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National Register of Historic Places Inventory—Nomination Form

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See instructions in *How to Complete National Register Forms*
Type all entries—complete applicable sections

1. Name

historic Camp Lincoln Commissary Building

and or common the Castle

2. Location

street & number Camp Lincoln, 1301 North MacArthur Blvd. N/A not for publication

city, town Springfield N/A vicinity of

state Illinois code 012 county Sangamon code 167

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> public	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input type="checkbox"/> private	<input type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial
	<u>N/A</u>	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> military
			<input type="checkbox"/> museum
			<input type="checkbox"/> park
			<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
			<input type="checkbox"/> religious
			<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
			<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
			<input type="checkbox"/> other:

4. Owner of Property

name State of Illinois
MG Harold Holesinger, Adjutant General, Illinois National Guard

street & number 1301 North MacArthur Blvd.

city, town Springfield N/A vicinity of state Illinois

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Sangamon County Recorder of Deeds

street & number County Building, 800 East Monroe

city, town Springfield state Illinois

6. Representation in Existing Surveys

title None has this property been determined eligible? yes no

date federal state county local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Condition

excellent
 good
 fair

deteriorated
 ruins
 unexposed

Check one

unaltered
 altered

Check one

original site
 moved date N/A

Describe the present and original (if known) physical appearance

The Commissary Building is a two story structure measuring approximately 80'x 60'. Built of Indiana limestone, the overall appearance suggests a castellated fortress.

The rusticated limestone walls are tapered at the foundation for additional structural support. All windows are 4/4 double hung wood sash with smooth limestone heads and sills. Two 12' arched doorways are centered on the north and south facades. Smooth dressed limestone stringcourses separate the foundation, first, and second stories. The use of rusticated limestone, corner turrets and buttresses, and cornice add to the fortress like appearance of the building.

The first floor interior is one large storage room, with an office and storage vault in the eastern quarter of the building. The office area was modernized in the 1960's, with the addition of a dropped ceiling and panelling. A hand powered elevator and one set of wooden stairs lead to the second floor. The second floor interior also has one large storage room; however, partitions have been added over the years to provide secured storage space. These changes have been minimal, and the overall character of the interior remains intact.

Alterations to the original exterior design include the addition of a mansard porch roof over the east entrance.

8. Significance

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600-1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700-1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800-1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration-settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
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		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1903 Builder Architect S.J. Hanes/ Culver Stone Co.

Statement of Significance (in one paragraph)

The Commissary Building is the oldest permanent building remaining on the grounds in Camp Lincoln, an Illinois National Guard property. It was constructed by the Culver Stone Company, which was responsible for most of the stone construction in central Illinois. James Culver was a General in the Illinois Militia, the predecessor to the National Guard.

Camp Lincoln was established in 1886 as a training center for the Illinois State Militia. The site selected, 160 acres in northwest Springfield, was chosen over other Illinois communities vying for the camp, due to the subscription raised by the citizens of Springfield to help defray expenses. Of the \$18,100 expended for the Camp, \$3,100 was raised by the City. The Camp was named in honor of Abraham Lincoln by Governor Richard Oglesby.

During its early years, the Camp was the site of annual encampments of the State Militia. Troops from throughout the state arrived during the summer months to receive their military training. These encampments were also great social events for the city. Dress parades attracted many onlookers, while parties and socials were sponsored by leading Springfield citizens.

Prior to the construction of the Commissary Building in 1903, Camp activities were confined to tents or temporary wooden barracks. A hospital building, the first permanent building on the grounds, was demolished in the 1920's. The Commissary Building is, therefore, the only building remaining with a direct association with the early history of the State Militia and Camp Lincoln. The Commissary has served a number of purposes, including hospital, barracks, quartermaster storage, headquarters, etc.. During World War I it served as a physical examination center. Currently used for storage, plans call for turning the Commissary into a military museum.

The Commissary is also directly associated with the Culver Stone Company, a prominent Springfield industry of the late 19th/early 20th Centuries. James Culver's position as General in the Militia certainly contributed to his selection as contractor for the Commissary. The reputation of his stone works was also a factor. Established in 1887, by 1889 the Culver Stone Company was operating out of a large complex at 9th and Madison in Springfield. Considered to be one of the finest stone companies in the Midwest, Culver was responsible for a number of major public buildings, churches, monuments and private residences in Springfield and around the State.

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Among the major buildings by the Culver Company was the Illinois Arsenal at 2nd and Monroe in Springfield. Like the Commissary, and Culver's own stoneworks building, the Arsenal was built of rusticated limestone, and its fortress appearance was accentuated by battlements, turrets, and crenelation. The Arsenal burned in 1934, and the Culver Stoneworks was demolished in 1983. The Commissary is the only building of this style by Culver remaining in Springfield.

