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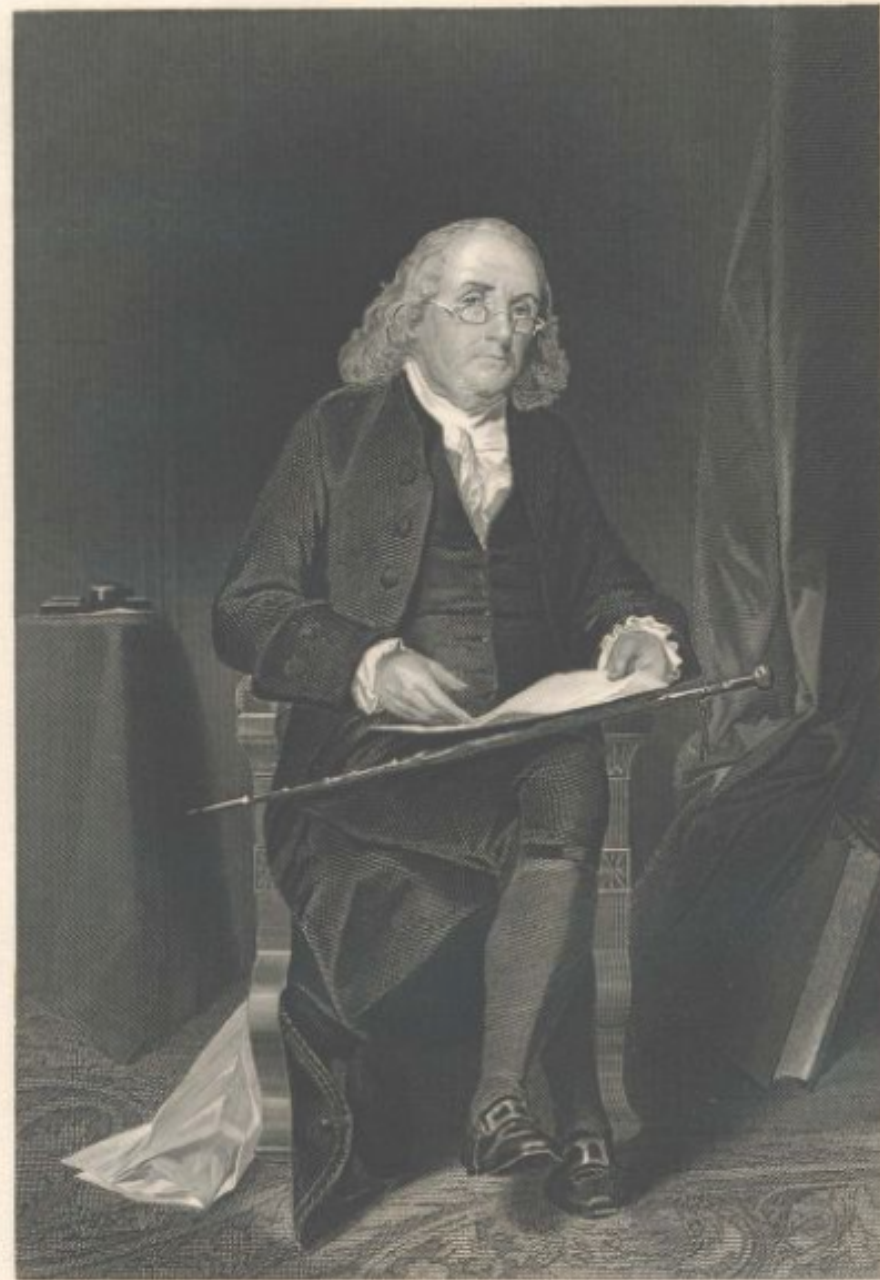
Did you know?
Franklin, Tennessee



2 HR
PARKING
8:00 AM
TO 5:00 PM
EXCLUDING
SAT - SUN
CITY HOLIDAYS

Did you know?

