



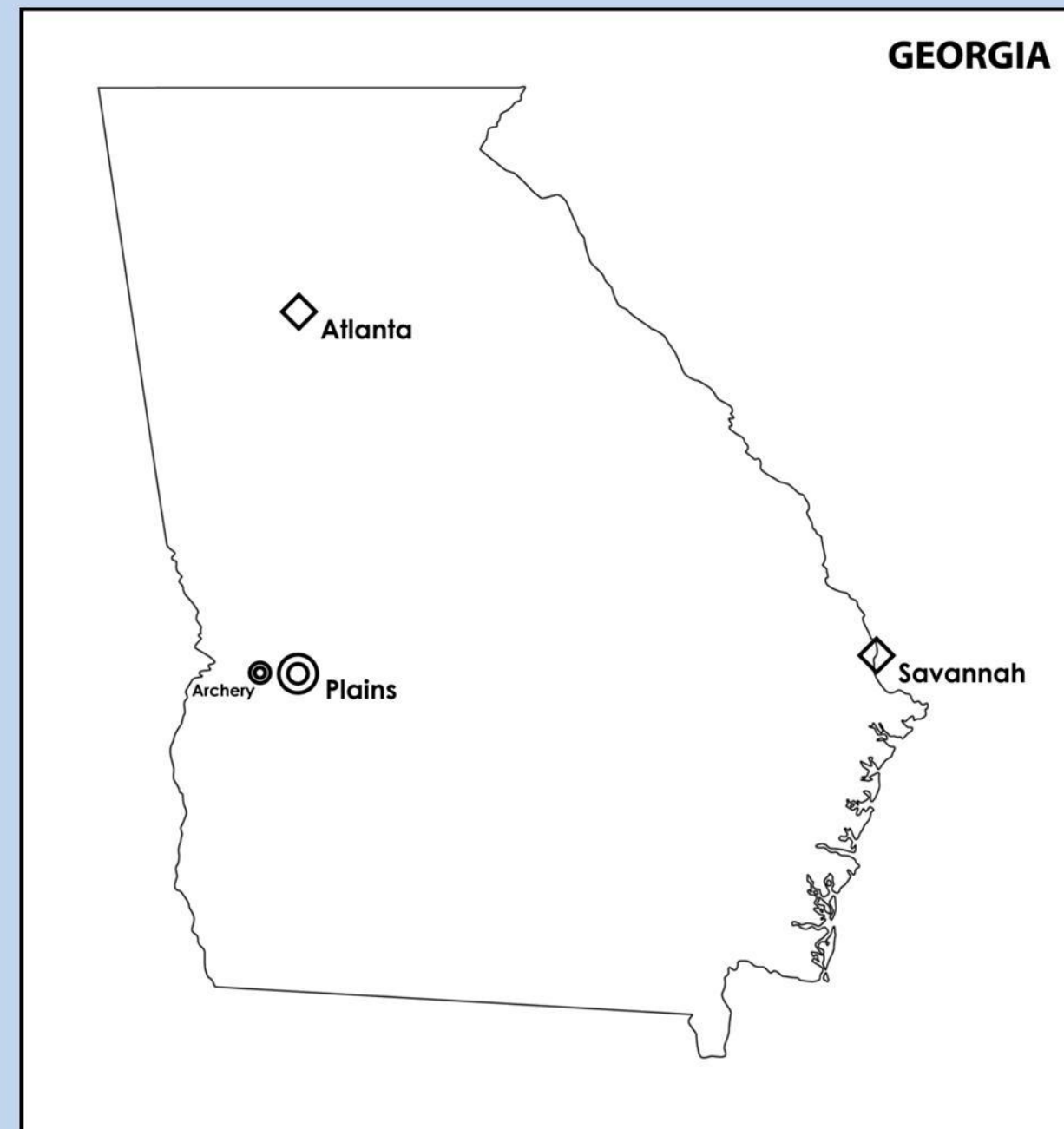
ARCHERY, GEORGIA

A THRIVING COMMUNITY



A COMMUNITY IS BORN

Named for the Sublime Order of the Archery, a relief organization of the A.M.E. church which assisted southern black families, Archery is located 1.5 miles west of Jimmy Carter's boyhood home. It was established in the 1800's and by the 1930s it consisted of a train stop, houses for the railroad employees, the St. Mark African Methodist Episcopal (A.M.E.) Church, and three stores.



