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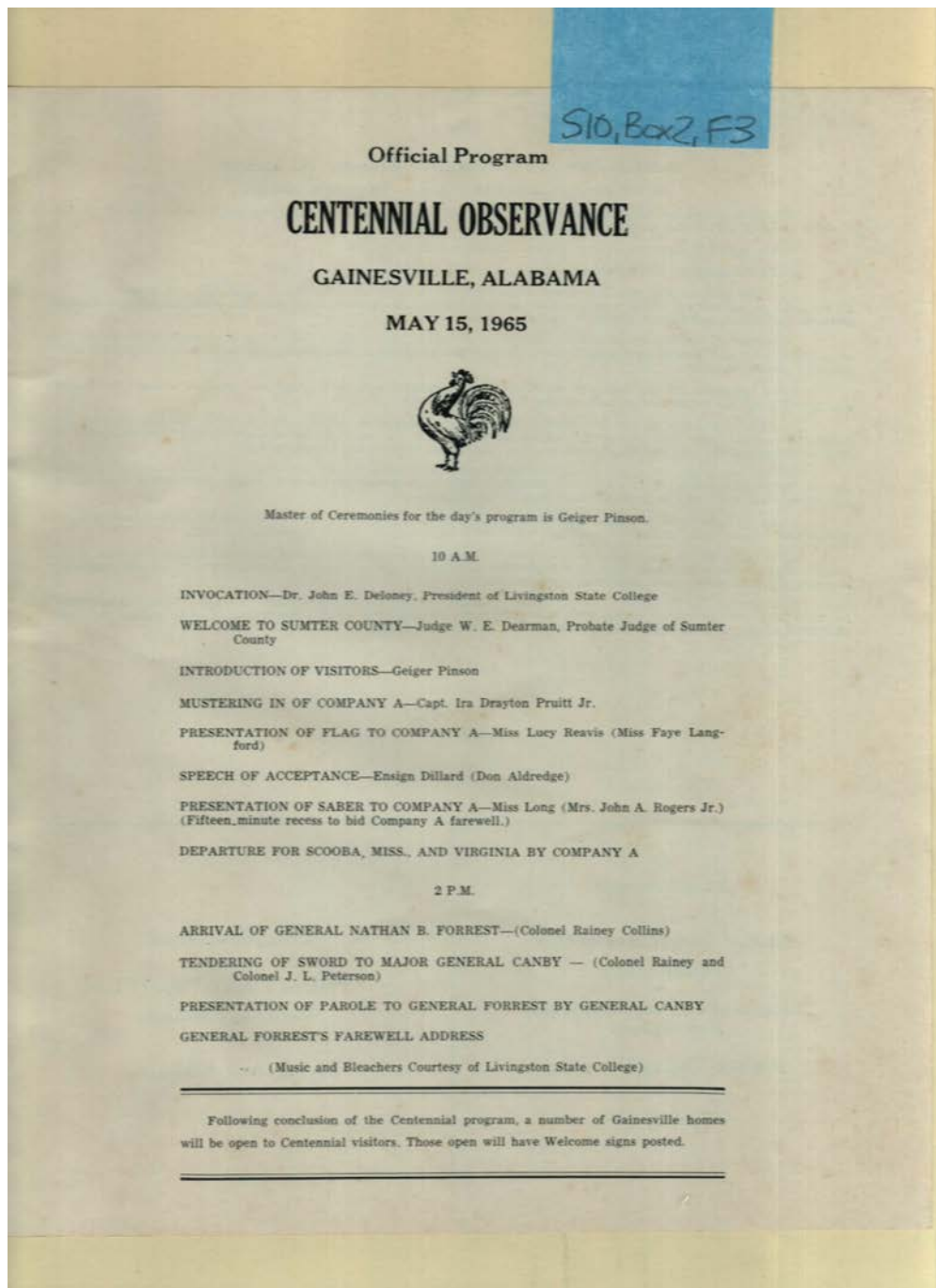
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Judge
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General
Langford, Faye, Miss

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Colonel
Pinson, Geiger
Pruitt, Ira Drayton,
Jr., Captain

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A Brief History Of Sumter County, Alabama

by: Dr. Frances Roberts, Prof. of History, University of Alabama

Created by act of the Alabama Legislature on December 18, 1832, Sumter County was carved from a portion of the Choctaw Indian Cession made at the Treaty of Dancing Rabbit in 1830.

It was named in honor of General Thomas Sumter of South Carolina.

In 1833, Livingston was created as the seat of county government.

Since the area was rich with lush river bottom land and fertile Black Belt soils, a rapid influx of people swept in. At first, the population was almost evenly divided between whites and slaves. But by 1860, the ratio had changed to four slaves to each white, indicating a growth in plantation economy.

