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National Park Service

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES  
REGISTRATION FORM

1. Name of Property

historic name: Milton Armory

other name/site number: N/A

2. Location

street & number: 133 Ridge Avenue

city/town: Milton

not for publication: N/A  
vicinity: N/A

state: PA county: Northumberland code: 097 zip code: 17847

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 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

Date

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

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 7. Description  
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## Architectural Classification:

Tudor Revival  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Materials:

foundation concretewalls brickroof slate

other \_\_\_\_\_

 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Describe present and historic physical appearance.

X See continuation sheet.

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 8. Statement of Significance  
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 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: 1922-1939Significant Dates: 1922 1930Cultural Affiliation: N/ASignificant Person: N/A
 Architect/Builder: Wilkins, W.G. Company -- architect  
Atherton, Thomas H. -- architect  
Moore, H.A. Company, Inc. -- builder  
Lutz Construction Company builder

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 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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9. Major Bibliographical References

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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: \_\_\_\_\_.

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10. Geographical Data

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Acreage of Property:  .50

UTM References:

A	<u> 18 </u>	<u> 344480 </u>	<u> 4542070 </u>	B	<u>     </u>	<u>     </u>	<u>     </u>
	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing
C	<u>     </u>	<u>     </u>	<u>     </u>	D	<u>     </u>	<u>     </u>	<u>     </u>
	Zone	Easting	Northing		Zone	Easting	Northing

Verbal Boundary Description:

See continuation sheet.

Boundary Justification:

The legal boundaries which are historically associated with the property.

See continuation sheet.

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11. Form Prepared By

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7. Description.

Consisting of a brick building over a concrete foundation, the Milton armory is located on a flat lot within the Borough of Milton. The building's design is influenced by the Tudor Revival style, particularly in the use of stone window and door surrounds on the front (west) facade. The building is laid out on a T plan, with a two-story, front section, containing an administrative area, being added, in 1930, to a one-story, rear section, containing the drill hall, constructed in 1922. Measuring approximately 70 x 110 feet, the armory has very good integrity.

Enlivened by decorative stonework, including sills, lintels, quoins, coping, and a water table, the administrative section is covered by a flat roof. Other exterior features on the administrative and drill hall sections include a parapet, brick belt courses, and double hung sash windows.

The main (West) elevation, facing Ridge Street, is divided into thirds by two projecting entrance bays. Each entrance bay contains ground-level glass double doors and a transom sash on the first story and a four-over-four sash window on the second story. Having a gabled parapet, accentuated by a recessed triangular-shaped stone panel, the center third of the elevation consists of three six-over-six sash windows on both the first and second floors. On the basement, there are three small six-light casement windows. The remaining end thirds each have a six-over-six sash window on the first and second stories, and a small six-light casement window on the basement. The second story windows across the facade have metal awnings.

The side elevations of the administrative section are composed of two sections: the first section projects from the drill hall wall, and the second section is flush with the drill hall wall. The first section contains a ground-level double door entrance and two, second-story, six-light casement windows. The second section has one window on both the basement and first story, and two windows on the second story.

In contrast, the side elevations of the drill hall are punctuated by twelve-over-twelve sash windows grouped in sets of three or two on the main story and nine-light casement windows grouped in sets of two on the basement. Covered by a gambrel roof, the drill hall is highlighted by decorative brick belt courses and a brick water table, with all of the windows having brick sills and lintels.

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Rising in a parapet, the rear elevation consists of three sets of paired twelve-over-twelve sash windows on the first floor level, with nine-light casement windows spaced along the basement. At the corners of the elevation, the wall surfaces slightly project, suggesting corner piers, with the left pier including a slender brick chimney.

On the interior, the basement contains an assortment of rooms, including a rifle range, dining room, kitchen, boiler room, locker room, storage space, and offices arranged along a double loaded corridor. The administrative section has a lounge and rest rooms divided by two entrance halls that lead back to the drill hall on the first floor, and offices on the second floor. Measuring 60 x 98 feet, the drill hall has a wood floor and a roof that is supported by riveted, steel Howe trusses with gusset plates.

Among the changes to the armory, the drill hall floor was replaced after the 1972 flood, and the balcony overlooking the drill hall floor was enclosed in order to create more office space on the second floor. Overall, however, the armory has very good integrity.

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8. Significance.

The Milton 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. The armory was constructed in two phases. First, the drill hall section was constructed, in 1922. Later, in 1930, a two-story administrative section was added to the front of the armory, providing the armory with a T plan. W.G. Wilkins of Pittsburgh designed the original armory, while Thomas H. Atherton of Wilkes-Barre designed the addition. Spaces typical of a T-plan armory include a drill hall, rifle range, kitchen, boiler room, storage space, and offices.