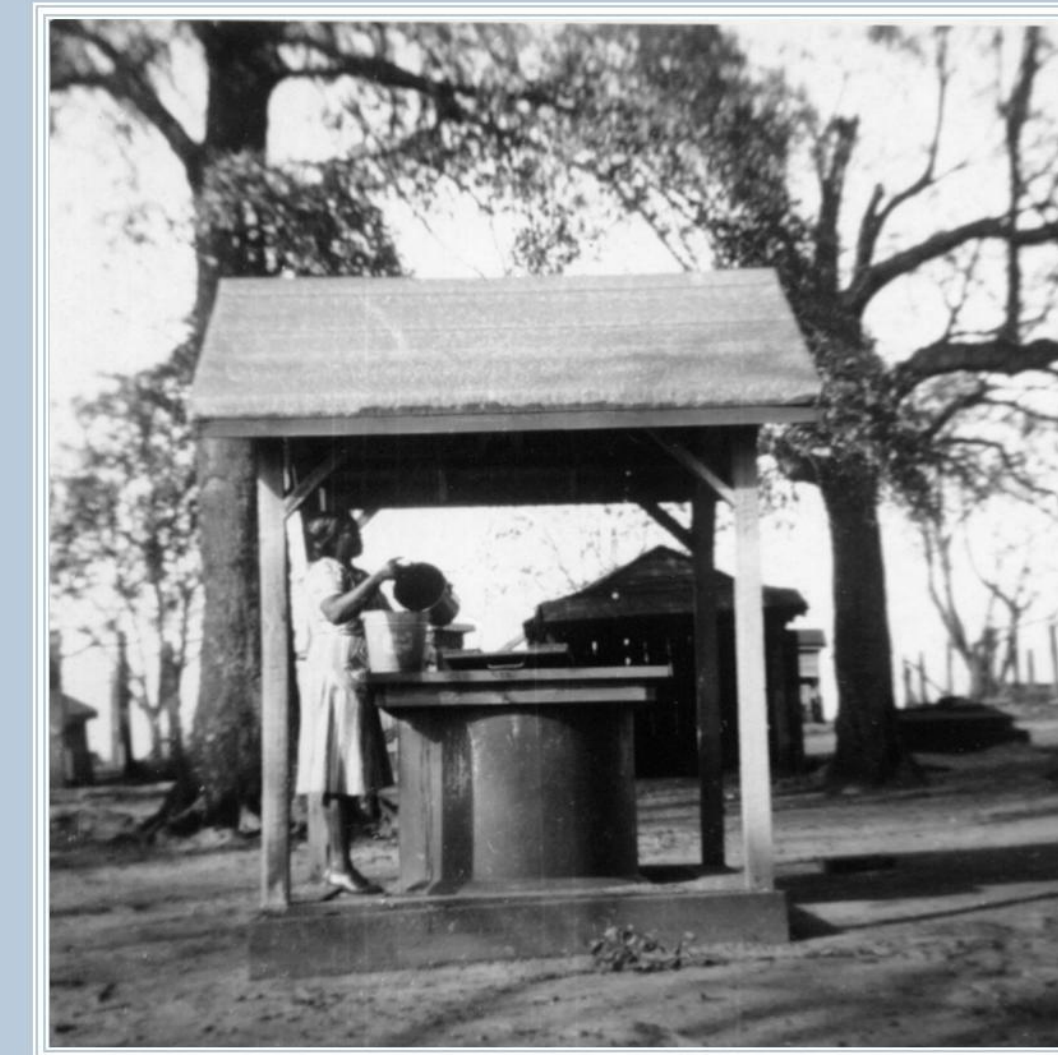
Archery Community, 1930's and 1940's



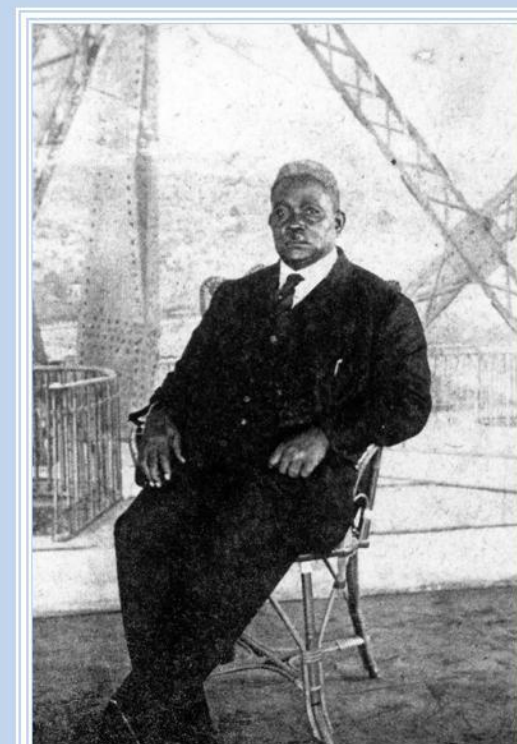
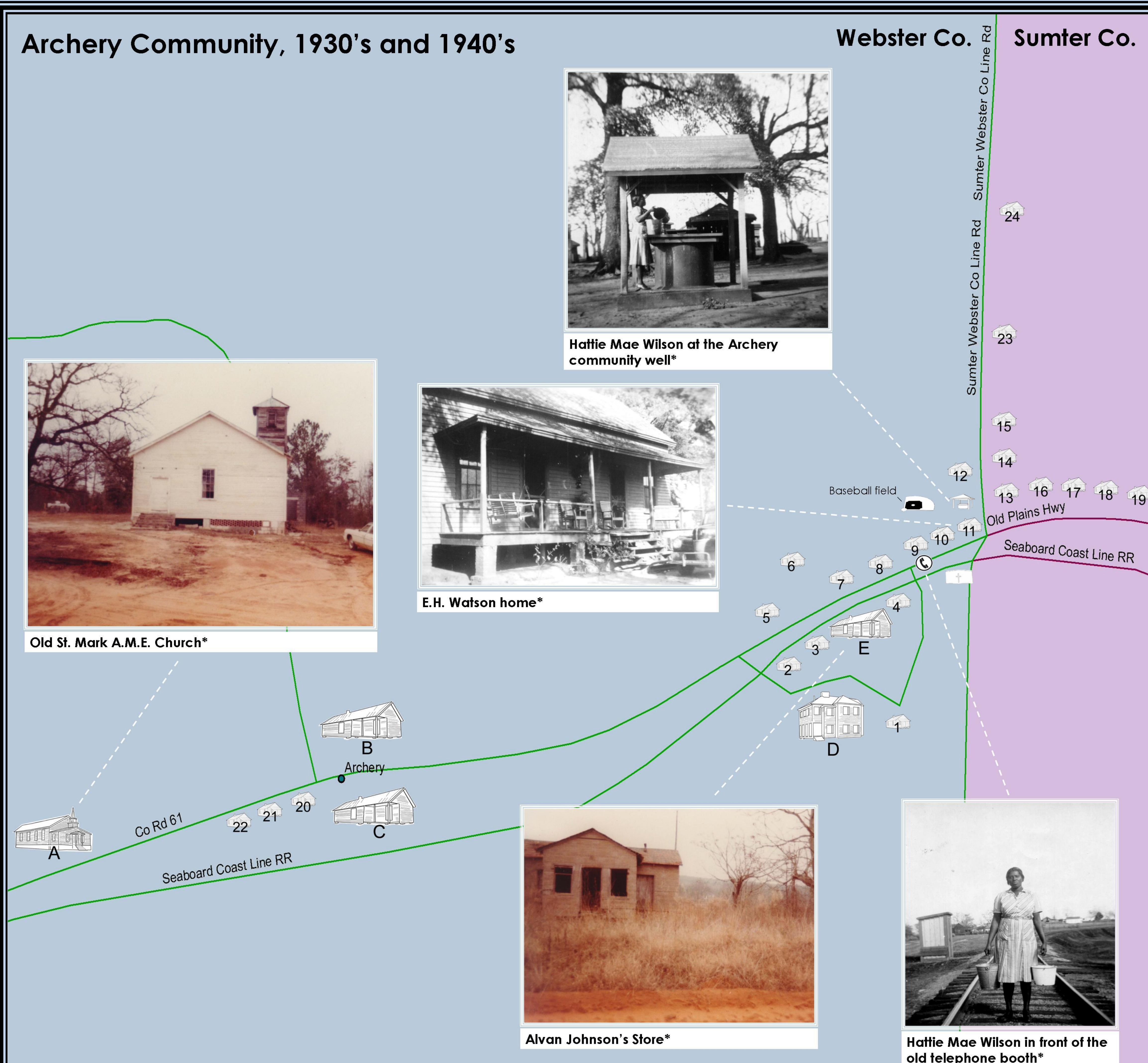
Old St. Mark A.M.E. Church*



