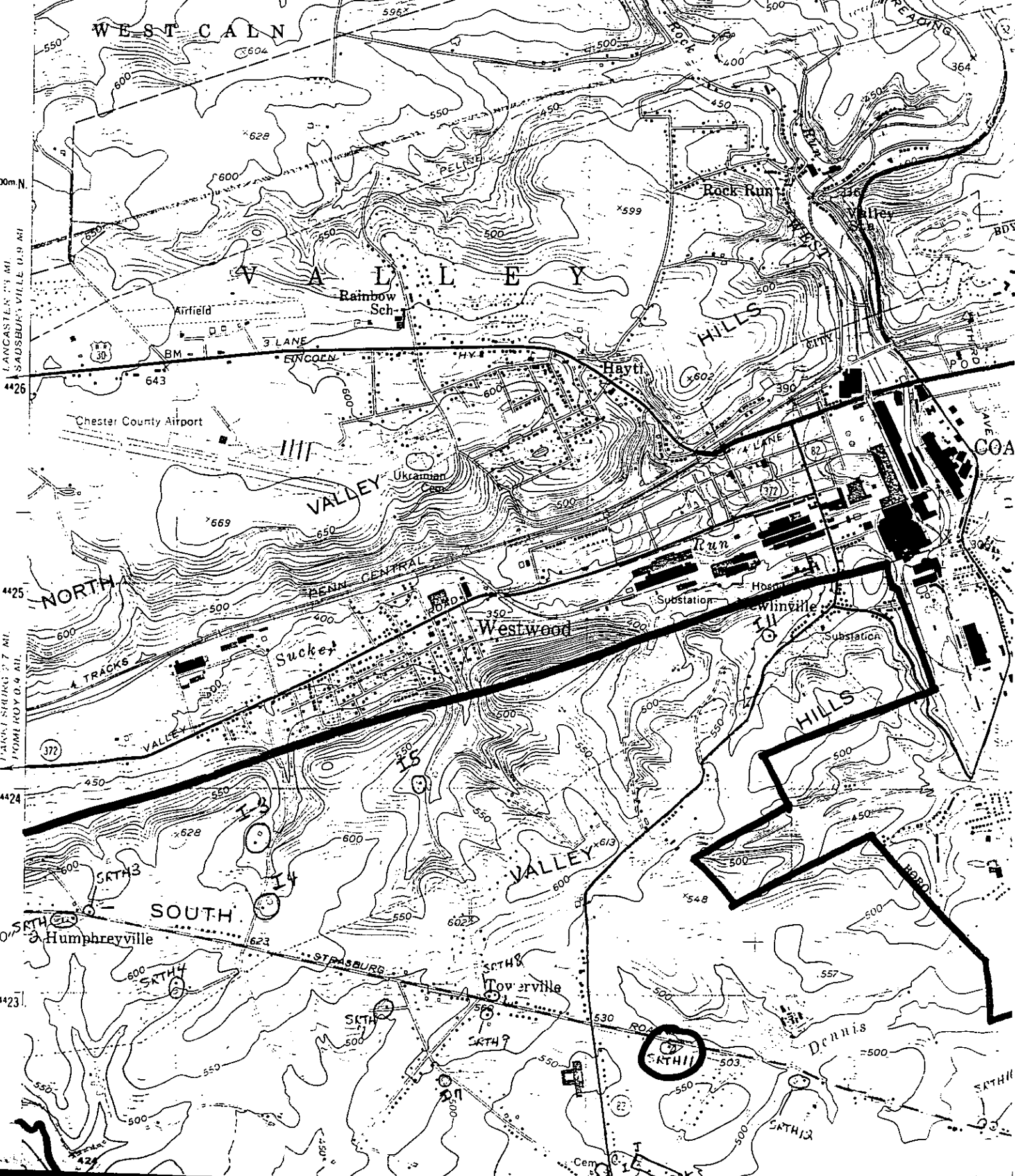


UNITED STATES  
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
GEOLOGICAL SURVEY

PENNSYLVANIA TURNPIKE (MORRISTOWN INTERCHANGE) 1.7 MI  
BRANDYWINE MANOR 4.5 MI

75°52'30" 426000m E. 427 428 50' 429 430



LANCASTER 7.5 MI  
SAUSBURG VILLE 0.9 MI

PANNSBURG 7 MI  
FROM ROY 0.4 MI

Humphreyville

423

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

7. Local survey organization  
 East Fallowfield Township

8. property owners name and address  
 Strunk, Leonard M.  
 Box 552  
 Coatesville, PA 19320

9. tax parcel number / other number  
 47-4-153

10. U.T.M. zone 18 easting 428400  
 northing 4422760  
 usgs sheet: Coatesville

11. status (other surveys, lists etc.)  
 Chester County Historic Site Survey

12. classification  
 site ( ) structure ( ) object ( )  
 building (X) in N.R. district yes ( ) no ( )