A number of thriving towns, such as Gainesville, Livingston, Sumterville, Warsaw and Brewersville, became centers of gracious living and cultural enrichment, where planters and professional men raised their families and enjoyed a considerable amount of leisure.

From this group, Sumter County produced its share of statesmen in local, state and national arenas. Its citizens also served in all the major wars of their country in the 19th century.

In 1860, Sumter County was rated one of the wealthiest counties in Alabama, but by 1865, the War Between the States had wrought havoc with its economy. Out of the wreckage of its plantation system there arose a new generation of large land owners, who replaced the slave labor force with tenant farmers and sharecroppers.

Though the nature of agriculture has changed in Sumter County in the 20th century, it still remains the chief basis of the economy. Many of its cotton and corn fields have been turned into pastures, where cattle graze most of the year. Feed crops are grown to provide winter feed for the animals.

Partly by choice, and to a certain extent because of necessity, the people have remained agrarian in their outlook and in their values. Their towns have remained small and a large majority of the population is rural.

Since 1910, the total population of the county has declined, as many of its younger people migrated to other areas. Small industries closely associated with agriculture have developed in the county, but only very recently has the possibility of major industrial development seemed likely to materialize.

Since World War II, the educational system of Sumter County has moved forward to furnish better opportunities for all of its people. Diversified agriculture has brought increased prosperity to its farmers, and business leaders have met with some success in attracting industry to the area.

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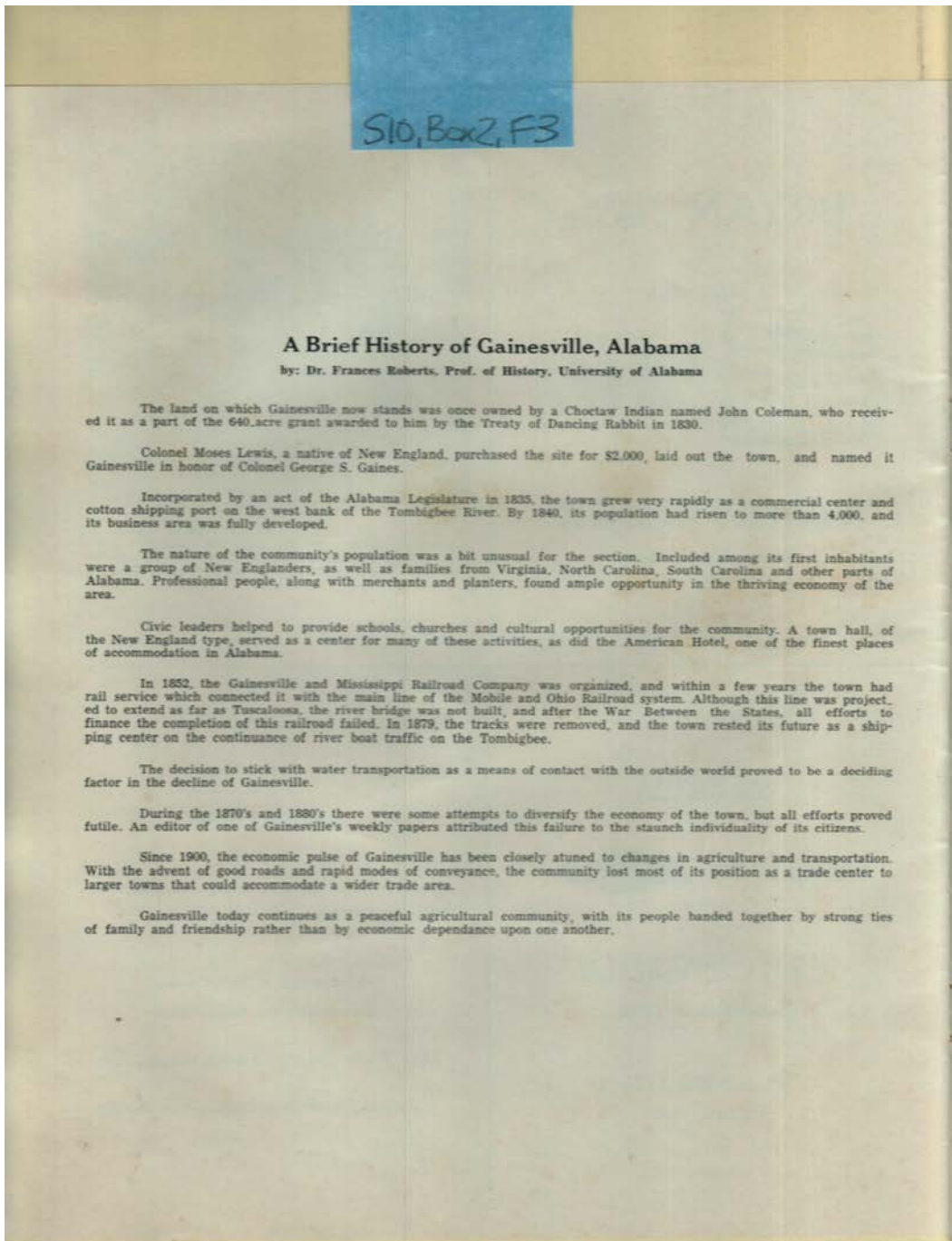
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Acknowledgements

