

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

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1. Name of Property

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historic name: Media Armory

other name/site number: N/A

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2. Location

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street & number: 12 East State Street

not for publication: n/a

city/town: Media

vicinity: n/a

state: PA county: Delaware code: 045

zip code: 19063

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3. Classification

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Ownership of Property: Public - State

Category of Property: Building(s)

Number of Resources within Property:

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1	0	buildings
_____	_____	sites
_____	_____	structures
_____	_____	objects
1	0	Total

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register: 0

Name of related multiple property listing: PA National Guard Armories

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1986, 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 does not meet the National Register Criteria. See continuation sheet.

Dr. Brent Glass [Signature] Signature of certifying official

10/24/89 Date

Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission 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 Keeper Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic: Defense Sub: Arms Storage
Current : Defense Sub: Arms Storage

7. Description

Architectural Classification:

Late Gothic Revival

Other Description:

Materials: foundation Stone roof Asphalt
walls Stone other

Describe present and historic physical appearance. X See continuation sheet.

8. Statement of Significance

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

Applicable National Register Criteria: A,C

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) :

Areas of Significance: Military
Architecture

Period(s) of Significance: 1908-1939

Significant Dates : 1908

Years of Alterations:

Significant Person(s): n/a

Cultural Affiliation: n/a

Architect/Builder: Price and McLanahan
Rodgers, Calvin W.

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above. X See continuation sheet.

9. Major Bibliographical References

See continuation sheet.

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 # _____

Primary Location of Additional Data:

- State historic preservation office
- Other state agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other -- Specify Repository: _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property: .4 acres

UTM References: Zone Easting Northing Zone Easting Northing

A	18	466760	4418560	B	_____	_____
C	_____	_____	_____	D	_____	_____

_____ See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description: See continuation sheet.

Boundary Justification: _____ See continuation sheet.

The legal boundaries which are historically associated with the property.

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7. Description

The Media Armory is a two story, rectangular, random rubble building. It is situated on a flat lot in the Borough of Media. The armory has a T plan type that is executed in the Late Gothic Revival style. The armory has excellent integrity.

The armory is 4 bays by 7 bays in size, and the stone walls rest on a stone foundation. The gable end of the building parallels the street and the asphalt shingled roof is hidden by a crenellated parapet wall. There are three metal ventilators in the ridge of the roof. The central entrance on the front facade has a set of double doors recessed behind a tudor arch. The 6 over 6 double hung windows in the first floor have a segmental arch lintel, while the second floor windows have flat lintels. The front facade is flanked by stone buttresses on both sides. Buttresses also mark each bay along the sides of the drill hall.

The interior of the building has plaster walls and ceilings with wood floors. The painted wood trim is simple and indicative of the Late Gothic Revival style. The basement has concrete floors and the hallway has a pressed metal ceiling. The drill hall has a balcony extended from the second floor.

The integrity of this armory is excellent. The original plan and the majority of the interior and exterior detail remain intact. The original wood doors in the front entrance have been replaced with glass and aluminum doors, while the side and rear drill hall doors have been replaced with metal doors. A metal fire escape has been added to the left side from the second floor. On the interior the drill hall balcony has been closed off for storage, and a dropped ceiling has been installed in the drill hall.

