

United States Department of the Interior
National Park Service

National Register of Historic Places
Inventory—Nomination Form

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic The Harry and Louisiana Beall Pauli Mansion #8

and/or common The Charles H. and Geraldine Beall Residence ; "Morningside"

2. Location

street & number 1312 Pleasant Avenue not for publication

city, town Wellsburg vicinity of ~~Washington, D.C.~~

state West Virginia code 54 county Brooke code 009

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture <input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial <input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment <input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	N/A <input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government <input type="checkbox"/> scientific
M.R.A.	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial <input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military <input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name Charles H. Beall and Geraldine Beall

street & number 1312 Pleasant Avenue

city, town Wellsburg vicinity of state West Virginia 26070

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Brooke County Court House

street & number Main and Seventh Streets

city, town Wellsburg state West Virginia 26070

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title Pleasant Avenue Survey has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date Winter-Spring, 1985 federal state county local

depository for survey records Wellsburg Landmarks Commission

city, town Wellsburg state West Virginia 26070

7. Description

Condition		Check one	Check one	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> excellent	<input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unaltered	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> original site	
<input type="checkbox"/> good	<input type="checkbox"/> ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> altered	<input type="checkbox"/> moved	date <u>N/A.</u>
<input type="checkbox"/> fair	<input type="checkbox"/> unexposed			

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

This stucco house was constructed in 1907-1911 in a basic Mediterranean Style with Spanish Colonial elements. In contrast to most of the other mansions in the Historic Resources of Pleasant Avenue Area it was not built on a bluff overlooking the County Road, but rather is situated on a recessed bench set back against the surrounding hills. The pantile roof with deep eaves is supported on all sides by paired brackets. Projecting and receding wall surfaces contribute to the feeling of mass which this completely stuccoed structure gives, as well as adding to the interesting interplay of light and shadow.

The front of the house is dominated by a five-bay portico. The emphasized entasis of the eight front columns also adds to the sense of mass. The roof of the portico is also hipped.

The entrance bay to this mansion is strongly emphasized and given the sense of height and massiveness. A dormer with a bank of three windows and a hipped pantile roof is the only interruption in the otherwise low roof lines of the structure. A bank of three double-hung windows fills the center bay on the second floor. The center bay in the portico is flanked by paired columns on a projecting pedestal. Within that center bay the large door is surmounted by a broad elliptical fan light with tracery and flanked by wide six-paned sidelights.

A stucco garage with a hipped, pantile roof on the center dormer was obviously designed by the same architect and built at the same time as this mansion. Both mansion and house have been carefully maintained through the years. The garage is clearly a contributing structure. In many ways it resembles a miniature form of the house without portico. The dormers in this 1½-story structure have two Romanesque windows and the ground floor provides parking for three cars. The overall dimensions of the garage are 22' x 40'.

The settings of this Mediterranean style house is unusually appropriate to its style and period. Situated on a recessed bench against the surrounding hills, it looks like a country villa in a verdant park.

CONTRIBUTING AND NON-CONTRIBUTING STRUCTURES

Contributing Structure	1	(house)
Contributing Dependency	1	(garage)
Non-Contributing Structures	<u>0</u>	
Total Contributing Resources	2	

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1907–1911 **Builder/Architect** Giesey & Faris of Wheeling, architects

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Harry Paull Mansion is significant not only because it is an excellent example of a Mediterranean style house with Spanish Colonial elements in Classic form, but also because it is the only house of this form and statement in Brooke County and northern West Virginia. The plantings and situation show a special sensitivity to both the style of the house and the terrain. The family for which it was built, Harry and Louisiana Paull, were heirs to historic West Virginia families and the founders of Wellsburg's most important industry.

