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## Historic Resources Inventory

Property name, historic

E.P. Johnson Grocery

Property name, common:

Royal's Department Store

Street Address:

102 Commerce Street, North

Descriptive Location (Rural address):

Legal Description:

Map 643-F, Block 18, Parcel 301

Former/Historic Use:

Commercial: small commercial building

Present Use: Commercial: small commercial building

Date of Construction:

c.1920

Date(s) of historic changes, if any:

Post-historic changes and date(s):

Architect:

Builder:

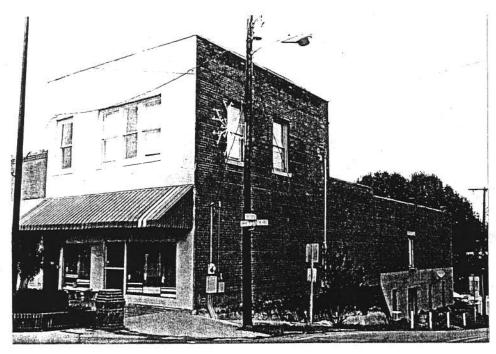
## Brief Description:

Two-story commercial building with flat or sloped roof behind flat parapet topped with concrete cap. W façade is stuccoed, while long S elevation is brick, 5-course common bond. Second story has a single window to the left of a tripartite window. Windows are 1/1 wood-framed DHS with concrete sills. Storefront on the W façade, sheltered with a pent metal awning, features a second-floor entry to the far left and a modern glazed aluminum storefront with painted-brick bulkheads to right.

Outbuildings or secondary elements (if significant, use separate form)

## Historical Information:

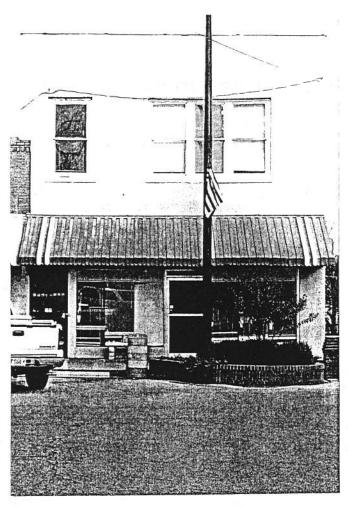
Edwin Ray Photography was located upstairs and E.D. Johnson Grocery was downstairs. A fire destroyed the upstairs apartment and office, killing Mr. Ray as he slept. By 1936, a photo shows the building was occupied by Royal's Department Store.



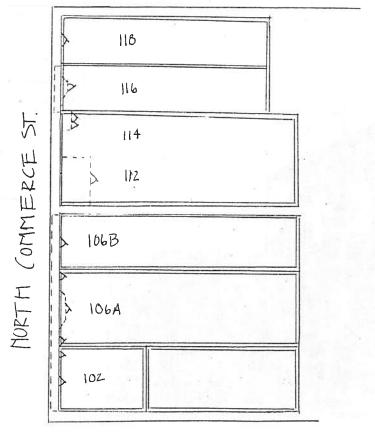
MDAH Inventory Cod	de
County: Tippah	
city: Ripley	
USGS Quad map:	
Survey Seq. #:	16
Ownership:	Private
Interior surveyed?	No
Integrity: Som	e changes
Style:	
Form:	
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Contexts: Owner:	
Photographer: D	avid Preziosi, MHT
Photo No/Date:	4416:14 / Nov 2003 +416:31   Nov 2003
Form by: Deb	orah Wise Oakley, MHT
Survey project:	Ripley Survey
Form completed:	17 Nov 2003
Registration Status	s and Dates
NHL:	
Listed NR:	
Federal DOE:	
District Name:	Ripley
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Non-Contributing Previously Listed

Element no.



EAST SPRING ST



EAST JEFFERSON ST.