The Sumter County Historical Society is grateful to the late Mrs. Nell Jenkins, who originated the idea of this program. The society also expresses appreciation to Colonel Joseph L. Peterson and Frank Parham, who so ably developed Mrs. Jenkins' idea.

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Hare, R. T.
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Knight, William
Kring, Ed
Leveritt, H.
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Little, Noah
Little, Seth
Long, J. H.
Long, Thomas
Long, William
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McKinley, D. O.
Minus, Joe
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Moore, Sam
Moore, W. T.
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Roberts, B. L.
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Smalley, Anthony
Smith, B. F.
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Thom, Reuben
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Traeger,
Turman, Jim
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Forrest's Farewell Address

This moving but down-to-earth address of a daring and resourceful commander to courageous and determined men is eloquent evidence that the general had fully accepted the Confederate defeat and was determined to use his example and influence to wipe bitterness and anguish from the hearts of his men.

"Soldiers: By an agreement made between Lieutenant-General Taylor, commanding the Department of Alabama, Mississippi, and East Louisiana, and Major General Canby, commanding United States forces, the troops of this department have been surrendered.

"I do not think it proper or necessary, at this time, to refer to the causes which have reduced us to this extremity; nor is it a matter of material consequence to us how such results were brought about. That we are BEATEN, is a self-evident fact, and any further resistance on our part would be justly regarded as the very height of folly and rashness.

"The armies of Generals Lee and Johnston having surrendered, you are the last of all the troops of the Confederate States Army, east of the Mississippi River, to lay down your arms."

"The cause for which you have so long and so manfully struggled, and for which you have braved dangers, endured privations and sufferings, and made so many sacrifices, is today hopeless. The government which we sought to establish and perpetuate is at an end. Reason dictates and humanity demands that no more blood be shed. Fully realizing and feeling that such is the case, it is your duty and mine to lay down our arms—submit to the powers that be—and to aid in restoring peace and establishing law and order throughout the land."

"The terms upon which you were surrendered are favorable, and should be satisfactory and acceptable to all. They manifest a spirit of magnanimity and liberality on the part of the Federal authorities, which should be met, on our part, by a faithful compliance with all the stipulations and conditions herein expressed. As your Commander, I sincerely hope that every officer and soldier of my command will cheerfully obey the orders given, and carry out in good faith all the terms of the cartel."

"Those who neglect the terms, and refuse to be paroled, may assuredly expect, when arrested, to be sent North and imprisoned."

"Let those who are absent from their commands, from whatever cause, report at once to this place, or to Jackson, Mississippi; or, if too remote from either, to the nearest United States post or garrison, for parole."

"Civil war, such as you have just passed through, naturally engenders feelings of animosity, hatred, and revenge. It is our duty to divest ourselves of all such feelings; and, so far in our power to do so, to cultivate friendly feelings toward those with whom we have so long contended, and heretofore so widely, but honestly, differed. Neighborhood feuds, personal animosities, and private differences should be blotted out; and when you return home, a manly straightforward course of conduct will secure the respect even of your enemies. Whatever your responsibilities may be to government, to society, or to individuals, meet them like men."

"The attempt made to establish a separate and independent Confederation has failed; but the consciousness of having done your duty faithfully, and to the end, will in some measure, repay for the hardships you have undergone."

"In bidding you farewell, rest assured that you carry with you my best wishes for your future welfare and happiness. Without, in any way, referring to the merits of the cause in which we have been engaged, your courage and determination, as exhibited on many hard-fought fields, have elicited the respect and admiration of friend and foe. And I now, cheerfully and gratefully, acknowledge my indebtedness to the officers and men of my command, whose zeal, fidelity, and unflinching bravery have been the great source of my past success in arms."

"I have never, on the field of battle, sent you where I was unwilling to go myself; nor would I now advise you to a course which I felt myself unwilling to pursue. You have been good soldiers; you can be good citizens. Obey the laws, preserve your honor, and the Government to which you have surrendered can afford to be, and will be, magnanimous."

N. B. Forrest, Lieutenant-General

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