

HABS No. CO-172-Z

Fitzsimons General Hospital, Tool House  
(Fitzsimons General Hospital, Building No. 141)  
(Fitzsimons General Hospital, Utility Building)  
West Pennington Avenue, North of Building No. 140  
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HISTORIC AMERICAN BUILDINGS SURVEY

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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 small structure was originally utilized as a gardener's tool house and its construction is typical of the early functional buildings designed for the post. Landscaping of the post was a significant project during the 1920's and this building is associated with that effort.

Description: This one-story, frame, north-facing, two-bay, rectangular, storage building rests on a concrete foundation and measures 459 square feet. This structure has stuccoed walls. The side-gable roof, with overhanging eaves and exposed rafters, is covered with shingles. Fenestration consists of modern, single-pane windows. Entrances to this building are located on the east and west facades. The door on the west facade is aluminum and the door on the east is comprised of metal.

History: Building 141 was constructed in 1922 and was originally utilized as the tool house for the gardener. The landscaping of the post was an important early project during the 1920's and the grounds of the hospital were given much attention. The structure is typical of the early functional buildings designed for the post.

This structure has undergone several alterations which have changed its original appearance. When the structure was constructed it had three sets of frame double doors with three pane transoms. These were replaced with the current doors. In 1984, storm windows replaced original windows on

the building. Some windows have been covered up. A vent was added in the gable end. Currently the structure is used as a utility building.

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"  
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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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