Samuel J. Hanes, a Springfield architect and contractor, was also involved in the construction of the Commissary. Hanes is most noted for supervising the insertion of a new first floor under the Old State Capitol when it was enlarged for the Sangamon County Courthouse in 1899.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Record of the Illinois National Guard, including AG Orders 1899-1900, pp266-7 and AG Orders 1903-4, pp6 & 9, Illinois State Archives, Springfield
E.W. Bokker, "The Backbone of Illinois in front and rear front and rear from 1861 to 1865 and Memorial Hall", unpublished

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of nominated property less than 1
Quadrangle name _____ Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References

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Verbal boundary description and justification

see attached map. The boundary includes the Commissary Building and the immediate perimeter, measuring ten feet from the foundation on all sides.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	N/A	code	county	code
state		code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

name/title 1. W.A. Sausaman, Jr.
2. Polly Myers

organization _____ date August 1984

street & number 1. 3667 North Winch Rd., RR #2
2. 1316 North MacArthur Blvd. telephone 1. 546-5700
2. 544-4338

city or town Springfield state Illinois

12. State Historic Preservation Officer Certification

The evaluated significance of this property within the state is:
 national state local

As the designated State Historic Preservation Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service.

State Historic Preservation Officer signature *[Signature]*
title *[Signature]* date 9/26/84

For NPS use only
I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register

date _____

Keeper of the National Register _____

date _____

Attest: _____ date _____

Chief of Registration _____



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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20240

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The Director of the National Park Service is pleased to inform you that the following properties have been entered in the National Register of Historic Places beginning November 11, 1984 and ending November 17, 1984. For further information call (202) 343-9552.

STATE, County, Vicinity, Property, Address, (Date Listed)

ARKANSAS, Mississippi County, Chickasawba Mound (3M55), (11/16/84)

ARKANSAS, Pulaski County, Little Rock, Williamson House (Thompson, Charles L., Design Collection TR), 325 Fairfax St. (11/15/84)

COLORADO, Grand County, Estes Park vicinity, Trail Ridge Road, Rocky Mountain National Park (also in Larimer County) (11/14/84)

HAWAII, Honolulu County, Honolulu, Hocking, Alfred, House, 1302 Nehoa St. (11/15/84)

HAWAII, Honolulu County, Honolulu, Oakley, George D., House, 2110 Kakela Pl. (11/15/84)

HAWAII, Honolulu County, Kailua vicinity, Kukuipilau Heiau, Kalaniana'ole Hwy (11/16/84)

HAWAII, Kauai County, Hanalei vicinity, Haena Archeological Complex, Kuhio Hwy (11/16/84)

HAWAII, Kauai County, Hanalei vicinity, Na Pali Coast Archeological District, Na Pali Coast (11/16/84)

HAWAII, Kauai County, Waimea, Kikiaola, Waimea Rd. (11/16/84)

ILLINOIS, Cook County, Chicago, Cook County Criminal Court Building, 54 W. Hubbard St. (11/13/84)

ILLINOIS, Cook County, Chicago, Emmel Building, 1357 N. Wells St. (11/13/84)

ILLINOIS, Cook County, Chicago, Lake-Side Terrace Apartments, 7425-7427 South Shore Dr. (11/13/84)

ILLINOIS, Cook County, Chicago, Peoples Gas Building, 122 S. Michigan Ave. (11/13/84)

ILLINOIS, Cook County, Chicago, Yondorf Block and Hall, 758 W. North Ave. (11/13/84)

ILLINOIS, Ford County, Paxton, Paxton Water Tower and Pump House, 145 S. Market St. (11/13/84)

ILLINOIS, Hancock County, Niota vicinity, Cambre House and Farm, SW of Niota (11/13/84)

ILLINOIS, Jackson County, Murphysboro, Mobile and Ohio Railroad Depot, 1701 Walnut St. (11/13/84)

ILLINOIS, Lee County, Dixon, Brookner, Christopher, House, 222 N. Dixon Ave. (11/13/84)

ILLINOIS, Rock Island County, Rock Island, Fort Armstrong Hotel, 3rd Ave. and 19th St. (11/13/84)

ILLINOIS, Sangamon County, Springfield, Camp Lincoln Commissary Building, 1301 N. MacArthur Blvd. (11/13/84)

ILLINOIS, Sangamon County, Springfield, Hickox Apartments, 4th and Cook Sts. (11/13/84)

ILLINOIS, Will County, Plainfield, Standard Oil Gasoline Station, 600 W. Lockport St. (11/13/84)

INDIANA, Allen County, Fort Wayne, West End Historic District, Roughly bounded by Main, Webster, Jefferson, Broadway, Jones, and St. Mary's River (11/15/84)

INDIANA, Marion County, Indianapolis, Indianapolis Chair Manufacturing Company, 330 W. New York St. (11/15/84)