STATE UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR Form 10-300 (Rev. 6-72) NATIONAL PARK SERVICE Texas COUNTY: NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES Bexar INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM FOR NPS USE ONLY ENTRY DATE (Type all entries complete applicable sections) T. NAME Fort Sam Houston AND OR HISTORICE Post of San Antonio; Fort Sam Houston LOCATION STREET AND NUMBER Northeastern edge of town CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT CITY OF TOWN: San Antonio 23 CODE COUNTY CODE 029 Texas 48 3. CLASSIFICATION ACCESSIBLE CATEGORY STATUS OWNERSHIP w TO THE PUBLIC (Check One) Z Yes. X District | Ti Building X Public Public Acquisition: 2 Occupied Kestricted 0 in Process Site Structure Private Unoccupied Unrestricted Both Being Considered Object Preservation wark in progress U PRESENT USE (Check One or More no Appendinte 0 Agricultural Government Pork Transportation Comments Commercial Industrial Private Residence Other (Specify) DE Military Religious Educational T Entertainment Museum - Scientific . OWNER OF PROPERTY Z United States Government LU STREET AND NUMBER: ш Department of Defense, Pentagon STATE CITY OR TOWN: SCOF 11 Washington D.C. 5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION COURTHOUSE REGISTRY OF DEEDS ETC Office of the County Clerk STREET AND NUMBER Bexar County Hourthouse CITY OH TOWN: CODE San Antonio Texas 18 6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS Texas Historical Commission; National Register (4 individual structures nominated to Register). 1964; 1973 DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS: Texas Historical Commission; National Register of Historic Places STREET AND NUMBER: P.O. Box 12276; 1100 L Street, NW. Austin; Washington Texas; D.C.

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In 1876 Fort Sam Houston covered just 40 acres. Today it includes approximately 35,000 acres, about 54 square miles, along the northeastern edge of San Antonio. Structures survive in good condition from every period of the post's history and reflect the varying architectural styles of almost a century. Besides the Quadrangle, completed in 1879, four groups of buildings were erected on the Fort Sam Houston Reservation in the late 19th and early 20th centuries. These were the Staff Post, Infantry Post, Artillery Post, and Cavalry Post. Each group remains virtually intact, and except for the Infantry Post, none has a significant number of modern intrusions. Each group of structures is connected visually with the Quadrangle, and together they cover about 400 acres and include approximately 130 major historic edifices and numerous accompanying outbuildings such as kitchens, messrooms, and storage facilities. Some of the more significant structures are described below.

Quadrangle (building 16;. Begun in 1876 and completed 3 years later, this gable-roofed quadrangular structure was the first building erected at Fort Sam Houston. It is constructed of gray limestone and measures about 624 feet along each side. The south side is two storied and contains offices, while the east and west sides are single storied and house shops, sheds, and warehouse space. A high wall forms the north side. A centrally placed, segmentally arched gateway in the south facade provides access to the courtyard. Stone lugsills and arched lintels decorate window and door openings throughout the immense structure.

Watchtower (building 40). This gray limestone edifice measures 15 feet square and approximately 90 feet high. Completed scretime in 1876 or 1877, it houses a watchman's room, a 6,400-gallon water tank, and a clock that has a face on all four tower sides. A 4-100t-square brick shaft extends from the base of the tower to the watchman's cubicle, and a stairway passes upward between the shaft and the exterior walls. At a height of about 60 feet, three semicircularly arched casement windows open from each side of the tower onto a narrow, ornamental balcony.

Infantry Post Headquarters (building 616). Built of yellow brick in 1886, this rectangular-shaped, two-story, hip-roofed structure is the only Fort Sam Houston building that retains the white-painted gingerbread trim that once decorated all the post quarters. The structure measures approximately

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Since 1879, when it replaced the old Post of San Antonio as the Army's principal southwestern U.S. supply base, Fort Sam Houston has been the focal point of military operations in that geographic region. The post has sustained other area installations regularly and housed in succession the headquarters of the Department of Texas, Southern Department, 8th Corps Area, 4th Army, and 5th Army. Furthermore Fort Sam Houston has played a significant role in numerous stecific military operations and innovative activities. The post supplied the Rough Riders when they rendezvoused in San Antonio in 1898, furnished most of the men and material for Gen. John J. Pershing's campaign against Pancho Villa in 1916, and provided training facilities for thousands of troops during World War I. In 1910 Fort Sam Houston acquired the first airplane hanger in the Department of Texas, and during the next few years, Lt. Bonny Foulois conducted aerial trials there that led to the establishment of the Signal Corps' aviation section. In addition post soldiers experimented with important new infantry tactics in 1937 and 5 years later carried out the Army's first airborne maneuvers.

Today Fort Sam Houston is a vital military installation serving a modern Army, but many of the historic officers' quarters, barracks, and other buildings remain in use. Of particular interest is the Quadrangle (1879), the first permanent structure erected on the post. Fort Sam Houston is an open base and maintains a museum for the public.

History

Every government that has controled the American Southwest has recognized San Antonio as a strategic location. A detachment of Spanish soldiers established a military camp there in 1718 even before the first white settlers arrived. In 1773 Baron de Ripperda built the first permanent barracks there, and in 1836 a secularized San Antonio mission, the

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41 by 60 feet and is distinguished by a two-tiered, balustraded veranda that extends across the front and both sides. On both stories four-over-four sash windows extend to the floor and have stone sills and lintels.

Infantry Post Officers' Quarters (buildings 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 628, 630, 632, 634, 638, 640, 642). These L-shaped, two-story, white-painted brick residences were constructed between 1886 and 1889. They are his roofed and have two-tiered verandas across the front and along one side. Front entrance to each is through a paneled double door trpped by a rectangular transom. The windows are four-over-four sash, and they extend to the floor and have stone sills and lintels. Griginally, gingerbread trim decorated each of those structures, but it has been removed. Quarters 625, 627, 629,:631, 633, 635, 637, 639, and 641 are similar in appearance but have a slightly different rear configuration. They were erected between 1889 and 1891.

