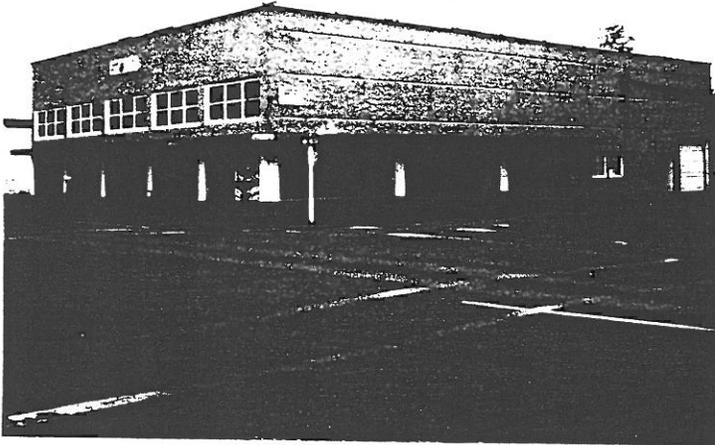


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Ranking _____
Name
(Common) Senior Citizens Center
(Historic) Witcher Building
Address 585 Park Street
Present Owner BPOE Elks #1663
Address 633 Park Street
Original Use Furniture Store
Date of Construction c. 1948
Map Reference Number 104



Physical description of property and statement of historical significance:

The Witcher Building is a two-story Early Modern style commercial structure constructed of reinforced concrete with stucco on the south and east elevations. The floor plan is roughly square, and the roof is arched, spanning from wall to wall. The front elevation is divided into five equal bays. On the ground floor the bays are defined by piers which step out from the wall. The two end bays on both sides contain large, fixed, four-light aluminum frame windows while the center bay is inset and contains two wood entry doors with sidelights. There is a flat awning with a stainless steel trim. On the second floor each bay contains a large, horizontal, six-light wood sash window below the tall, undecorated parapet.

The awning wraps around to the south elevation to shelter the three bays at the left that contain large, metal frame, three-light windows. On the right there is a pair of small, six-light, metal frame, casement windows, a service door and a garage entry. Above the second floor three inset moldings run the length of the parapet.

Mr. Witcher built this building and managed a furniture store here until the property was sold to Derwood Smith. Later the Lebanon BPO Elks Lodge acquired the building and changed it into the current Senior Citizens Center.

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Sources consulted:

1. Survey questionnaire from Lebanon Elks Lodge, April 15, 1984.
2. Interview with Frank Groves and Clay Nichols, May 12, 1984.