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(July 1969)

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

NATIONAL REGISTER OF HISTORIC PLACES
INVENTORY - NOMINATION FORM

(Type all entries - complete applicable sections)

STATE: Alabama	
COUNTY: Mobile	
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ENTRY NUMBER	DATE
	JUN 18 1973

1. NAME

COMMON:
Mobile City College

AND/OR HISTORIC:
Protestant Children's Home *Worth*

2. LOCATION

STREET AND NUMBER:
911 Dauphin Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Mobile 36604

STATE Alabama	CODE 01	COUNTY: Mobile	CODE 097
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3. CLASSIFICATION

CATEGORY (Check One)	OWNERSHIP	STATUS	ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> District <input type="checkbox"/> Site <input type="checkbox"/> Object	<input type="checkbox"/> Public <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Private <input type="checkbox"/> Both	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Occupied <input type="checkbox"/> Unoccupied <input type="checkbox"/> Preservation work in progress	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> Restricted <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Unrestricted <input type="checkbox"/> No
PRESENT USE (Check One or More as Appropriate)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Agricultural <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Educational <input type="checkbox"/> Entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> Government <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial <input type="checkbox"/> Military <input type="checkbox"/> Museum	<input type="checkbox"/> Park <input type="checkbox"/> Private Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Religious <input type="checkbox"/> Scientific	<input type="checkbox"/> Transportation <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) _____ _____

4. OWNER OF PROPERTY

OWNER'S NAME:
Mobile City College, Inc. - President Dr. Joan R. Thomas

STREET AND NUMBER:
911 Dauphin Street

CITY OR TOWN:
Mobile 36604

STATE:
Alabama

CODE:
01

5. LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTION

COURTHOUSE, REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.:
Probate Court, Court House

STREET AND NUMBER:
S. Royal at Government

CITY OR TOWN:
Mobile

STATE:
Alabama

CODE:
01

6. REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS

TITLE OF SURVEY:
H.A.B.S

DATE OF SURVEY: 1934-5 Federal State

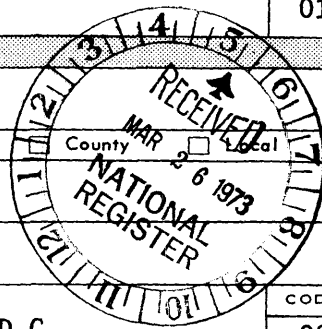
DEPOSITORY FOR SURVEY RECORDS:
Library of Congress

STREET AND NUMBER:
Washington

CITY OR TOWN:
Washington

STATE:
D.C.

CODE:
08



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7. DESCRIPTION

CONDITION	(Check One)					
	<input type="checkbox"/> Excellent	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good	<input type="checkbox"/> Fair	<input type="checkbox"/> Deteriorated	<input type="checkbox"/> Ruins	<input type="checkbox"/> Unexposed
	(Check One)			(Check One)		
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Altered	<input type="checkbox"/> Unaltered	<input type="checkbox"/> Moved	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original Site		

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (if known) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

Two major remodelings - 1963, 1971

Style: Late Federal with Greek Revival details.

Plan: Originally a square with one bay projecting on the east side. Later in the 19th Century a brick L was added to the rear on the east side which has open wooden galleries. Major renovations in 1963 and 1971 have not changed the basic shape. The interior has a wide central hall on all three stories. It appears that originally there was one large room on each side of the hall on each story.

Materials & Methods of Construction: Brick bearing walls with wooden floor and roof framing. Plaster interior walls. Hip roof is now covered with asbestos shingles. The main north facade has face brick with thin mortar joints. Common brick with common bond is used on the sides and rear. Five rows of stretchers. The face brick on facade was a deep red. The entire building is now painted white. The additions have seven stretchers.

The north 3-story elevation has five bays with pedimented doorways in the center bay on first and second stories and a pedimented window with side-lights on the third story. The first floor doorway has scored stucco batters. Windows have wooden sills and flat arches covered with plaster. The east and west sides have four bays with no original doorways. Windows throughout are double hung, wooden sash, 6 over 6 lights with louvered shutters. A simple dentil course forms the cornice around the entire building.

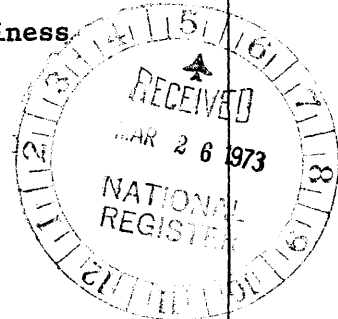
Ironwork: The original facade has been altered by the addition of a two-story canopied cast iron veranda which must have replaced an earlier entrance which gave access to the second floor. Stylistically the iron work is typical of the region in the late 19th Century with foliated "Gothic" arches and apron supported on thin cast iron columns with stylized capitals.

Scale and Proportion: Large, restrained, institutional in character. Well situated on appropriately landscaped spacious grounds.

