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Battelle (Abandoned Town) - DeKalb Co.

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NAME
and No.

BATTELLE
DK. Co. Site #3

7 Box 5
ITEM 25

3

TARCOG
ARCHITECTURAL--HISTORICAL NOTES
FIELD SURVEYOR
RECORDING FORM

County: DeKalb

Field Surveyors' Names: Fenners
Booth

Historical Notes Number: 1
(Red Ink)

Photograph Record Number: D-3
(Blue Ink)

Marker secured

1. Name: Battelle

2. Location: 4.5 mi. north of Valley Head

3. Owner of Property: W. K. Adams

4. Geographical Data:

5. Acreage:

6. Classification: Site

7. Integrity:

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mining village

Names:

Battelle site

TARCOG Historical
Survey

Places:

DeKalb Co., AL

Types:

form

Dates:

1904

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Name and No.	BATTELLE DK. Co. Site #3	7 Box 5 ITEM 25	3
8. Condition:			
9. Present Use:	<i>Private property - forest land.</i>		
10. Areas of Significance:	<i>Only stone ruins of a town. Furnace, etc. remain. \$1,000,000 was spent. Col. John Gordon Battelle established mining village in 1924 with hundreds of houses, a school, a commissary, a bath and post office. Battelle lost money on venture but made a fortune in other mining investments. He only son, Gordon, died in 1923 and left family money to Battelle Memorial Institute of Columbia. O.K.</i>		
11. Architectural Description:			
12. Sketches of structure or site when applicable:			
Date of Completion:	<i>3/23/74</i>		

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Names:

Battelle, Gordon

Battelle, John
Gordon, Col.

Places:

DeKalb Co., AL

Types:

form

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TARCOG
HISTORICAL SURVEY PHOTOGRAPH RECORD

County: DeKalb

Field Surveyors' Names: Forbes

I. Information on Photograph

Photographer: Booth

Date of Photograph: 3/23/74 View Description: Battelle

Roll Number: Historical Marker

Exposure Number: _____

II. Information on Site

Place Number on Map (Blue Ink): 1
(Copied from number used in recording it on appropriate County Highway Map)

Historical Notes Number (Red Ink): 1
(If there is a historical notes form filled in for this place, write it in the photograph number in the upper right-hand corner of this form in space provided).

Location (Word Description): In the middle of the woods, 5 miles N of Valley Head.

Owner or Occupant: Unknown
(Name, if known)

Address: _____

TYPE of Structure: () House () Outbuilding () Commercial
() Barn () Industrial (X) Other, describe
check one or more old industrial site, now ruins.

Apparent period of construction: () Federal
() Greek Revival
() Mid-19th Century
() Latter 19th Century
(X) Early 20th Century

Apparent period of Additions: () Federal
(if appropriate) () Greek Revival
() Mid-19th Century
() Latter 19th Century
() Early 20th Century
() Later 20th Century (modern)

III. Remarks and Sketches if appropriate: DeKalb legend II.

Date of completion: 3/23/74 Form HS-2

Names:

Battelle Historical
Marker

Places:

DeKalb Co., AL

Types:

form

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Name and No.	BATTELLE DK. Co. Site #3	7 Box 5 ITEM 25	3
TARCOG ARCHITECTURAL--HISTORICAL NOTES FIELD SURVEYOR RECORDING FORM		County: <u>DEKALB</u> Field Surveyors' Names: <u>FORBES</u> <u>BOOTH</u> Historical Notes Number: <u>2</u> (Red Ink) Photograph Record Number: <u>NOT PHOTOGRAPHED</u> (Blue Ink)	
1. Name: <u>CASEY GRIST MILL</u>			
2. Location: <u>DEKALB COUNTY #1 from U.S. 11; turn east.</u>			
3. Owner of Property: _____			
4. Geographical Data: _____			
5. Acreage: _____			
6. Classification: <u>building</u>			
7. Integrity: _____			

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Names:

Casey Grist Mill

TARCOG Historical
Survey

Places:

DeKalb Co., AL

Types:

form

Dates:

1930

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Name and No.	BATTELLE DK. Co. Site #3	7 Box 5 ITEM 25	3
8. Condition:			
9. Present Use:			
10. Areas of Significance:	None. Research by Mrs. Max Howard dashed mill built in 1930.		
11. Architectural Description:			
12. Sketches of structure or site when applicable:			
Date of Completion:	3/23/74		

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Names:

Casey Grist Mill

Howard, Max, Mrs.

Places:

DeKalb Co., AL

Types:

form

Dates:

1930

TARCOG HISTORICAL SURVEY
Final Report Form

Make your answers as concise as possible.

