

WENDOVER AIR FORCE BASE, BASE THEATRE
(Building No. 2708)
South of Interstate 80
Wendover
Tooele County
Utah

HABS NO. UT-125-^{CD}
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Built in 1944, the Theatre is a "Theatre of Operation" or "Semi-Permanent" type of construction. The 4,711 square foot structure cost \$9,000 to build. It is located south of the Drill Field and north of D Street between buildings 2701 and 2713. For some reason, the building does not appear on the December 1945 "Schedule of Buildings, Cantonment & Housing Areas" for the base.

The Base Theatre is a rectangular building with a front offset or entry vestibule. The main building measures 50 feet by 79 feet-9 inches while the front vestibule is 23 feet-6 inches by 25 feet including the covered, open porch. A one-story, shed-roofed offset on the rear of the building extends the 50-foot width of the building. A tall, brick chimney exists along the north wall of the theatre.

The building has a concrete foundation and floor. The superstructure has wood framing and drop-lap siding. The slightly-pitched gable roof is covered with asphalt roll roofing. To easily obtain the darkness needed to show movies, the main room is without windows. The north and south elevations have a variety of windows, especially 6/6 units. There are double-doored entries into the building from both the north and south. The building seems not to have been well maintained. The main ceiling truss has recently fallen down.

The interior has a 15-foot-by-17-foot second floor projection room. The main room has experienced significant damage due to vandalism. Wallboard has been broken through along

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the south wall, for example. Originally, the Theatre had restrooms, a 6,000 CFM evaporative cooler, a bank of foot lights, 29 incandescent lights, exit lights, a heat exchanger and an "Ideal" steam boiler. At this time the building is in the process of being torn down.

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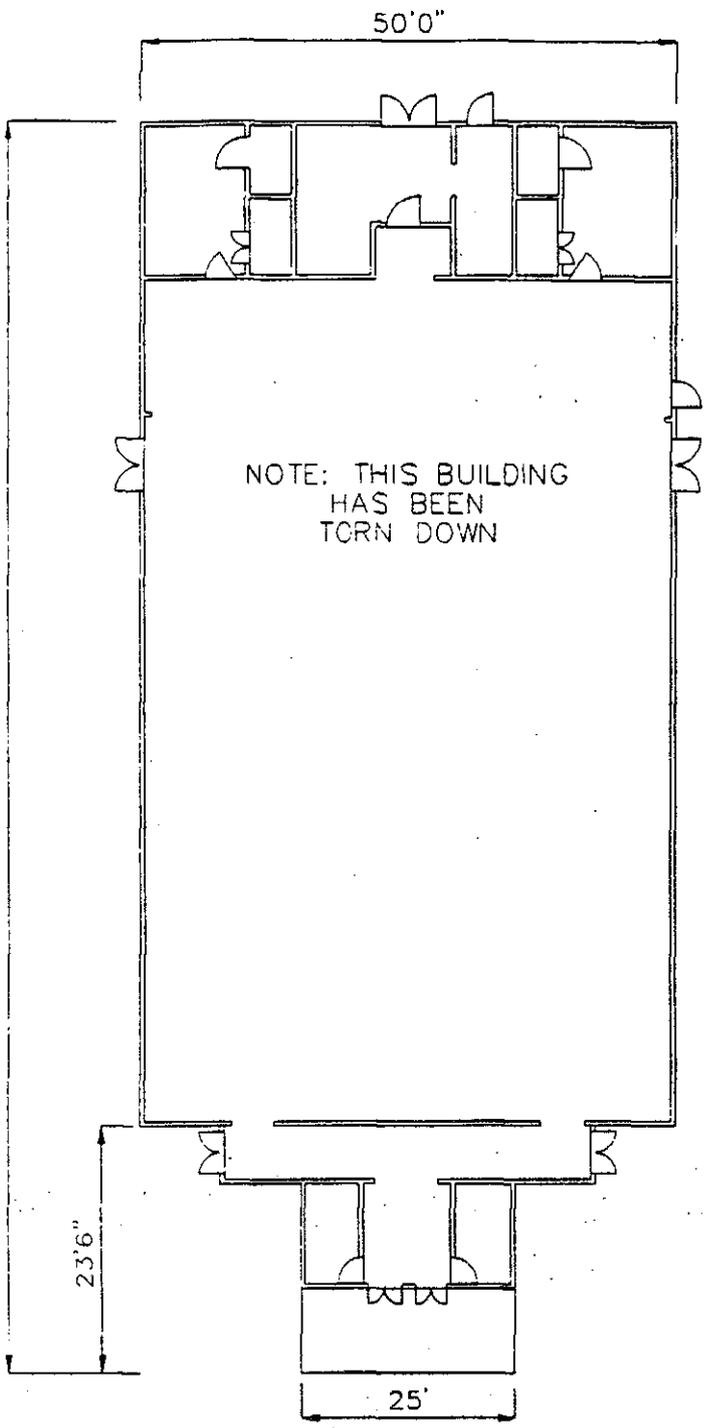
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<p>BUILDING SKETCH PLAN</p>	<p>WENDOVER AIR FORCE BASE WENDOVER, UTAH</p>
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