

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 Friedman, Henry B., Tobacco Warehouse  
other names/site number N/A

### 2. Location

street & number 309-311 Harrisburg Avenue, rear  not for publication N/A  
city, town Lancaster  vicinity N/A  
state Pennsylvania code PA county Lancaster code 071 zip code 17603

### 3. Classification

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|---|---|-------------------------------------|--------------------|
| Ownership of Property                       | Category of Property                            | Number of Resources within Property |                    |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s) | Contributing                        | Noncontributing    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> public-local       | <input type="checkbox"/> district               | <u>1</u>                            | <u>0</u> buildings |
| <input type="checkbox"/> public-State       | <input type="checkbox"/> site                   | _____                               | _____ sites        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal     | <input type="checkbox"/> structure              | _____                               | _____ structures   |
|   | <input type="checkbox"/> object                 | _____                               | _____ 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:)

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Signature of the Keeper

Date of Action

**6. Function or Use**

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Agriculture/storage  
Industry/manufacturing facility

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Commercte/warehouse

**7. Description**

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

Other: tobacco warehouse

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation Stucco

walls Brick

roof Asphalt

other Tin

Concrete

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

The Henry B. Friedman Tobacco Warehouse is rectangular in plan and dates from c. 1880. It is two-and-one-half stories in height over a raised basement, of red brick laid in common bond, and has a stucco-covered stone foundation. The building is three bays by six bays. The end-gabled moderately pitched roof is covered with asphalt shingles; a tin-covered stair tower with a window extends from the easterly slope above the third and fourth bays. The roof line is accented by brick dentilled cornices. Window openings are brick segmental arches with rectangular six-over-six windows set in wooden sash; some of the windows are filled with cinder blocks. Changes in coloration of the bricks between the third and fourth bays on the east elevation indicate that the building was extended approximately three bays to the north. A raised loading dock with an aluminum overhang was added, c. 1960, on the east elevation, extending from the second bay. A one-story, shed-roofed, cinder block addition c. 1975, wraps around the northerly end of the building, extending from between the fifth and sixth bays of the east elevation, stretching across the north elevation, and ending between the third and fourth bays of the west elevation. The warehouse is situated approximately 200 feet north of Harrisburg Avenue above North Mulberry Street and is angled on the lot. Railroad tracks pass along the rear of the building. The area is mixed commercial and light industrial. Although the building has undergone some changes, particularly with the modern addition and the stair tower, much of the original building is intact; therefore, the Henry B. Friedman Tobacco Warehouse has good integrity.

The three-bay south elevation faces Harrisburg Avenue. The doorway at the first bay has been lowered and the windows show evidence of having been altered. Painted signs on the brickwork reading "No. 7," and "Dutch Gold Honey" are visible. The west elevation is similar to the east elevation without the loading dock; its basement window openings are visible, but are cinder-block filled. The north elevation is not accessible.

 See continuation sheet

**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  
c.1880-1925

Significant Dates  
1886

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 Henry B. Friedman 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 built in the last quarter of the nineteenth century in Lancaster City. It is a good example of the earlier, low, end-gabled, tobacco buildings associated with this property type.

In 1886 this leaf tobacco warehouse, leased to Henry B. Friedman, was the northernmost of a group of tobacco buildings belonging to the C. A. Bitner estate which spanned both sides of Harrisburg Avenue at North Mulberry Street. Although the Bitner buildings on the south side of Harrisburg Avenue are extant (see National Register nomination, Harrisburg Avenue Tobacco Historic District, submitted 1990), only the Henry B. Friedman Tobacco Warehouse has survived of the four Bitner tobacco buildings on the north side of Harrisburg Avenue.

Under the continuing Bitner estate ownership to c. 1945, following Friedman's occupancy the building was used by other lessees. In 1904 Elias Bach & Sons leased it for use as a leaf tobacco warehouse; in 1912 C. A. B. Zook occupied it for the same purpose. Although the address varies over time, from 1916-1925 the building appears to have been used as the leaf tobacco warehouse of Allen R. Cressman Sons, and as one of the tobacco warehouses of Otto Eisenlohr Co. (see National Register nomination, Eisenlohr/Bayuk Tobacco Historic District, submitted 1990). From 1925 until 1947 its use is uncertain; in 1947 baskets were stored in the building; later a honey processing company occupied it. It is presently used for storage.

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**9. Major Bibliographical References**

Insurance Maps of Lancaster, Pennsylvania, Sanborn-Ferris Map Co., 1886: 2; 1897 (updated to 1904): 4; 1912: 10; 1912 (updated to 1947): 10. 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 for 1912-13, 1916, 1919-20, 1923-4, 1925-6, 1931, 1933; the address of the building varied over time: 309-11 Harrisburg Ave., rear; 311 1/2 Harrisburg Ave.; 305-7 Harrisburg Ave.

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**

Acreage of property Less than one acre.