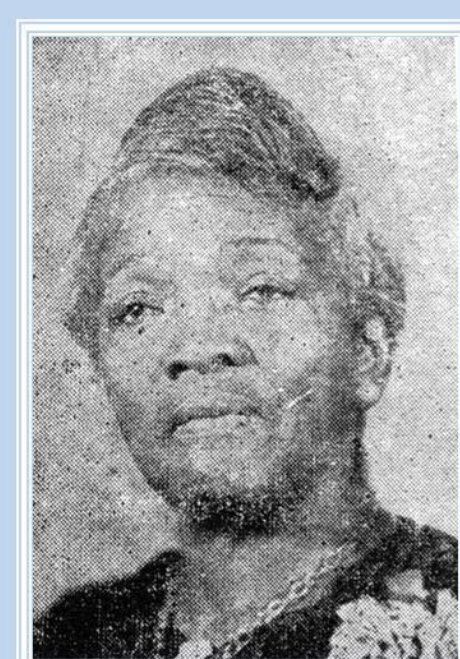
E.H. Watson home*



Hattie Mae Wilson at the Archery community well*



Bishop William Decker Johnson*



Winifred Johnson, Bishop Johnson's wife.*



Prominent leaders of the St. Mark A.M.E. Church*

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| 2. Wiley Wakefield | 8. Willie Wilson | 14. Shade Smith | 20. Eula C. Wakefield |
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Major Hallmarks

- A. St. Mark A.M.E. Church
- B. Simpson's Store
- C. Big Store
- D. Johnson Home Industrial College
- E. Alvan Johnson's Store

A HISTORY OF COMMUNITY

Whether it was gathering water at the community well and the many springs around the area, or playing baseball at the community park and baseball field, the families of Archery built a strong and positive structure and image for their community.



Lela Johnson and Lizzie King*



E.H. Watson, Joe Hill, Willie Wilson, Eddie Pryor, and Caesar Schack*

"A sense of pride was instilled within each individual to always do your best in whatever your endeavors. This kind of motivation has helped to produce productive citizens for this community, state and nation."

-Milton Raven, *Archery Community*

HOW YOU CAN HELP

Our map is a work in progress, and many landmarks, homes, and features of old Archery remain unidentified, and many will remain lost forever. Help us fill in these blank spaces, and in turn help in preserving the history of your family, your friends, and the community of Archery.

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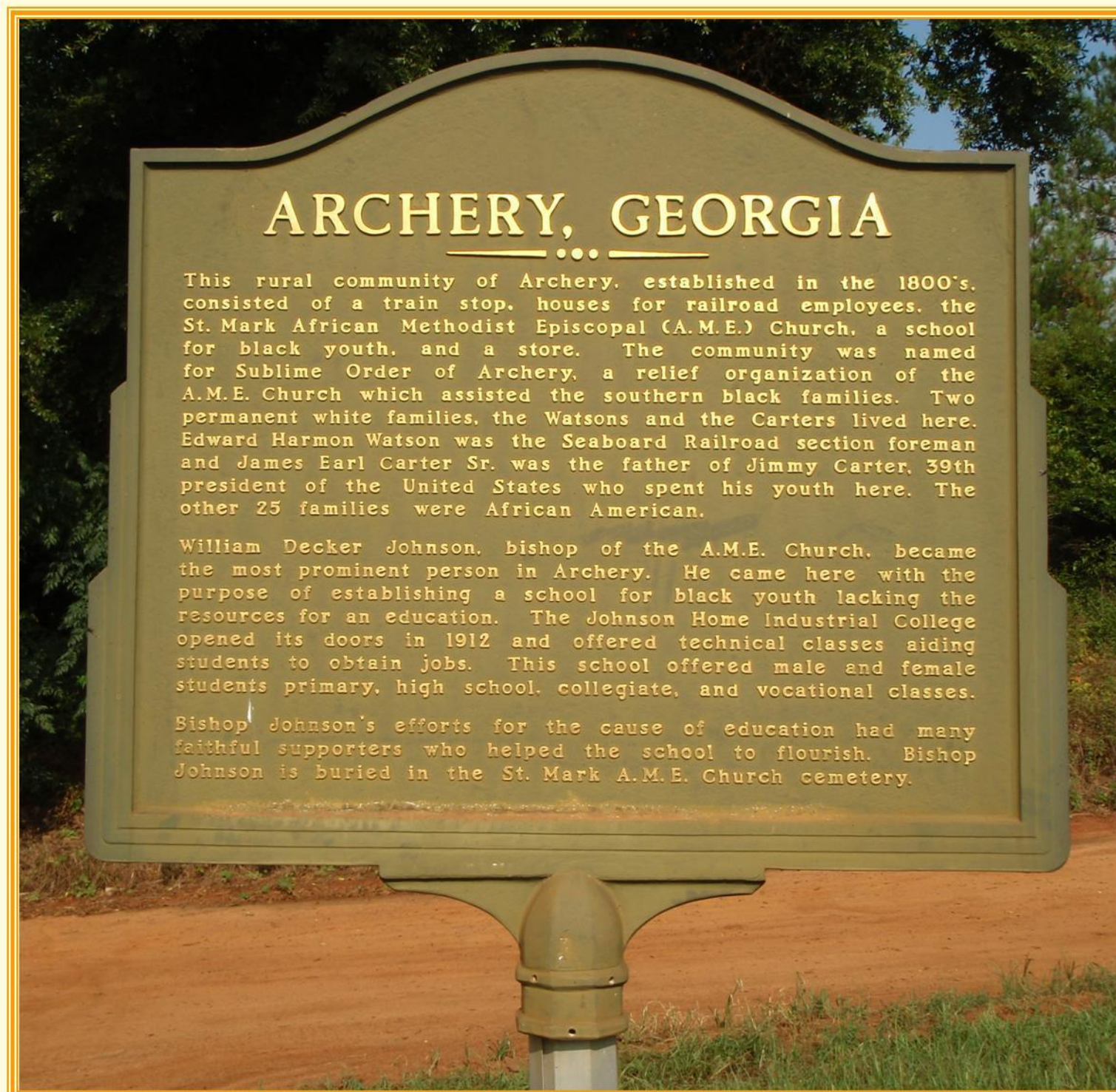
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HISTORY AND HERITAGE OF A COMMUNITY