Infantry Fost Barracks (buildings 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612). Constructed between 1885 and 1891, these rectangular-shaped, two-story, yellow brick barracks have parapet gable roofs and form a "U" at the east end of the Infantry Post. Formerly they had two-tiered front and rear galleries, but these were enclosed with wooden siding in 1942 to increase the living area. The original brick walls remain, however. At present Army Reserve and National Guard units occupy these barracks on an occasional basis.

Sallyport Building (building 613). Built of yellow brick and decorated by gray limestone quoins, hoodmolds, and crenellated parapet, this three-story structure is situated in the center of the "U" formed by barracks 601 through 612. The building was completed in 1887 as a band barracks, but it was converted into a guardhouse in 1893. Well-known Texas architect Alfred Giles designed both the sallyport building and the adjoining barracks.

Infantry Post Bell Tower Barracks (building 646). Originally this rectangular-shaped, two-story, gable-roofed, yellow brick building had a three-story, hip-roofed bell tower at the south end. The bell and third story of the tower have

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been removed, but a two-tiered veranda remains. It extends across the front and north side. The barracks was completed in 1893.

Infantry Post Bachelor Officers' Quarters (building 617). This modified T-shaped, 2 1/2-story, yellow brick edifice was finished in 1894. It is hip roofed, rests upon a stone foundation, and has a main block that measures approximately 140 by 42 feet. Both gable and hip dormers adorn the roof, and a two-tiered gallery extends across the north facade. White-painted wooden latticework and black-painted iron railings adorn the gallery. The structure has received two minor additions and numerous interior alterations.

Infantry Post Bachelor Officers' Quarters (building 688). Completed in 1900, this rectangular-shaped, 2 1/2-story, cable-roofed building reasures about 33 by 87 feet. It rests on a stone foundation and is adorned on the south side by two large gable dermers and a full-length, two-story, balustraded verinda. Most of the windows are three-overthree sash, and the woodwork is bainted white.

Fort Sam Houston Museum Building (building 626). This rectangular-shaped, two-story, hip-roofed, white-painted structure was built in 1888 as part of the Infantry Post. It is encompassed by a two-tiered, hip-roofed veranda and displays six interior red brick chimneys.

Staff Post Officers' Quarters (buildings 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10). Erected in 1881, these irregularly shaped, twostory, limestone residences are in excellent condition and still serve as officers' dwellings. Each is hip roofed and has a two-tiered, screened veranda across the front, a cnestory veranda across the rear, a one-story hip-roofed porch on the right side, and four corbeled brick chimneys piercing the roof.

Pershing House or Staff Post Commandin; Officer's Quarters (building 6). This irregularly shaped, two-story, hip-roofed, random ashlar limestone residence was built in 1881 and is little altered. It is unique among Fort Sam Houston structures and may be the most interesting and attractive. A

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spacious, two-tiered, balustraded gallery extends across the front of the 11-room, 6 1/2-bath house and partly along both sides. The top level of the gallery is screened and glassed, and the whole is supported by ornamented posts and decorative brackets. A two-story, pedimented portico juts forward from the center of the gallery, and to the left of center, an octagonal bay rises from the first floor through the gallery roof and is crowned by a cupola and iron cresting. The trunsomed double entrance door and most of the indows are topped by segmentally arched limestone hoodmalus. Over the vears, a number of well-known general officers have resided here. These include Christopher C. Augur, Ravald S. Mackenzie, John M. Schefield, F. D. Grant (son of Ulysses S. Grant), Tasker H. Bliss, John J. Pershing, Courtney Lodges, and Jonathan M. Wainwright.

Staff Post Officers' Quarters (buildings 11, 13, 14, 15). These irregularly shaped dwellings were built in 1881 also. Building 11 differs slightly from the other four, but all are two-story, gable roofed, random ashlar livestone edifices. Each is distinguished by a one-story, hip-rooted, octagonal bay at the front of the north-south transverse, segmentally arched dripstones above the windows, a boxed cornice and paneled frieze with scroll brackets, and a two tiered, screened, front veranda that extends across the south side of the east-west transverse.

Old Staff Post Hospital (building 48). Constructed in 1886, this T-shaped, green-painted brick building consists of a two-story, hip-roofed central block and two gable-roofed wings. It is greatly altered and serves currently as a visiting officers' quarters.

Artillery Post Officers' Quarters (buildings 171, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 120). All these 2 1/2-story, gable-roofed, red brick structures are similar in appearance. Exected in 1905-6, they rest on limestone foundations and have slate roofs. Each dwelling consists of a main block and a rear wing and has a two-tiered, balustraded veranda across the front and part way along one side. A full-height, pedimented portico accents the entrances. Windows are rectangular shaped but set into segmentally arched openings.

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Cavalry Post Officers' Quarters (buildings 160, 162, 164, 165, 168, 169, 170, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183). These two-story, hip-roofed, red brick buildings were erected in 1909. Each has a red tile roof, a two-tiered front veranda, and a hip-roofed front dormer. The front entrance to each residence is a double door flanked by side lights and topped by a transom. Four-over-four sash windows predominate and have stone lugsills and flat brick arches. Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower occupied quarters 179 in 1941 shortly before he became General of the Army, and this structure has been nominated to the National Register of Historic Places.

Artillery Post and Cavalry Post Barracks (buildings 122, 124, 126, 129, 131, 134). Constructed in 1905, these large 2 1/2-story, gable-roofed, yellow brick barracks average more than 12,000 feet of floorspace each. A short central block and two long ells give each building a rectangular appearance. The barracks appear to have had two-tiered galleries initially, but if so, these have been removed. Each structure is topped by six corbeled interior brick chimneys and two round, metal air circulators.

