

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
REGISTRATION FORM

1. Name of Property

historic name: Kane Armory

other name/site number: N/A

2. Location

street & number: Chestnut and Fraley Streets

city/town: Kane

not for publication: N/A

vicinity: N/A

state: PA county: McKean code: 083 zip code: 16735

3. Classification

Ownership of Property: public-State

Category of Property: building(s)

Number of Resources within Property:

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

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

Name of related multiple property listing: Pennsylvania

National Guard Armories

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this x 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 X meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

Brent D. Glass
Signature of certifying official

3/22/91
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:

Art Deco

Materials:

foundation concrete

walls brick/stone

roof asphalt

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 of Significance: 1922-1939

Significant Dates: 1922 1929

Cultural Affiliation: N/A

Significant Person: N/A

Architect/Builder: Wilkins, W. G. Company/Kuntz, Joseph F. Prahl Construction Company/Hatten, Clyde

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

X See continuation sheet.

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7. Description.

Constructed in 1922, the Kane Armory sets back from Chestnut Street on a flat lot within the Borough of Kane. Consisting of a brick building, designed in the Art Deco style, the armory is fronted by a lawn and concrete walks. The building is laid out on a T plan, composed of a two story, front section, containing administrative areas, that was added, in 1929, to the two story (including exposed basement), rear section, containing the drill hall on the first floor. Measuring approximately 61 x 125 feet, the armory retains integrity.

The armory has a concrete foundation. A flat roof covers the administrative section, while a gable roof covers the drill hall. Exterior features of the administrative section include slightly recessed wall panels at the window bays, and a parapet with stone coping. Exterior drill hall features include, belt courses, soldier courses, and a brick chimney.

The main (North) elevation of the armory is divided into thirds by four brick buttresses. The end bays contain entrances that are a few steps above ground level. These entrances consist of double doors recessed beneath segmental arches, with light fixtures located on either side. A pair of four-over-four sash windows appears at the second story over each entrance, separated by a narrow, projected brick strip topped by a stone point. A thin stone course highlights the cornice of the end bays, wrapping several feet onto the side elevations. Decorative copested rectangles embedded in the parapet align with the window strips of the facade, including those of the center third of the elevation. The center third is pierced by six-over-six sash windows on each story, separated into three recessed bays by projecting brick strips.

The side and rear elevations feature small casement windows fronted by bars at the concrete basement level. The side elevations of the administrative section are similar to the center third of the main facade, while the side elevation of the drill hall section contain bays of twelve-over-twelve sash windows grouped in sets of two or three. A small nine-light casement window above double doors with stairs is located on the left side elevation of the drill hall section.

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The rear elevation has two fifteen-light casement windows above first story double doors framed in brick in the center, flanked on each side by twelve over twelve sash windows. At the basement level, double doors provide access to the basement interior.

The interior of the armory is sparse, with woodwork limited to doors and trim. The basement, composed of a class room, day room, boiler room, toilet room, kitchen, and storage, has concrete floors. All of the basement walls are concrete, except for the walls in the toilet room, which are plaster. The first and second floors also have plaster walls, as well as plaster ceilings, with the floors being either wood or tile. The first floor contains offices, restrooms, a school room, and the drill hall in the rear section, while the second floor contains a club room, office, toilet room, and storage. The armory drill hall measures 61 x 100 feet. It has a wood floor and a ceiling that is supported by riveted, steel Howe trusses with prominent gusset plates.

While new plaster ceilings were installed, the interior retains the original doors and woodwork. In the basement, a window was blocked up and the area in front of the rifle range was excavated, and along with the rifle range was turned into a storage area. In 1965, the electrical system was rehabilitated. Overall, the armory has good integrity.

9. Major Bibliographical References

X 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:

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

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property: 1.0

UTM References:

A	<u>17</u>	<u>682230</u>	<u>4614000</u>	B	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
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C	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	D	<u> </u>	<u> </u>	<u> </u>
	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing

Verbal Boundary Description:

X See continuation sheet.

Boundary Justification:

The legal boundaries which are historically associated with the property.

See continuation sheet.

11. Form Prepared By

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8. Significance.