HISTORY KEPT ALIVE

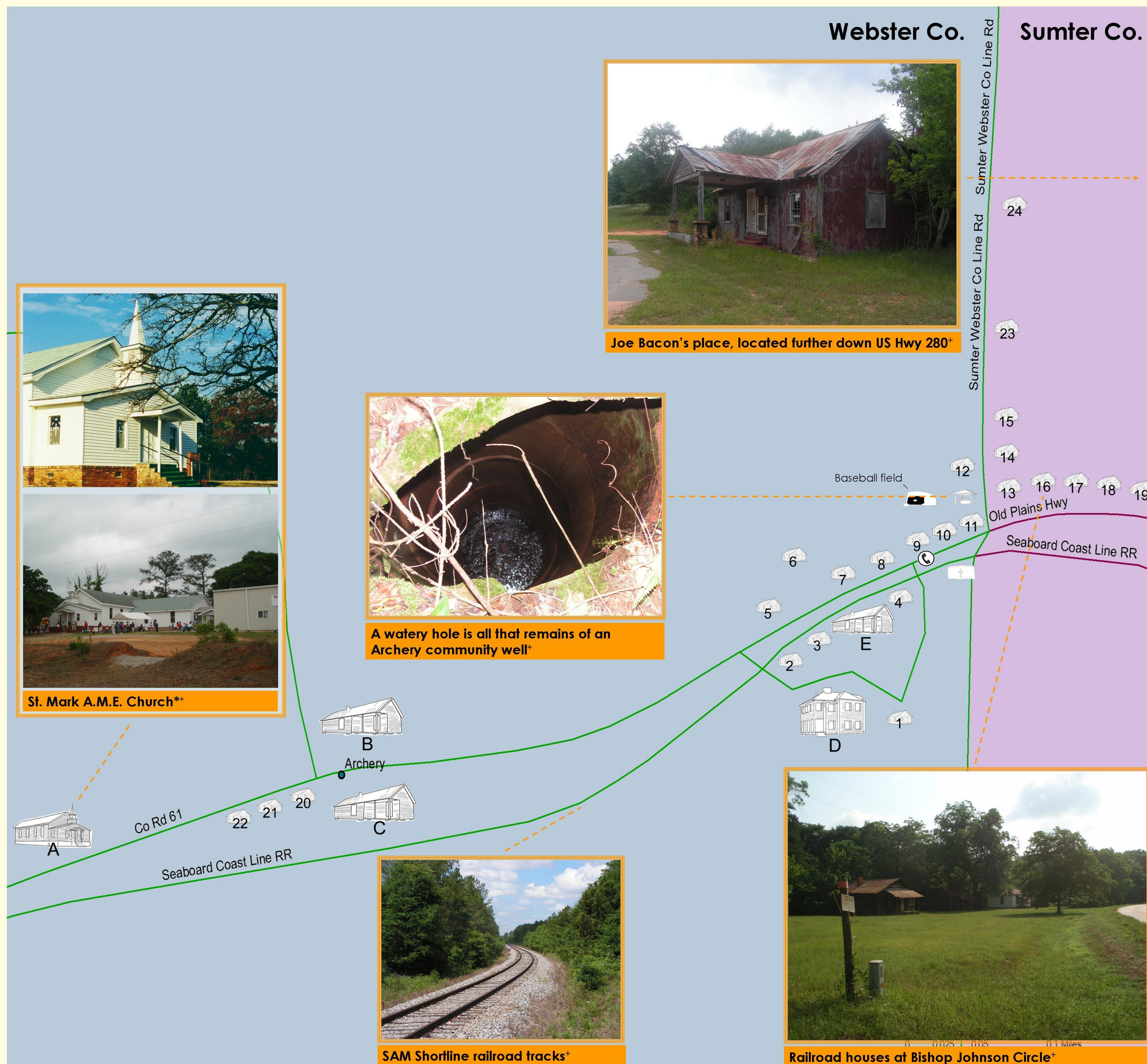
Despite many changes over the years, the essence and values that defined the citizens of Archery in the past continue to define their descendants today.



The St. Mark A.M.E. Church continues to be the heart of the community. Activities such as the May Day celebration bring together friends and family members of all ages and from different towns, cities, and states. Traditions like these help keep friendships and family relations strong.



2009 May Day Celebration⁺



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REMNANTS OF THE PAST

Although much of Archery looks very different today than it did eighty years ago, houses, wells, roads, and everyday reminders of the past are found everywhere in Archery, and are often preserved by residents today.



Children and adults alike anxiously await the SAM Shortline train at Archery on May Day⁺



The woods around Archery continue to reclaim everything from glass bottles to whole grave markers.⁺

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St. Mark A.M.E. Church Cemetery

Archery's Legacy in Stone



CEMETERY HISTORY

Located across the street from the previous location of the St. Mark A.M.E. Church, the Archery cemetery remains a site of special significance today with tombstones dating as far back as 1882.

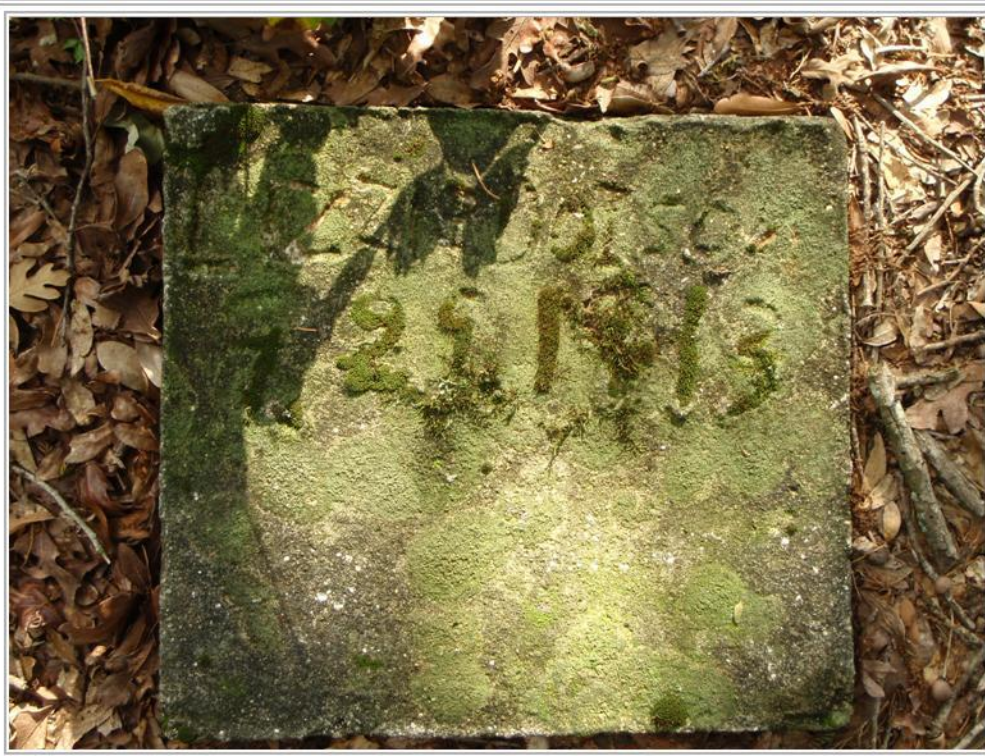


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LOSING ONE STONE AT A TIME

During the course of a two-week survey and mapping project, the research team from the University of South Florida's Heritage Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU) recorded almost 200 graves and grave markers.

