

Fitzsimons General Hospital, Nurses' Garage
(Fitzsimons General Hospital, Building No. 122)
(Fitzsimons General Hospital, Maintenance Shop)
East of Building No. 121
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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, Nurses' Garage
(Fitzsimons General Hospital, Building 122)
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North side of West McCloskey Avenue, east of Building 121
Aurora
Adams County
Colorado
- Significance:** The building represents one of the few buildings constructed on the post during the 1930's. The hospital was intended to be a self-sufficient community, requiring the construction of many types of buildings, of which, garages became an important element as the automobile became increasingly popular. A number of garages were constructed on the post during the Depression years, and this is one of the few which retains its original garage doors. The building retains its integrity of materials, plan, scale, craftsmanship, and setting.
- Description:** This one-story, concrete, east-facing, rectangular garage rests on a concrete foundation. The building measures 25' x 64'. The walls are smooth stucco. Fenestration consists of six-pane and four-pane fixed windows located on the north end of the east facade. Pedestrian entrances to the building are also located on the north end of the east facade. The entrances are frame with a single-pane transom. The east facade has a series of original, frame, double garage doors with six-pane transoms.
- History:** The garage was constructed in 1935 by the Quartermaster Corps to function as the Nurses' garage. Its original building number was 888. A number of garages were constructed on the post during the Depression era with the increased use of the automobile.

The garage has had minor alterations made to it since its construction. The window on the south elevation has been covered up, as have the windows on the west elevation. The north end of the east facade now has a small office area with modern doors and windows. Originally the eastern facade was composed entirely of a series of garage doors. The windows have all been covered with metal grille. Currently the building serves as a maintenance shop.

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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