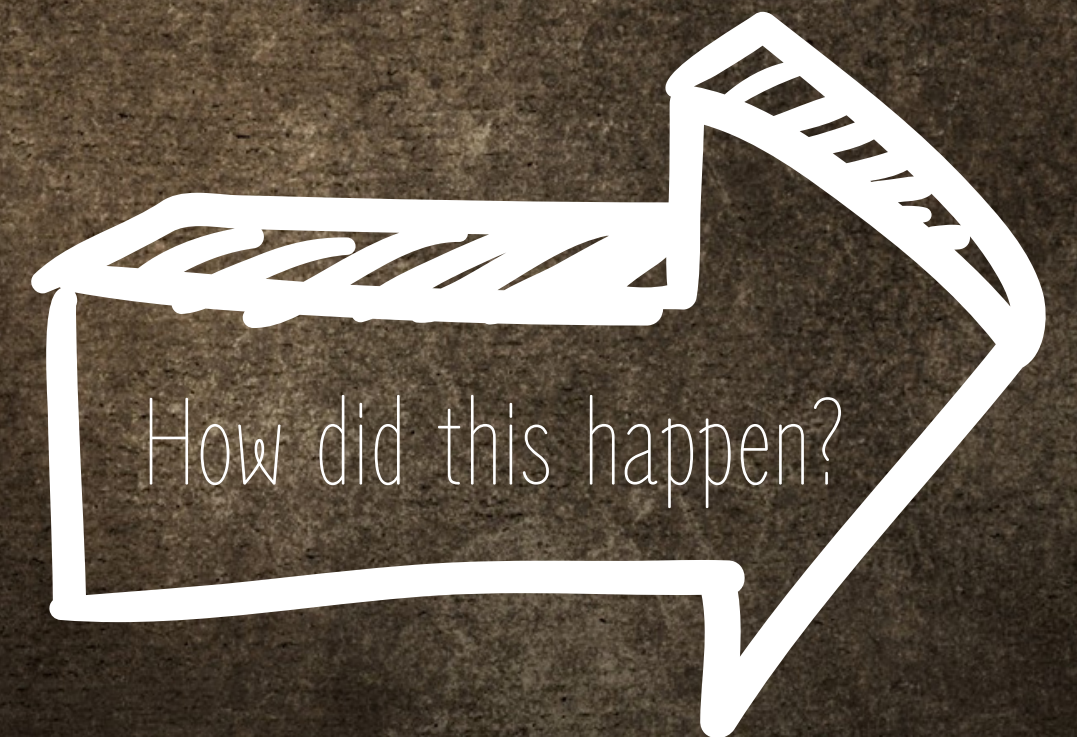
The city of Franklin, TN is named after the scientist and inventor, Benjamin Franklin.



