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# Historic Sites Survey

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## ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Three-story; red brick; seven bays by nine. Flat-arch ground floor bays separated by square brick columns with stepped capitals. Projecting metal cornice between first and second floors. Tripart windows with transoms in upper floors' second floor windows have stone lintels. Entablature has pressed tin frieze with swags; overhanging cornice.

## ALTERATIONS:

## OUTBUILDINGS:

## LANDSCAPE FEATURES:

## STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

This building was originally known as the Pythian Castle Hall and was constructed by the Mount Barton Lodge No. 13, Knights of Pythias. The deed record of June 30, 1915 states that the fraternal organization desired to "furnish a Pythian home for weekly meetings. . .and for club rooms and other conveniences for comfort, pleasure and benefit."

NAME: Pigford Building

STREET NO: 818 22nd Avenue

TOWN/VIC: Meridian

COUNTY: Lauderdale

BLOCK/LOT: Ragsdale Block 68, lots 9 and 10

PRESENT OWNER: M. A. Pigford

ADDRESS 818 22nd Ave.-Meridian, MS 39301

PRESENT USE: Office building

FORMER USE: Grocery below, offices above

DATE: 1914-1915

STYLE: Classical Revival elements

ARCH/BUILDER:

SOURCE OF DATE: Deed record

ENVIRONMENT: Commercial

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE

NEIGHBORHOOD

LOCAL x

STATE

NATIONAL

PHOTOS

NEG. #

SITE OR AREA PLAN WITH NORTH ARROW AND SHAPE OF STRUCTURE:

CONTINUATION:

DEC 1980

PHYSICAL CONDITION:

Fair

THREATS:

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION:

Ragsdale Block 68 - 70' N and S by 125' E and W in NW corner.

ACREAGE: Less than one acre

UTM REF:

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	ZONE EASTING		NORTHING
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