Artillery Post and Cavalry Post Barracks (buildings 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 149, 2248, 2250). These two-story, red brick structures were built between 1905 and 1908. Like the other Artillery Post and Cavalry Post barracks, they consist of a short central block and two long ells. The central block is gable roofed and the ells hip roofed. A full-length, two-tiered gallery with white-painted Doric columns, black-painted iron rails, and full-height, centrally placed pedimented portico graces the front of each building. Main entrance is through a double door with side lights and segmentally arched transem. The ells contain single doors.

Veterinary Hospital (building 2186). Erected in 1908, this T-shaped, 1 1/2-story, gable-roofed, red brick structure contains more than 10,000 square feet of floorspace. It has been altered considerably, and at present it is used primarily for administrative purposes. Nearly all the original window openings remain unchanged and display stone lugsills and lintels.

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Stable (building 2187). This rectangular-shaped, 1 1/2-story. gable-roofed, red brick building was constructed in 1918. It is little altered and still functions as a stable, housing the mounts of the Army pentathlon team. Distinguishing features of the structure include large semicircularly arched door openings at each end and small windows with stone lugsills and brick segmental arches along each side.

Chapel (building 2200). Citizens of San Antonio donated the funds and land for this Second Renaissance Revival structure. which was completed in 1909 and dedicated personally by President William H. Taft. The irregularly shaped, whitepainted, brick building contains more than 21,000 square feet of floorspace. Among the many noteworthy exterior features are a copper dome, bracket-supported entablature and parapet that extend completely around the roofline, and recessed entrance portico distinguished by three semicircularly arched openings with flanking Corinthian pilasters. In addition there are 22 stained-glass windows that were added between 1929 and 1931. These are set in flat-arched openings. Inside, the main altar has undergone some remodeling, but other features remain unchanged. Included are a series of segmental and semiclliptical arches and a balcony supproted by Corinthian columns. Large bays to the right and left of the main chapel contain smaller worship areas, and one of these is designed especially to accommodate Jewish services.

Boundary Justification. The historic district includes the oldest post structure, the Quadrangle, and buildings that represent the first four major expansions of the fort. Also included is a portion of Arthur MacArthur Field, where Lt. Benny Foulois conducted his famous aerial experiments. There are no totant structures associated with his efforts. The field and all the building areas are connected visually. Structures that lie within the boundary but have no particular historical significance include buildings 661 and similar edifices in the Infantry Post, temporary buildings T-50, T-88, T-89, T-90, T-91, T-93, T-94, T-221, T-222, T-223, T-230, T-275, T-2240, T-2241, T-2242, and T-2253, and several other post-1920 structures.

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Alamo, figured prominently in Texas' struggle for independence. A few months before Texas' formal admission into the Union in 1845, Col. William S. Harney led the first U.S. troops into San Antonio. The following year the Army set up a quartermaster depot there, and during the Mexican War, it provided significant support for American military operations in northern Mexico. In 1849 the Post of San Antonio became the headquarters of the 8th Military Department, and except for the Civil War years, retained that distinction until 1369, when the headquarters were moved to Austin. Throughout this period the Post of San Antonio supplied forts all over Texas.

The quartermaster depot, which occupied the Alamo and several downtown warehouses, remained in San Antonio even after the departmental neadquarters were relocated. Local citizens feared that the economically Landicial depot might be transferred too, so they offered the Army land for a termanent post. These civic efforts coincided classly with a Government decisate pursue a more aggressive peacekaeping policy along the United States-Mexican border, where marging Indians, bandity, and smugglers passed almost at will from one nation into the other. Consequently the War Department accepted a tract of land north of town, and after sundry disagreements over the design and cost of the post, the Secretary of War authorized its construction in 1875.

In June 1876 the Army contracted with "Ed. Braden and Company" to build the installation, and during subsequent months the firm erecter a quadrangular, gray limestone structurated measured 624 feet along each side. It contained 36 storestrooms, 20 offices, and numerous workshops and became the predominant physical feature of the new post. On December 22, 1879, Gen. Edward O. Ord, the depot commander, watched proudly as his troops moved into the completed facility, which, like its predecessor, was called the Post of San Antonio. Despite its newness, expansion of the depot began almost immediately. In 1880 the Army completed plans for 15 sets of stone officers quarters to be erected west of the Quadrangle, and workmen started on the residences the following year.

By that time the Army had designated the Post of San Antonio as headquarters for the Department of Texas, and during

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the 1880's a number of well-known general officers commanded here. Among them were Christopher C. Augur, Ranald S. Mackenzie, and John M. Schofield. Escort, scouting, and catrol duty kept their troops occupied almost constantly, for unrest persisted along the Mex.can border. In addition, a 1835-35 some Post of San Antonio soldiers took part in the campaign that led to the capture of famed Apache leader Germand in Arizona. Ultimately the entire garrison had a thance to see the heralded warrior.

shortly after taking Geronimo and his small band of fillowers into custody in September 1886, military officials it them about a train and started them en route to Florida Li imprisonment. President Grover Cleveland had wanted the mulans delivered to Arizona territorial authorities for Fig. newever, so he directed that the train be stooped in Texas and the prisoners held there until he decided what to Jo with them. The President spent 40 days reviewing the case. in the interim the Abaches were kept under guard in the Post i Fan Antonio Quadrangle. Eventually Cleveland concluded that under the terms of their surrender the Indians could not Lo tried in civil courts, and they resumed their journey to Florida.

While at the Post of San Antonio, the Apaches had aroused such cullosity and excitement among the soldiers and their estendents, as well as among the townspeople. With the indians' diparture, however, the troops returned to the more routine business of patroling the border and supplying other insti. clons in the Department of Texas. These were important functions, but perhaps the most singularly noteworthy event I the next decade was the naming of the post. For 45 years it had lacked an official title, so finally, in September 1890 the War Department des gnated it "Fort Sam Houston" in honor f the first President of the Republic of Texas.