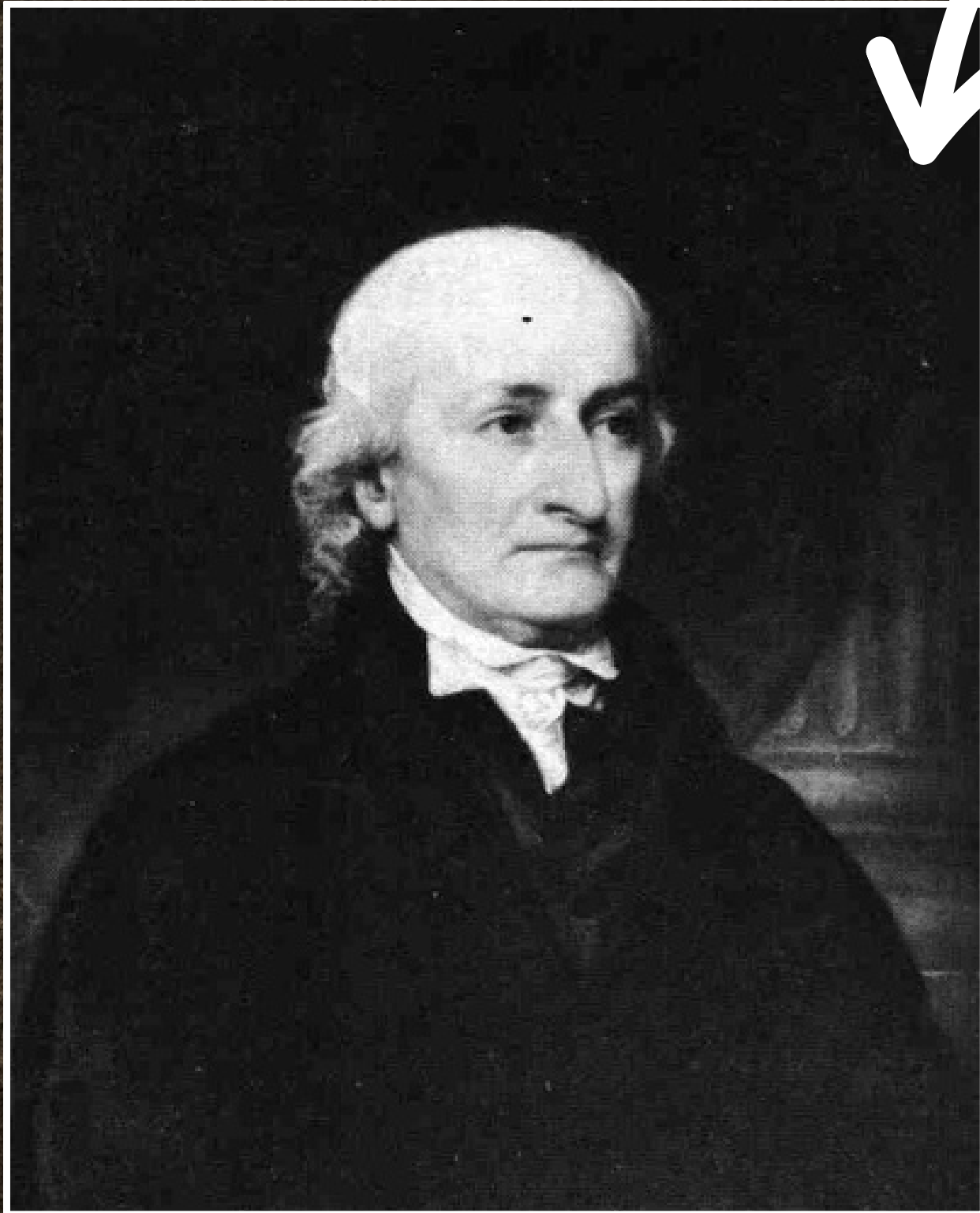
Benj. Franklin

From the original painting by Charles Willson Peck, in the possession of the artist's son.

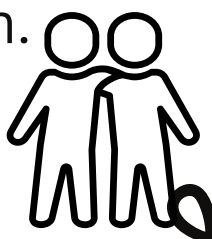
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Dr. Hugh Williamson



Friend of Benjamin Franklin-nominated "Franklin" as name of town.



Signer of the United States Constitution



Williamson County is named after him.

