IDENTIFICATION
1. Common name: Odd Fellow - Rebekah Children's Home of California

2. Historic name: 

3. Street or rural address: 290 IOOF Avenue
   City: Gilroy       Zip: 95020       County: Santa Clara

4. Parcel number: 84100424

5. Present Owner: Brent Pearl
   Address: P.O. Box 637
   City: Gilroy       Zip: 95020       Ownership is: Public       Private  X

6. Present Use: Children's Home
   Original use: 

DESCRIPTION
7a. Architectural style: Spanish Colonial Revival

7b. Briefly describe the present physical appearance of the site or structure and describe any major alterations from its original condition:
   This site is a huge campus-like setting of Spanish Colonial Revival architecture set amid beautifully landscaped grounds. The building is 2 1/2 stories tall with immense red tiled low hipped roofs. The building is designed in a huge "E" shape with a beautifully arched main entrance which is reached up a grand flight of ceremonial steps. String courses provide the primary ornament on the plain stucco walls. Shields add detail to the entry arcade. Fenestration is very plain, rectangular in shape and of both casement and double-hung variety. A band of garlands sets off the second story linear balcony (now covered and enclosed by cyclone fence). Three arches define a grand entry parapet with its espanada and molded "IOOF Symbol" detail. The most impressive carved work is left for the columns separating the round arches. Faces, acanthus and garlands all beautifully mix on these posts. Very ornate balconies can also be found along the upper stories. An elegant campanile punctuates the site. The grounds are extremely beautiful.

8. Construction date: Estimated       Factual 1921

9. Architect: 

10. Builder: M. Radtke

11. Approx. property size (in feet)
    Frontage 380
    Depth 565
    or approx. acreage

12. Date(s) of enclosed photograph(s)
    Mar. 1986
    8675-8
    8679-4     8679-5
    8679-1     8674-2
    8665-7     869-2     869-6
    8674-27     8649-3