If post operations became a bit ordinary in the early and middle 1890's, certainly the year 1898 brought a flurry it activity. For several years much American attention had seen focused sympathetically on Cuba, which was engaged in a protracted rebellion against Spanish rule. On February 15, 1898, the battleship U.S.S. Maine exploded in Havana Harbor, and although the cause of the blast remained unknown, the

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United States declared war against Spain less than 2 months later. Almost the entire Fort Sim Houston garrison became involved in the conflict within a few weeks. On April 16 the 18th Infantry received orders to proceed immediately to New Orleans, from which they embarked for Cuba, and the 5th Cavalry jot similar orders the following month. These departures left only two officers and eight enlisted men at the post.

This void lasted only briefly. Three days before issuing a declaration of war. Congress had passed a Volunteer Army Act authorizing the President to raise special U.S. Volunteer units from the country at large. One of these groups, the sp-called Rough Fiders, was to become legnedary. Commanded by Col. Lechard Wood and Lt. Col. Theodore Roosevelt, this cavalry regiment was an aggregation of cowboys, Indian fighters, cutlaws, college athletes, and well-to-do easterners who came together in Sin Antonio early in May. Arriving individually and in groups from Arizona, New Mexico, Oklahoma, New York, Massachusetts, and rore than 30 other States and territories, the seemingly incompatible enlistees assembled at the fairgrounds, now Rossevelt Park. From Fort Sam Houston they obtained rations, fuel, tents, horses and forage, and after just 3 weeks of drill, they set out for Tampa, Fla. Mobilization activities at the San Antonio post did not cease with the Pough Riders' departure, though. The war with Spain lasted only a few months, and soon after it ended, the quartermaster depot commenced equipping and supplying U.S. troops who were en route to the Philippines to guell an insurrection there.

By 1900 growing quartermaster concerns nad forced all other Army activities out of the Quadrangle, and the Government was paying over \$800 monthly for additional warehouse and encampment space. Consequently in 1905 the Army began an expansion program that, according to writer Mary Hanly, made Fort Sam Houston the largest milicary installation in the United States. In the late 1880's and early 1890's,

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the Infantry Post, a complex of quarters and support buildings, had been erected east of the Quadrangle, and now the Army added the Cavalry Post and the Artillery Post on the north.

During the first decade of the 20th century, Fort Sam Houston troops continued to perform vital supply and border patrol duties. Then in 1910 Lt. Benny Foulois brought something new to the post, a Wright plane. Soon the fort had the first aircraft hanger in the Department of Texas, and Foulois was engaged in a variety of flight-related experiments. These efforts resulted ultimately in the establishment of the Signal Corps' aviation section, forerunner of the U.S. Air Force.

While Foulois performed his aerial tests, a revolution erupted in Mexico, and conditions worsened along the border. Faced with the possibility of war, President William H. Taft mobilized a provisional division at Fort Sam Houston in 1911. He did not order it into action, but the quartermaster depot equipped it nevertheless. In 1916, however, after Mexican revolutionaries under the command of Pancho Villa crossed into the United States and raided the village of Columbus, N. Mex., American troops did launch a campaign. Supplied largely by Fort Sam Houston and supported to some extent by Foulois' Aero Squadron, Gen. John J. Pershing led a fruitless, 11-month-long search for Villa in northern Mexico.

Less than a year after the end of that venture, Pershing, then commander of Fort Sam Houston, was ordered to Europe to lead the American Expeditionary Force in World War I. Col. Harry A. Rogers, departmental guartermaster at the post, became quartermaster general of the AEF. In addition, between 1916 and 1918, some 208,000 men trained at two camps adjacent to the post, leading author Landy to assert that Fort Sam Houston contributed "as much as any post in the United States" to the war effort."

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The post experienced some deterioration during the 1920's, but it underwent further expansion in the 1930's and 1940's. In 1937 the 2d Infantry experimented with important new ground-fighting tactics there, and in 1942 other post units participated in the Nation's first airborne maneuvers. Presently the home of innovative Brooke Hospital and headquarters for the 5th Army, Fort Sam Houston remains one of the country's key military installations.

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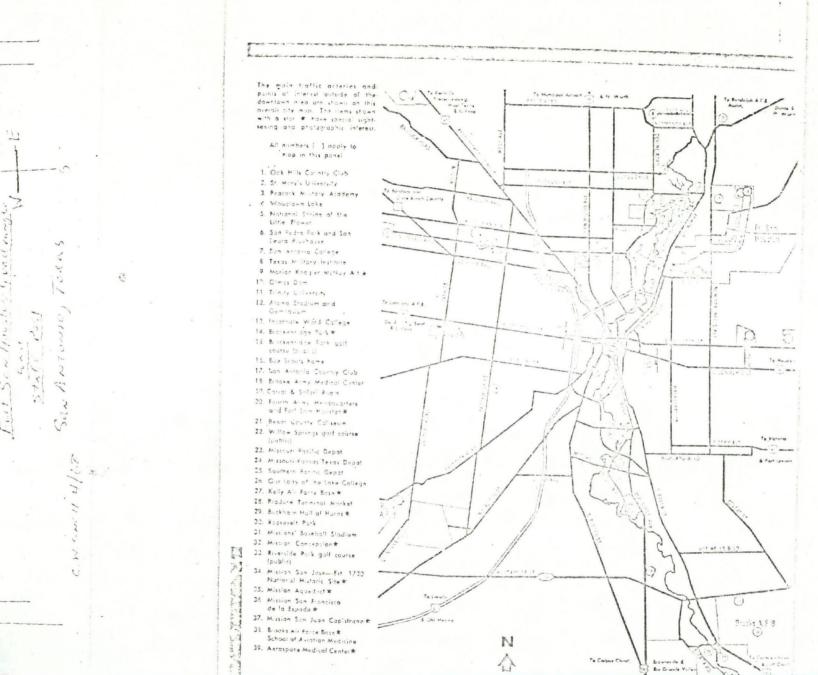
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In the 1330's the Quadrangle underwent a series of additions and alterations that give the structure its present appearance: The entire south (gate) wall was raised to two full stories in height; the original small loopholes in all four exterior walls were closed off and replaced by the present large windows with round out stone arches. The interior of the undrangle, however, has been left virtually unchanged. The fort now serves as the headquarters of the 4th United States Army and is open to visitors.