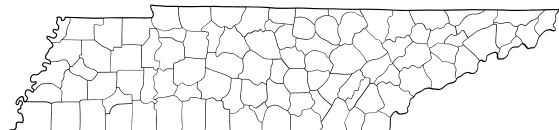
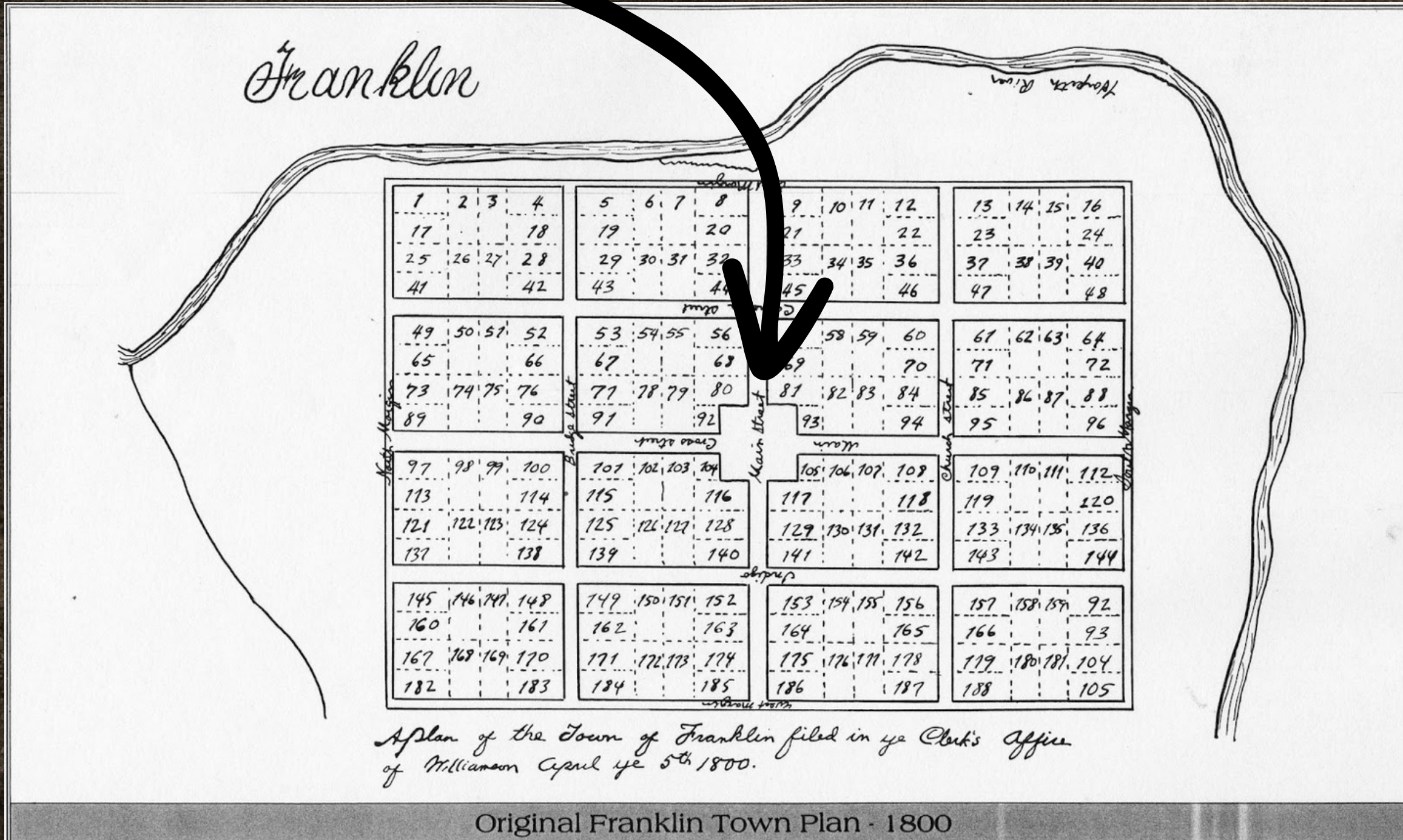


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Do you recognize the town square?

Did you know?



In 1800, you could purchase one these 192 plots of land for \$10.00

Tell me more!

Image courtesy of Williamson County Historical Society

Abram Maury

He purchased the land that we now know as Franklin, TN. He wanted to name Franklin "Marthasville," in honor of his wife, but she declined.

