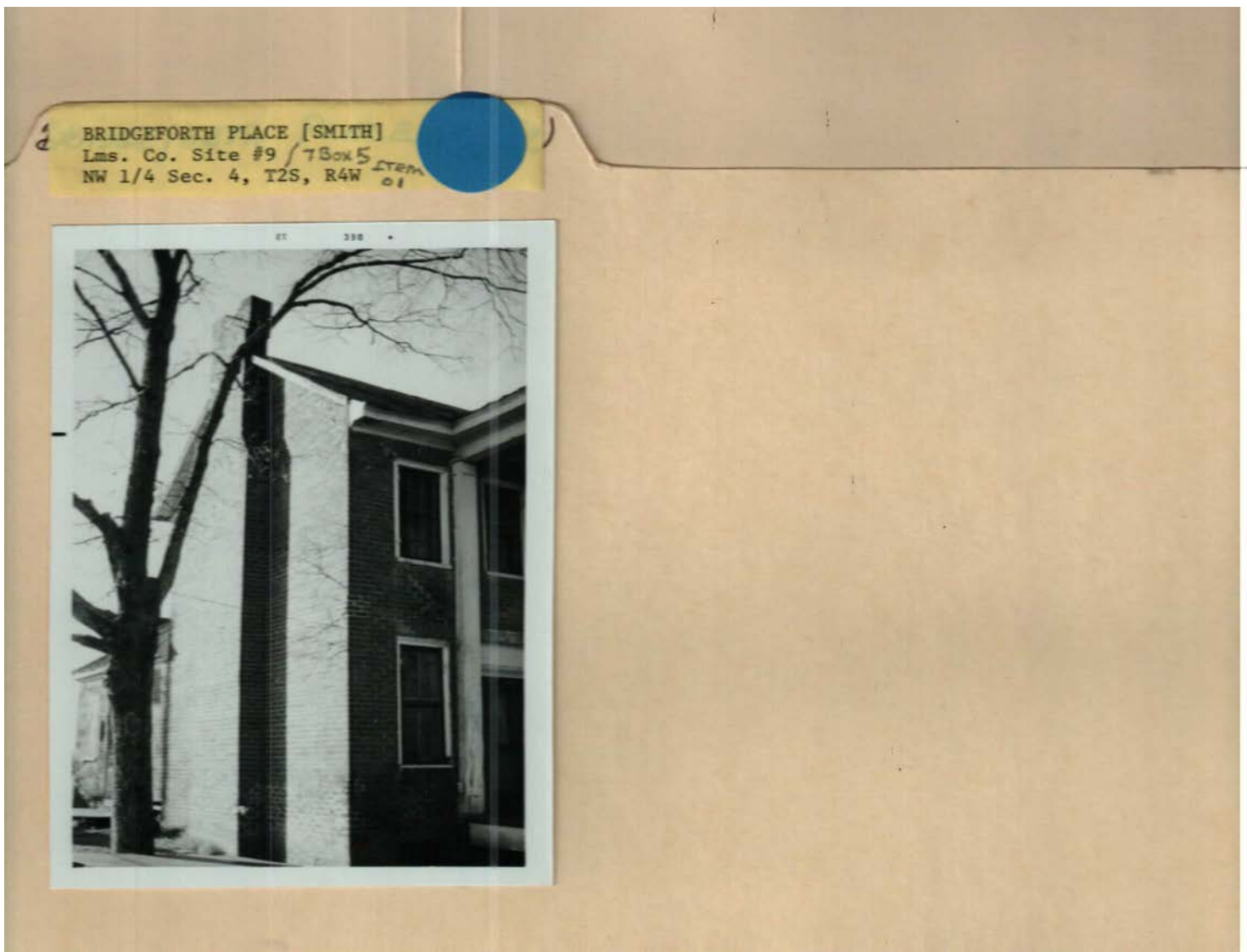


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Names:

Bridgeforth Home

Places:

Limestone Co., AL

Types:

photograph

Dates:

ca. 1830

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Names:

Bridgeforth Home

Places:

Limestone Co., AL

Types:

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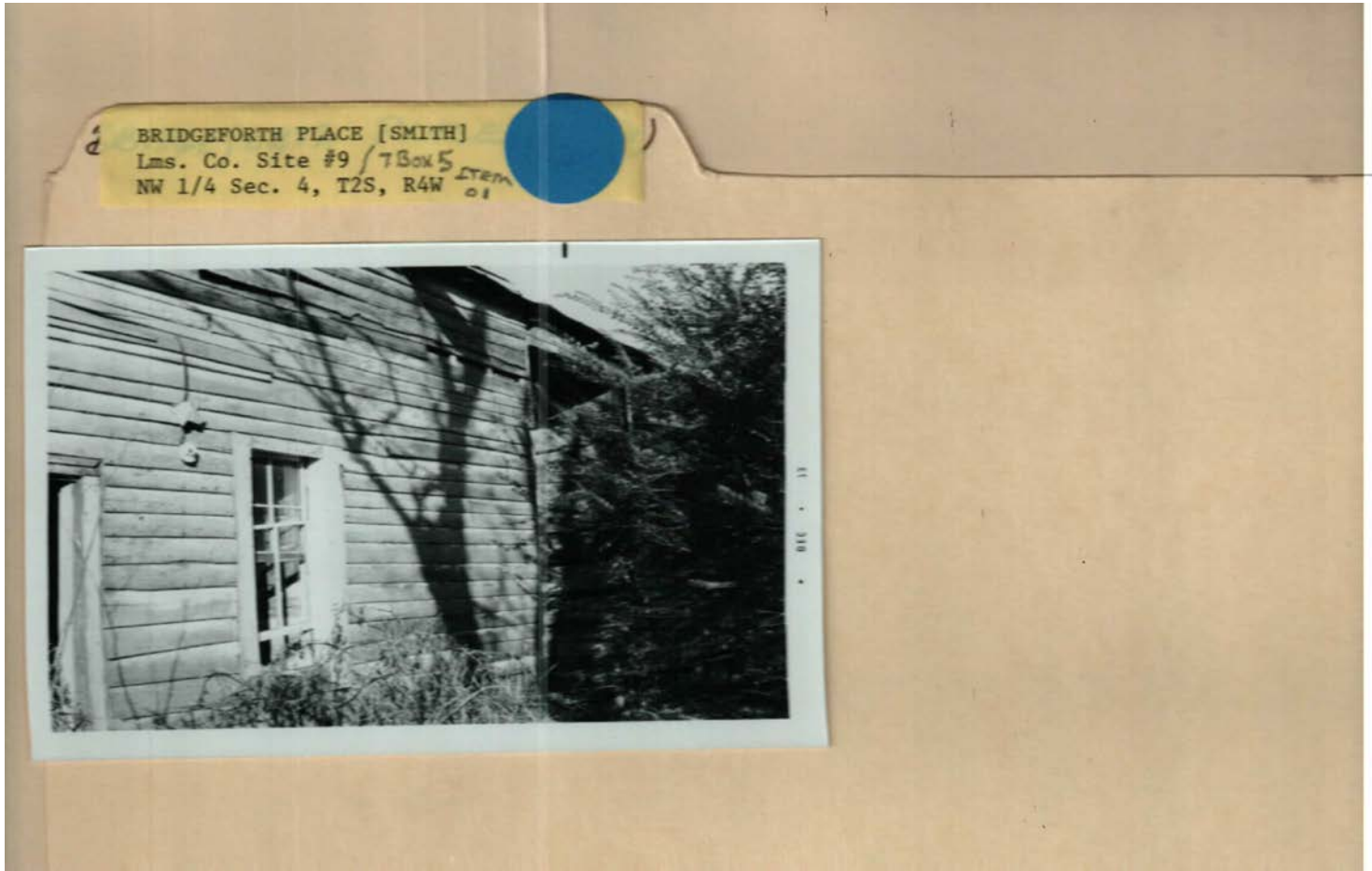
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Places:

Limestone Co., AL

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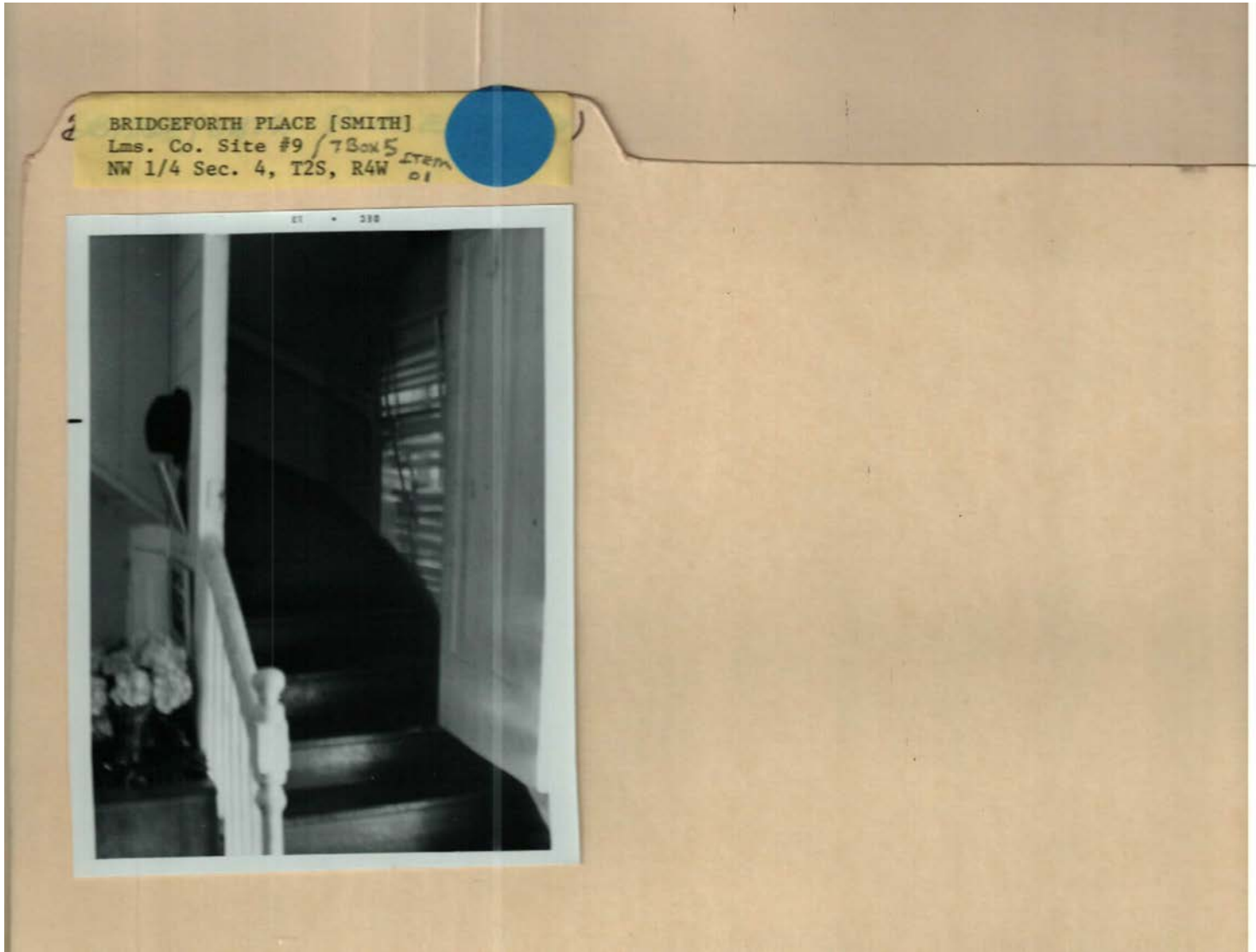
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Names:

Bridgeforth Home

Places:

Limestone Co., AL

Types:

photograph

Dates:

ca. 1830

BRIDGEFORTH PLACE [SMITH]
Lms. Co. Site #9 / TBox 5
NW 1/4 Sec. 4, T2S, R4W Item 01

TARCOG HISTORICAL SURVEY
Final Report Form

Make your answers as concise as possible.

Number as appears on your county map 34

1. Name of site or structure Bridgeforth Place - Beulahland

2. Location of site or structure (including township, range and section number, and which quadrant of section if known) Township 4 S. Range
X 5 W Section 18

3. Description Very run-down. Used as tenant
house. Late Federal.

4. Historical significance of site or structure if known Unknown.
Home of early settler

S/C
S4-T2S-R4W
per map on p. 56,
"Lure & Lore of
Limestone County"
+
pp. 77-80, of cit.