The Staff Fost. Situated about one-half mile to the west of the Quadrangle, at the junction of North Fine and Grayson Streets, the Staff Post was the second unit to be completed at Port-Cam Houston. Erected in 1881-86, the Staff Post is comprised of 15 large two-story limestone bouses that were built as officers' quarters. The structures are arranged on an L-shaped plan on the west and north sides of the large parade ground, with the long arm of the L pointing toward the Quadrangle. All are designed in the Italian Villa style, with carvel stone arches over windows and bracketed caves and porches. Ten of the houses are smare in shape and have a two-story porch extending across their entire front. Four others are T-shaped, have a bay window in the first story of the wing projecting toward the street, and a two-story porch extends from this arm across the remainder of the facade. The commanding officers' quarters, the largest of these dwellings, has an octagonal tower at the southeast corner and a two-story porch extends around three sides o' this building. The exteriors of these structures have been littlealtered. Visitors may drive through this area, but the quarters, which are still being used as officers' residences, are not open to the public.

FORT SAM HOUSTON

An Historical Sketch by

Major E.A. Kindervater, Q.M.C.

Although it was not officially named as such in War Department orders until 1890. Fort Sam Houston actually had its beginning soon after the readmission of the State of Texas into the Union in March 1870. In May of that year, a parcel of 40 acres of land, located on what was then known as "Government Hill", was denated by the City of San Antonio to the Federal Government, to be used for the purpose of establishing a permanent military post. After several efforts to persuade the Congress to appropriate funds for the purpose, money was finally made available in 1876, and work, on what is now known as the Quadrangle, was begun.

The tower, standing 87 feet in height, and which now has a large clock face on each of its four sides, was originally erected as a watch and later tower, and contained a 30,000 gallon water tank. Near its top a stone table, built into the walls, contains the following inscription:

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Secretary of War--j. Denald Cameron
General of the Army- William T. Sherman
Lt. Gen'l Comdg Division-Phillip H. Sheridan
Quartermaster General, USA- Montgomery C. Meigs
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The construction of the new depot being completed, the Quartermuster Department which up to this time had occupied the Alamo as a storehouse for forage, camp and garrison equipment, and to some extent work shops, rowed to its new quarters on December 22, 1879.

1 August 1871, 43 more acres of land were denated by the city, and in June, 1875, an additional nine acres were received from the same source, making the total acreage up to this tin e 93 acres.

In 1980, the plans for fifteen sets of officers' quarters and a hospital were worked out, and the following year construction was begun on the buildings that are now known as the Staff Post. The work was completed, and the houses all occupied by 1886.

Until this time, the hulldhand used as harreness and herebels for the treens were storehoused, located in the city of Sen Amenio, and with the exception of the Alemo, the property of private citizens, rented by the Government. This situation was had, since these buildings bordered the river on such low ground as to cause their inumiation whenever the river rose. The banks were of wood. double in two tiers, containing the usual bedding. The sinks were pits eligit feet in depth, empired as the occasion required. The married soldiers were quartered principally in small remed houses in the vicinity of the barracks. No special buildings had been provided for officers' quarters, which were rented and assigned by the quartermaster. This condition was not only dangerous to life and property, but produced a soldieus increase of disease. Repeated recommendations by the attending surgeons for permaneut barracks, to be erected on higher ground, finally brought about the purchase of additional land adjoining that already denated by the city, and the construction of the Infantry Post, consisting of twelve barracks, band barracks, gymnasium, guard bouse. headquarters, was begun in 1885 and finally completed in 1893. The mess balls. latrines and bath houses were added in 1906.

From the beginning and until March 11, 1893, the post was known as the headquarters of the Department of Texas. During this period the personnel of the garrison changed often, both in numbers and branches, due to the troops being dispatched to various places in the southwest to put down Indian departments. At various times the post was garrisoned by units from the following regiments: 10th Infantry; 24th Infantry; 11th Infantry; 25th Infantry; 25th Infantry; 25th Infantry; 15th Infantry; 15th Infantry; 15th Infantry; 15th Infantry; 25th Inf

The monotchy of this garrison life must have been relieved when on September 10, 1686, the Indian Warrior, Gercuimo, his som Chappa, Chief Natchez and the band, who had been captured in Arizona some months earlier, arrived at Covernment Hill by special train from Bowie, Arizona, escorted by Captain H.M. Lawton, officers, seouts, and military escorts, who marched the Indians to the Quadrangle for safekeeping. They were enroute to a prison camp in Florida.

The department was growing in prominence and size, and the Grayson Street wing of the Quadrangle was converted from storerooms into offices, and a second story was added throughout its entire length.

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This brings us up to the Spanish War period, and on March 11, 1893, the Department of Texas was abolished. When war was declared against Spain, we find Companies A, B, C, E. F, and G of the 18th Infantry, and four troops of the 5th Cavalry quartered in the Infantry Post. On the 17th of April of that year, telegraphic instructions were received from the War Department, ordering all available troops of the 18th Infantry to proceed with the least possible delay to

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Following the war with Spain, and until 1907, the post was garrisoned by units of the 4th, 25th, and 26th Infantry Regiments, the 1st and 12th Cavalry Regiments, and the 2nd and 15th Enteries of Field Artillery. On June 24, 1899. the Department of Texas was again established with its headquarters at the Quadrangle. Increased strength of units, and the fact that this was an ideal location for troops being recognized, the need for additional housing facilities became apparent. In 1903 plans were drawn up, additional acreage lying to the north of the Quadrangle was purchased, and in 1905 the actual construction of Cavalry and Artillery Posts was begun. In addition to the 16 barrack buildings, mess halls. latrines, and stables pertaining to them, the building program also called for the erection of 45 sets of officers' quarters, seven sets of noncommissioned officers' quarters, and a few miscellaneous buildings. This building program was completed in 1912. The main building of the hospital was completed in 1908. The hospital as originally built had a capacity of 84 beds. In 1910 the east and west wings were added, which brought the bed capacity up to 152. A large mess hall and kitchen was built in 1907. In 1916 and 1917, fifty temporary ward buildings were added, which increased the capacity of the entire hospital area to 1,000 beds.

