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**NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM
FOR FEDERAL PROPERTIES**

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE:	TEXAS
COUNTY:	CULBERSON
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ENTRY DATE	OCT 9 1974

1. NAME

COMMON:
Pinery Station

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Butterfield Stage Station

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
~~(See continuation sheet)~~ off U.S. 62/180

CITY OR TOWN: Guadalupe Mountain National Park

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT: 16th District - Texas

STATE: Texas CODE 48 COUNTY: Culberson CODE 109

3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Building <input type="checkbox"/> Structure <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Public <input type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input type="checkbox"/> Public Acquisition: <input type="checkbox"/> In Process <input type="checkbox"/> Being Considered
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)		<input type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify)

4. AGENCY

U. S. Government, National Park Service, Department of the Interior

REGIONAL HEADQUARTERS: (If applicable)
Southwest Regional Office

STREET AND NUMBER: P. O. Box 728

CITY OR TOWN: Santa Fe, New Mexico

STATE: Texas CODE 35

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Culberson County Court House

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: Van Horn

STATE: Texas CODE 48

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

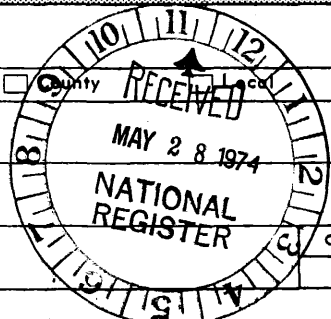
TITLE OF SURVEY: None

DATE OF SURVEY: Federal State County

DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:

STREET AND NUMBER:

CITY OR TOWN: STATE: CODE



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7. DESCRIPTION

(Check One)

CONDITION

Excellent Good Fair Deteriorated Ruins Unexposed

(Check One)

(Check One)

Altered Unaltered Moved Original Site

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

"From surveys, measurements, and other details of construction carefully collected here, and from the ruins of the other rock-built stations along the route, it is possible after comparing the results to form a very accurate picture of the original station. From these data a model restoration on a scale of one-quarter inch to one foot has been constructed by the author from which the following description of Pinery Station is taken. The inside dimensions of the high-walled rectangular enclosure were approximately 57 feet 4 inches long by 41 feet 2 inches wide. The walls, built of limestone slabs laid in mud or adobe, were 30 inches thick and 11 feet high. Attached to the inside north and east walls, lean-to fashion, were 3 rooms: one, 10 by 10 feet in the corner and two, 10 by 14 feet, adjoining. There was one chimney with a double fireplace in it. The rooms were mud roofed; i.e., the roof beams were covered with wattles and thatch, overlaid with a thick layer of mud or adobe. In the southeast corner of the enclosure protected by a thatched shelter there was a repair shop and smithy. The station was supplied with water through an acequia or open ditch to a tank located in the northwest corner of the enclosure. There was a stockade built of heavy pine posts which protected the main entrance on the south wall, and on the north end there was a stone-walled corral, 67 by 35 feet and 5 feet in height."¹

Today the Pinery is in a state of ruins. The northwest wall of the main enclosure is the only one still standing in any substantial form, and it has a decided list which places it in danger of collapse before long. Enough rubble remains from the rest of the walls to trace the outline of the two main enclosures. Little trace remains of the stockade, stage road and acequia.

Recent acquisition of this property by the National Park Service will hopefully permit stabilization in the near future.

Recommended treatment: Excavation of site to uncover buried portions of ruins, and then preservation.

Estimated Cost: \$10,000 initially, \$1,500 P/A thereafter, based on 1973 costs.



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8. SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian 16th Century 18th Century 20th Century
 15th Century 17th Century 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known) **1858-1859**

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

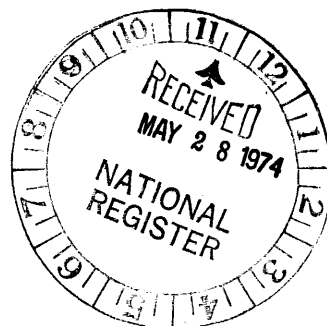
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | | | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

"Pinery Station has the distinction of being the only ruin of an original company-built, Butterfield station standing on the route in close proximity to a national highway. ... The station named for the surrounding forests of pine and located but a quarter of a mile from Pine Spring, and in a region of good grazing, was one of the most favorably situated stations on the route. The location on the summit of Guadalupe Pass, ... was the highest point on the route as originally laid out. ... All the early expeditions camped here: Lieutenant Bryan on July 22, 1849, Captain March on September 10th of the same year, Commissioner Bartetton on November 10, 1850 and Captain Pope in February 1854."¹

