

HABS No. CO-172-BE

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(Fitzsimons General Hospital, Building No. 246)  
(Fitzsimons General Hospital, General Storehouse  
Southeast corner of East J Avenue and North 10th Street  
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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:** Building 246 is representative of early vernacular architecture at Fitzsimons and is associated with early transportation and agricultural functions. Constructed in 1921, the building represents the self-sufficiency of the hospital, which transported its own supplies, performed landscaping functions, and farmed nearby acreage. This building retain historic integrity of setting, location, materials, and scale.
- Description:** This one-story, tile and concrete, east-facing, three-bay, rectangular building has stucco covered walls that rest on a concrete foundation. The extremely low-pitched gable roof has overhanging eaves with exposed rafters and wide verge boards on the gable ends. The roof on Building 246 is pierced by two interior chimneys and several ventilation pipes. Fenestration includes six-over-six light windows and four-light-over-three-panel doors. Building 246 has open storage bays on the northwest with wooden and wire doors.
- History:** Building 246 (historically No. 845) was constructed in 1921 as a wagon shed. It was built according to Quartermaster Corps Standard Plan No. 6272-235. In addition to the wagon shed, Building 246 also contained a wheelwright area, harness room, bedroom, toilet and office.
- Building 246 is mostly intact, except for its doors, which are replacements. Most of these changes occurred in 1955. Building 248 (historically No. 846) is similar to Building 246 and was built using the same Standard Plan. Building

248 (not photographed) was utilized as a wagon shed and also contained an area for grain storage. There have been more extensive changes to this building, including the enclosure of its wagon sheds and the covering of some windows.

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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