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When the new Cavalty and Artillery Posts were completed, the entire 26th Infantry was stationed in the Infantry Post. The 2nd and 15th batteries of artillery moved into the Artillery Post, and units of the 1st Cavalry occupied the Cavalry Post. In 1907 the 9th Infantry, returning from the Fhilippines, relieved the 2cth in the Infantry Post, the 26th Infantry going to the Islands. Units of the 3rd Cavalry joined the Cavalry garrison at about this same time. During the period that followed and until the declaration which committed us into the World War, units of the 19th Infantry, the 3rd and 7th Field Artillery, and the 3rd and 16th Cavalry, had been stationed at Fort Sam Houston.

At about the same time (1907) a movement was begun for the erection of a Post Chapel, and it was chrough the personal efforts of Chaplain Dickson that \$50,000.00 was contributed by the citizens of San Antonio and the Army personnel of the garrison for that purpose. On October 17, 1909, the uncompleted building was dedicated by William Howard Taft, then President of the United States. The Post Chapel was dedicated as the religious center of the post, and services were open to the public as well as to the military personnel and their families.

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In February 1910, the pest became the proof possessor of the first airplane hangur to be erected in this department. It was located in the north-cast part of the post, where landing and take-off space was available, and was 49 feet by 41 feet in size. It was here ath Lieux. Benny Foulois and his crew labored with his Wright biplane and the catapult device which gave the initial momentum to the plane. The successful experiments, so crudely began, led to the authorization of an Aviation Section in the Signal Corps in July, 1914. The accompanying aerial view taken especially for this article by Lieux. Colonel H.H.C. Richards, Air Corps, thoroughly demonstrates the advancement made by this military arm since 1910.

In 1911 with the unsettled conditions existing between our nation and the Mexican Covernment, President Taft ordered the mobilization of a provisional division under the command of Major General W.H. Carter. The area lying to the east and north of the post was selected for the encampment, and the following troops were assembled: 10th infantry; 17th Infantry; 28th Infantry; 11th Infantry; 15th Lefantry; 15th Enfantry; 18th Infantry; 11th Cavalry; 9th Cavalry; 3rd Fiele Artillery; 4th Field Artillery, and some Signal Corps and Engineer troops.

The Department of Texas was abolished on February 15, 1913, and the Southern Department was established the same date, with its handquarters in the Quadrangle. The 307 acres took place, was purchased in March 1913, as a further addition to the Post.

Again in 1916 while the European powers were at war, a mobilization of the National Guard numbering approximately 13,000 troops, under command of Major General Funston, was called for border service and training, and the following organizations were mustered into active service: 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 7th and 6th Illinois Infantry; 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Wisconsin Infantry, and miscellaneous units from Kansas, Missouri and Texas. The area occupied by these troops lay to the east and north of the post, and was designated as Camp Wilson, after the then President of the United States. The total acreage of the post had now reached 1212, 21 acres.

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To give a clear idea of this enormous undertaking, a few statistics will be quoted to give a mind's eye picture. The plans called for the accommodation of a war strength division, and all its auxiliary units. With the plans completed, contracts were awarded on Jane 22, 1917; actual construction began on July 6th, and on August 25th troops began moving into the completed buildings. Railroad trackage to care for a maximum of 160 cars daily was laid. Building of roads, installation of water and sewer systems, and erection of the electric transmission lines, were carried out in such a manner as not to interfere with and yet be ready for the buildings as they went up. The plans included:

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Extent of proposed cantonment -800 acres of buildings. Men to be taken care of -46,000 Animals to be taken care of -13,000 Number of buildings to be erected - 1, 258 Miles of roads to be built - 25 Miles of sewer lines -30 Miles of water lines - 31 Miles of railroad tracks - 12 Miles of interior wiring - 145 Miles of exterior electric lines - 65 Lumber used -35,000,000 feet Concrete used -3,000 cubic yards Plumbing fixtures to be installed - 7,500 pieces Number of cooking ranges -550 Hardware used - 125,000 pieces Doors and sash - 60,000 pieces There were in use on the job --77 saw outfits 12 concrete mixers 9 trenching machines 3 backfillers 15 scrapers

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The planning, management and supervision of this large construction program, and the results accomplished, were well worthy of the renowned army phrase "well dome."

In addition to the construction of Camp Travis, 104 acres were allotted for a general supply depot, and on October 2), 1917, recommendations were approved; the construction began early in 1918. Railroad trackage, roads, and necessary utilities were began in 1920 and completed in 1921. Until the depot was ready for business, warehouses and other buildings were remed in various locations in the city at an approximate cost of \$172,000.00 per year. The aerial view of the depot as it is today, gives an excellent idea of the importance of the activity. Today it engists of 39 permanent warehouses, which afford 55,722 square feet of floor space.

Prior to the establishment of this depot, post supply was furnished from the Quartermaster Depot operating from the Quadrangle, which was vacated as a depot entirely and made over into offices to accommodate the great increase of staff officers and their many functions. On September 1, 1920, the Southern Department was abolished, and the Eighth Corps Area, comprising the states of Texas, Oklahoma, Colorado, New Mexico, and Arizona was organized.

Following the war, Fort Sam Houston and Camp Travis became the home station of the battle-famous 2nd Division, less its Marine brigade, which was replaced by the 1st and 10th Infantry reguments. The deterioration of the cantonement buildings made it necessary to reduce the strength of the Division, and in June 1927 the 4th Brigade was moved to Fort Francis E. Warren, Wyoming. Housing conditions were becoming acute, and new permanent construction was becoming more and more essential. Good fortune was in store for the army, when in 1928 Congress appropriated hunds for a new building program, and after very careful planning, construction was begun. This program included-

7 barracks

1 Signal communications building

I radio station

157 officers' quarters

140 noncommissioned officers' quarters

1 Post Prison

1 Post Exchange and Filling Station

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1 Post Theater

5 Motor Pool buildings, with repair shops

1 baseball grandstand

I football stadium

113 garages

29 stables, sheds, stable guard buildings, shops, etc.