Even though this is a significant number, many more past Archery residents are buried in this cemetery, and they were either given no markers, or the markers have been lost due to weathering, vegetation and other factors.

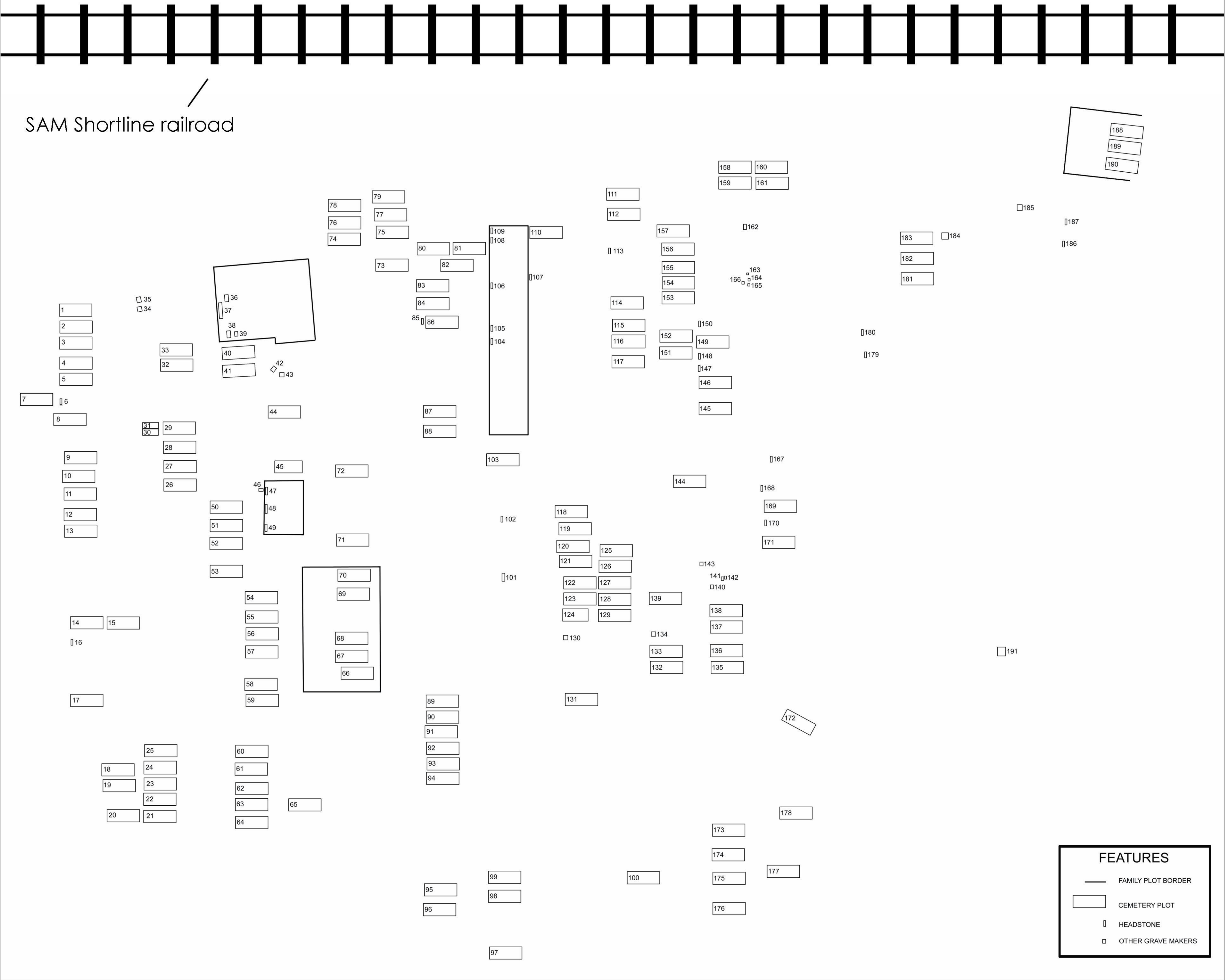


Vegetation has covered or erased valuable information about graves.*



In many cases, infants or babies were given only small markers such as these, which only preserve for a short amount of time.†