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8. Significance

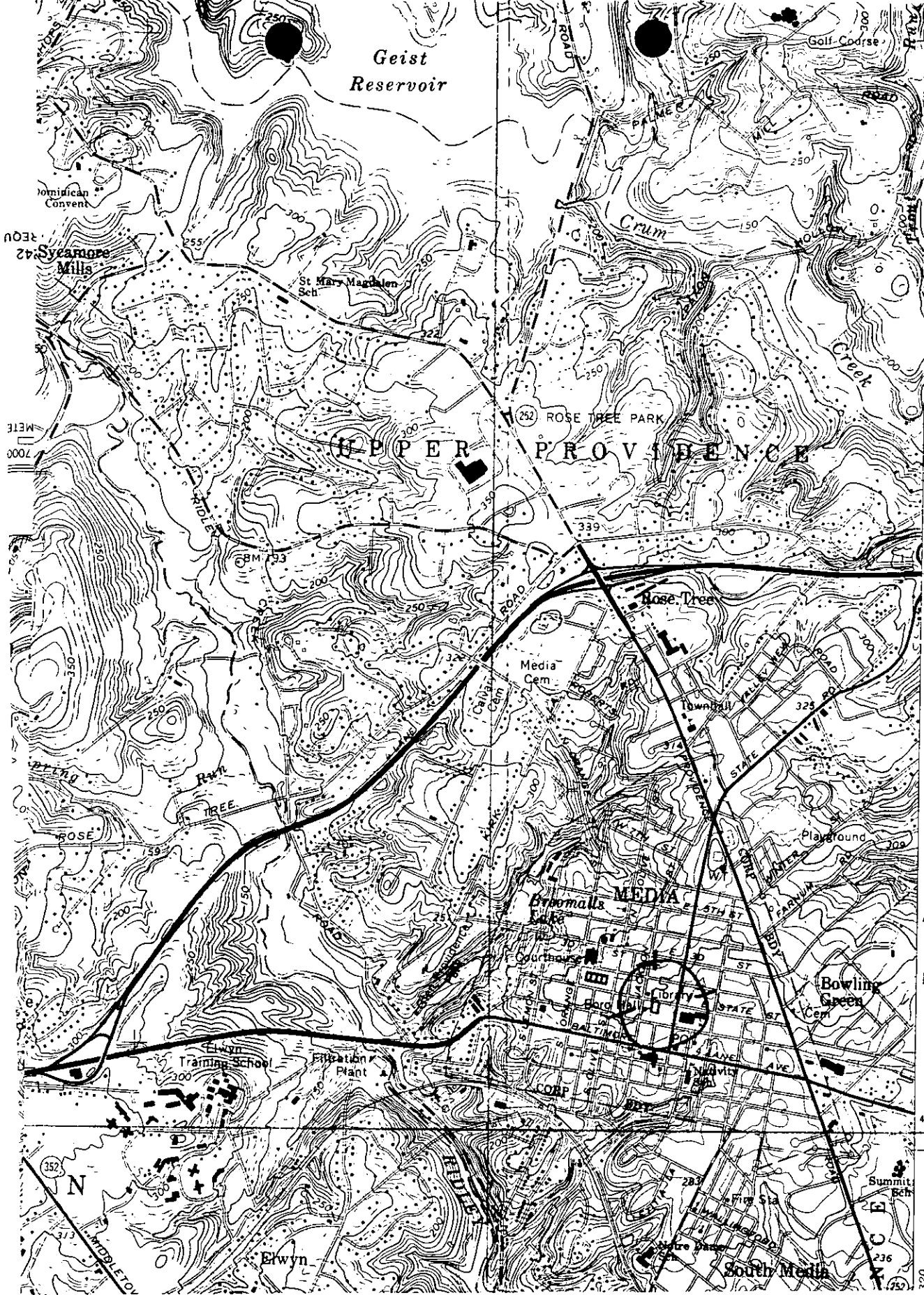
The Media Armory is significant under criteria A and C. It is a member of the State Armory Building property type under the multiple property nomination, Pennsylvania National Guard Armories. It was built for Company H, 6th Infantry of the Pennsylvania National Guard in 1908. It is one of 37 armories in Pennsylvania that has a T plan type. The building was designed by Price and McLanahan of Philadelphia. This firm also designed the Chester Armory in 1907. The firm is primarily noted for residences around Philadelphia, but also designed some commercial buildings as well.

9. Bibliography

Tatman, Sandra L. and Roger W. Moss. Biographical Dictionary of Philadelphia Architects: 1700 - 1930, Boston: G.K. Hall & Co., 1985.

10. Verbal Boundary Description

The boundaries as described in Delaware County Deed Book S, Number 12, Page 31.



