

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 of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms* (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

### 1. Name of Property

historic name Miller, David H., Tobacco Warehouse  
other names/site number N/A

### 2. Location

street & number 512 N. Market Street  not for publication N/A  
city, town Lancaster  vicinity N/A  
state Pennsylvania code PA county Lancaster code 071 zip code 17602

### 3. Classification

#### Ownership of Property

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

#### Category of Property

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

#### Number of Resources within Property

Contributing	Noncontributing
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> buildings
	_____ sites
	_____ structures
	_____ objects
<u>1</u>	<u>0</u> Total

Name of related multiple property listing:

Tobacco Buildings in Lancaster City

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

### 4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, 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.  See continuation sheet.

Signature of certifying official [Signature]

Date 7/31/90

State or Federal agency and bureau \_\_\_\_\_

In my opinion, the property  meets  does not meet the National Register criteria.  See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

State or Federal agency and bureau \_\_\_\_\_

### 5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

- entered in the National Register.  
 See continuation sheet.
- determined eligible for the National Register.  See continuation sheet.
- determined not eligible for the National Register.
- removed from the National Register.
- other, (explain:) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of the Keeper \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Action \_\_\_\_\_

**6. Function or Use**

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Agriculture/storage

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Vacant/not in use**7. Description**

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

Other: tobacco warehouse

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation Stonewalls Brickroof Not visible

other \_\_\_\_\_

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The David H. Miller Tobacco Warehouse is rectangular in plan and dates from 1900. The six bay by nine bay, three-story building is constructed of red brick laid in common bond over a stone foundation. The roof has a slightly pitched gable on the west elevation and a raised parapet on the east elevation (facade). The cornices and parapet wall have brick corbelling. The bays, which are recessed, are separated by pilaster-like-strips of brick which extend for the full three stories on the east elevation (facade), but only for the upper two stories on all other elevations. This raised brickwork is also at the corners of the building. The fenestrations are surmounted by brick segmental arches on all elevations except the west which has wooden lintels. Most of the windows are covered with painted metal shutters, probably the original tin shutters shown on the 1897 (updated to 1904) Sanborn map. The exposed windows are rectangular nine-over-nine or two-over-two wooden sash. The interior is bisected by a brick wall which runs east to west, dividing the space into two equal portions. The name "Lorillard" is painted on a sign affixed at the southwest corner of the exterior. The building occupies most of its lot on the west side of North Market Street north of West James Street. The area is a mixture of commercial and residential structures. The building has very good integrity.

The east elevation (facade), which is six bays wide, faces North Market Street. The roof line at this elevation is slightly gabled with a raised parapet over the third and fourth bays. The basement is raised with closed segmental arch windows. There is a single-door entry with transom on the north and south ends, and double-door loading docks at the second and fifth bays.

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The west elevation (rear) is six bays wide with a large receiving dock door at the third bay, and a basement entrance at the fifth bay. Three exposed windows on the third story are two-over-two; others are covered with metal shutters. The north and south elevations are similar: nine bays wide with metal shutters covering segmental arch window openings. The north elevation has a large wooden receiving dock door with eighteen lights over six wooden panels at the second bay; the south elevation has a dock door at the seventh bay.

The integrity of the building is very good. With the exceptions of repairs in brickwork and possibly some alterations to the loading docks in the rear, the building appears little changed from its original appearance.

**8. Statement of Significance**

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:  
 nationally     statewide     locally

Applicable National Register Criteria     A     B     C     D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions)     A     B     C     D     E     F     G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

- Industry
- Architecture
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_
- \_\_\_\_\_

Period of Significance  
 1900-1929

Significant Date  
 1900

Cultural Affiliation  
 N/A

Significant Person  
 N/A

Architect/Builder  
 Unknown

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

The David H. Miller Tobacco Warehouse is significant under criteria A and C. It is a member of the tobacco processing and manufacturing property type under the multiple property nomination: Tobacco Buildings in Lancaster City. It is significant as an integral part of one of Lancaster City's most important late-nineteenth- and early-twentieth-century industries, the processing and storage of cigar leaf tobacco. The building is representative of a large body of industrial buildings at the turn of the century in Lancaster City. It is a good example of some of the larger warehouses in the property type which were bisected into two portions by a brick fire wall, each side occupied by a different tobacco dealer (see National Register nomination, Harrisburg Avenue Historic District, Rosenbaum Warehouse, submitted 1990).

David H. Miller, a Lancaster City plumber, who also owned other real estate in the city, c. 1890-1910, purchased this site from the estate of Dana Graham in 1900 and built this tobacco warehouse. In 1904 the warehouse, according to the 1897 (updated to 1904) Sanborn map, was three stories in height, had electric lights, tin shutters, and was bisected east to west by the brick wall. Both sides were used for the storage of tobacco: the southerly portion was used by Miller, the owner; the northerly portion was leased to Julius Marqusee, a leaf tobacco dealer who had other warehouses in Lancaster City.

By 1912 G. Falk & Bro. occupied the entire building as a tobacco warehouse with a packing department. The 1919-1920 city directory still listed this firm in the building. Louis A. Kramer Tobacco Co. occupied the building from 1923-1929. The building was vacant from 1931-1938. It was later used for tobacco storage by the Lorillard Co., the national tobacco company which also occupied the nearby former B. F. Good Tobacco Co. building (see National Register nomination, Good, B. F., Tobacco Warehouse, entered 1985).

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**9. Major Bibliographical References**

Insurance Maps of Lancaster, Pennsylvania, Sanborn-Ferris Map Co., 1897 (updated to 1904): 5; 1912: 11; 1912 (updated to 1947): 11. An original Sanborn for 1897 is at the Historical Society of Lancaster County, Lancaster, PA; those for 1886, 1912, and 1912 updated are on microfilm, Reel No. 282, at the same repository.

Lancaster City Directories, 1888-90, 1924.

Survey file research, 512 N. Market St., 1987, Historic Preservation Trust of Lancaster County, Lancaster, PA.

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 Record # \_\_\_\_\_

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Primary location of additional data:

- State historic preservation office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Specify repository: \_\_\_\_\_

**10. Geographical Data**

Acreeage of property Less than one acre.

UTM References

A 18 389350 443350.0  
 Zone Easting Northing

C \_\_\_\_\_

B \_\_\_\_\_  
 Zone Easting Northing

D \_\_\_\_\_

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Verbal Boundary Description

See Lancaster City Tax Assessment Book No. 33, Ward No. 9, Map No. 12J16B, Block No. 5, Lot No. 3, at the Lancaster County Tax Assessor's Office, Lancaster County Court House, Lancaster, PA.

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Boundary Justification

The legal boundaries which are historically associated with the property.

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**11. Form Prepared By**

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Tobacco Warehouse  
Lancaster Co.  
Lancaster Quad  
Zone 18  
E 389350  
N 4433500

Bascha Fisher  
Tobacco Warehouse  
Lancaster Co.  
Lancaster Quad  
Zone 18  
E 389160  
N 4433230