He is known as the Founding
Father of Franklin

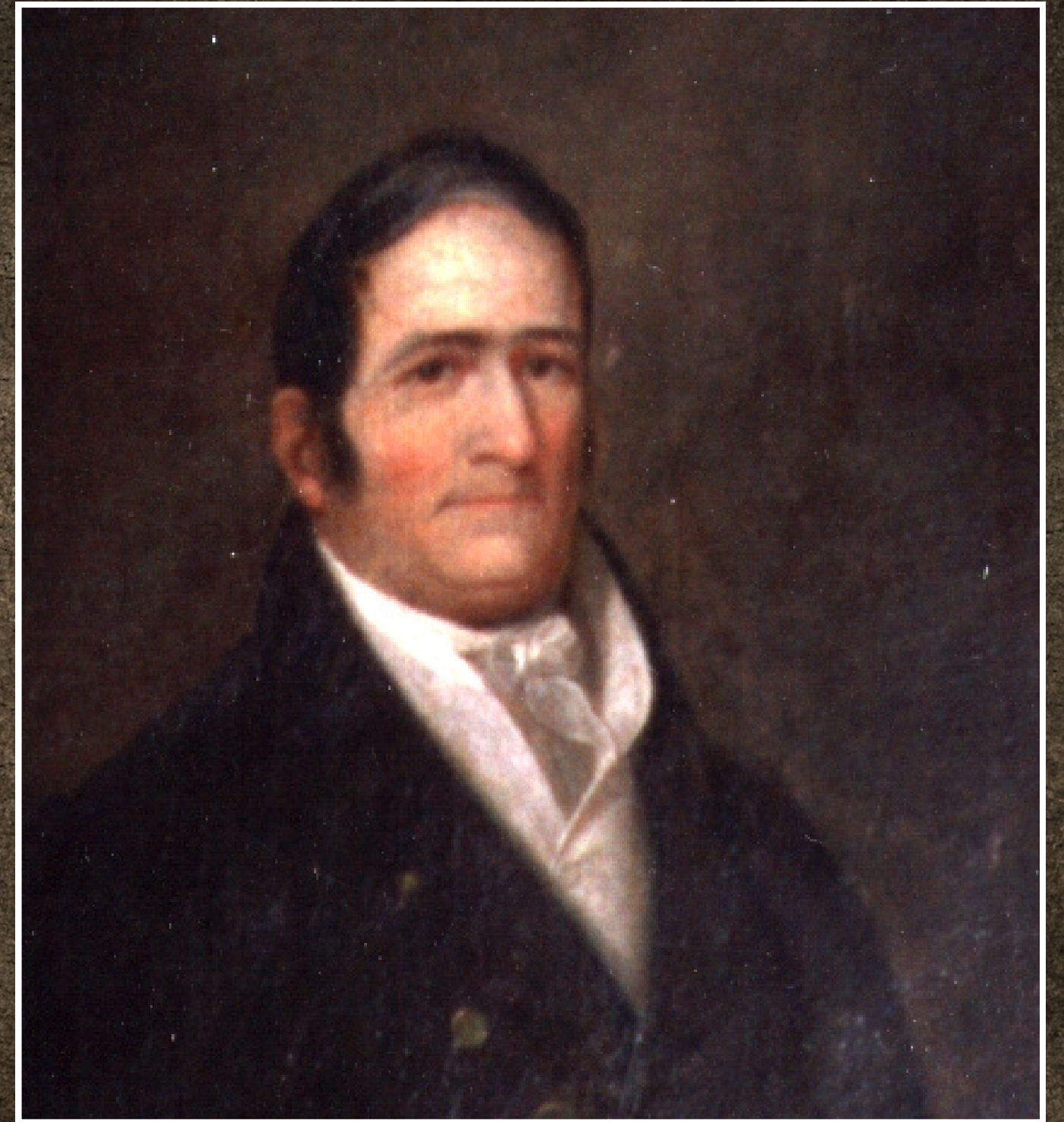


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Did you know?

The building that host Twine Graphics today is the oldest building on Main Street. It was built between 1815-1817. It is Lot 104 on Maury's map.

Here are some businesses that have been in this building...



Courtesy of Visit Franklin



Did you know?



The coffee shop, **Stable Reserve**, was once a real stable where citizens would park their horse and buggies on Main Street.

Did you know?

**Most of the original settlers in
Franklin, Tennessee were from Virginia
or North Carolina.**



Virginia



North Carolina

Did you know?

This was once a doctor's office. Dr. McPhail and Dr. Cliffe practiced here in 1815.



Have you seen this little building on Main Street before?

Did you know?

John McKay
brought the first
saw mill to
Franklin, TN.



Are you familiar
with McKay's Mills
today?