1 Ordnance magazine

1 Ordnance shop and warehouse

1 Quarcermaster warehouse

1 Dispensary, and

1 Officers' Club and Mess

The cost of this new construction has to date amounted to approximately \$5,500,000.00. A new hospital, with all its necessary auxilliary buildings including a modern nurses' quarters and detachment barracks, is now under construction, and will be finished within a year. The new hospital will have a bed capacity of 350, with facilities to increase to 375.

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With the new construction about completed and occupied, and all the war time cantonment buildings dismantled, the entire post, which today consists of all the heretofore-mentioned posts combined, is something inspiring to behold, and is possessed of the following facilities-

1,028 buildings in all, consisting of:-

247 officers' quarters

10 warrant officers' quarters

147 noncommissioned officers' quarters

38 barracks

28 stables

18 vehicle sheds, and

540 miscellaneous

29.5 miles of Roads

13.5 miles of Walks

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Capacity of b acks - 5, 106 men

Capacity of stables - 2,355 animals

Capacity of quarters - 294 officers and 141 noncommissioned officers

Capacity of ice plant - 30 tons daily

Capacity of laundry - 7,500 pieces daily

Capacity of buhary- 30,000 pounds of brend daily Capacity of water pumping plant-3,600,000 gallens daily

For recreation, the post affords a great variety of activities for sport lovers to choose from—a nine-hole golf course recently completed with a comfortable club house; 3 swimming pools; 3 polo fields; a baseball field with grandstand to accommodate 2,800 people; a football field and stadium which will seat 5,600, 9 miles of bridle paths; tennis and handball courts. Other facilities include a modern self serving commissary; post exchange, gasoline filling stations; a library containing some 40,000 volumes, a most modern and beautifully appointed officers' club, and a modern air—conditioned moving picture theater, running three shows daily with a new show each day.

And so we review the largest military post in the United States, which has grown from its original 40 acres to 3,330.64 acres; from an original mean strength of 15 officers and 142 enlisted men to 238 officers and 5,413 enlisted men. The total population of the post today, including the families, amounting to 7,900, is equal to a fair-sized city. The post is so geographically located as to afford all year outdoor training, and with its utilities so planned and laid out as to allow its rapid and efficient expansion to accommodate a complete Army Corps. A post rich in military tradition, where a great many of our outstanding military leaders served and studied to lead our troops to victories.

Named after a staunch and loyal patrict, who served as the first president of the Republic of Texas in 1836-38, and again in 1841-44, and who, after admission to the Federal Union, served as her governor during the years 1859-61, --the spirit of Sam Houston, hovering above, may well be proud to have had such an institution named in his honor and memory.

(Photographs referred to above emitted).

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Height of ceilings ---- 11' 0"

No basement

Heat -----Steam radiators. Originally four fireplaces.

This two storied building has large verendas across the front and two cideson both rtories. Situated on the corner, the side of the building faces the parale field, and with its open verendas is in perfect harmony with the officers quarters next to it, appearing to be of the same design and configuration.

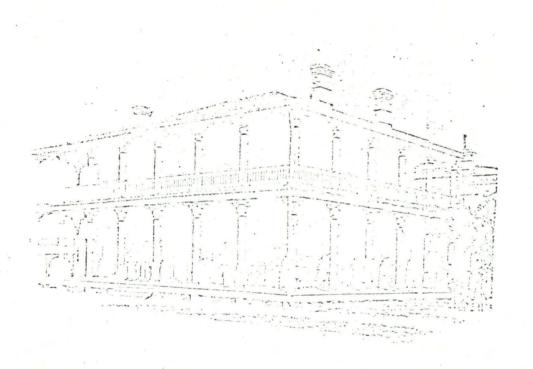
HISTORY

This is the first personent Foot Headquarters building constructed at fort Sam Hamaton. In 1919 it was converted into duplex apartarate for officers, and in 1941 converted again into several smaller apartments and uncd as a 101.

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Total sq ft -----10.994

Built as a BOT and completed in June 1906, it is located raside the entrance to the lafantry Post immediatly to the left. Original Cost ------526,139.79 Foundation ------Stone and Concrete Walls -----Brick Roof -----Slate Size Main 31dg -----33' x 87" Sq ft above basement -S,520 ---Sq.ft basement -----2,474

Height of ceilings ---- 11'0" This three storied building has large verandas across the front on both stories. Designed with eight (8) two room apartments, it.has two entrances on the first floor, each enteringenate a hellway, to the right and left of which is a two room apartment. A stairway down the hall leads to the second floor apartments. The apartments. are located in the following order;

First floor apartments - A, E, E, F. Second floor apartments - C,D,G,E

Since 1941 the interior has undergone numerous changes. Halls have closed off rocas, and additional bathrooms have been added-

HISTORY

In 1917, Captain Lealey J. McMair occupied Apt.Cin this building. His was the brilliant mind that organized and trained the Army Ground Forces in WW II. He was the first American Lt. General to be killed in combat. Fort Lesley J. Mchair, the home of the Hational: War College and the Industrial College of the Armed Forces was named to heapr Gen. Mellair.

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In 1945 this building was used as the Headquarters of the Southern Defense Command.