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1 JAMES BROWN	23 SALLY LESTER	45 CARRIE M WAKEFIELD	67 WILLIE JOHNSON	89 WILLIE JAMES	111 HANNAH KLECKLEY	133 DAVID HARROLD	155 S DOLSON	177 MARY L SALLY
2 MRS MOLLIE BROWN	24 IDA BELL MONTS	46 ARRENA WAKEFIELD	68 JOHNNIE SHEPARD	90 RUFUS JAMES	112 REV A C KLECKLEY	134 LILLIE HARROLD	156 MARIE DOLSON	178 ROSIE LEE BERRY
3 UNKNOWN	25 HORRACE C MONTS	47 ARRENA WAKEFIELD	69 D O JOHNSON	91 WILLE MAE JAMES	113 GEORGE GRAHAM	135 DAISY HARVEY	157 ALICE CLARK	179 MOLLIE KENDRICK
4 ELIZA JAMES	26 MICHAEL A HOLLEY	48 BERTHA L WAKEFIELD	70 CORENE JOHNSON	92 JOSEPH JAMES	114 GEORGE SMITH	136 WILLIE REID	158 LUCY MAE BERRY	180 ADELINE HARVEY
5 ELIZA J SMITH	27 JAMES C DUNNING	49 REV T R WAKEFIELD	71 MARY O MOORE	93 FRANK JAMES	115 LUE SMITH	137 SILVER REID SR	159 JOE KITCHEN	181 MORION TYSON
6 ROSA DUNNING	28 ROSA DUNNING	50 GEORGE E ADDY	72 GEORGE E ADDY	94 FELTON JAMES	116 UNKNOWN	138 REID	160 FRED O BERRY	182 JOSSIE TYSON
7 EDWARD RIGGIN	29 REV J C DUNNING	51 ZENOBIA WAKEFIELD	73 FRED HOWARD	95 LAVONIA EDGE RAVEN	117 SHADE J SMITH	139 ANNA REID	161 DORA BELLE KITCHEN	183 DEAN P PULLUM
8 CARRIE B FURL-RIGGINS	30 HOLLEY	52 REV SIDNEY WAKEFIELD	74 OLLIE SIMPSON WHITFIELD	96 FLOYD CLYDE RAVEN SR	118 UNKNOWN	140 UNKNOWN	162 WILLIE KITCHEN	184 DOTIE SHINGLES
9 UNKNOWN	31 HOLLEY	53 LEVI W WAKEFIELD	75 UNKNOWN	97 SLATON HOLLEY	119 UNKNOWN	141 UNKNOWN	163 UNKNOWN	185 CHARLOTTE PULLMAN
10 MARY LEE HOLLEY	32 FRANK E SMITH	54 EULA MAE WAKEFIELD	76 GEORGE SIMPSON SR	98 TERESA HOLLEY	120 MARY LEE MILLS	142 UNKNOWN	164 UNNAMED KING	186 HANNAH PULLUM
11 A J	33 WILLIAMS	55 PAUL R WAKEFIELD	77 LEOLA M HOWARD	99 JOHN HENRY HOLLEY	121 JOSEPH HILL	143 UNKNOWN	165 ALBERT WILSON	187 JAMES PULLUM
12 UNKNOWN	34 UNKNOWN	56 MARY ELIZA JAMES	78 CHARLIE C SIMPSON	100 DOCK HOLLEY	122 MARY LEE MILLS	144 CHARLIE WHITFIELD	166 UNKNOWN	188 JAMES PULLUM
13 ANNA KLECKLEY	35 UNKNOWN	57 MARY A WHITE	79 ROSA LEE KITCHENS	101 ROSE LEE ROBINSON	123 CHARLIE LASTER	145 HANNAH BERRY R...	167 UNKNOWN	189 UNKNOWN
14 REANOR TRAMBLE	36 WILLIAM DECKER JOHNSON	58 MAY AGNES TOOMER	80 MAY AGNES TOOMER	102 TOM ROBERTS	124 RUBY LASTER	146 ALICE RUTH SMITH	168 JIM WHITFIELD	190 INDIANA PULLUM
15 TRAMBLE	37 WILLIAM AND WINIFRED	59 CLIFFORD WHITE	81 REV G W BARNES	103 MARGARET BAY	125 JOHN E LASTER	147 UNKNOWN	169 AL WHITFIELD	191 UNKNOWN
16 ANTHONY MORGAN	38 WINIFRED E JOHNSON	60 TOY HARVEY	82 LETHA BARNES REDDICK	104 CLINTON T RAVEN	126 GEORGIA LASTER	148 FRANK E SMITH SR	170 UNKNOWN	
17 SAMMIE T MONTS	39 WINIFRED E JOHNSON	61 TOY HARVEY	83 JOE T TOMMIE	105 MRS CARRIE A WILLIS	127 WILL LASTER	149 EDITH SMITH	171 ROSA FRENCH	
18 JOHN MONTS	40 GEORGE HAWKINS	62 JOHN HARVEY	84 LAURIE H TOMMIE	106 MRS CARRIE A WILLIS	128 EMMA L WALTON	150 TOBE ODUM	172 GEORGE MONTS	
19 REBECCA MONTS	41 MRS JOSEPHINE MONTS HAWKINS	63 ALICE HARVEY	85 BLUMMIE TOMMIE SR	107 UNKNOWN	129 EARNESTINE WALTON	151 HERSHEL DOTSON	173 MOZELLE KITCHENS	
20 IDA MAUDE PERRY	42 UNKNOWN	64 HENRY LEE HARVEY	86 BLUMMIE TOMMIE	108 LILLIE A RAVEN	130 UNKNOWN	152 MAMIE DOTSON	174 PAULINE KITCHEN	
21 EDWARD MONTS	43 UNKNOWN	65 LUCY M MILLER	87 JOHNNIE TOMMIE	109 JOHNNIE RAVEN SR	131 ERNEST WRIGHT	153 LIZ DOTSON	175 RENA WAKEFIELD	
22 ANNIE LOVE MONTS	44 JAMES MARTIN	66 MINNIE MCNEAL	88 NANCY TOMMIE	110 UNKNOWN	132 REV C HARRELL	154 LINDA DOTSON	176 WILEY RICHARDSON JR	

REMEMBRANCE



Funerals often allow for the meeting of close and distant relations.¹

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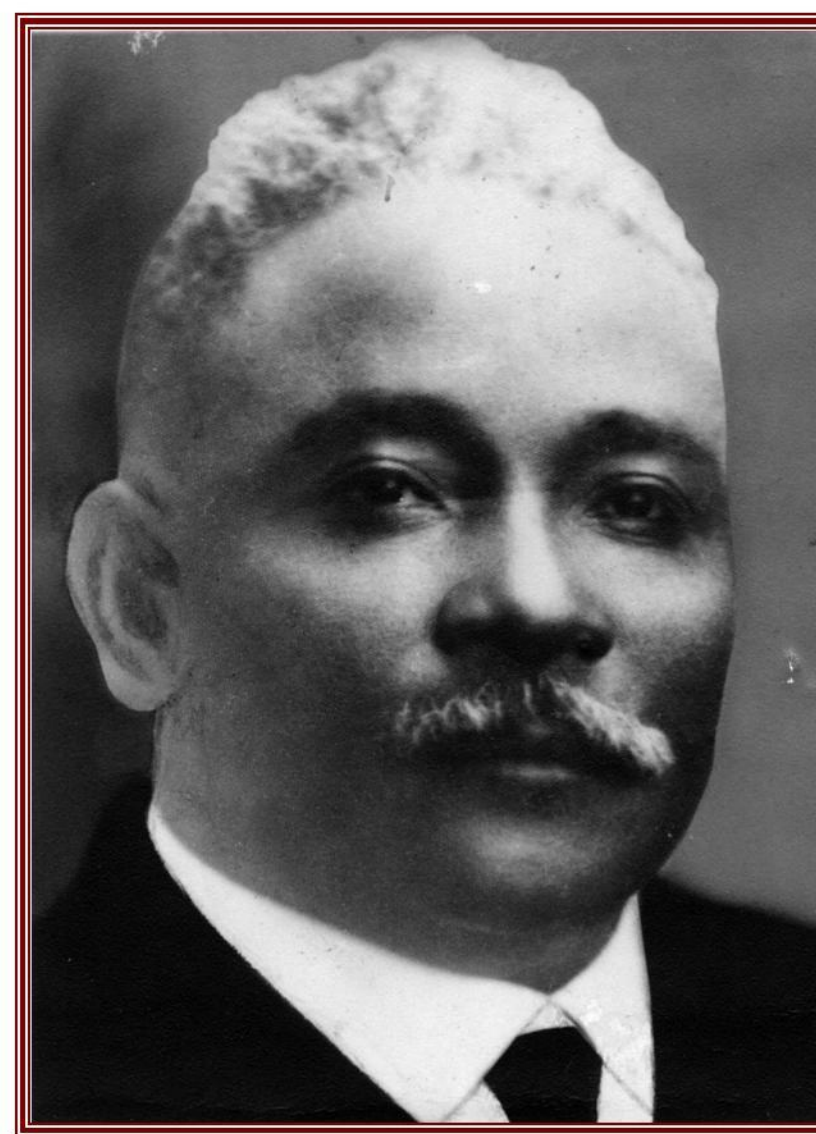
JOHNSON HOME INDUSTRIAL COLLEGE