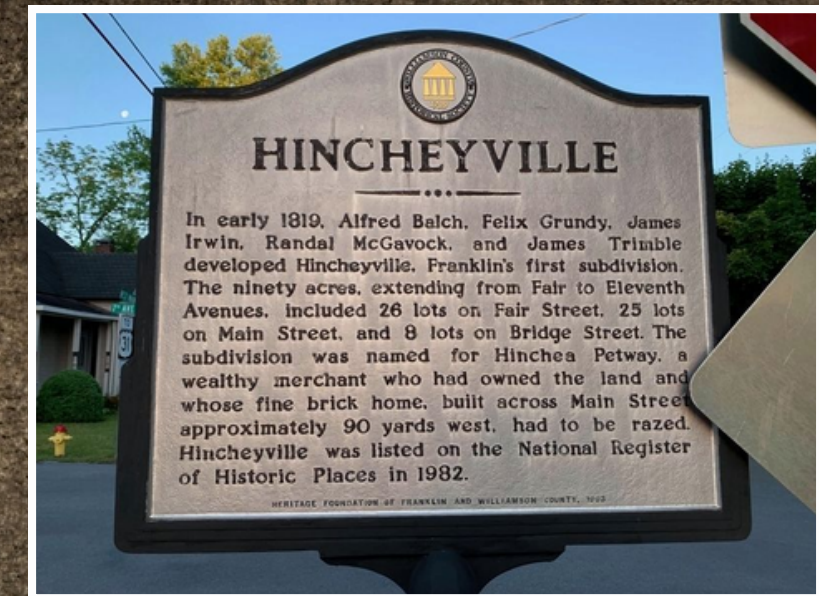
John Stewart
opened Franklin's
first general store.



Benjamin White
opened up the first
motel in Franklin,
TN.



"Hincheyville" was
the first
subdivision in
Franklin, TN.



Did you know?



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Image Courtesy of the Downtown Franklin Association

Downtown Franklin, TN has earned titles and awards such as...

“Great American Main Street”

“America’s Most Romantic Main Street”

“Best Small Town in Tennessee”

“One of America’s Greatest Antique Destinations”

Did you know?



Photo courtesy of Holladay

The Factory at Franklin was
once a real factory!

What factories were there?



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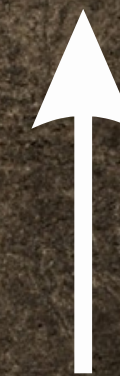
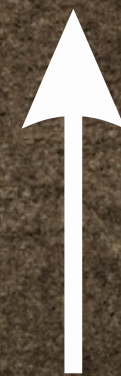
Factory is built.

Allen Stove Plant

Dortch Stoveworks

Magic Chef

Jamison Bedding Company



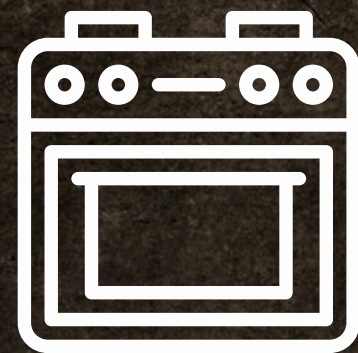
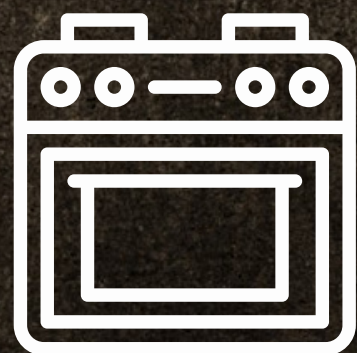
1928

1928-1930

1933-1955

1955-1960's

1960's-1980's



Did you know?



Photo Courtesy of Franklin Homes

Today's subdivision, Fieldstone Farms, was known as the pre-historic village, Anderson Site, where early settlers hunted and farmed.

Did you know?



Photo Courtesy of Rick Warwick

The Franklin Memorial Bridge over the Harpeth River was built in 1929 and will be 99 years old this July.



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The Nashville-Franklin Interurban (similar to a trolley) ran from 1909 until 1941 connecting Franklin's Square with Downtown Nashville.

