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County Umatilla

Theme 9-E

Name
(Common) Masonic Temple

(Historic) (same)

Address 409 South Main Street
Pendleton, Oregon

Present Owner Masonic Lodge

(Address) Pendleton, Oregon

Original Use Commercial; Lodge Hall

Date of Construction 1887

Physical & historical significance:

The Masonic Temple stands on the southwest corner of South Main and Southwest Emigrant streets in Pendleton. This two story, brick building has a rectangular shape and consists of a commercial area on its first story and a lodge hall on the second story. The east (front) elevation of the second story has six bays of one-over-one, double hung sash windows which have projecting, brick labels in the style of a pediment. These labels are joined by a band of bricks that runs across the east and north elevations. The building has a small, projecting facade supported by decorative brackets at the roof level. A central section rises on the east elevation and bears the Masonic symbol and the date "1887." The first floor has been altered significantly for commercial use.

The first floor of this building is presently occupied by Gale's Refrigeration and Stefani Athletic Supplies.

Writing about fraternal lodges in Pendleton in 1902, one historian noted:

> "Pendleton is the city of lodges and secret societies, all of them doing a good work and having a large membership. Among them are two Masonic lodges, Royal Arch Masons. . . ." (p. 175)

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Parsons, William and W.S. Shiach. An Illustrated History of Umatilla County and of Morrow County. n.p.: W.H. Lever, Publisher, 1902, p. 175.

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