

**HABS No.** CO-172-K

Fitzsimons General Hospital, Officers' Recreation Building  
(Fitzsimons General Hospital, Building No. 119)  
(Fitzsimons General Hospital, Federal Credit Union)

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For information on the history of Fitzsimons General Hospital, see HABS No. CO-172. For information on other structures at the Hospital, see HABS No. CO-172-A through CO-172-CI.

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**Significance:** This building was originally the Officers' Recreation Building and represents the earliest group of structures constructed at Fitzsimons. The building's style depicts the original architectural themes chosen for the post. Typical details include the stuccoed walls, shaped parapets, and six-over-six double-hung windows. Other notable details on this building include the covered porch with squared supports and the fluted pilasters around the door. The building retains a high degree of integrity of design, plan, scale, materials, craftsmanship, and setting.

**Description:** This one-story, concrete, south-facing, square, credit structure rests on a concrete foundation and measures 3,073 square feet. The walls are stuccoed. The side-gabled roof has shaped parapets on the gable ends and is covered with asphalt shingles. Fenestration consists of six-over-six double-hung windows with concrete sills. The principal entrance on the south facade consists of two central, paneled and glazed doors with divided transom flanked by wooden, fluted, engaged pilasters. The shed-roofed porch on the south is supported by thick, squared, stuccoed columns with iron pipe railings between.

**History:** Building 119 was constructed in 1918 and was one of the original 48 buildings constructed on the post. Originally numbered as Building 722, it served as an officers' recreation building. The building contained a large

recreation room, lavatory, fireplace alcove, and a coat room. Originally the recreation building was furnished with pool tables, a small library, tables and chairs, and a piano. By 1923, the building had become a hospital clinic and the recreation room was converted to a lecture/conference room.

Several minor alterations have been made to the building. An addition was made on the northwest (rear) of the building which is stuccoed and has modern windows and a metal door. Metal grilles have been placed on all the windows. Currently the building is used as the Federal Credit Union Building.

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

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Project  
Information:

This building will be demolished to clear the site for two Military Construction, Army (MCA) projects. The first MCA project is the Central Energy Plant, which is needed to support the second MCA project, the New Hospital project.

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