

MP 38.8 Erbe Farm Bridge

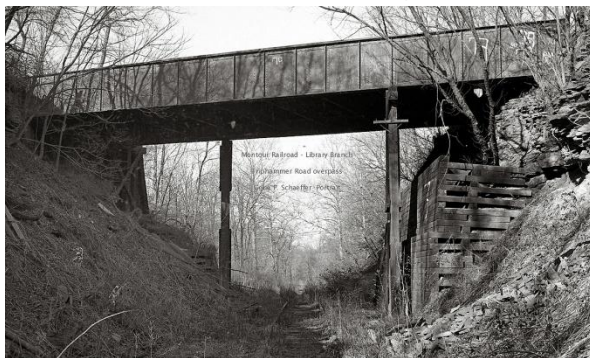
Trail MP Bethel Branch 0.3 Over Montour Railroad along Irishtown Road

Bridge support foundations sit at edges of Trail just west of Irishtown Road parking area. Concrete abutment can be seen at top of bank on left.



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This bridge was similar to others over the Montour Railroad, like Triphammer Road on left or Brush Run Road on right. It was probably steel beams with wooden deck.

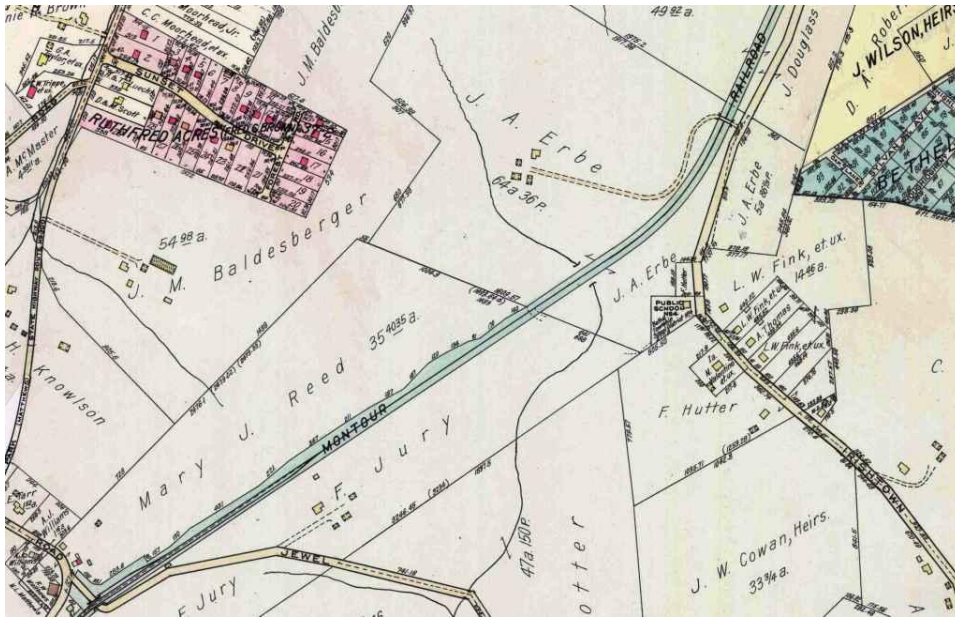


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Bethel Park map, from 1934, shows a bridge over Montour Railroad carrying farm road into J. A. Erbe farm. Erbe owned land on both sides of the railroad and Irishtown Road.



Courtesy Bob Ciminel

1939 aerial view shows bridge to right of center, on farm access road. Irishtown-Logan Road intersection is at top right, South Park Road upper left, Clifton Road at bottom left.



Aerial views courtesy Penn Pilot

View in 1957 shows the bridge still in place, but the farm road is gone and the farm is being redeveloped into housing.



1967 view shows bridge removed and housing development nearly completed.



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