



HISTORIC RESOURCES INVENTORY

1a. Property name, historic Keith Press Building		14. MDAH Inventory Code	
b. Property name, common Posey's Press / Flowers by Denise		15. County Hinds	16. Survey sequence no. 6
2. Property address/descriptive location 234 Town Square Raymond, MS		17. Was interior surveyed? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> not applicable	18. Visibility from public road or street <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good <input type="checkbox"/> poor <input type="checkbox"/> not visible
3. Legal description Parcel #4969-165 as recorded in Second Judicial District Ownership Maps, Vol. 2 for Hinds County, Mississippi Acreage = less than one acre		19. Condition <input type="checkbox"/> excellent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> good <input type="checkbox"/> fair <input type="checkbox"/> deteriorated <input type="checkbox"/> ruins <input type="checkbox"/> no visible remains <input type="checkbox"/> incorporated into later structure	
4. Original use probate office	5. Present use stores and apartments	20. USGS quadrangle map (if required) (see instructions) Raymond, MS	
6. Other uses General Store	7. Original or historically notable owner(s) or occupant(s) unknown	21. UTM reference (if required) (see instructions) 15 742810 3571950	
8. Date of construction <input type="checkbox"/> estimated <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> documented ca.1830	9. Changes <input type="checkbox"/> no major changes <input type="checkbox"/> moved (date) _____ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> major alterations (date) 1980's	22. Current owner's name and address (see instructions) Bill Silva P. O. Box 519 Raymond, MS 39154	
10. Architect Unknown <input type="checkbox"/> documented <input type="checkbox"/> attributed	11. Builder/contractor Unknown <input type="checkbox"/> documented <input type="checkbox"/> attributed	23. Tenant's name (if required), and address if different from property address (see instructions) (enter in pencil) N/A	
12. Is the property architecturally or historically important? If so, why? (continue on reverse if necessary) This is the only surviving antebellum commercial building in Raymond that retains its architectural integrity to an appreciable extent. It signifies the commercial prosperity which came to antebellum Raymond because of its prominence as the county seat.		24. Principal material(s) brick (Flemish bond)	
13. Identify any outbuildings and/or other structures or landscape features associated with this building or structure. (Attach an additional inventory form for each one that has particular architectural or historical interest.) None		25. Architectural character or style early 19th century commercial vernacular	
(Attach one 3 x 5 black and white photograph here.)		THIS SECTION FOR MDAH USE ONLY	
		26. Category building	
		27. Functional type	
		28. Registration status and dates <input type="checkbox"/> NHL _____ <input type="checkbox"/> listed NR _____ <input type="checkbox"/> approved for NR _____ <input type="checkbox"/> federal DOE _____ <input type="checkbox"/> state landmark _____ <input type="checkbox"/> local landmark _____ <input type="checkbox"/> HABS/HAER _____	
		29. Is this property included in a historic district? <input type="checkbox"/> yes <input type="checkbox"/> NR district <input type="checkbox"/> no <input type="checkbox"/> local district Name of district _____ <input type="checkbox"/> pivotal <input type="checkbox"/> marginal <input type="checkbox"/> contributing <input type="checkbox"/> noncontributing <input type="checkbox"/> intrusion	

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30. Brief statement of the property's history This building housed the 1st probate office in Raymond. It also housed the Shearer's general store until 1923. It is not known when the Shearers opened their store. John Ligon Shearer sold the property to the Keith Family in 1926. Keith Press was located here from 1926 to 1976.

31. Brief description. If a thorough description has been prepared separately, disregard this section and check here This 2 story, 2 bay wide, commercial building features a stuccoed front facade with 2 entrances. The brick is laid in a Flemish bond & brick corbelling accents the roofline. The windows have stone lintels & lugsills. In a c. 1979 (?) photo, the windows are 9/1 DHS, while today they are 1/1 double hung sash with new aluminum sash. The wooden stairs to the 2nd story entrance on the SE facade have also been removed since 1979. Another alteration is the metal awning over the front entrances.

32. Additional remarks or continuation of other sections

N/A

35. Photographer or photo source
Susan Enzweiler
MDAH

36. Photo roll and frame number(s)
1653 - #33A

37. Photo date
10-25-85

33. Sources of information

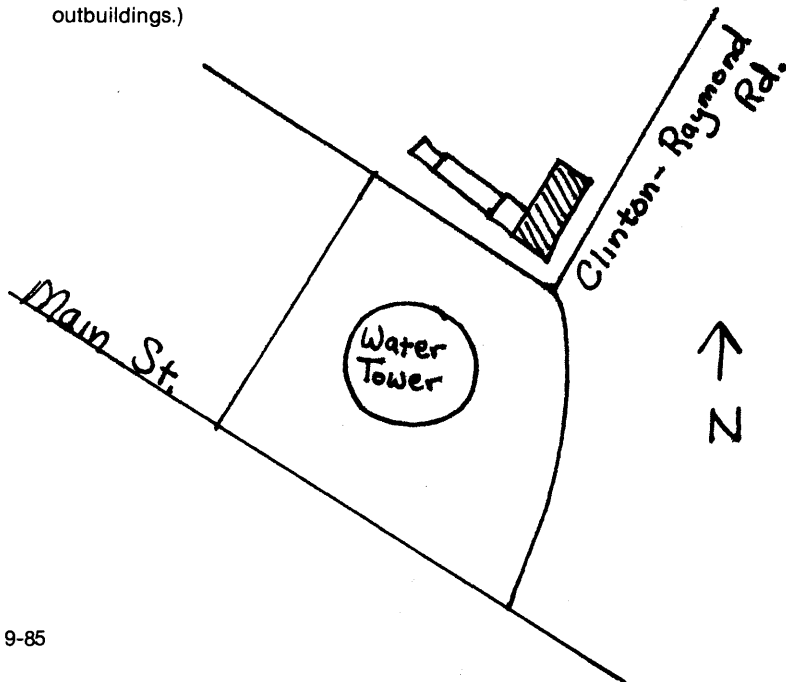
- Personal Observation
- Statewide Survey File
- "The Town of Raymond," by Mrs. Hugh B. Gillespie (from Raymond Scrapbook 1976)
- Interview with Mr. Don Shearer (10-18-85)
- Telephone interview with Mr. Billy Keith (Feb. 21, 1986)

38. Inventory form completed by
(name and organization)
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MDAH

39. Survey project name
Raymond

40. Date form completed
12/85

34. Sketch of site plan. (Include north arrow. Show outline of building shape and locations of outbuildings.)



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41. Attached supplementary materials

42. Other materials in MDAH files
- plans, drawings
 - correspondence
 - research notes
 - clippings
 - project report
 - early photos
 - slides
 - negatives
 - other c. 1979 photo

43. Date logged, MDAH

44. Logged by