UTM References

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Verbal Boundary Description

See Lancaster County Tax Assessment Book No. 33, Ward No. 9, Map No. 12J16B, Block No. 1, Lot No. 9, and Lancaster County Deed Book L46: 250 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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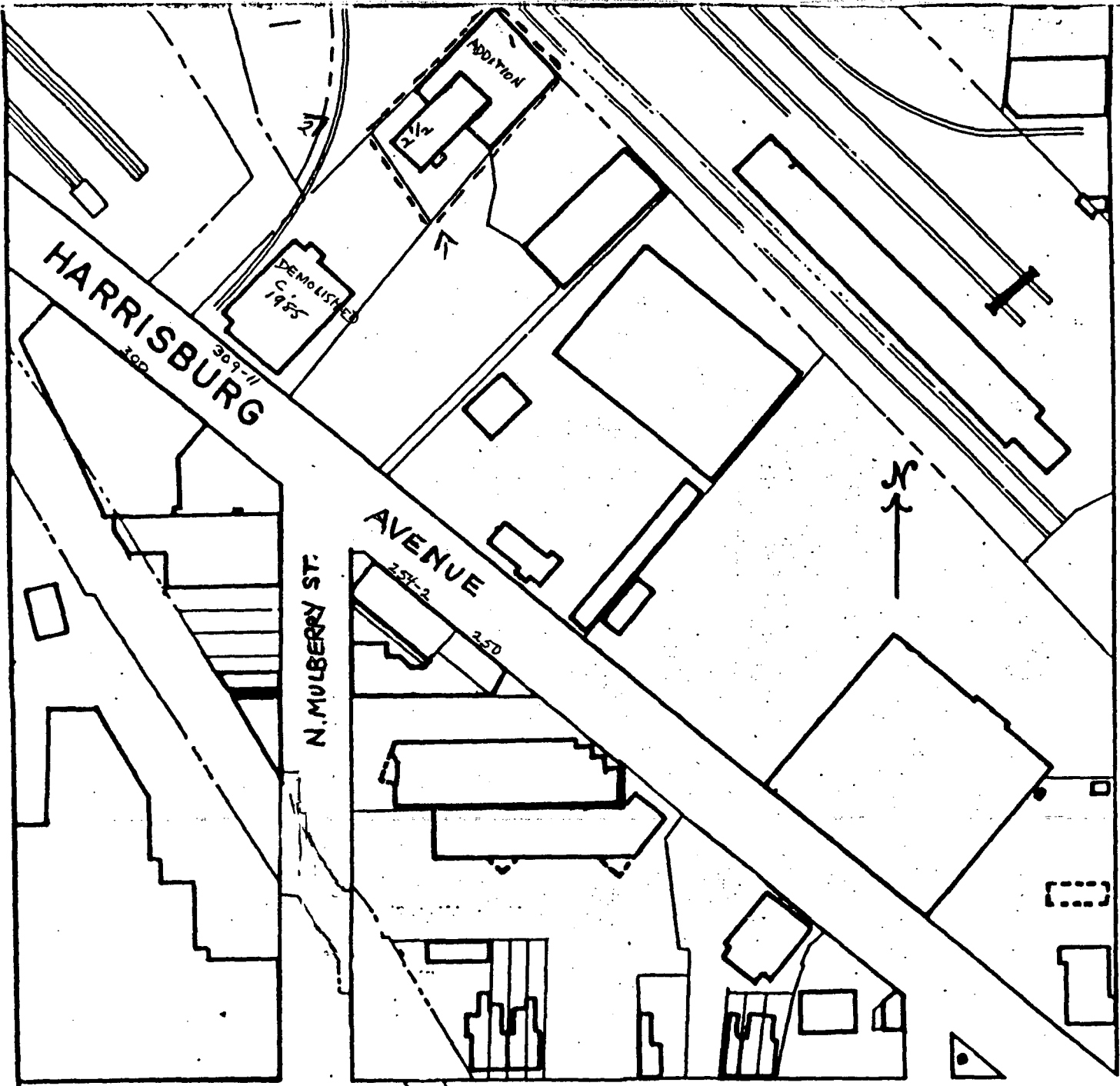
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PRINCE



scale

1 inch = 120 feet

> - photo notation



Friedman, Henry B., Tobacco Warehouse  
 309 Harrisburg Avenue, rear  
 Lancaster  
 Lancaster County, PA



Henry B. Friedman  
 Tobacco Warehouse  
 Lancaster Co.  
 Lancaster Quad  
 Zone 18  
 E 358040  
 N 4433670

Martin B.B.  
 Tobacco Warehouse  
 Lancaster Co.  
 Lancaster Quad  
 Zone 18  
 E 358170  
 N 4433360

Schnader, R. K. Sons  
 Tobacco Warehouse 2'30"  
 Lancaster Co.  
 Lancaster Quad  
 Zone 18  
 E 357820  
 N 4432380