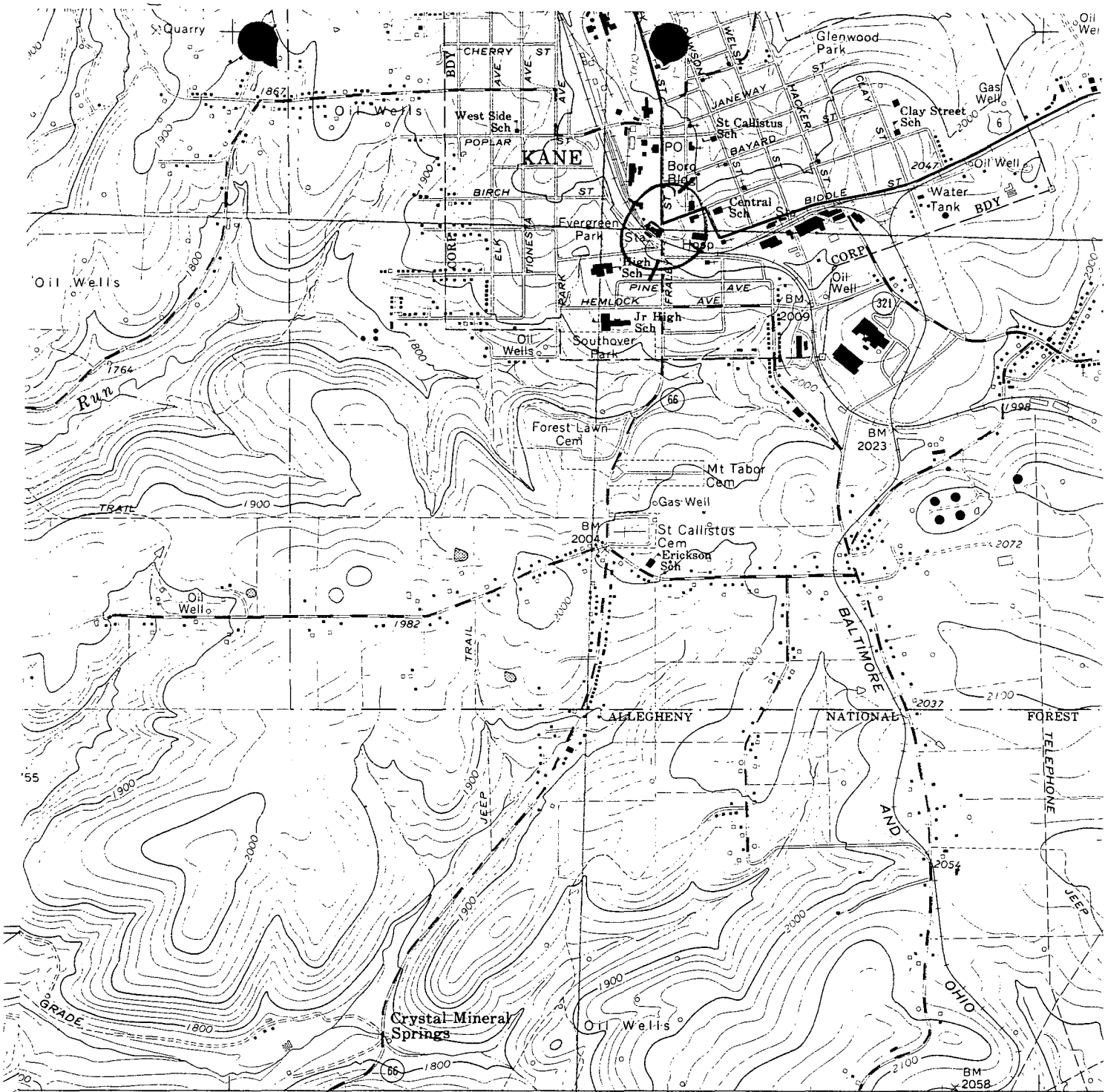
The Kane Armory is significant under criteria A and C. It is a member of the State Armory Building Property type under the multiple property nomination: Pennsylvania National Guard Armories. It was built in 1922 for the 112th Infantry of the Pennsylvania National Guard, with a front, administrative section added later, in 1929. It is one of at least thirty-seven armories in Pennsylvania laid out on a T plan. The armory was designed by W. G. Wilkins Company and Joseph F. Kuntz of Pittsburgh, who is responsible for the design of approximately eighteen armories in the western third of the state. Kuntz began designing armories with the W. G. Wilkins Company just after the State Armory Board's creation in 1905, and he continued until 1930. Typical spaces in the armory include a drill hall, a class room, a dining room, a locker room, a kitchen, storage, and offices.

9. Bibliography.

Refer to section H in Multiple Resource Nomination: Pennsylvania National Guard Armories.

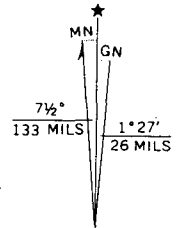
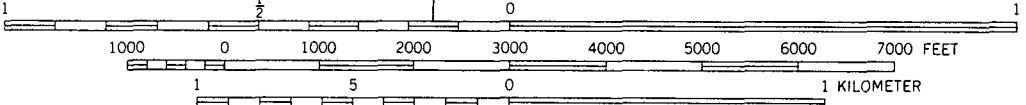
10. Verbal Boundary Description.

The boundaries as described in McKean County Deed Book, Volume 183, page 331.



10 FEET 1 680 50' JAMES CITY 0.7 MI. MARIENVILLE 20 MI. 682 (JAMES CITY) 5267 III SE 683 LAMONT 1 MI. 47'30"

SCALE 1:24 000



1973 MAGNETIC NORTH DECLINATION AT CENTER OF SHEET

CONTOUR INTERVAL 20 FEET
DATUM IS MEAN SEA LEVEL

KANE ARMORY
KANE QUAD
ZONE 17
682 230 E
4614 000 N

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