Begun in 1907 and occupied in 1911, at a time when many lots along Pleasant Avenue were occupied by Wellsburg's commercial and industrial middle class, the location of this house back from the edge of the bluff and well recessed among the other mansions, indicates the builder's desire for the exclusive privacy of the earlier country homes along Pleasant Avenue. Like them also, it represents the High Style of its period and designed with a good sensitivity for its setting. One approaches the house through a park-like ravine between other mansions on the bluff overlooking Pleasant Avenue. Gradually, as one ascends the hill on the circular drive around this house, the shrubs cease and only the tall trees remain accenting the mass and adding to the interplay of light and shadow which are important to this architectural style.

For its area, the Harry and Louisiana Paull Mansion is a unique architectural statement. It is an excellent example of a basic Mediterranean style with Spanish Colonial elements. Both the house and garage have pan tile roofs with deep eaves supported on all sides by paired brackets, a large five-bay portico dominates the front and the emphasized entasis of eight front columns adds to the sense of mass. The entrance bay is large and emphasized.

The use of wrought-iron details is quite Spanish; for example, note the balconies on each side of the front portico, as well as the roofs of the carport and back porch. The arched windows, such as those found in the dormer of the garage and in each of the first story are floor-length windows, flat-headed windows with label moldings and the broad front entryway with elliptical fan light are all significant features relating to the Renaissance Revival.

Although the Mediterranean influence on the architecture of this house is quite clear, the structure itself is actually a variation of the basic "American Four Square" house which features rectangular massing and hipped roofs punctuated with hipped dormers. Four Square houses were a popular American house type in the early 20th century.

This house has had only two owners, the present owners and the couple for whom the house was built. Harry Paull and Louisiana Beall, descendants of two pioneer West Virginia families, the Paulls of Wheeling and the Bealls of Brooke County. Both families had been very prominent in agricultural development and in local investment. Harry Paull, with his brothers James and Samuel, were involved in oil and natural gas exploration in West Virginia during the oil boom days of the upper Ohio Valley. They moved to Wellsburg, married into prominent Brooke County families and founded the Eagle Glass Company. This company, now called Eagle Manufacturing Company, is Wellsburg's largest industry and employer.

9. Major Bibliographical References

J.G. Jacob, Brooke County, Being A Record of Prominent Events, 1882.
J.H. Newton, History of the Panhandle of West Virginia, 1879.
Peter Boyd, History of the Northern West Virginia Panhandle, 1927.
N.L. Caldwell, A History of Brooke County, 1975.

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property 5.14 acres

Quadrangle name Steubenville, Ohio East

Quadrangle scale 1:24000

UTM References

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Zone		Easting			Northing									

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Brooke County Tax Maps, Wellsburg District Map #10, Parcel #106.
345' x 514.1' Irregular (see map)

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state N/A code county code

state code county code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title Dr. Hiram J. Lester, Project Director

organization Historical Wellsburg, Inc. date 25 September 1985

street & number The Hibernia telephone (304) 829-7941

city or town Bethany state West Virginia 26032

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:

national state local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature

title State Historic Preservation Officer date

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I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

date 5/16/86

Patrick Anderson
Keeper of the National Register

Attest:

date

Chief of Registration

**United States Department of the Interior
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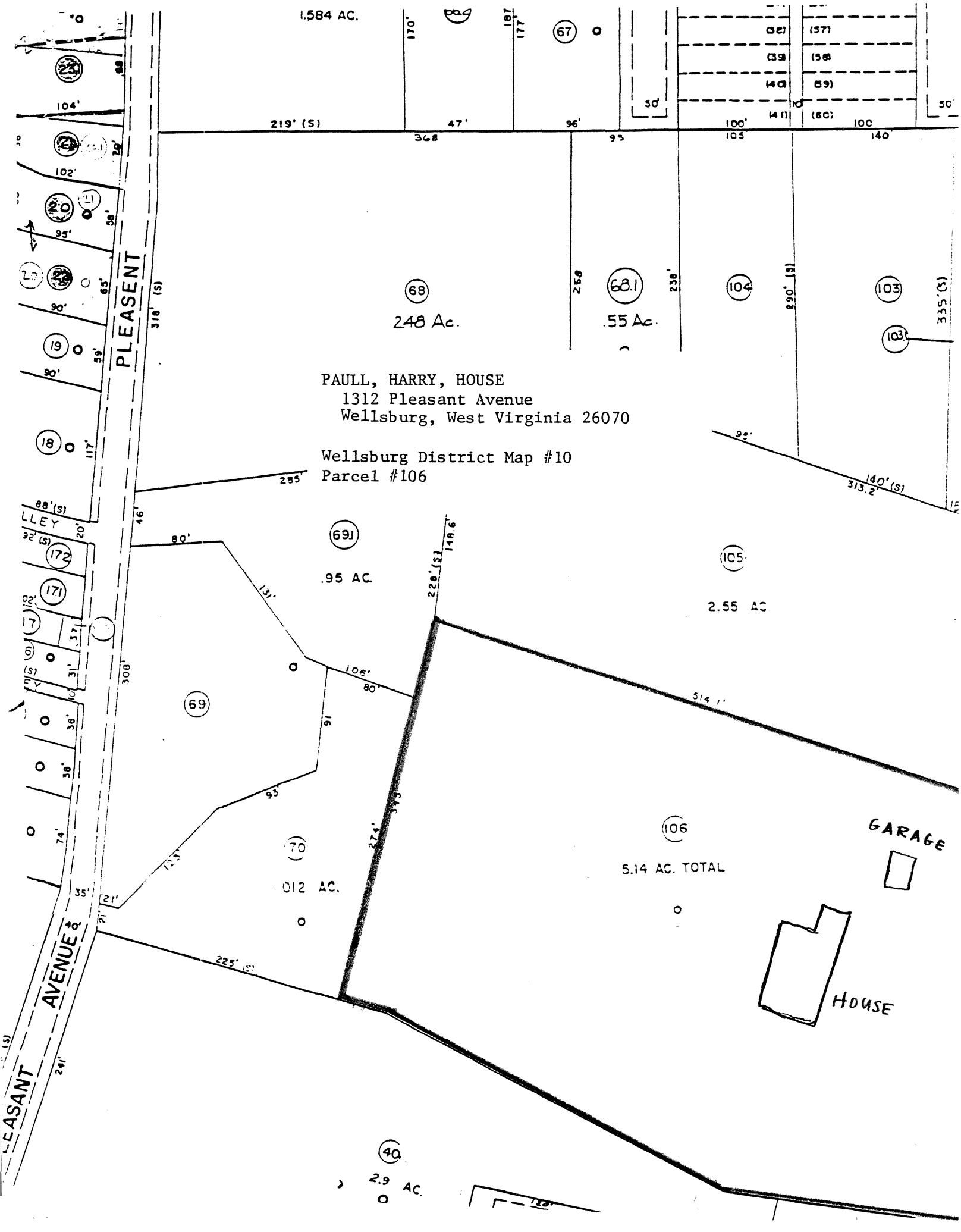
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Paull Mansion

ACREAGE

The 5.14-acre plot upon which the Paull Mansion and dependency are situated provides an appropriate setting for the large-scale buildings. Backed by the hillside, the grounds are covered with neatly trimmed lawns and are shaded with large trees. The setting has not changed appreciably since c.1907-11 period.



1.584 AC.

67

219' (S)

47'

96'

100'

100'

140'

PLEASANT AVENUE

68

248 Ac.

68.1

.55 Ac.

104

103

PAULL, HARRY, HOUSE
1312 Pleasant Avenue
Wellsburg, West Virginia 26070

Wellsburg District Map #10
Parcel #106

69.1

.95 AC.

105

2.55 AC

PLEASANT AVENUE

69

70

.012 AC.

106

5.14 AC. TOTAL

GARAGE

HOUSE

40

2.9 AC.