A center for education in Archery, Georgia

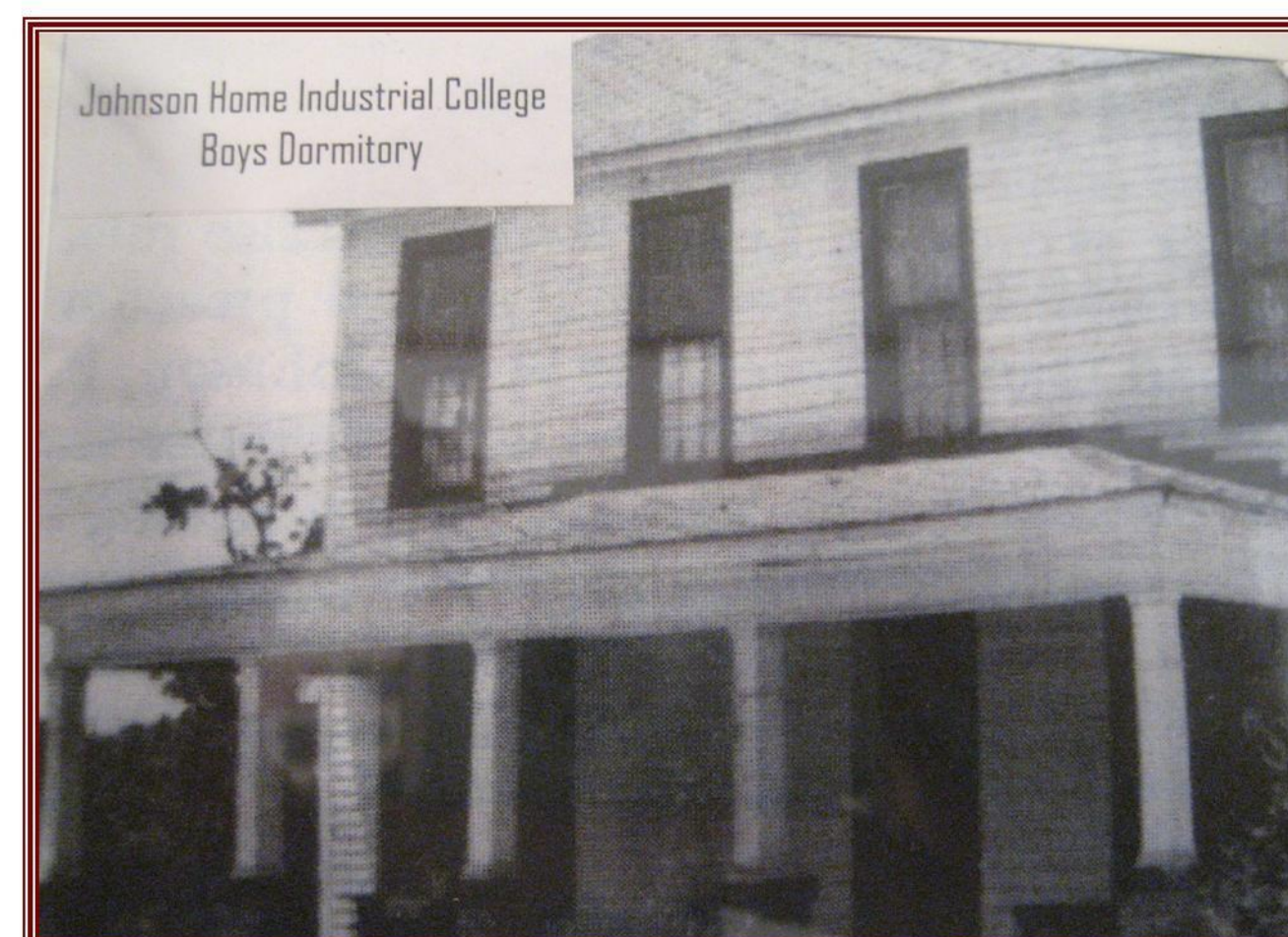
COLLEGE HISTORY

Located in the heart of Archery, the Johnson Home Industrial College opened its doors on October 2, 1912. Its construction was an effort coordinated by Bishop William Decker Johnson Jr., with the help and support of several prominent members of the community of Archery, many of them members of the Sublime Order of Archery, who had begun planning for a college since before the bishop's arrival from Columbus.



Bishop William Decker Johnson Jr.*

The College encompassed an area of two hundred acres, and was composed of three large buildings: two dormitories and one building for instruction. Its education model was based on that of Morris Brown University in Atlanta, meaning it offered classes at various levels of education, including primary, high school, collegiate, and vocational.



