1843. However, the tax records show Wallace as a wagoner

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in 1844 and an innkeeper in 1845. Searight noted that Wallace was "an old wagoner devoted to the road." Wallace was father-in-law to Peter Frasher, who by 1850 was a tavern keeper in Redstone. (3)

By 1855 after the peak of the early National Road period, there were only two tavern keepers in Redstone Township, George Colley and Charles Guttery. George Craft only "occasionally entertained strangers and travelers" at this location later. (4)

The **Wallace/Baily Tavern** is one of about thirty taverns/hotels which were determined eligible as part of the Multiple Property Resources of the National Road. The **Wallace/Baily Tavern** was one of two extant taverns identified in Redstone Township by the 1987 survey of the National Road and determined eligible by the Bureau for Historic Preservation. The nearby **Johnson/Hatfield Tavern** was the other one named in Grantz's 1987 study. The stone **Wilkes Brown Tavern**, just east of the previously mentioned taverns, was determined not eligible due to great deterioration. (Grantz concluded that less than a third of the taverns of the early National Road era have survived.) Like most of the surviving National Road taverns, this one is of masonry construction. Although the **Wallace/Baily Tavern** is not as large as most of the National Road taverns, it retains other features that make it identifiable as a tavern including the kitchen ell which is typically divided in two sections with separate fireplaces and a back stairs. The building's floor plan remains intact, and it retains more of its interior woodwork than most. (5)

The **Wallace/Baily Tavern** is significant not only for its association with the early nineteenth century commercial development of the National Road but its early nineteenth century vernacular Greek Revival style architecture as well.

(1) Ronald L. Michael, "The Searight Tavern on the National Road: An Archaeological Study," Pennsylvania Folklife, Autumn 1971, p. 28; Atlas of the County of Fayette and State of Pennsylvania (Philadelphia: G.M. Hopkins & Co., 1872), p. 51; Fayette County Deed Books, X, p. 160; 14, p. 192; 547, p. 47; 553, p.10.

(2) Thomas B. Searight, The Old Pike: A History of the National Road, with Incidents, Accidents, and Anecdotes Thereon (Berryville, VA: The Prince Maccus Publishers, 1983), pp. 128, 253; Redstone Township, Fayette County, Assessment Records, 1841-1850.

(3) Franklin Ellis, ed., History of Fayette County, Pennsylvania (Philadelphia: L.H. Everts & Co., 1882), p. 731; Searight, p. 138.

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(4) Redstone Township Tax Assessments, 1815-1855; Searight, pp. 253-254.

(5) Denise L. Grantz. "National Road: Historic Resource Survey, Final Report and Analysis Submitted to the Bureau for Historic Preservation (unpublished report dated June 30, 1987), pp. 25, 40.

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Fayette County Deed Books.

Fayette County Will Books.