"Pinery was the fourth of the stone fort stations constructed by the company on the route west from the Head of Concho. According to Ormsby only the palisade corral had been built at the time of the arrival here of the first west-bound Butterfield Mail in the afternoon of Tuesday, September 28, 1858. The meal provided at the station on this occasion consisted of venison pie and baked beans. The station keeper, Henry Ramstine (who was connected with the El Paso District Surveyor's office in 1855) and his helpers were living in tents at the time. The station was completed in the early part of the following November by Superintendent Glover's men."²

"The Pinery continued to be a meal and change station until in August 1859, when the route was changed to run to El Paso by way of Fort Stockton and Fort Davis. For years after its abandonment, however, even as late as 1883-1885, the old station continued to be a retreat for emigrants, freighters, and drovers, soldiers, squatters, and renegades."³



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1 Conkling, Vol. 1, p. 391

2 Ibid, p. 391

3 Ibid, p. 393

9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			OR	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
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APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **1.5**

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY:	CODE



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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: **David G. Battle, Historical Architect** DATE: **February 1974**

BUSINESS ADDRESS: **National Park Service, Southwest Regional Office**

STREET AND NUMBER: **P. O. Box 728** PHONE: **(505) 988-6501**

CITY OR TOWN: **Santa Fe, New Mexico** STATE: **New Mexico** CODE: **35**

12. CERTIFICATION OF NOMINATION

<p>State Liaison Officer recommendation:</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> None</p> <p>_____ State Liaison Officer Signature</p> <p>In compliance with Executive Order 11593, I hereby nominate this property to the National Register, certifying that the State Liaison Officer has been allowed 90 days in which to present the nomination to the State Review Board and to evaluate its significance. The recommended level of significance is <input type="checkbox"/> National <input type="checkbox"/> State <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Local</p> <p>_____ Federal Representative Signature Date: 5/8/74</p> <p>505126 REGIONAL DIRECTOR</p>	<p>NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION</p> <p>I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.</p> <p>_____ Director, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation</p> <p>Date: 10/9/74</p> <p>ATTEST:</p> <p>_____ Keeper of The National Register</p> <p>Date: 10.7.74</p>
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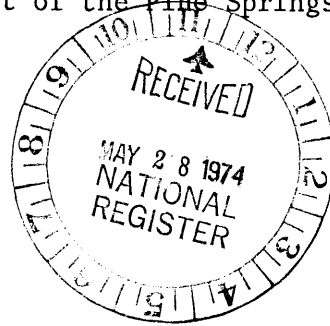
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2. LOCATION

The Pinery is located in Guadalupe Mountain National Park approximately 200 feet north of U. S. Routes 62-180 and west of the Pine Springs Highway Maintenance Station.

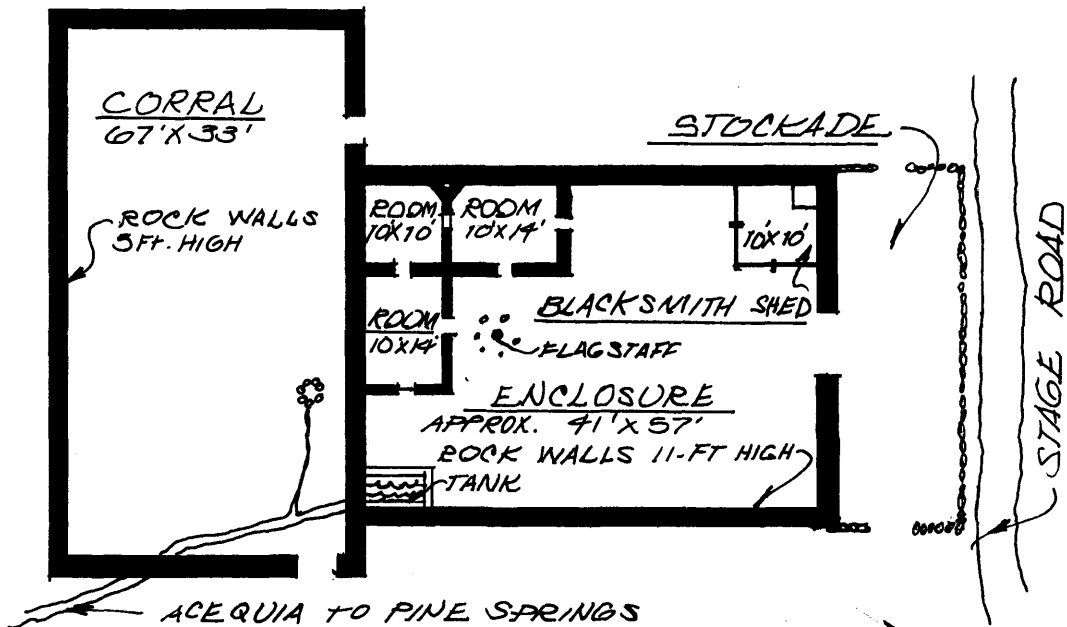


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PLAN PINERY STATION
AFTER CONKLING, VOL. 3, PLATE 39.

