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Fitzsimons General Hospital, Laundry
(Fitzsimons General Hospital, Building No. 529)

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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.

- Location:** Fitzsimons General Hospital, Laundry
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Southeast corner of East Harlow Avenue and South 12th St.
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- Significance:** Building 529 has been an important facility on the post since the post's inception in 1918. The building is associated with the early development of the post, having been one of the original structures finished in 1918. The building reflects the early vernacular style adopted for some buildings on the post. Typical features include, stuccoed walls, gabled roof, overhanging eaves, exposed rafters, six-over-six light windows, and paneled and glazed doors. The building maintains its historic function and integrity of materials, craftsmanship, scale and setting.
- Description:** This irregularly shaped, one-story, tile and concrete building rests on a concrete foundation. It occupies 19,764 square feet and has walls covered with stucco. The main body of the building is covered with a side-gable roof, protected by composition shingles, and punctuated by numerous ventilation and exhaust pipes. Shed-roof additions are also present along the inside walls of the west elevation; flat-roofed projections are present on the north and east sides. Fenestration consists of a variety of window and door types. The main block of the building displays six-over-six, double-hung sash windows, while steel casement, and 12-light, fixed-sash types are present on the additions. Numerous wood and glass automobile and pedestrian entrances exist around the building's perimeter.
- History:** Building 529 was constructed in 1918 as a laundry facility,

and continues in that use. Historically regarded as Building 713, the laundry was constructed by the Denver firm of C.S. Lambie and Co. according to Quartermaster Corps/Construction Division Plan No. Q-102. The Laundry building was part of the first group of buildings completed at the Fitzsimons. Originally, the building housed a mending room, a linen room, an ironing room, a washing room, an infected linen room, a storeroom, a men's dressing room, and a women's dressing room.

The original U-shaped plan of the building has been altered by several additions. The two most significant of these were constructed in 1921 and 1941.

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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