Names:

Bridgeforth Place -
Beulahland

TARCOG Historical
Survey

Places:

Limestone Co., AL

Types:

form

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Bridgeforth [Smith] Place - Limestone Co. - "Beulah Land," New Garden Community

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BRIDGEFORTH PLACE [SMITH]
Lms. Co. Site #9 / 73^{OK 5}
NW 1/4 Sec. 4, T2S, R4W

TARCOG
ARCHITECTURAL--HISTORICAL NOTES
FIELD SURVEYOR
RECORDING FORM

County: Limestone
Field Surveyors' Names: A. Thomas T. Henderson
Historical Notes Number: 2 Lms. Co. site #9
(Red Ink)
Photograph Record Number: #3-L (Fort Bell)
(Blue Ink)

1. Name: Bridgeforth Place

2. Location: 6-7 miles from Athens on County Rt. 27
near New Garden Community
NW 1/4 Sec. 4, T2S, R4W

3. Owner of Property: Mrs. Ben Smith
Athens, Ala.

4. Geographical Data:

5. Acreage: Farm -

6. Classification: Home

7. Integrity: House probably built around
1820 - 30? Hand made bricks.
Used as hospital during War Between
States

Form HS-1
p. 1

Names:

Bridgeforth Place

Smith, Ben

Places:

Athens, AL

New Garden,
Limestone Co., AL

Types:

survey notes

BRIDGEFORTH PLACE [SMITH]
Lms. Co. Site #9 / 7805
NW 1/4 Sec. 4, T2S, R4W

8. Condition: very bad shape

9. Present Use: Tenant house

10. Areas of Significance: Early home in county. Obviously well built at the time. Lts. on hill and looks imposing can be seen from a distance

11. Architectural Description: One story four room original home with square columns across front. Windows appear in each part upper & lower windows. Has two front doors that enter into the two front rooms. Stairs at back of room on right side. Wide board floors in downstairs rooms. There is a one story addition to back of house on one side this forms a porch, uncovered, at back.

12. Sketches of structure or site when applicable:

Date of Completion: _____

Form HS-1
p. 2

Names:

Bridgeforth Place

Places:

New Garden,
Limestone Co., AL

Types:

survey notes

BRIDGEFORTH PLACE [SMITH]
 Lms. Co. Site #9 / T2S, R4W
 NW 1/4 Sec. 4, T2S, R4W

TARCOG
 HISTORICAL NOTES
 HISTORICAL RESEARCH COORDINATOR
 VERIFIED DOCUMENTATION FORM

County: Limestone
 Coordinator's Name: Alice Hamilton
 Historical Notes Number: #2 Site # 9
 (Red Ink)
 Photograph Record Number: _____
 (Blue Ink)

1. Name: Bridgeforth Place

2. Location: 6-7 miles from Athens on County Rt 27
In New Garden Community

3. Classification: Home - tenant house

4. Owner of Property: Mr. Ben Smith, Athens, Ala -

5. Location of Legal Description: _____

Form HS-3
 p. 1

Names:

Bridgeforth Place

Hamilton, Alice

Smith, Ben

Places:

Athens, AL

Limestone Co., AL

New Garden,

Limestone Co., AL

Types:

survey notes

BRIDGEFORTH PLACE [SMITH]
Lms. Co. Site #9 / 7 Box 5 from
NW 1/4 Sec. 4, T2S, R4W 21

6. Representation in Existing Surveys: _____

7. Description: The Porch appears to be an awkward
addition of the latter 19th century, although
this needs checking. In any event, the porch
work was done as early as 1830.
At same point, the roof gable ends were
extended. The original flush eaves can still
be seen under it.
The first floor sashes have been
changed out for a 4 over 4 lattice - 19th century
type. Upper sashes are the original 6 over 9.
There are 2 separate entry doors,
similar to the Hamble House (Limestone County).
A photo shows a narrow, winding
corner stair similar to those in log houses.
The eave ends are flat boards parallel to the profile
of the eave - a detail common in 18th century Virginia houses
but unusual here. Some non-Virginia houses have this detail.