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4422

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5963 IV NE

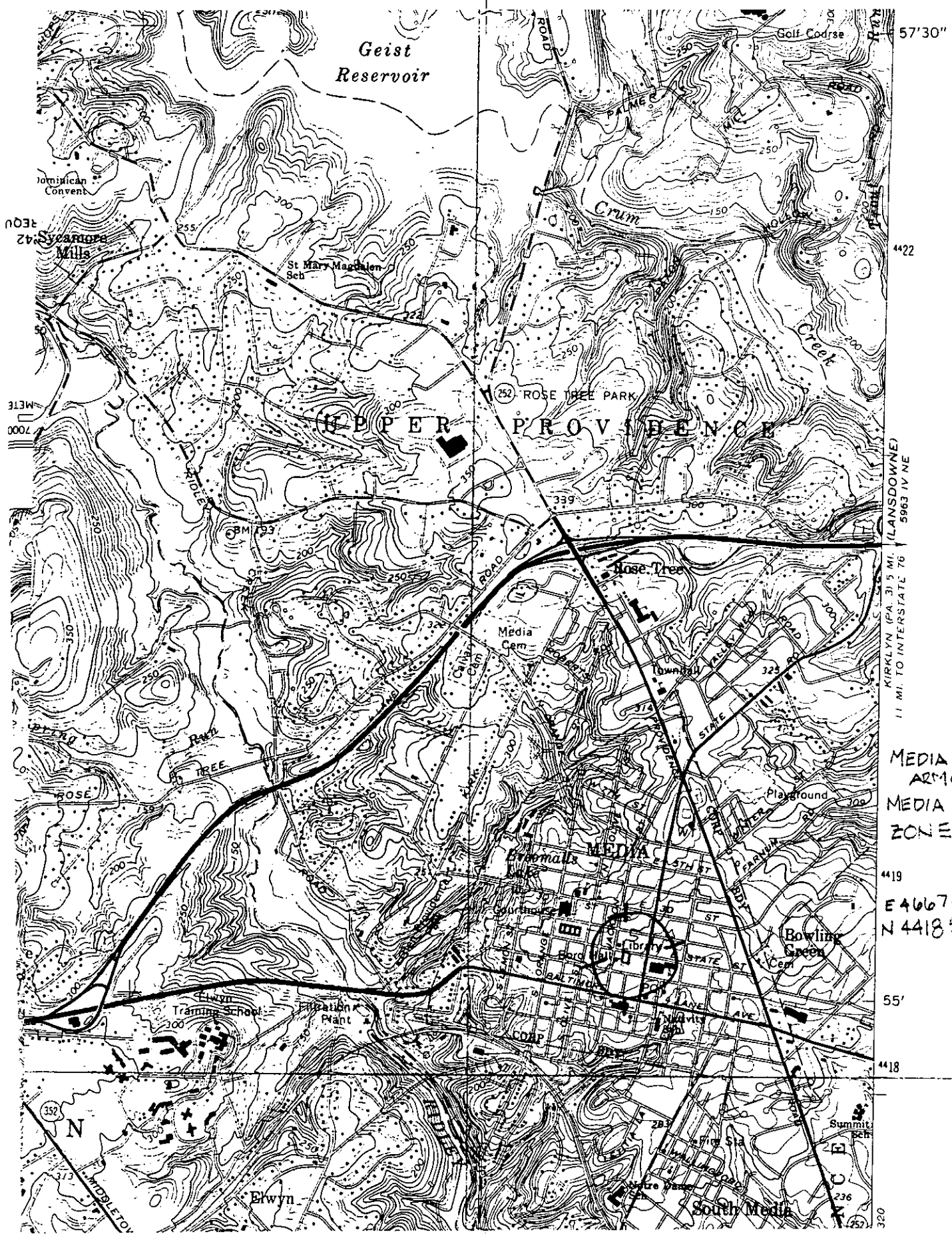
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ARMOR 1
MEDIA GUAL
ZONE 13

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57°30"

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11 MI. TO INTERSTATE 76
KIRKLYN (PA. 31.5 MI.)
LANSDOWNE

MEDIA
ARMOR I
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ZONE 13

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