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1. Current photograph of Pennsylvania House, Springfield, Ohio. Courtesy of the Pennsylvania House Museum.
2. Pennsylvania House, 1956. Women holding flag flown over U.S. Capital. *A Traveler's Guide to the Historic National Road in Ohio: The Road that Helped Build America*, pg. 35
3. Pennsylvania House, circa 1900s. Courtesy of the Pennsylvania House Museum.

Allow students, in groups or individually, to examine the photographs below while answering the questions below in order. These questions will prepare students to think critically when observing primary source documents, particularly photographs.

Level I: Description

- 1 Does anyone recognize this building in Springfield? (Show photographs 2 and 3)
- 2 Do you think it is important to Springfield history? Where have you seen it before?
- 3 Do you think the Inn always looked like this (Show photograph 3)?

Level II: Interpretation

- 1 Why do you think they built an Inn at the end of the National Road?
- 2 What do you think the accommodations were like in an inn in the 1800s?
- 3 Why did they use stone mile markers along the National Road?

Level III: Analysis

- 1 Compare and contrast the Pennsylvania House from 1950 to the current building.
- 2 Create a scrapbook of historic sites in Springfield? Visit the Pennsylvania House and take a picture. Tell the significance of the Pennsylvania House to Springfield history.

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