8. Historical Significance (H. Jones, arch.)

A. Period: _____

B. Specific Dates: _____

Form HS-3
p. 2

Names:

Bridgeforth Place

Places:

New Garden,
Limestone Co., AL

Types:

survey notes

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BRIDGEFORTH PLACE [SMITH]
Lms. Co. Site #9 / T3S R4W
NW 1/4 Sec. 4, T2S, R4W

8. Historical Significance (continued)

C. Areas of Significance:

D. Statement of Significance: *Have probably built
around 1820-30 (?) Handmade brick.
Used as hospital during war between
States - See Jones Article in history
a construction date of circa 1830 -*

Form HS-3
p. 3

Names:

Bridgeforth Place

Places:

New Garden,
Limestone Co., AL

Types:

survey notes

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BRIDGEFORTH PLACE [SMITH]
Lms. Co. Site #9 / T8S-W5
NW 1/4 Sec. 4, T2S, R4W

form

BRIDGEFORTH PLACE [SMITH]

Lms. Co. Site #9 / 780x5

NW 1/4 Sec. 4, T2S, R4W Item 01

TARCOG HISTORICAL SURVEY

Final Report Form

Make your answers as concise as possible.

Number as appears on your county map 2 ~~#10~~ #9

#10 Co. Rd. 27

Sec 88. 77-80 #127

& p 56 (map)

In site 22 house

history in the book

"Limestone County"

by Chris Edwards &

Faye Axford

pp. 91-92 (IV)

for family history of

Bridgeforth, of cit.

3.

Description

the house was probably built

around 1820. Pertains to the

around 1874 B. Although the

needs to be checked out

4.

Historical significance of site or structure if known

The house, although

in very poor condition, possible could be

used. Prominent family of county, have

resided here.

(3/10)

S4-T2S-R4W

Names:

Bridgeforth - Smith
House

TARCOG Historical
Survey

Places:

Limestone Co., AL

New Garden,
Limestone Co., AL

Types:

form

BRIDGEFORTH PLACE [SMITH]
 Lms. Co. Site #9 / T2S R4W E2E
 NW 1/4 Sec. 4, T2S, R4W

Bridgeforth Place at Beulah Land
no pictures taken

TARCOG
 HISTORICAL SURVEY PHOTOGRAPH RECORD

County: _____

Field Surveyors' Names: _____

I. Information on Photograph

Photographer: _____

Date of Photograph: _____ View Description: _____

Roll Number: _____

Exposure Number: _____

II. Information on Site

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

Historical Notes Number (Red Ink): *#34*
 (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): *Township 4S Range 5W Section 18*
Old Bridgeforth Place

Owner or Occupant: _____
 (Name, if known)

Address: _____

TYPE of Structure: () House () Outbuilding () Commercial
 () Barn () Industrial () Other, describe
 (where appropriate, check one or more)

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

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

III. Remarks and Sketches if appropriate: _____

*Dilapidated condition 2 story late Federal style
 front porch square round columns, double porch,
 original windows upper story with 12 panes upper & lower
 2 story el to back right side - lights surround up
 & downstairs door - Back porch*

Date of completion: _____

Form HS-2

Names:

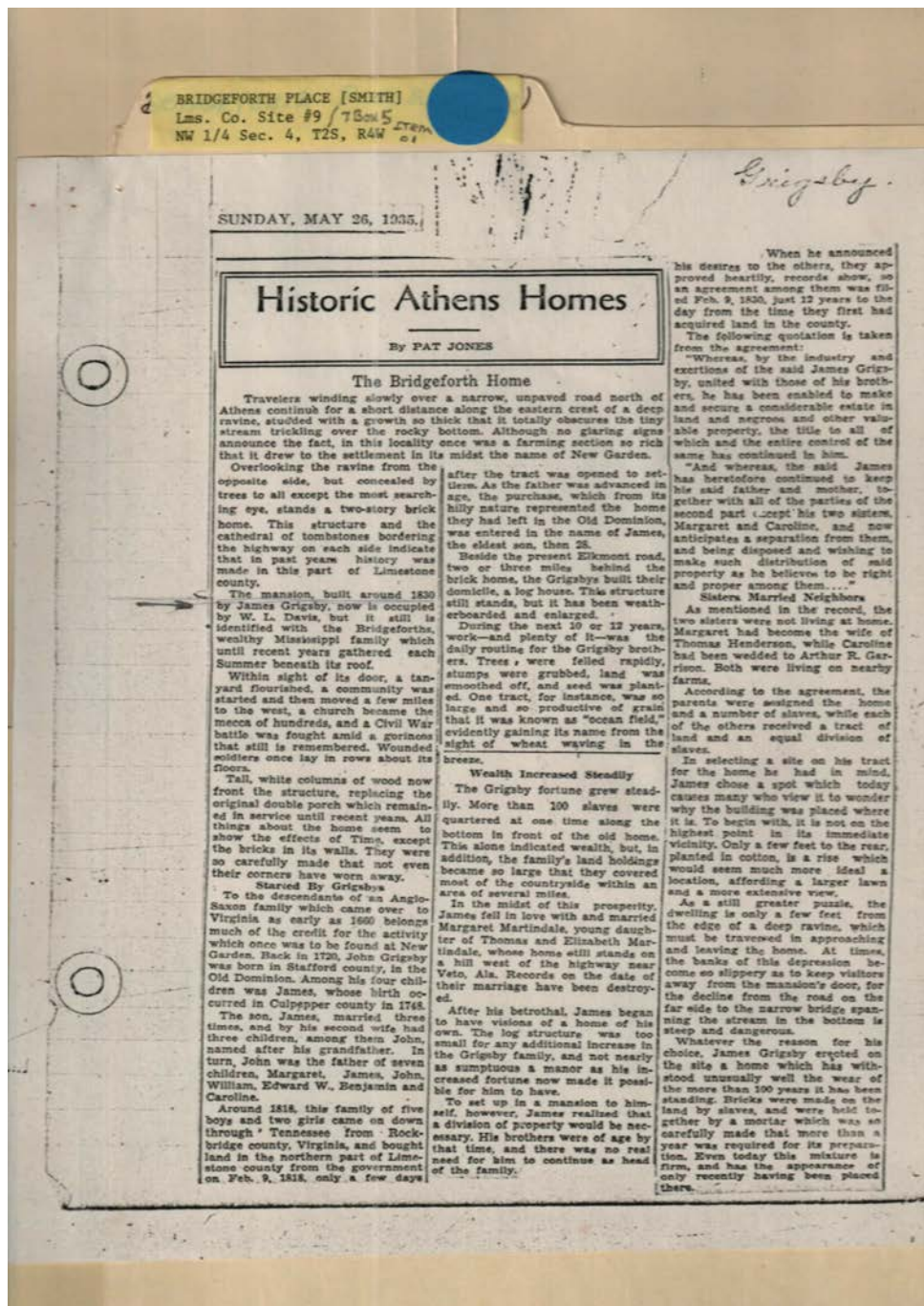
Bridgeforth Place -
 Beulahland

Places:

Limestone Co., AL

Types:

survey notes



Names:

Davis, W. L.
 Garrison, Arthur R.
 Grigsby, Benjamin
 Grigsby, Caroline

Grigsby, Edward W.
 Grigsby, James
 Grigsby, John
 Grigsby, Margaret

Grigsby, William
 Henderson, Thomas
 Historic Athens
 Homes

Martindale, Margaret
 Martindale, Thomas
 & Elizabeth
 The Bridgeforth Home

Places:

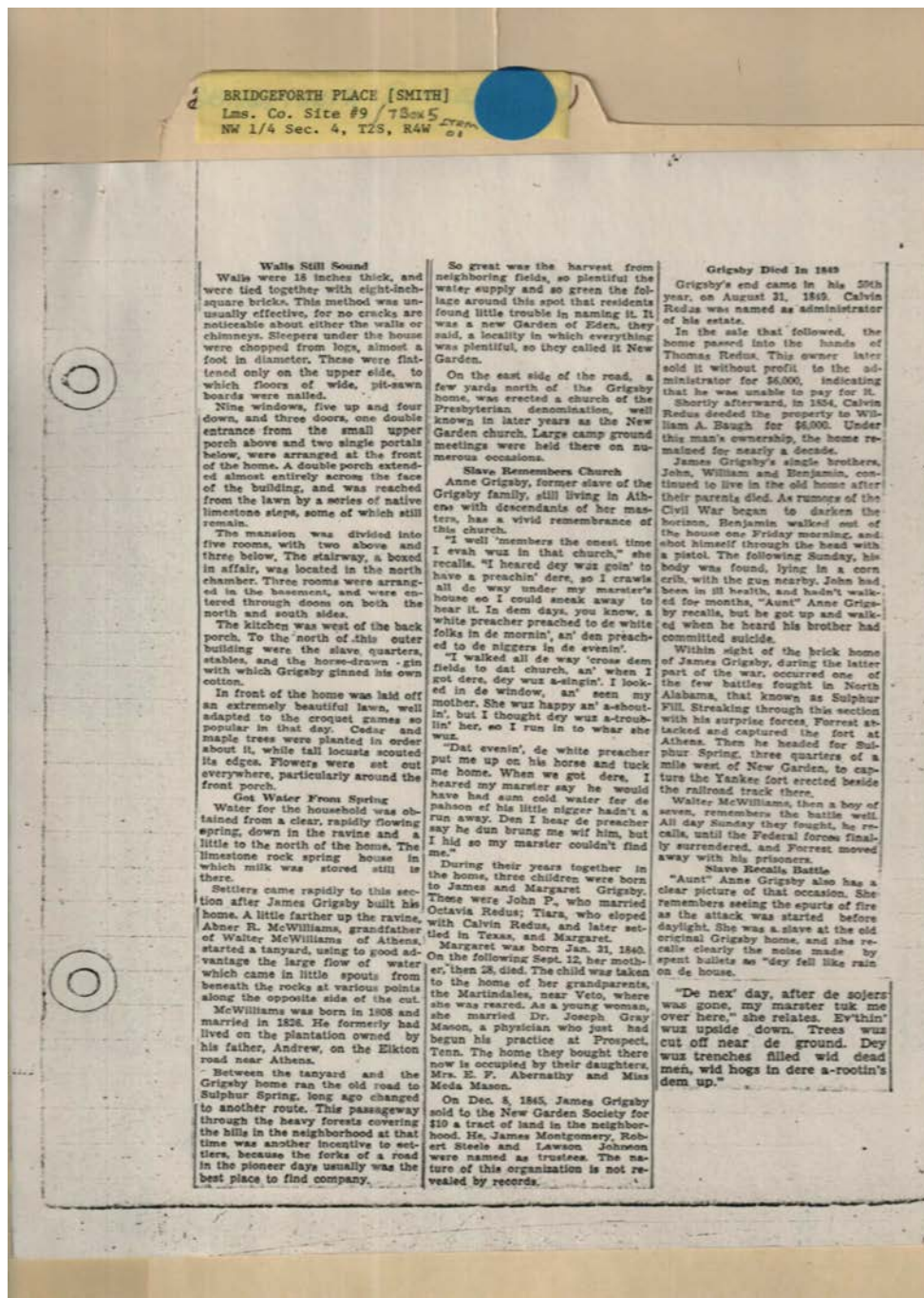
Athens, AL

Types:

newspaper article

Dates:

May 26, 1935



Names:

Abernathy, E. F., Mrs.
 Baugh, William A.
 Grigsby, Anne
 (former slave)
 Grigsby, James

Grigsby, John P.
 Grigsby, Margaret
 Johnson, Lawson
 Mason, Joseph Gray,
 Dr.

