



Historic Sites Survey

Inventory No. 12

ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Peoples Bank is a two-story, four-by-six-bay, brick commercial building with a flat roof and decorated parapet. Rusticated brick pilasters divide bays of paired windows on the north elevation while dividing only the second-story windows on the west elevation (main facade). Three bays of the first story are filled with plate glass with transoms above and an intervening cantilevered metal canopy. Two bays of the north elevation have a like arrangement. Windows are double-hung in a one-over-one glazing configuration. The two-story inset entrance is framed by fluted Ionic columns and the doorway surmounted by a segmental-arch pediment. The base of the building to the first floor sill level on the north elevation and surrounding the entrance is ashlar masonry. The northwest corner is beveled and a full entablature with a dentiled cornice extends along the facade and north elevation. A stone capped brick parapet highlights the roofline and is divided by engaged piers which match the spacing of the pilastrade below. Above the entrance an ornate cartouche is mounted onto the parapet.

ALTERATIONS: (continued)

Interior changed in 1924

OUTBUILDINGS: None

LANDSCAPE FEATURES: None

NAME: Peoples Bank of Biloxi
 STREET NO: 318 Lameuse Street
 TOWN/VIC: Biloxi
 COUNTY: Harrison
 BLOCK/LOT: N/A
 PRESENT OWNER: Peoples Bank of Biloxi
 ADDRESS 318 Lameuse Street, Biloxi 39530
 PRESENT USE: Bank
 FORMER USE: Bank
 DATE: 1913-14
 STYLE: Beaux Arts Classicism
 ARCH/BUILDER: unknown
 SOURCE OF DATE: The Buildings of Biloxi
 ENVIRONMENT: commercial
 LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE
 NEIGHBORHOOD
 LOCAL X
 STATE
 NATIONAL

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

The Peoples Bank of Biloxi is one of the finest commercial buildings in the city and one of only a few to have escaped unsympathetic alterations. Built to house the Harrison County Bank in 1914, the building was purchased by the Peoples Bank in 1924 and is the best example of Beaux Arts architecture in Biloxi

PHOTOS

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