

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
 Layfield, Preston J. and Anna M.
 Box 368, R. D. #1
 Coatesville, PA 19320

9. tax parcel number / other number
 47-5-13.2

10. U.T.M. zone 18 Easting 4128191210

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

Northing 4422390

Usgs sheet: Coatesville

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

13. date(s) (how determined)
 1856, research

14. period
 1820-1860

15. style, design or folk type
 Federal

19. original use
 residence

20. present use
 residence

16. architect or engineer

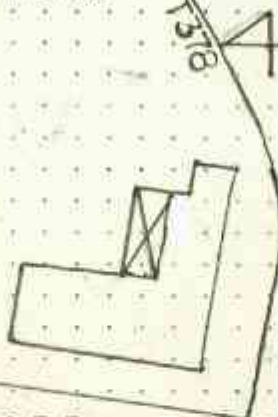
17. contractor or builder

18. primary building mat./construction
 brick

21. condition excellent

22. integrity excellent

23. site plan with north arrow



STRASBURG RD.

24. photo notation

PC: M. S. Young
 PD: 1980
 PV: Southeast Elevation

25. file location

Historic Research Assoc.



26. brief description (note unusual features, integrity, environment, threats and associated buildings)

Three bay wide, two story formal Federal structure with an asphalt shingled gable roof. Other features of this residence include separated chimneys at the gable ends, Federal box cornice, paneled shutters on the first floor, louvered shutters on the second floor, extended lintels, six over six large light windows, Flemish bond brick facades, transom light, and a singled centered front entrance. The palladian windows in the gables are an outstanding component as well as the fluted pilasters and architrave trim at the front entrance. The rear wings are compatible with the core in every aspect. The smallest and latest addition has horizontal board facades instead of brick.

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27. history, significance and/or background

Robert Young, the successful innkeeper of the White Horse Tavern across the intersection had this house built for him in 1856. It is located at the crossroads in the hamlet of Youngsburg, aptly named for his family. It is significant in the area of architecture because it employs so many components of the Federal architectural period. Although it was constructed very late for this period of influence,

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28. sources of information

1. West Chester, Chester County Courthouse.
 Recorder of Deeds.

29. prepared by:

Historic Research Associates

30. date

1981

revision(s)

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1. County
 CHESTER

2. Present name
 EAST FALLOWFIELD TOWNSHIP
 3. Other name (historic name if any)
 ROBERT YOUNG HOUSE

4. Municipality
 EAST FALLOWFIELD TOWNSHIP
 5. Street address or specific location
 STRASBURG ROAD

6. Survey code
 SRTH-16

27. Significance continued:
Robert Young appreciated the formal arrangement of the style. It is one of the purest interpretations of the Federal style in the township as evidenced in the separated chimneys at both gable ends, the Palladian windows in the gables, the formal arrangement of components on most of the elevations, the brick facades and the very exacting Federal main entrance. It has been so well maintained it looks like it was built yesterday instead of one hundred twenty-five years ago. The owners should receive credit for preserving this section of Youngsburg in East Fallowfield Township.
28. Young, I. Gilbert. Fragmental Records of the Youngs. Privately printed, 1869.

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION:

STARTING at a point on the northwest corner of T368 and the Strasburg Road, then north along the west side of T378 for one hundred fifty (150) feet, then northwest for one hundred thirty-seven (137) feet, then southwest for one hundred fifty (150) feet, then southeast along the north side of Strasburg Road for two hundred (200) feet to the place of beginning.
CONTAINING .8 acre.

Chester County Historic Site Survey Code Number: 029-07-47-101

Miscellaneous Information:

1. Deed recorded in Chester County Courthouse, Recorder of Deeds, Deed Book T29, page 415.
2. Plotted on the following maps:
 - a. 1860 - Young
 - b. 1873 - Young
 - c. 1883 - Young

27. Significance continued:
Robert Young's success as a tavern keeper at the White Horse Tavern enabled him to build this residence in 1856. Robert Young held a prominent position in the economic and social life of East Fallowfield Township, and he left his mark on the Strasburg Road in his tavern (SRTH-17), his store (SRTH-16) and his residence (SRTH-19).

EVALUATION

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

EAST FALLOWFIELD TOWNSHIP MRA, CHESTER COUNTY
STRASBURG ROAD THEMATIC GROUP
ROBERT YOUNG HOUSE (SRTH-16)
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 this property is in the relationship to the Strasburg Road as a local reaction to the accessibility of the road. In addition, this structure served as a site for the adoption of outside architectural influences made possible by the road.