

# HABS/HAER INVENTORY

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1. SITE I.D. NO		5. ORIGINAL USE Ordinance Building		7. CLASSIFICATION			9. RATING 1	
2. NAME(S) OF STRUCTURE Building # 52, Grant Hall, Post Headquarters Continuation Card		6. PRESENT USE Administration					10. DATE c. 1859	
3. SITE ADDRESS (STREET & NO) Grant, Scott, Auger Avenues Fort Leavenworth, Kansas				8. UTM ZONE EASTING NORTHING			11. REGION	
4. CITY/VICINITY		COUNTY		STATE		SCALE 1:24 1:62.5 QUAD NAME		
12. OWNER/ADMIN ADDRESS								

13. DESCRIPTION AND BACKGROUND HISTORY INCLUDING CONSTRUCTION DATE(S), PHYSICAL DIMENSIONS, MATERIALS, MAJOR ALTERATIONS, EXTANT EQUIPMENT, AND IMPORTANT BUILDERS, ARCHITECTS, ENGINEERS, ETC.

Hall, and is below ground level and is accessible by cement steps on a limestone retaining wall; one three panel one-light door on the shed between main building Grant Hall and Sherman Hall. South elevation (Wagner Hall), has a wall of vertical aluminum sash windows. There are two, three panel, four-light doors above limestone portico on a walkway; one metal slab door on Sherman hall. The arch entry-way is on Grant Hall. Floor to roof chimney with a rusticated rock-faced foundation and brick walls and a metal door on the south elevation. Two floors of three panel, four-light doors with three-light transoms with no exits stairs to them; two doors on Sheridan Hall, first floor, five panel door with a three-light transom, third floor has two slab doors, and there is one, six panel door with a four-light transom on the rear of the main building all have metal fire escape exits. West elevation has a double one panel, eight-light door with a closed transom with concrete pilasters and a recessed pediment with an ornamental tympanium; near this entry is a large brick chimney with a octagon foundation and a corbelled cap attached to Sheridan hall, there are metal fire escapes and stairs behind it. Water table is the top course of the foundation; there is a continuous cornice and returns on the gables, large limestone dentils and a closed front gable. Wings have a projecting cornice four feet below roof line with ornamental corbeled brick work (like brackets) beneath it. Central pavilion has two panels of limestone above buildings top floor. Roof of Wagner hall is flat topped with a parapet surround and concrete top cap and projecting limestone cornice with dentils. East end west entrances on Sherman and Sheridan Halls have large cement stairs; Wagner Hall has large cement entrance stairs with metal railing.

14. CONDITION					15. DANGER OF DEMOLITION? (SPECIFY THREAT)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> EXCELLENT	<input type="checkbox"/> GOOD	<input type="checkbox"/> FAIR	<input type="checkbox"/> DETERIORATED	<input type="checkbox"/> RUINS	<input type="checkbox"/> YES	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> NO	<input type="checkbox"/> UNKNOWN	

16. SIGNIFICANCE In 1859 when the Ordinance Arsenal was established at Fort Leavenworth, two rectangular ordinance store houses of substantial brick construction were built on the site of the Old Command and General Staff Schools and now the Post Headquarters Administration Buildings. In 1882 the eastern of these two buildings (now Sherman Hall) was remodeled and used as headquarters for the Department of the Missouri. The other building used by Depot Quartermaster as a storehouse. In 1890 when the Department Headquarters was moved to Saint Louis, The Cavalry and Infantry School moved here and was named Sherman Hall by General Sherman. At this time an extension was made to Sherman Hall. In 1895 the Depot Quartermaster vacated the other building and the School took it over adding another building in 1910 called the Engineer School. In 1904 under Brigadier General J. Franklin Bell, the buildings were united by a central structure named Grant Hall. In 1916 the Officers Burial Ground were moved and Wagner Hall was constructed to house the school library.