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SUPPLEMENTARY LISTING RECORD

NRIS Reference Number: 91001791 **Date Listed:** 12/20/91

Ford, Mayor Ebb, House	Jackson	MISSISSIPPI
Property Name	County	State

Historic Resources of Pascagoula, MS
Multiple Name

This property is listed in the National Register of Historic Places in accordance with the attached nomination documentation subject to the following exceptions, exclusions, or amendments, notwithstanding the National Park Service certification included in the nomination documentation.

Mal M. W.
for Signature of the Keeper

1/10/92
Date of Action

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Amended Items in Nomination:

Section No. 8

This nomination was amended to delete Criterion B and the name of Mayor Ebb Ford as significant person.

These changes were confirmed by phone with the Mississippi SHPO (1/9/92).

DISTRIBUTION:

- National Register property file
- Nominating Authority (without nomination attachment)

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National Register of Historic Places Registration Form

This form is for use in nominating or requesting determinations of eligibility for individual properties or districts. See instructions in *Guidelines for Completing National Register Forms* (National Register Bulletin 16). Complete each item by marking "x" in the appropriate box or by entering the requested information. If an item does not apply to the property being documented, enter "N/A" for "not applicable." For functions, styles, materials, and areas of significance, enter only the categories and subcategories listed in the instructions. For additional space use continuation sheets (Form 10-900a). Type all entries.

1. Name of Property

historic name Ford, Mayor Ebb House
other names/site number Lee, Wendell House

2. Location

street & number 3434 Pascagoula Street not for publication
city, town Pascagoula vicinity
state Mississippi code MS county Jackson code 59 zip code 39567

3. Classification

Ownership of Property	Category of Property	Number of Resources within Property	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	Contributing	Noncontributing
<input type="checkbox"/> public-local	<input type="checkbox"/> district	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u> buildings
<input type="checkbox"/> public-State	<input type="checkbox"/> site	_____	_____ sites
<input type="checkbox"/> public-Federal	<input type="checkbox"/> structure	_____	_____ structures
	<input type="checkbox"/> object	_____	_____ objects
		<u>2</u>	<u>1</u> Total

Name of related multiple property listing: Historic Resources of Pascagoula, MS
Number of contributing resources previously listed in the National Register 0

4. State/Federal Agency Certification

As the designated authority under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, as amended, I hereby certify that this nomination request for determination of eligibility meets the documentation standards for registering properties in the National Register of Historic Places and meets the procedural and professional requirements set forth in 36 CFR Part 60. In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

Kenneth H. P. Pearl Oct. 24, 1991
Signature of certifying official Date
Deputy State Historic Preservation Officer
State or Federal agency and bureau

In my opinion, the property meets does not meet the National Register criteria. See continuation sheet.

Signature of commenting or other official Date

State or Federal agency and bureau

5. National Park Service Certification

I, hereby, certify that this property is:

entered in the National Register. Coverdell 12-20-91
 See continuation sheet.

determined eligible for the National Register. See continuation sheet.

determined not eligible for the National Register.

removed from the National Register.

other, (explain:)

Signature of the Keeper Date of Action

6. Function or Use

Historic Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/Single Dwelling

Current Functions (enter categories from instructions)

Domestic/Single Dwelling

7. Description

Architectural Classification

(enter categories from instructions)

Queen Anne

Materials (enter categories from instructions)

foundation brick

walls weatherboards

roof asphalt

other N/A

Describe present and historic physical appearance.

Set to the front of a lot facing roughly west on Pascagoula Street, the Mayor Ebb Ford house is an example of the very simplest form of Queen Anne design. There is a large tree at the northeast of the front lawn, tall shrubs at the front of the front walk, and large shrub foundation planting.

A frame house set on piers close to the flat side, the building is basically a rectangular two-story structure with a high, hipped roof, the ridge running east and west.

The Queen Anne work is seen on the front where on the south half there are, on the second floor, a slightly projecting mass with two two-over-two double-hung sash, with a gable above, and at the first floor, a slight projection again, but with angled walls, making a clipped bay window, the side of which is behind the upper corner of the house. Three two-over-two sash are on each face of the bay.

Across the front, running about two-thirds of the way, is a shed roof porch. At the south end, the roof is shallower and projects, unsupported, over two-thirds of the bay window. Below the projecting roof is a simple soffit beam, filled in with flush joint wood boards on the north end. The soffit is supported by four turned posts which have open jigsaw brackets butting the square top ends, and a railing with turned balusters butting the lower ends. Entry is at the center bay, which leads directly to the front door.

Other than the front gable end, which has an ornamental shingle pattern where every other shingle is shorter than those on each side, the house is clad with simple weatherboards and corner boards. The sash is two-over-two double-hung, with simple frames. The entrance door has a single light transom over a single-acting door which has a single light over the lower decorative wood panels. There is a window to the north of the door, lining up with the window above; there is another second floor window sash centered on the front door.

On the north side there are aligned typical sash near the west front corner, and another at what must be the stair landing, further east. A small window on the first floor suggests a room under the stairs.

