

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 for individual properties and districts. See instructions in *How to Complete the National Register of Historic Places Registration Form* (National Register Bulletin 16A). Complete each item by marking "X" in the appropriate box or by entering the information requested. If any item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, architectural classification, materials, and areas of significance, enter only categories and subcategories from the instructions. Place additional entries and narrative items on continuation sheets (NPS Form 10-900a). Use a typewriter, word processor, or computer, to complete all items.

1. Name of Property

historic name Miller-Mackey House
other names/site number Miller, Dr. John G., House and Office

2. Location

street & number 5440 Broadway not for publication N/A
city or town Lancaster vicinity N/A
state New York code 036 county Erie code 029 zip code 14086

3. 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 meets does not meet the National Register Criteria. I recommend that this property be considered significant nationally statewide locally. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)
J.W. Adams Dep. Comm. for Nat. Parks 19 October 99
Signature of certifying official/Title Date
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. (See continuation sheet for additional comments.)
Signature of commenting or other official Date
State or Federal agency and bureau

4. National Park Service Certification

I hereby certify that this property is:
 entered in the National Register See continuation sheet. Signature of the Keeper Date of Action
 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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County and State

5. Classification

Ownership of Property

(Check as many boxes as apply)

- private
- public-local
- public-State
- public-Federal

Category of Property

(Check only one box)

- building(s)
- district
- site
- structure
- object

Number of Resources within Property

(Do not include previously-listed resources in the count)

Contributing	Noncontributing	
1		buildings
		sites
		structures
		objects
1		Total

Name of related multiple property listing

Architectural & Historical Resources of the Village of Lancaster, Erie County, New York

Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register

N/A

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

- DOMESTIC/single dwelling
- HEALTH CARE/medical office building

Current Functions

(Enter categories from instructions)

- SOCIAL/civic
- DOMESTIC/multiple dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(Enter categories from instructions)

LATE 19TH \$ 20TH CENTURY REVIVALS/Colonial Revival

Materials

(Enter categories from instructions)

- foundation STONE
- walls MASONRY/brick
- roof ASPHALT
- other _____

Narrative Description

(Describe the historic and current condition of the property on one or more continuation sheets)

Refer to continuation sheets

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The Miller-Mackey House is located at 5440 Broadway in the Village of Lancaster, Erie County, approximately twelve miles east of Buffalo, in western New York. The property is a two-and-one-half-story Colonial Revival-style residential building of brick construction, presently painted red, set upon a foundation of coursed rock-faced ashlar sandstone and capped with a truncated hipped roof (Photo 1). Its north-south orientation faces Broadway, the principal east-west thoroughfare of the village. The house was converted into a boys' and girls' club in 1957 and a relatively low-scale, one-story masonry gymnasium addition was appended to the rear of the house.

The four-bay facade of the house (Photo 2) includes a two-story bay window on the east side and a one-story porch which extends across the remaining three bays. The bay window has recessed-paneled wood aprons beneath the individual window units and is capped with a projecting cornice trimmed with modillions and dentils. The porch (Photo 4) is flat-roofed and is supported by composite pilasters and columns grouped in clusters of three. It also features a modillioned cornice with dentilled trim. All windows are flat-topped, with one-over-one sash. The east elevation (Photo 1) is of seven bays and includes an oriel of wood which projects outward from the second story approximately one-third of the way back from the facade. Also on the east side is a small wood entrance porch with a single door and paired windows; this porch is hipped-roofed with modillions under the eaves. The west elevation (Photo 3) is also of seven bays, with the last four bays extending outward to form an ell. At the rear of the west elevation is a one-story bay window.

The truncated hipped roof of the Miller-Mackey House is punctuated by five tall brick chimneys with corbeled brickwork. Historic photographs show an original open balustrade extending around the flat truncation of the roof; this feature was removed at an indeterminate time. On the facade are two broken pediment dormers, each containing one large center window flanked by two smaller side windows. Three additional dormers are on the east elevation and two are on the west. Windows in the dormers are flat-topped, with double-hung sash.