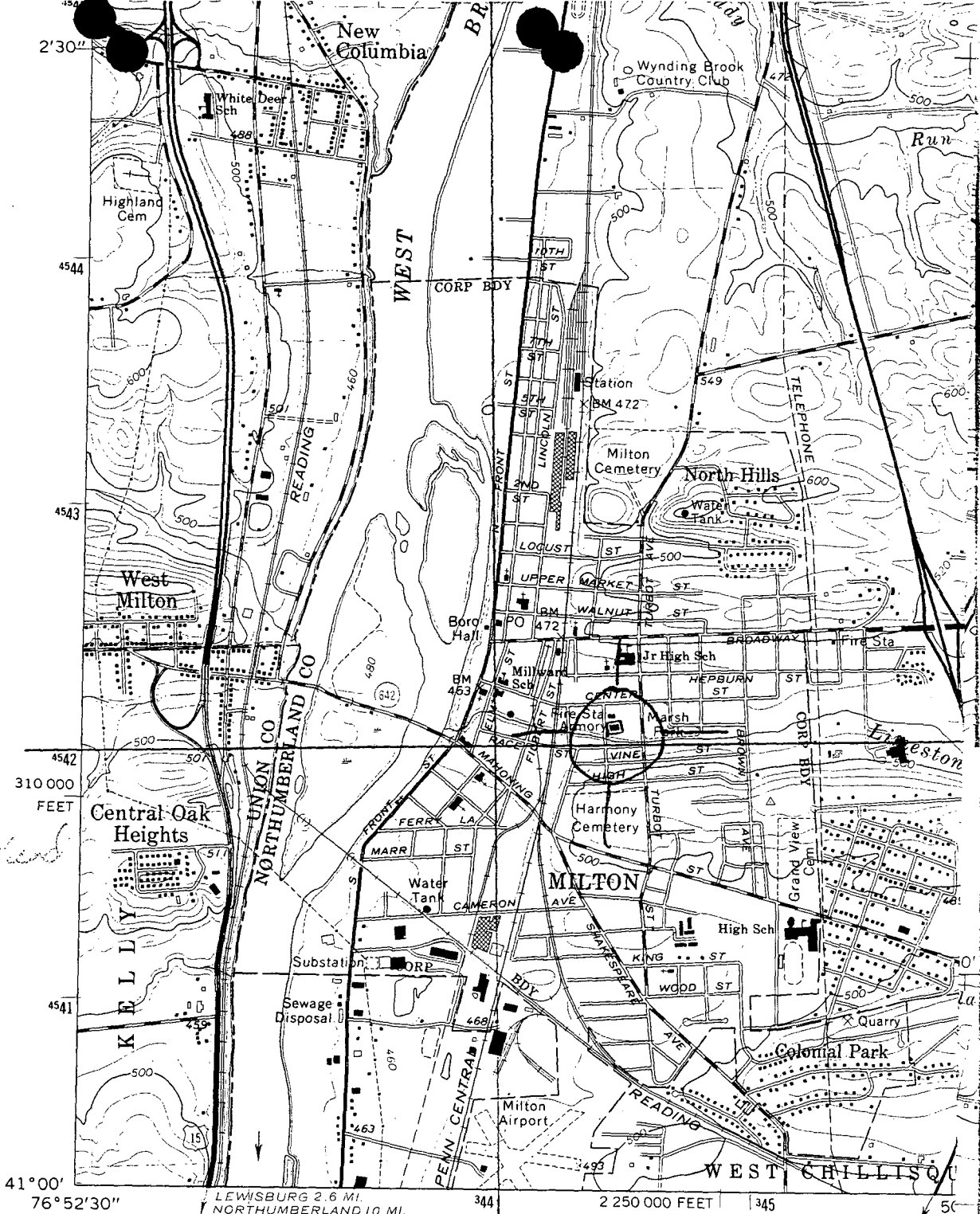
9. Bibliography.

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

10. Verbal Boundary Description.

See Northumberland County Deed Book, Volume 194, page 157.

MILTON ARMORY  
 MILTON QUAD  
 ZONE 18  
 344 480 E  
 4542070 N  
*Northumberland  
 County*



(LEWISBURG)  
 5665 IV NW

Mapped, edited, and published by the Geological Survey  
 Control by USGS and USC&GS  
 Topography by photogrammetric methods from aerial  
 photographs taken 1962-63. Field checked 1965  
 Polyconic projection. 1927 North American datum  
 10,000-foot grid based on Pennsylvania coordinate system, north zone  
 1000-meter Universal Transverse Mercator grid ticks,  
 zone 18, shown in blue  
 Fine red dashed lines indicate selected fence and field lines where  
 generally visible on aerial photographs. This information is unchecked  
 Red tint indicates area in which only landmark buildings are shown

