

Loeb-Meyers Building
Meridian, Lauderdale County

HISTORIC RESOURCES OF MERIDIAN

Demolished/Delisted - 10/1/87



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ARCHITECTURAL DESCRIPTION:

Three-story brick; six bays by three; end bay on western facade is a later addition. Ground floor painted white; large glass windows with transoms in bays separated by square piers. Pilaster strips define upper bays and rise through entablature and short parapet to roofline. Within bays windows are arranged in groups of three and rest on projecting stone course. Decorative rickwork between second and third floors; diamond pattern frieze. Giant consoles at each bay support overhanging cornice with dentils.

ALTERATIONS:

Bay on western end is a later addition.

ADJUT BUILDINGS:

LANDSCAPE FEATURES:

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE:

This building was built by the Meyer family and has served as a department store for various companies, including the Sears Roebuck Co. and Montgomery Ward.

In 1906 this building was the site of Meyer Brothers Harness, Saddler, and Saddlery, which was probably established in 1900.

The Meyer family was important in the Jewish community that flourished in Meridian almost from the time of the city's incorporation (1860). One of three large commercial structures built by Jews at the turn of the century (see no. 49 and no. 70), the Meyer-Loeb building was owned by the Meyer and Loeb families until it was sold in May, 1979, to the Merchants and Farmers Bank. The bank is preparing to demolish the structure to provide a drive-in facility and parking lot.

NAME: Meyer-Loeb Building

STREET NO: 2100 4th Street

TOWN/VIC: Meridian

COUNTY: Lauderdale

BLOCK/LOT: Ragsdale Block 103, lots 17-20

PRESENT OWNER: The Merchants and Farmers Bank
ADDRESS 402 22nd Ave., Meridian, MS 39301

PRESENT USE: Southern Automatic Transmission

FORMER USE: Commercial

DATE: Ca. 1900

STYLE: Eclectic

ARCH/BUILDER:

SOURCE OF DATE: Sanborn map

ENVIRONMENT: Commercial

LEVEL OF SIGNIFICANCE

NEIGHBORHOOD

LOCAL

STATE

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CONTINUATION:

PHYSICAL CONDITION:

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REMARKS: Demolition planned to provide parking lot and drive-in banking facility.

VERBAL BOUNDARY DESCRIPTION:

Wagsdale Block 103, lots 17-20

ACREAGE: Less than one acre

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