The interior of the house originally contained professional office space on the east side of the first story and residential living areas on the balance of the first story and on the entirety of the second. The interior underwent its first alterations when Dr. Clarence Mackey died in 1946. At this time, the second story was converted into several apartments. The interior retains some of its original features, including historic woodwork at several points, art glass, and some room arrangements and volumes.

Along the entire rear of the building of a flat-roofed, L-shaped gymnasium addition (Photo 5). It contains few windows and is devoid of architectural detail.

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The Miller-Mackey House is sited on a residential lot about one block east of the central business district of the Village of Lancaster. The lot is essentially flat and the house sits back from the street. The property has mature deciduous trees both in a planting strip between the sidewalk and the street and in the interior of the lot. A paved parking area is on the east side of the house. No outbuildings are on the property. Historically, a horseshoe-shaped driveway on the east side of the house led northward from Broadway to a large carriage house which was located behind the house. The carriage house was razed c. 1960.

8. Statement of Significance

Applicable National Register Criteria

(Mark "X" in one or more boxes for the criteria qualifying the property for National Register listing)

- A Property is associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history.
- B Property is associated with the lives of persons significant in our past.
- C Property embodies the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction or represents the work of a master, or possesses high artistic values, or represents a significant and distinguishable entity whose components lack individual distinction.
- D Property has yielded, or is likely to yield, information important in prehistory or history.

Areas of Significance

(Enter categories from instructions)

ARCHITECTURE

Period of Significance

c. 1905-1949

Significant Dates

c. 1905

Significant Person

(Complete if Criterion B is marked above)

N/A

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Architect/Builder

unknown

Criteria Considerations

(Mark "X" in all the boxes that apply.)

Property is:

- A owned by a religious institution or used for religious purposes.
- B removed from its original location.
- C a birthplace or a grave.
- D a cemetery.
- E a reconstructed building, object, or structure.
- F a commemorative property.
- G less than 50 years of age or achieved significance within the past 50 years

Narrative Statement of Significance

(Explain the significance of the property on one or more continuation sheets.)

9. Major Bibliographical References

Bibliography

(Cite the books, articles, and other sources used in preparing this form on one or more continuation sheets.)

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

Name of repository:

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The Miller-Mackey House is significant under National Register Criterion C, for *architecture*, as a well-preserved, locally-distinctive example of the Colonial Revival style of architecture from the early twentieth century. The property enjoyed a long association with two locally-prominent families who were active both in medicine and in the commercial life of the community. Built c. 1905, the residence is associated with Historic Context II, "Socioeconomic Growth and Maturity of the Village of Lancaster, 1850-1949," as identified in the National Register of Historic Places Multiple Property Documentation Form, *Historical and Architectural Resources of the Village of Lancaster, Erie County New York*. The Miller-Mackey House satisfies the registration requirements set forth in Section F of the MPDF for Property Type I, *Residential Architecture*, and on July 29, 1993 was determined eligible for the National Register by the Keeper of the Register under Executive Order 11593.

With respect to Criterion C significance, the Miller-Mackey House retains a high level of architectural integrity despite the addition of the gymnasium at the rear of the building. The house is a locally-important example of Colonial Revival-style architecture, whose typical and localized characteristics are described in the MPDF.

The house was built for Dr. John G. Miller (1855-1935). A native of Sheldon, New York, John Miller received his secondary education at the East Aurora Free Academy. Enrolling at the University of Buffalo Medical School, he graduated in 1876. He continued his education at Bellevue Hospital, New York City, and upon completing his studies in 1878, he established his practice in Lancaster. Dr. Miller practiced medicine in the Village until his death nearly sixty years later. Enjoying the fruits of a successful practice, he built this new home which also contained his professional offices. During his long association with the Village of Lancaster, John Miller served as health officer for twenty years and was on the Board of Education for forty-two years, twenty-eight of which he served as president. During his tenure, the Lancaster school system grew along with the population, and under Miller's leadership, the 1924 Lancaster High School was built on Aurora Street.

John Miller was a business leader as well as medical practitioner. In 1894, he was one of the organizers of the Bank of Lancaster and served for many years on its board of directors. Following a disastrous 1896 fire which eradicated most of the downtown, Dr. Miller was a member of the Bank's building committee and oversaw the construction of the first building in the Village erected expressly for use as a bank. When the institution was organized, Miller was elected its vice president, a position which he held until the 1929 death of president John O. Garretsee. At that time—at seventy-four—John Miller was elected president of the institution. In addition to his business responsibilities and despite age and infirmity, Dr. Miller continued his medical practice until his death in 1935.