13. date (how determined)  
1820, research  
 14. period  
1820 - 1860

15. style, design or folk type  
 Federal

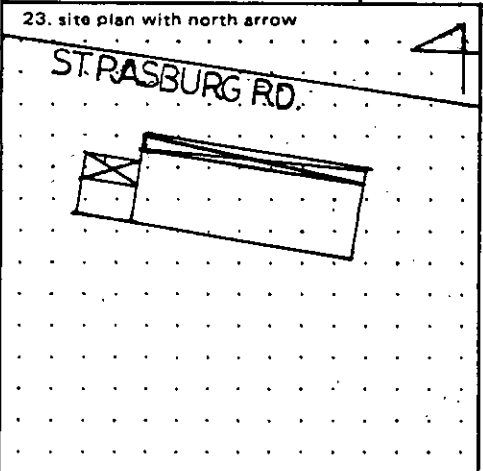
19. original use residence  
 20. present use residence

16. architect or engineer

17. contractor or builder

18. primary building mat./construction  
 fieldstone

21. condition average  
 22. integrity average



24. photo notation  
 PC: M. S. Young  
 PD: 1980  
 PV: Northeast Elev.

25. file/location  
 Historic Research Assoc

26. brief description (note unusual features, integrity, environment, threats and associated buildings)  
 Six bay wide, two story, rectangular building with a wood shingled gable roof. The structure is banked from east to west and not the normal banking procedure of placing the north elevation of the building into the bank. As one looks at the building the left or east side of it has three stories while the west or right side has two stories. The other features of the old inn include one over one light windows, stucco over stone facades, multiple openings on the front elevation, chimneys at both gable ends plus one interior one, plain box cornice which overhangs on the gables, and a full width veranda on the north elevation facing the Strasburg Road. The shallow hipped roof of the veranda is supported by Queen Anne Revival posts and square brackets of the same style. The spindles in the balustrade are narrow. There is also a small addition on the west elevation.  
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27. history, significance and/or background Commerce/ Transportation  
 The Strasburg Road as a drovers road from Lancaster and the western part of Chester County to the more urban areas to the east needed more accommodations for the travelers who used the toll free route heavily to transport livestock to market. Robert Faddis petitioned the Court of Quarter Sessions to open an Inn to "accommodate the public, and to entertain strangers and travellers." Many of his  
 (continue on back if necessary)

28. sources of information  
 1. Jeffersonian. January 14, 1851.  
 2. West Chester. Chester County Courthouse.  
 (continue on back if necessary)

29. prepared by:  
 Historic Research Associates  
 1984 revision(s)

1. County  
 CHESTER  
 2. municipality  
 EAST FALLOWFIELD TOWNSHIP  
 3. street address or specific location  
 DROVERS INN (JESSE BENTLEY HOUSE)  
 STRASBURG ROAD  
 4. survey code  
 SRTH-11

27. Significance continued:

neighbors supported the 1851 petition advertised in the Jeffersonian: Mordecai Lee, John Eisler, Thomas Vandever, David Williams, James Griffith, Thomas P. Truman, James Wilson, James I. Bailey, Eli Fredd, Henry Conner, Robert Wilson, Thomas S. Young Robert Ramsay, Alexander Garden and James B. Humphrey. The court granted the license to him and the Drovers Inn opened its doors to transient wayfarers. It is significant in the area of commerce as an integral link in the chain of inns and taverns the length of Strasburg Road and supported the economy west of Youngsburg.

28. Sources of information continued:

Recorder of Deeds.

3. West Chester. Chester County Historical Society. Tavern papers.

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION.

STARTING at a point one thousand one hundred seventy-five northwest of where Strasburg Road intersects with LR15236, then southwest for two hundred (200) feet, then northwest for two hundred (200) feet, then northeast to the south side of Strasburg Road for two hundred (200) feet, then southeast along the south side of Strasburg Road for two hundred (200) feet to the place of beginning.  
CONTAINING .9 acre.

Chester County Historic Site Survey Code Number: 029-07-47-89

Miscellaneous Information:

1. Deed recorded in Chester County Courthouse, Recorder of Deeds, Deed Book E21, page 149.
2. Plotted on the following maps:
  - a. 1860 - E. Faddis
  - b. 1873 - Elizabeth Faddis
  - c. 1883 - George J. Faddis

EVALUATION

EVALUATOR(S)  
Jane L. S. Davidson  
Historic Research Associates

EAST FALLOWFIELD TOWNSHIP MRA, CHESTER COUNTY  
STRASBURG ROAD THEMATIC GROUP  
DROVERS' INN (JESSE BENTLEY HOUSE) (SRTH-11)  
SUMMARY STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

For over one hundred fifty years the Strasburg Road contributed to the development and expansion of the agricultural economy in East Fallowfield Township. The road was an important east-west transportation and commercial corridor through the township and had its greatest impact on the development of the township during the third historic period, 1811-1865.

The significance of the property in its relationship to the Strasburg Road was initially a reaction to the road's accessibility. Later, it functioned as a service facility for travellers on the road.