College dormitory for men*



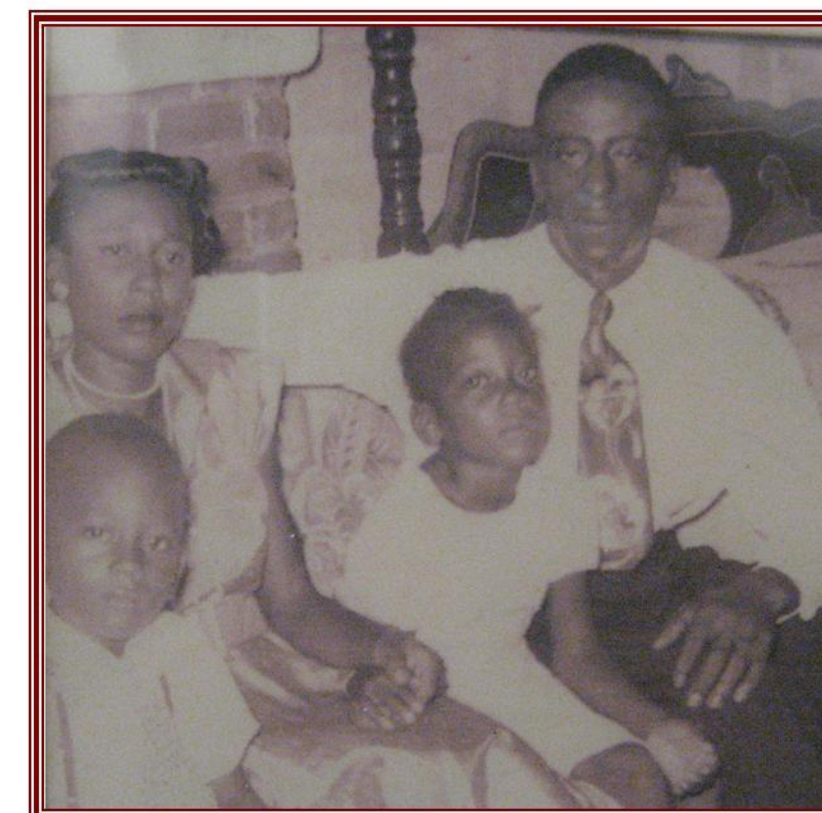
SOME GRADUATES*



Beatrice Denson
James Dunning Sr.
Alvan Johnson
Semion Johnson
Winfred Johnson
Rosa Kitchen
Amos Kleckley
Mary Laster
Ruby Laster
Willie Laster
Pauline Peterson
Arena Raven
Carrie Raven
Clifford Raven
Clinton Raven
Booker Schley
Minnie Schley
T.R. Wakefield Sr.
Ulysses Wakefield
Rosa Williams



T.R. Wakefield and Arrena Wakefield*



T.R. Wakefield Jr., Carrie, Arrena, and T.R. Wakefield Sr.*

COLLEGE TRUSTEES*

Bishop W.D. Johnson
Rev. Levi Raven
Francis Johnson
J.C. Myers
George W. Barnes

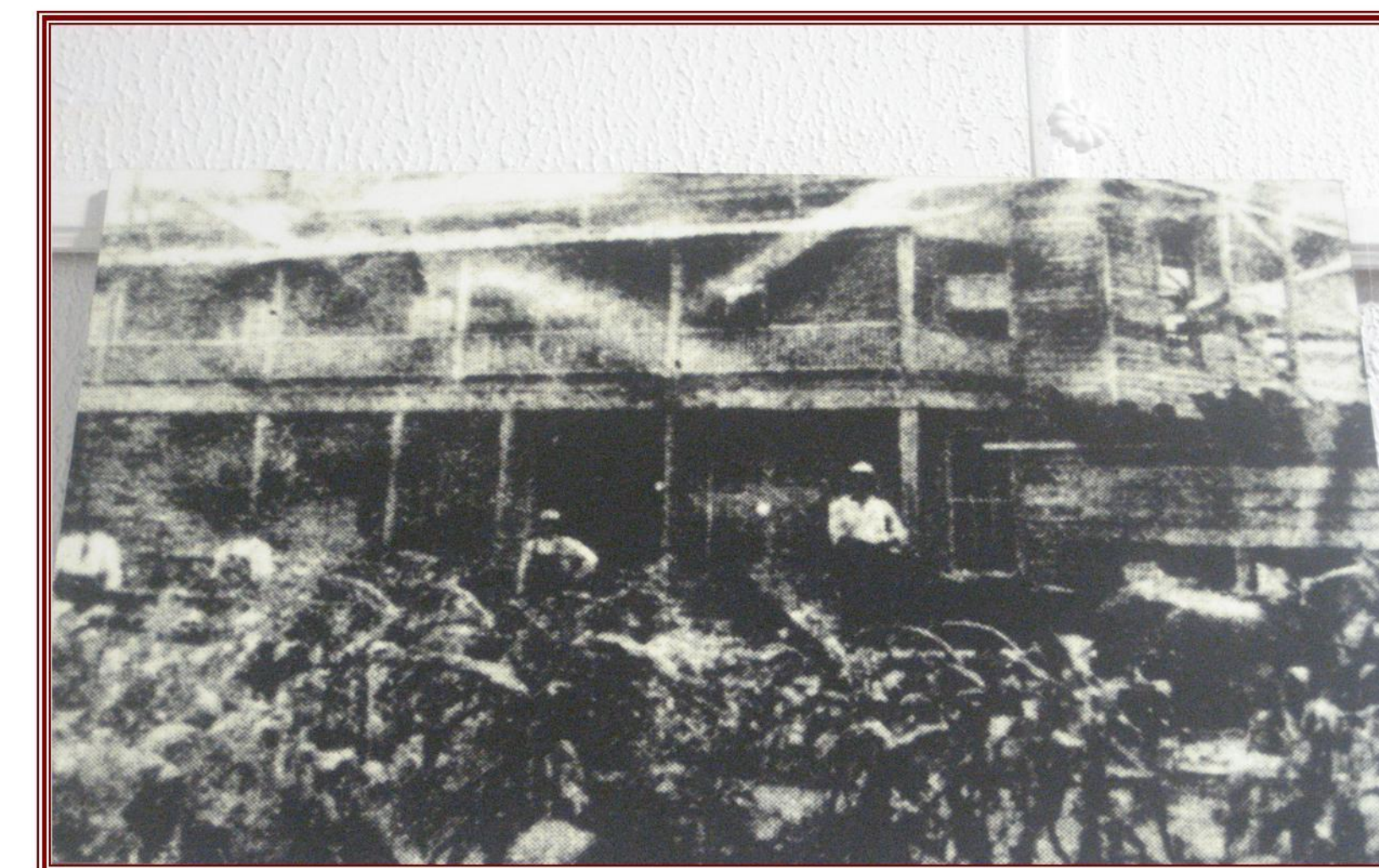
OTHER COLLEGE STAFF*

A.J. Johnson – President
Hattie Simmons – Teacher
Annie Simmons – Teacher
W.D. Johnson – Professor

ARCHERY'S PRIDE

"The buildings are of excellent architectural beauty, and contain all the modern improvements, which are necessary for the comfort and health of the students who are entrusted to the care of the authorities."

-W.D. Johnson, 1913



College dormitory for women*



Some students at the College steps*

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