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Dr. John G. Miller married Johanna Bartholomy in 1880. In 1911, their daughter, Marjorie, wed Dr. Clarence Herbert Mackey and the Mackeys began an association with the house which lasted into the second half of the twentieth century. Clarence H. Mackey (1887-1946) moved to Lancaster from Buffalo as a teenager. Following his 1906 graduation from Buffalo's Lafayette High School, he entered the Cornell University Medical College, from which he received his medical degree in 1910. Dr. Mackey established his practice in Lancaster and shared offices with his father-in-law in Dr. John Miller's house-office. Dr. Clarence Mackey served in the Army Medical Corps during World War One, entering in 1917 as a First Lieutenant and being discharge in 1919 as a Captain. Like his father-in-law, Dr. Mackey was active in his community. He followed Dr. Miller's footsteps as health office for the Village and Town of Lancaster and also served as school physician for the Village and the Town after he returned from the War. Clarence and Marjorie Miller Mackey occupied the house after the death of the Millers and Dr. Mackey maintained his office in the house until his own death; his widow remained in the house until she died in 1955.

In 1957, the Depew Lancaster Boys' Club purchased the property for \$40,000 from Marjorie Mackey's estate. Now known as the Boys' and Girls' Club, the organization has used the property since that time as a recreational and social facility for the area's young people.

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County and State

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of Property less than one acre

UTM References Lancaster, N.Y. Quad
(Place additional UTM references on a continuation sheet)

	Zone	Easting	Northing	Zone	Easting	Northing
1	17	690290	4752170	3		
2				4		

N/A See continuation sheet.

Verbal Boundary Description

(Describe the boundaries of the property on a continuation sheet.)

Boundary Justification

(Explain why the boundaries were selected on a continuation sheet.)

11. Form Prepared By

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Additional Documentation

Submit the following items with the completed form:

Continuation Sheets

Maps

- A USGS map (7.5 or 15 minute series) indicating the property's location.
- A sketch map for historic districts and properties having large acreage or numerous resources.

Photographs

Representative black and white photographs of the property.

Additional items

(Check with the SHPO or FPO for any additional items)

Property Owner

(Complete this item at the request of the SHPO or FPO.)

name Depew Lancaster Boys Club, Inc. telephone 716-683-1485
street & number 5440 Broadway zip code 14086
city or town Lancaster state NY

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Verbal Boundary Description

Consisting of Lot Number 104.82-2-15 in the Village of Lancaster, Erie County, New York, as described in a deed from Marjorie M. Mackey (deceased) to the Depew Lancaster Boys' Club, Inc, and recorded in Volume 5991, page 488 of the Deed Records of the County of Erie, New York.

Justification

The boundaries of this nomination consist of the single parcel which contains the house, and those lands which were historically associated with the property.

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All photographs:

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Photographer: David L. Taylor