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Boundary Description

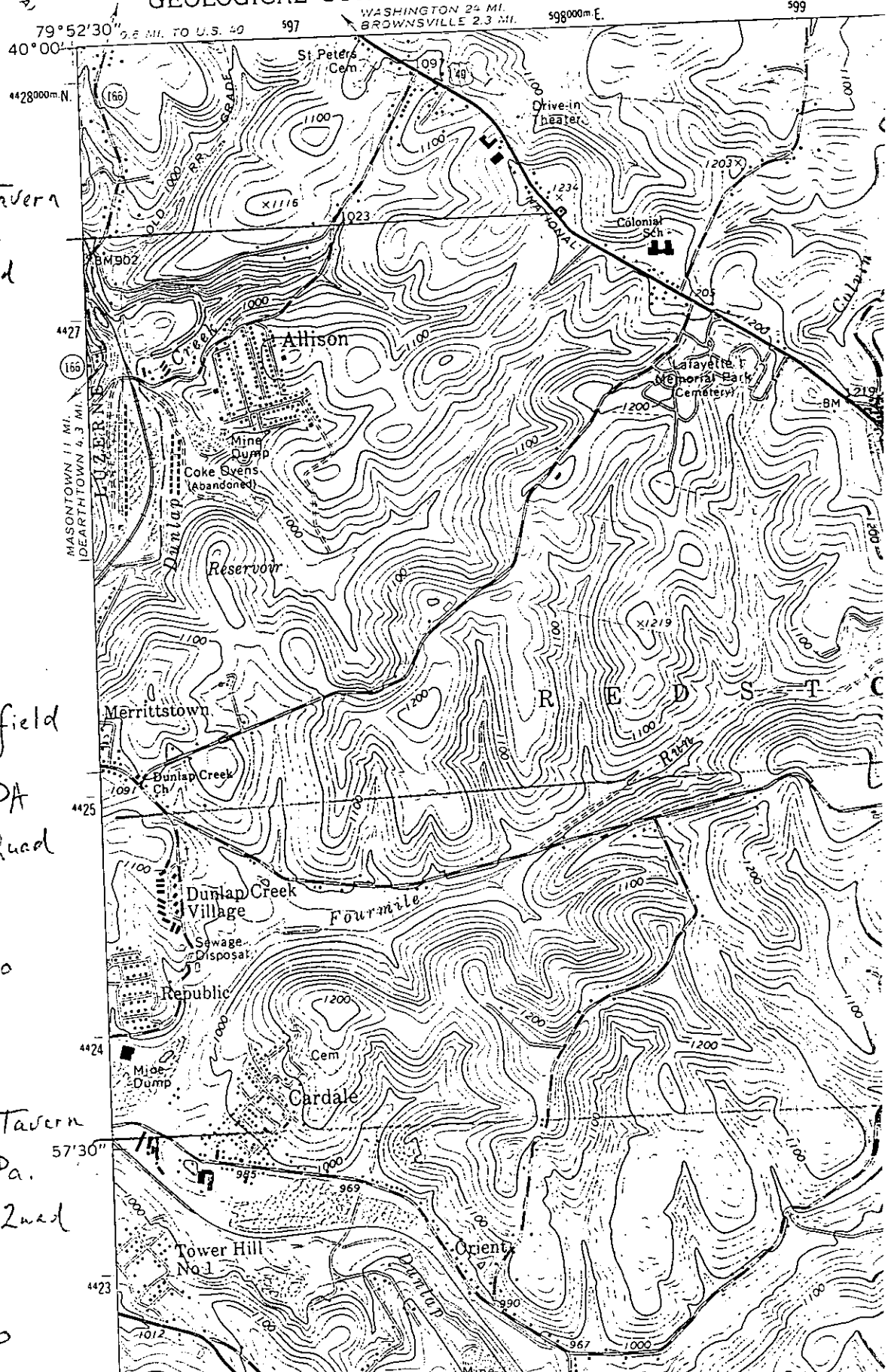
Beginning at a point on the northern edge of U.S. Route 40 approximately twenty feet beyond the western wall of the **Wallace/Baily Tavern** and proceeding northeast from this point along this line to a point twenty feet behind the tavern, then proceeding from this point in a southeasterly direction to a point twenty feet beyond the eastern edge of the tavern, then proceeding in a southwesterly direction approximately 124 feet to a point on the northern edge of U.S. Route 40, then proceeding in a northwesterly direction approximately 81 feet to the point of beginning.

Boundary Justification

The boundary includes the **Wallace/Baily Tavern**, the wash house ruins, and its immediate setting. Beyond the boundary, open land which does not pertain to the property's significance is excluded.

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Fayette Co. PA
New Salem Quad
Zone 17
E 598050
N 4427430

Johnson / Hatfield
Tavern
Fayette Co, PA
New Salem Quad
Zone 17
E 600420
N 4425120

Abel Colley Tavern
Fayette Co., Pa.
New Salem Quad
Zone 17
E 601060
N 4423710