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State Historic Preservation Office
Oregon State Parks, Salem, OR 97310

County Linn
Ranking _____
Name
(Common) Jost Funeral Home
(Historic) N. C. Lowe Funeral Home
Address 777 Park Street
Present Owner Donald H. and Donna M. Jost
Address 777 Park Street
Original Use Funeral Home
Date of Construction 1930
Map Reference Number 121

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Physical description of property and statement of historical significance:

The Lowe Funeral Home is a two-story building typical of the Mission style, with its symmetrical composition, stucco walls, curvilinear parapet rising above the roof line and wrought iron decorative trim. The entry porch on the west facade has round arched openings and a curvilinear parapet. There are similar blind arches above the multi-light windows at each side.

On the north there is a porte cochere with wide steps leading to an entry flanked by multi-light casement windows. The south facade features five paired multi-light casement windows on the second floor beneath which rise recent decorative wood panels.

History

Nathan and Winifred Lowe lived in Silverton, Oregon before moving to Portland where Nathan was a streetcar conductor and undertaker's assistant. The Lowes established an undertaking establishment in Lebanon in 1912 and 18 years later constructed this building. A. L. Crandall was the architect, C. W. Bogart and Ed Fisher were the contractors, and the plastering and stucco work was done by G. A. Arnold, all Lebanon residents. Bogart and Fisher became owners of a residence and two lots in Silverton that belonged to the Lowes.

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Sources consulted:

1. "Lowe Funeral Home Nearing Completion,"
Lebanon Express, March 26, 1930.
2. Interview with Ada Lowe, May 11, 1984.



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