

## Forest Grove Historic Resource



### 2030 Main St - Buxton & Roe Building

The Buxton & Roe Building is one of the brick buildings constructed in Forest Grove in the 1890s under a City Ordinance requiring brick construction in the downtown area. The building is first identified with George Smith, an undertaker who operated a business on the second floor of the building.

Later, the building was occupied by Jacob S. Buxton and Charles O. Roe. Buxton was an undertaker and Roe ran a hardware store. They appear in the 1900 census and in 1904 tax records. J. W. Fuqua purchased the building in 1901 and his estate sold it to the C. A. Broderson in 1943. The Brodersons have owned it since that time, operating a furniture business in the location.

Buxton was born in Forest Grove in 1862. Two generations of Buxtons had come to Forest Grove in the Red River Migration from Manitoba in the early 1840s. His wife Lillie was born in North Dakota in 1866. They married in 1883. Roe was born in 1867 in Washington Territory. His wife Belle was born in 1864 in Kansas and they married in 1896.

The building is largely intact on the second floor and some of the first floor alterations are reversible.

#### Sources:

US Bureau of the Census, 1900.

US Bureau of the Census, 1910.

Forest Grove Inventory of Historic and Cultural Places, 1985.