Number as appears on your county map 3

- Name of site or structure Battelle
- Location of site or structure (including township, range and section number, and which quadrant of section if known) _____
- Description Site
- Historical significance of site or structure if known Only scattered stone ruins of ovens, furnaces, etc., remain where John Gordon Battelle spent 1,000,000 in 1904 establishing a mining village. There is only forest land today where Battelle was once located, with hundreds of houses, a school, a commissary, a hotel and a post office. John Battelle lost money on this venture, but made a fortune on other mining investments. His only son, Gordon, kept the family ~~for~~ money to Battelle Memorial Institute of Columbus, Ohio.



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Marker

Battelle, Gordon

Battelle, John
Gordon, Col.

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Survey

Places:

DeKalb Co., AL

Types:

form

photograph

Dates:

Mar 23, 1974

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TARCOG HISTORICAL SURVEY
Final Report Form

Make your answers as concise as possible.

Number as appears on your county map 1

1. Name of site or structure _____

2. Location of site or structure (including township, range and section number,
and which quadrant of section if known) _____

3. Description _____

4. Historical significance of site or structure if known _____

Names:

TARCOG Historical
Survey

Places:

DeKalb Co., AL

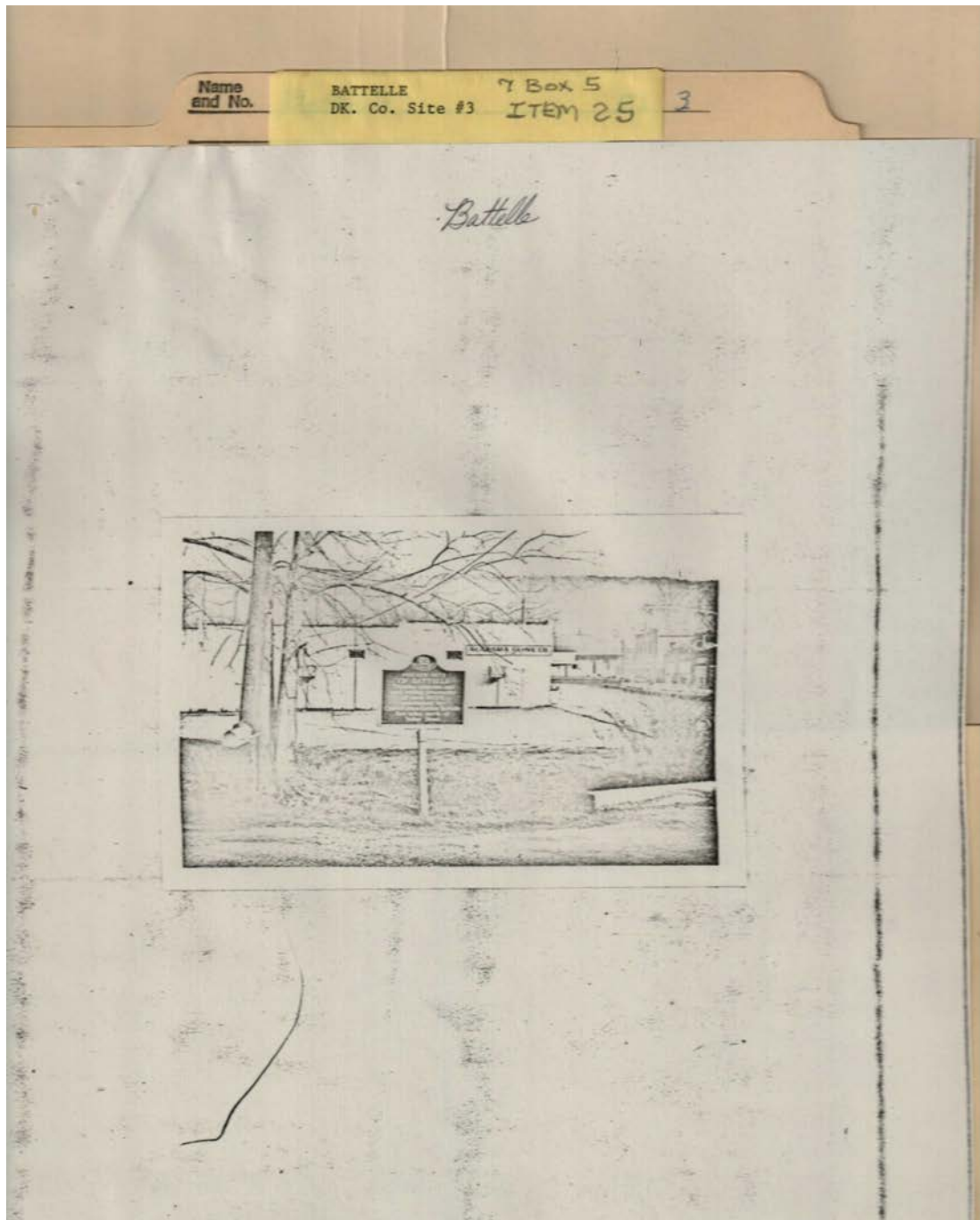
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Marker

Places:

DeKalb Co., AL

Types:

photograph

Dates:

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Frances Cabaniss Roberts Collection

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