

Fitzsimons General Hospital, Building 253
(Fitzsimons General Hospital, Tool Shed)
North side of E. O'Neill Avenue between N. 10th
and N. 12th Streets

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Significance: This structure is located within the (northern boundary of) and contributes to the proposed historic district, according to the Cultural Resources Study, as the building is "typical of early vernacular structures built on the post. Representative features include the gabled roof, stuccoed walls, and multi-light windows. The building retains historic integrity of design, setting, materials, workmanship and feeling."

The proposed Fitzsimons General Hospital historic district is significant as an early Army hospital created to treat World War I soldiers with tuberculosis.

Description: Building 253 is a one story, 14.5 foot wide by 16.5 foot deep structure with a gable roof with overhanging eaves, covered with corrugated metal. Sitting on a concrete floor, the building is stucco over wood frame and has double wooden doors on the front and a multi-paned window on either side.

History: Owned by the United States of America, Department of the Army, the building was erected in 1921 for \$500 as a toolshed. It later became a storage building and was designated building 576-C prior to becoming 253.

Sources: Cultural Resources Study: Fitzsimons Army Medical Center, Final Submittal, 15 August 1991, prepared by Front Range Research Associates, Inc., Denver.

"Real Property Record-Buildings and Structures" (June 10, 1946), "Request For Approval of Disposal Of Buildings and and Improvements"(June 24, 1994), measured drawing of Building 253 (Sept. 20, 1947). All prepared by Fitzsimons General Hospital.

Project Information: This building will be demolished to clear the site for construction of a new Central Energy Plant and Directorate of Engineering and Housing (DEH) Facilities Complex.

Historian: Bill Lebovich, architectural historian and architectural photographer, under contract to Greenhorne & O'Mara. Documentation prepared August 1994.