Its most illustrious occupant was Dwight David Eisenhower, later to be the thirty-fourth President of the United States. 2nd Lt. Eisenhower grainated from the United States Hillitary Academy in June 1915 and drew as his first assignment the lyth Infantry Regiment at Fort dan Houston, where he arrayed in September 1915 after a lensurly visit with his family in Abilene, Kansus. Concurrently, hacte Comova Doud has acrived in San entonio, fexas in October, lyly with cer parents and her sister dike, as they had done for many years. Their home was in Denver, but each year they wintered in

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They are married in Denver July 1,1916, the same day he was promoted to lot Lt., and Ike brought his bride back to his bachelor quarters at 688, Apt E. They lived happily in that little apartment for algost a year, eating most of their meals across the street at the Officers wass, since their apartment was not truly equipped with a kitchen. In April 1917 Ike was assigned to the Leon Springs reservation just north of the city, and Marie was very much alone in the aparthest, although Tke managed an occasional visit home. Mamma was expecting a child in September, and although the additional pay he received when he was promoted to Captain on June 1,1917 helped their meager finances, it didn't ease the separation. They moved across the street to the Officers Hess apartments in August 1917 so that Madie wouldn't be far from assistance in the event help was needed pefore Ike could get home to her. Then Ike received orders and left for Fort Oglethorps, Georgia on September 20, just four days before Mamie gave birth to their first son who was christened Doud David Eisenhower. Mamie left fort Sam Houston and joined Ike in April 1918 in Cattysburg, Pennsylvania where he was assigned to the Tank Training Center at Camb Colt, Cettysburg, Pa-

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There were fourteen (14) cats of barricks at the eastern end of the parade field. Two of them are located on the northeast end, two on the southeast end, and nine across the length of the east end. The bind barracks with ball tower was erected on the northeast side tatives in the last set of officers quarters and the end berrais. The first barracks were completed in July 1555 and consisted of four buildings on the left side of the eart end: Eldgs. 503,604,605,605. Along that came row the following buildings were completed in Eng 1537: Blags. 507,609,610 and 613, this last being the three storied sally-port building to be considered separatly. In hay 1889 Bldg. 50, was completed. In May 1890 the barracks on the southeast corner were completed; the barracks next to it having been completed in March 1890: Bldgs. 611,612. In February 1891 the two barracks on the northeast corner were completed: Bldgs. 601,602. The band barracks (with tell type tower) were completed in may 1895.

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1885	605	10,319	
15:55	675	10,313	
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1887	691	9,850	
1857	610	9,405	
1887	613	17,171	(sally-port bldg.)
1849	608	9,405	
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The three storied cally-port building, 613, was completed in the 1887. Originally designed for the band barracks, it was converted into a prison when the new band barracks were built in 1893.

Renovated Capacity ---- 114 new with 40 sq ft space per man.
The keystone over the arch of the sally-port bears the date 1878.

The bell tower like band barracks, 646, was completed in May 1893. Constructed as a Thad barracks, it was converted into an administration building in 1919 and used as headquarters for the infantry units assigned to thus Post until ## 11. Since that time it has been used as officen for the various units assigned to this Post. Building raterials used as the warious units assigned to this Post. Building raterials used as the wars for the other barracks.

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ARCHITECT

Alfred Cilen, whoma signature appears on the original plane of the nally-port harracks, one to rexam from England in 1873 having studies are itseture for the pears. Following three years of association with a constructing firm in San Antonio he established his own firm. By the late 1870s he had become San Antonio's leading architect. Sithin ten years he take traveling throughout Texas expanding his basy firm, and in the early 1900s he had already designed eight rejor buildings in the heart of ke terms City in Mexico. His bast known young to der antonio dre the eye house, the manual Ytural house, the Years house at milt we meach, the frederick Torrelt house, Carl Cross rates, making Terrelt house, the Steves house, Million knysfick house, Convent of the distant of Charity of the frederick Word, the frederich, the ban Saltiven exhibit and Carch house, and the fill house to heatstair Plaze.

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(This information takes from . By Carolya delters Jutson, <u>elired</u> Gilen: <u>An English architect is fixed and Pesteo</u>, Sun antonio: Trinity Press, 1972. Sin antonio Conservation Society Series, Number 1.)

Extracks #511 and #512 on the south east and of the Post are vacant. Additionally, the brick deak, above the roof line of these two buildings (see photo #8) has then plantered over to a smooth finish. They now hear little respublice to the original work.

The parade ground continued impossibly in this report has gone. In 1964 there were 24 rate or captus quarters built on the parade ground, plus the work connecting streets and garages. (see map)

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parchas of land now know as Intentry part, located east and southment of the Quadrangia at the eastern and at Cr. Java Street, began in 1882. Seven (7) does were required to purchase the 45.9 acres, at a cost of \$17,150. The entire project of the new barracks and 'y quarters was planted and decorated by major J.C.C. Lae, Chief advicementary of the Borarta at of Texas. It is architectural details very executed under hajor Lee's direction by alfred Giles, architect, and C.E. Millington, civil engineer.

The final plans called for an eight company post, in horse-shop shape with entrance from Grayson St. at the conters center. Fourteen (14) sets of field and line officers quality on the left flank of the horse-chee, an administration building at the left corner, tuckya (12) gets of querters on the right flesh, with a bil on the right corner were planned, at the base of the horse school on the northeast end were two barracks, and across the field on the footheast corner facing them, emother third execute. Account to fact length of the cast end of the to there is at (a) threeds on a stanight line, someoned. but att. ad to ench other to an to appear to be one long building. Hid-way between the eight to-macks was a three storied brick barrack currenting a salig-part, and often I to the barrack on either side. Additionally, a timestorical building with boll tower was imported between the last per of line officers quarters on the left flank and the two burracks on that northwest end, to be used as a band burracks. The less percented building was the solat the left entrance to the Foat, 1003 (moser by outbaildings were slee tuilt).

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HISTORY

Following the establishment of the Courtemnatur Depot in 1876, now known as the Quadrangle, and nobsequent construction of Staff Post quarters to house the Headquarter's presentent of Texas officers, it was determined essential to build personnel burnacks and Field and Line officers quarters for the four computes of troops assigned to the Post. At this time, 1980, the happital, barracks, and few evaluable quarters for the officers and men were temporary, takeshift buildings and text frames on the morth western parties of the remervation.

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