

GRAND CANYON INN & NATIONAL PARK HEADQUARTERS,
STORAGE

HABS No. AZ-144-H

(Grand Canyon Inn & National Park Headquarters, Building 118)
Santa Fe River, Intersection of Canyon & Cerro Gordo Roads
Grand Canyon
Coconino County
Arizona

WRITTEN HISTORICAL AND DESCRIPTIVE DATA

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Location: National Park Administrative Area, Grand Canyon National Park, North Rim, Coconino County, Arizona

UTM Reference: 12/403425/4008225

Date of Construction: 1925

Present Owner: U.S. Department of the Interior

Present Occupant: National Park Service

Present Use: Storage

Significance: This building, of unknown original character, was moved to its present location by the Civilian Conservation Corps in 1935 and rebuilt as a warehouse.

Prepared By: John P. White

Project Information: Project prepared in 1982 under the direction of the National Park Service, Western Region, Marjorie Baer, historian. The team comprised project supervisor John P. White (Associate Professor of Architecture, Texas Tech University), architects Linda Kay Heinrich and Paula Beth Miller (Virginia Tech), and student architect Deborah Rehn Hurst (Washington University, St. Louis). Richard Frear was photographer.

I. HISTORICAL INFORMATION

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II. ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

A. General Statement:

1. Architectural Merit and Interest: This building, with its neighboring buildings, forms a harmonious grouping of similar structures.

2. Condition of Fabric: Good

B. Description of Exterior:

1. Overall dimensions: This three-bay front building is approximately twenty feet by forty-five feet, one story with attic and rectangular.

2. Foundation: Stone.

3. Wall construction, finish, color: Board and batten wooden siding, painted brown, with wooden sill at the top of the foundation.

4. Structural system, framing: Wooden frame.

5. Porches, stoops, bulkheads, etc: There is a concrete dock across the east side of the building with two concrete steps on each end.

6. Chimneys: There is a large stone chimney on the west side of the gable, projecting through the roof, near the south end.

7. Openings:

a. Doorways and doors: Near the south end of the east façade, there is a doorway leading into an entry. The wooden door has a large panel in the lower portion and a small panel in the upper portion, which has been filled in with plywood. Near the north end of the east façade there is a large doorway with sliding doors. The wooden bi-parting doors each have a panel in the lower portion with a six-light glass panel in the upper portion.

b. Windows and shutters: Wooden windows on the ends have six-light casement sashes. Wooden windows on the east façade have six-light fixed sashes and along

the west façade they have one-light awning sashes

8. Roof

- a. Shapes, covering: High gable roof with extended slope on the west side, covered with corrugated sheet metal.
- b. Cornice, eaves: Open eaves.

C. Description of Interior:

1. Floor plan: The entrance on the east leads into an entry, which extends across the width of the building. There is a doorway in the northeast corner that leads into the large storage room. There is a triple window on the south wall of the entry, centered. The storage room has a quadruple window along the west wall, a triple window along the east wall and a triple window along the north wall. There is a large double doorway on the east wall, near the north end, leading to the dock on the outside. There is an attic across the length of the building with a single window on each gable end.
2. Flooring: Wooden board flooring.
3. Walls and ceiling finish: Horizontal wooden boards, unpainted, on the walls and unpainted wooden boards on the ceiling.
4. Doorways and doors: Single panel wooden doors, with wooden surrounds.
5. Mechanical equipment:
 - a. Heating: No heating equipment.
 - b. Plumbing: No plumbing fixtures.
 - c. Lighting: Modern fluorescent lighting fixtures.

D. Site

1. General setting and orientation: The building faces east, on the west side of the roadway. A stockade-type fence extends from the southwest corner of the building along the west, turning and extending across the west. To the north of the building is another storage building. Across a roadway on the south there is the fire station. Other storage buildings are across the road on the east. The building sits on the edge of a clearing in the forest and has numerous large pine, fir and aspen trees around it.