Interior Appearance: A quality of space, with wide hall, large rooms. First floor ceiling height of 8', second floor 12'. Simple wooden Greek Revival mantels. Simple architrave moulding on some interior window trim. Turned newels & balusters on staircase which rises through the three floors. Random width pine floors. Some interior doors have transoms and all have plain trim.

Present: Somewhat altered to accommodate present use as a business college.

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SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD (Check One or More as Appropriate)

- Pre-Columbian 16th Century 18th Century 20th Century
 15th Century 17th Century 19th Century

SPECIFIC DATE(S) (If Applicable and Known)

1845

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE (Check One or More as Appropriate)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Aboriginal | <input type="checkbox"/> Education | <input type="checkbox"/> Political | <input type="checkbox"/> Urban Planning |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prehistoric | <input type="checkbox"/> Engineering | <input type="checkbox"/> Religion/Philosophy | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (Specify) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Historic | <input type="checkbox"/> Industry | <input type="checkbox"/> Science | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Agriculture | <input type="checkbox"/> Invention | <input type="checkbox"/> Sculpture | _____ |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Landscape | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Social/Humanitarian | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art | <input type="checkbox"/> Architecture | <input type="checkbox"/> Theater | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Commerce | <input type="checkbox"/> Literature | <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation | _____ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Military | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Conservation | <input type="checkbox"/> Music | | |

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

This is one of the earliest buildings in the State built for philanthropic purposes. It was designed for an orphanage and so served for 125 years, only recently changing hands and becoming a business school.

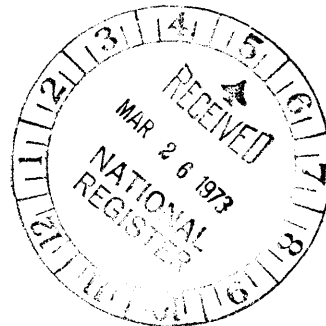
A legislative Act of 1840 incorporated the Protestant Orphans Asylum Society to care for the scores of children orphaned by the dreaded annual yellow fever plagues.

The property was purchased in 1845 and building commenced. The Dedication Stone above the main entrance on the second story reads "1845". The building is said to have cost \$4,000.00

The Historic American Buildings Survey lists Henry MOFFATT, Architect. Mobile City Directories of 1842 includes Henry MOFFAT, Carpenter. In 1844, Henry MOFFETT, Builder is listed. Burial records spell the name MOFFIT, state that he was a native of Philadelphia, a carpenter and was 31 years of age when he died in 1847.

The building is a fine example of its style and period and has a social history of importance to the community.

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9. MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

Burial Records of Mobile County 1820-1856.

Glennon, John F. and Rosemary, Where Time Bears Witness to Sound Building, Mobile: First National Bank, 1935.

Minutes - Board of Managers, Protestant Children's Home.

Mobile City Directories 1842-1844 - Mobile Public Library.

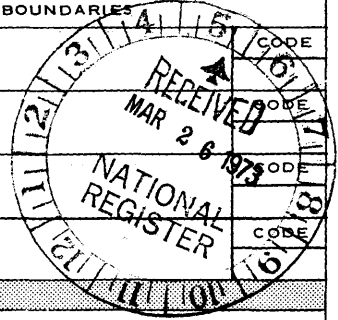
10. GEOGRAPHICAL DATA

LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING A RECTANGLE LOCATING THE PROPERTY			O R	LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE COORDINATES DEFINING THE CENTER POINT OF A PROPERTY OF LESS THAN TEN ACRES		
CORNER	LATITUDE	LONGITUDE		LATITUDE	LONGITUDE	
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NE	0 ' "	0 ' "		30	41	13
SE	0 ' "	0 ' "		88	03	16
SW	0 ' "	0 ' "				

APPROXIMATE ACREAGE OF NOMINATED PROPERTY: **Approximately 2 acres**

LIST ALL STATES AND COUNTIES FOR PROPERTIES OVERLAPPING STATE OR COUNTY BOUNDARIES

STATE:	CODE	COUNTY
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11. FORM PREPARED BY

NAME AND TITLE: **W. Warner Floyd** **Nancy Holmes**
Executive Director **Executive Director**

ORGANIZATION: **Ala. Historical Commission/Mobile Historic Development Comm.** DATE: **March 14, 1973**

STREET AND NUMBER: **305 South Lawrence Street**

CITY OR TOWN: **Montgomery** STATE: **Alabama** CODE: **01**

12. STATE LIAISON OFFICER CERTIFICATION

NATIONAL REGISTER VERIFICATION

As the designated State Liaison Officer for the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 (Public Law 89-665), I hereby nominate this property for inclusion in the National Register and certify that it has been evaluated according to the criteria and procedures set forth by the National Park Service. The recommended level of significance of this nomination is:

National State Local

Name *Wils B. Howard Jr.*

Title *SLO for Historic Preservation*

Date *March 15, 1973*

I hereby certify that this property is included in the National Register.

Robert M. Utley
 Chief, Office of Archeology and Historic Preservation

Date *6/18/73*

ATTEST:

M. Bradford
 Keeper of The National Register

Date *June 5, 1973*