Date: 1998

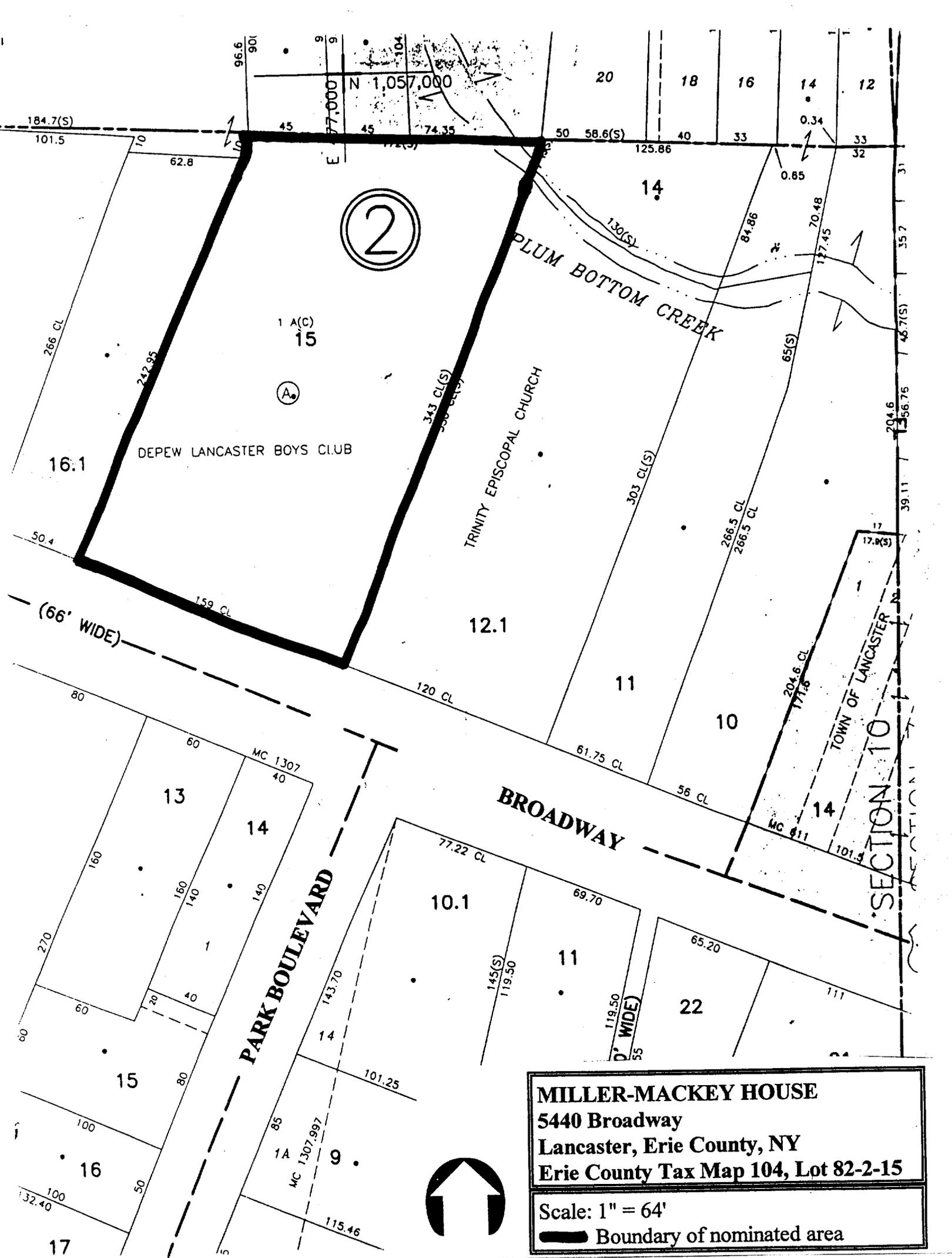
Negatives at: Taylor & Taylor Associates, Inc.

9 Walnut Street

Brookville, PA 15825

814-849-4900

1. SE perspective, looking NW from Broadway, showing facade, front porch, east elevation, and paved parking lot on the east side of the house
2. Facade, looking NW, showing bay windows, porch, dormers, etc.
3. Facade, detail, looking NE, showing columnation, porch roof, dormers, etc.
4. SW perspective, looking NE, showing corner of gymnasium at rear, west elevation, roof, dormers, etc.
5. SE perspective, looking NW, showing gymnasium addition at rear of house and paved parking lot east of house



