

HABS No. CO-172- AW

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(Fitzsimons General Hospital, Building No. 221)
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East Harlow Street, East of Building No. 220
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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 functioned originally as a hospital corps barracks. It is among the first group of buildings constructed on the base and therefore is significant for its association with the early development of Fitzsimons Hospital. This building retains integrity of location, setting, scale, and materials.

Description: This two-story, frame and hollow tile building rests on a concrete slab foundation with a concrete watertable. The building is rectangular in plan with the long axis oriented north-south. The original portion of the building measures 40 feet by 120 feet. The exterior of the building is stucco. The building has a gable roof with overhanging eaves. Two-story, shed-roofed, enclosed porches project from both the north and south ends. The roof and eaves are metal covered. Fenestration consists of six-over-six light windows which are evenly spaced on the east and west elevations. A narrow, two-story wing connects this building to another building of the same design to the east. A similar, narrow two-story wing, which does not connect with any building, projects from the west side. Also projecting from the west side is a covered passageway connecting to Building 220 to the east. The principal entrance to the building is from the south end with additional entrances on the east, west, and north.

History: Building 221 was constructed in 1918 as barracks for enlisted personnel assigned to the hospital complex.

Originally designated Barracks A, it was the western-most of five adjoining barracks built to the same plan historically known as barracks A, B, C, D, and E. Currently, these buildings have the designations of buildings 221, 222, 223, 224, and 225, respectively. As originally constructed, two-story, open porches projected from the north and south ends of the building. The original entrances opened onto these porches.

Several alterations have been made to this building. The porches have been enclosed and entrance doors, transoms and sidelights have been added. Metal roofing has been added. A covered passageway was constructed, connecting the building to Building 220.

Currently, this building functions as the General Instruction 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" (June 10, 1946)

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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