The interior floor plan is typical for houses of this period in Pascagoula. Entrance is into the living/stair hall where there is an elaborate U-plan stair with a closed

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stringer, turned newel post and banisters. Behind the stairs is a room, and to the right is a pair of rooms with a pair of pocket doors separating them and a corner fireplace on the exterior wall. The mantel has a beveled, rectangular mirror, fluted columns, applied ornament, ceramic tile surround and hearth, and decorative summerfront. The front room has a bay onto the porch, and the adjoining room has bays onto the side of the house. There is a lean-to addition to the rear of the house.

The first floor has elaborately detailed Queen Anne trim. The casing has decorative plinths and bull's-eye corner blocks, and the head and jamb trim is routed. The wood base is intricately detailed and has finials in the corners. The typical interior door has five panels and two-light sash. The hardware has stamped plates. The ceiling is matched and beaded boards with no cornice.

The plan is repeated upstairs.

To the rear of the house is a small, contributing outbuilding, nearly square in plan, with very large double-hung windows and a pyramidal roof. Along the east property line is a carport with gable roof, wood turned columns, and a storage room. The carport is of recent origin and is a non-contributing element.

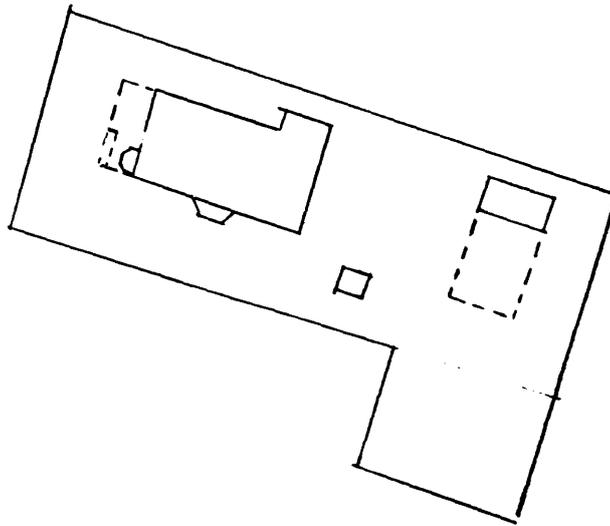
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8. Statement of Significance

Certifying official has considered the significance of this property in relation to other properties:

nationally statewide locally

Applicable National Register Criteria A B C D

Criteria Considerations (Exceptions) N/A A B C D E F G

Areas of Significance (enter categories from instructions)

Architecture

Period of Significance

1900

Significant Dates

1900

Cultural Affiliation

N/A

Significant Person

Mayor Ebb Ford

Architect/Builder

unknown

State significance of property, and justify criteria, criteria considerations, and areas and periods of significance noted above.

The Ebb Ford house is significant architecturally and historically within Pascagoula's residential elements. Historic two-story houses are indeed rare in Pascagoula, with only ten identified, and only six in the Queen Anne style. The residence was the home of Mayor Ebb Ford, and the limit of the 1921 fire.

Ebb Ford [1886-1947], Mississippi's first Rhodes Scholar, served as Pascagoula's district attorney for three terms. He was on the board of directors of the Scranton State Bank, where he was also vice president, and on the board of the Pascagoula Commercial Club. Ford was elected mayor in 1910, his term falling between the lumber boom and the World War I shipbuilding boom, at which time Pascagoula had a population of approximately 3,400. In 1919 he purchased the Pascagoula Street Railroad and Power Company, selling it in 1921 when the streetcars were abandoned. (See 701 Beach and 3708 Pascagoula.)

In 1921, fire broke out in the Morlet Bakery and soon raged out of control. Firefighters were dispatched from Mobile to Gulfport to fight the fire. It was stopped just at the edge of this house, after destroying twenty-five businesses, twenty-five homes, and killing one child.

Situated in the Rene Krebs tract, which was subdivided in 1877, this house was built sometime between 1898 and 1904, replacing an earlier one-story residence. This turn-of-the-century Queen Anne house is a tangible link to the old town of Scranton, and is one of the best examples of the Queen Anne style, and the only two-story example in the area of old Scranton.

9. Major Bibliographical References

For Bibliography See Context Statement.

N/A See continuation sheet

Previous documentation on file (NPS):

- preliminary determination of individual listing (36 CFR 67) has been requested
- previously listed in the National Register
- previously determined eligible by the National Register
- designated a National Historic Landmark
- recorded by Historic American Buildings Survey # _____
- recorded by Historic American Engineering Record # _____

Primary location of additional data:

- State historic preservation office
- Other State agency
- Federal agency
- Local government
- University
- Other

Specify repository: _____

10. Geographical Data

Acreeage of property Less than one acre.

UTM References

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Zone Easting Northing

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N/A See continuation sheet

Verbal Boundary Description

BK 11, Residence & Pt. Lot 69 Rene Krebs TR S/D
M863.20 SEC 7-8-6 DB 763-587 69DM863.20

N/A See continuation sheet

Boundary Justification

The boundary includes the entire city lot that has historically been associated with the property.

N/A See continuation sheet

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