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FORT MCCOY, BUILDING T-10120  
(World War II Temporary Buildings)  
(Recreation Building)  
North of South Eighth Avenue  
Block 10  
Sparta Vicinity  
Monroe County  
Wisconsin

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**Location:** North of South Eighth Avenue, in the southwest quadrant of the hospital area, Block 10 of the main cantonment at Fort McCoy, Sparta vicinity, Monroe County, Wisconsin.

**Significance:** Building T-10120 is a Recreation Building, Type RB-2, which served soldiers who served in the medical corps. Building T-10120 is one of two buildings of this type found at McCoy; the other example is Building T-10118, and it is located just east of Building T-10120. Both of these buildings are located in close proximity to the barracks for the medical corps soldiers, and they provided space for relaxation, reading, and other activities during breaks in these soldiers' schedules.

**Description:** Single story, wood frame construction on concrete piers; cement asbestos shingle exterior siding; asphalt shingle roof at 5/12 pitch; five 16" diameter metal ventilators mounted on the roof ridge (not shown on either drawing), four vent stacks (these had been attached to free-standing space heaters that are no longer extant). Main axis runs northeast/southwest; two entrances, one each at southwest and southeast, and each composed of a single unit with four lights over three panels; wood risers and platform (probably not original), but no handrail; total of thirteen eight-over-eight double-hung wood windows. Three metal vent stacks are located on the roof. Overall dimension: 25'-0" x 50'-0"; approximately 14' to roof ridge. Interior was inaccessible at the time of the site visit; plan as shown on the drawing is open with no interior partitions; wood flooring, pressed board walls and ceiling; horizontal tongue-and-groove wood wainscot throughout, knee braces throughout except at windows.

**History:** Erected on October 1, 1942 during the initial construction phase at Camp McCoy (as Fort McCoy was then known) during the mobilization build-up for World War II. Constructed by the firm of J.P. Cullen and Son of Janesville, Wisconsin. Based on Plan Number 800-459, Type RB-2, Recreation Building, from the 800 Series of standard construction drawings. Cost of construction was \$11,790.

**Sources:** "Real Property Record. Buildings and Structures. Post Building Number S-10120," June 17, 1943. Located in the "Meatlocker", Building 2145, Fort McCoy; and "Real Property Record Building. Facility Number T-10120," [no date]. Filed at Real Property Branch, Engineering, Plans and Services, Directorate of Engineering, Building 2111, Fort McCoy.

"Addendum to Fort McCoy, HABS NO WI-308," pp.14+.

Photographs: HABS NO. WI-308-EA-1, EXTERIOR VIEW OF SOUTHWEST AND SOUTHEAST SIDES, LOOKING NORTH; and HABS NO. WI-308-EA-2, EXTERIOR VIEW OF NORTHEAST AND NORTHWEST SIDES, LOOKING SOUTH

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Photocopies of drawings: HABS NO. WI-308-85, SITE PLAN OF HOSPITAL AREA.  
For typical drawings (reproduced for Building T-10118 HABS NO. WI-308-DZ), see  
HABS NO. WI-308-DZ-1, PLANS, ELEVATIONS, & SECTION, PLAN NUMBER  
800-459.

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