Mason, Meda, Miss
 McWilliams, Abner
 R.
 McWilliams, Andrew
 McWilliams, Walter

Montgomery, James
 Redus, Calvin
 Redus, Octavia
 Redus, Thomas
 Steele, Robert

Places:

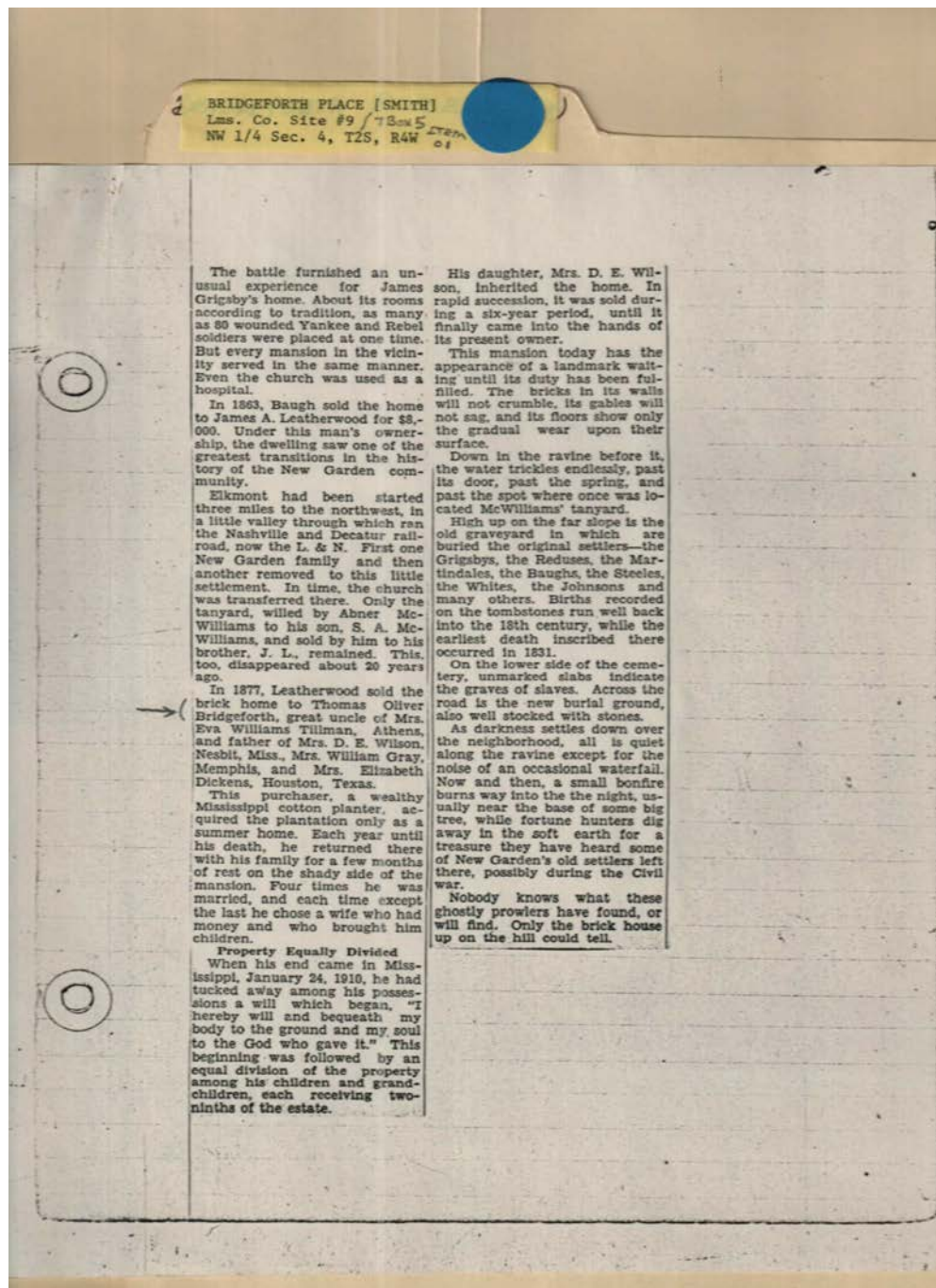
Athens, AL

Types:

newspaper article

Dates:

May 26, 1935



Names:

Baugh, William A.
 Bridgeforth, Thomas
 Oliver
 Dickens, Elizabeth,
 Mrs.

Gray, William, Mrs.
 Grigsby, James
 Leatherwood, James
 A.

McWilliams, Abner
 R.
 McWilliams, J. L.
 McWilliams, S. A.

Tillman, Eva
 Williams, Mrs.
 Wilson, D. E., Mrs.

Places:

Athens, AL

Types:

newspaper article

Dates:

May 26, 1935

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