

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: Mansfield Armory

other name/site number: N/A

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2. Location

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street & number: Symthe Park

city/town: Mansfield

not for publication: N/A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

state: PA county: Tioga code: 117 zip code: 16933

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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	
<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

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4. State/Federal Agency Certification
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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

3/20/91
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

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5. National Park Service Certification
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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

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6. Function or Use
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Historic: Defense

Sub: Arms Storage

Current: Defense

Sub: Arms Storage

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7. Description
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Architectural Classification:

Other: utilitarian

Materials:

foundation concrete

walls brick

roof unknown

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: 1938-1939

Significant Dates: 1938

Cultural Affiliation: N/A

Significant Person: N/A

Architect/Builder: Atherton, Thomas H.

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

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: .90

UTM References:

A 18 327260 4630160 B Zone Easting Northing

C Zone Easting Northing D 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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7. Description.

Located on a flat lot in the Borough of Mansfield, the Mansfield Armory consists of a brick building designed with a utilitarian appearance. Measuring approximately 96 x 140 feet, the building is rectangular in plan, with a center drill hall rising higher than the surrounding one-story section. Constructed in 1938, the armory has very good integrity.

Having a concrete foundation, a flat roof covers the one-story area of the building, while an arched roof covers the drill hall. Exterior features of the armory include a parapet with stone coping, a brick chimney, four-over-four sash windows, double door entrances, overhead garage doors, and decorative brickwork, including a corbeled cornice, lintels, and belt courses.

Overlooking a stepped, grassy hill, the main (South) elevation of the armory is divided into thirds by two wooden double door entrances with transom sashes, framed in slightly projecting, decorative brick panels. Between the entrances, there are four windows with a brick belt course above. On the ends of the elevation, two closely spaced windows appear. A corbeled cornice accents the ends, and continues around the rest of the building.

The side elevations of the one-story section have windows paired closely together or spaced apart individually. The right (East) side elevation, facing the fenced-in vehicle compound, contains two double door entrances with transom sashes towards the rear of the armory, while the left (West) side contains only one such entrance. Rising above the one-story section, the exposed drill hall sides are punctuated by paired casement windows.

Facing a paved parking area, the rear elevation consists of a single door entrance and three overhead garage doors on the first story. Above, the arched end of the drill hall has two paired casement windows centered above a row of four paired casement windows.

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On the interior, the basement remains largely unexcavated, except for a coal room and boiler room. On the main floor, the drill hall is surrounded by an assortment of rooms, including a class room, locker room, day room, kitchen, vehicle maintenance room, wash rack room, storage rooms, and offices. All of these rooms have brick walls and concrete floors. At the center of the main floor, the drill hall measures 58 x 100 feet. It has brick walls and a wood floor. A drop ceiling conceals the roof supports.

Some changes have been made to the armory. Among them, several doors have been replaced, two windows in one of the storage rooms have been bricked in, and the drop ceiling in the drill hall was installed. Nevertheless, the armory has very good integrity.

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8. Significance.

The Mansfield 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 as a W.P.A. Project in 1938, for the 108th Ambulance Company, 103rd Medical Regiment of the Pennsylvania National Guard. The building was designed by Thomas H. Atherton of Wilkes-Barre, who is responsible for the design of eight armories located in the eastern part of the state. Laid out on a rectangular plan, the center drill hall rises above the rest of the armory, making the Mansfield Armory unusual among armories. However, the Mansfield armory contains interior spaces typical of Pennsylvania armories, such as the drill hall, locker room, storage rooms, offices, kitchen, and day room.

9. Bibliography.

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

10. Verbal Boundary Description.

See Tioga County Deed Book, Volume 194, page 469.

MANSFIELD ARMOY
MANSFIELD QUAD
ZONE 18
327260 E
4630160 N
Trigg County