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DEPEW LANCASTER BOYS CLUB

TRINITY EPISCOPAL CHURCH

PLUM BOTTOM CREEK

BROADWAY

PARK BOULEVARD

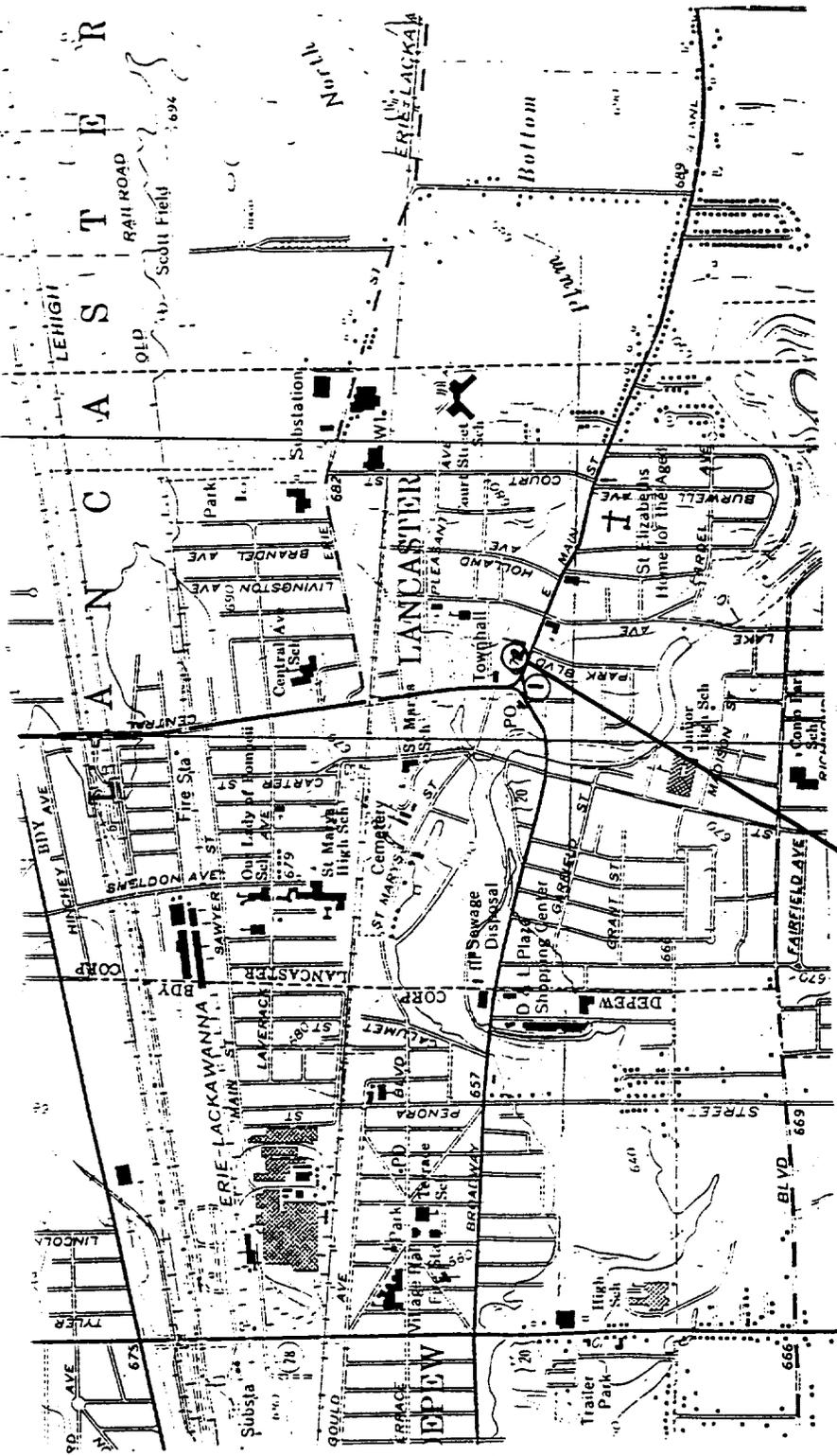
TOWN OF LANCASTER

SECTION 10

MILLER-MACKEY HOUSE
5440 Broadway
Lancaster, Erie County, NY
Erie County Tax Map 104, Lot 82-2-15

Scale: 1" = 64'
 Boundary of nominated area





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1. Lancaster Municipal Building, 5423 Broadway
2. Miller-Mackey House, 5440 Broadway
3. Clark-Lester House, 5454 Broadway
4. Bruce-Briggs Brick Block, 5481, 5483, 5485 Broadway
5. Depew Lodge No. 823, Free & Accepted Masons, 5497 Broadway
6. Liebler-Rohl Gasoline Station, 5500 Broadway
7. Nowak, Dr. John, House, 5539 Broadway
8. Zuidema-Idaardi House, 5556 Broadway
9. VanFeyma, Herman B., House, 5565 Broadway
10. Richardson, John, House, 5653 Broadway