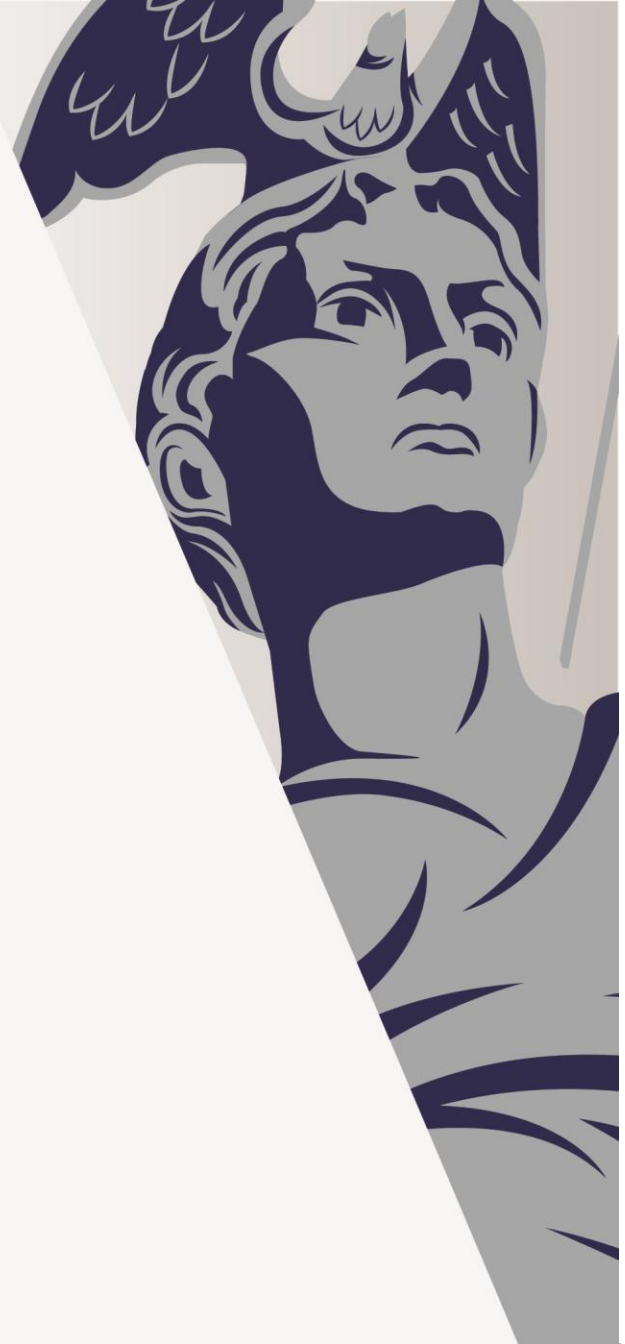


White River Innovation District (Henry Street) ST-31-059

Public Information Meeting

June 24, 2024



Welcome

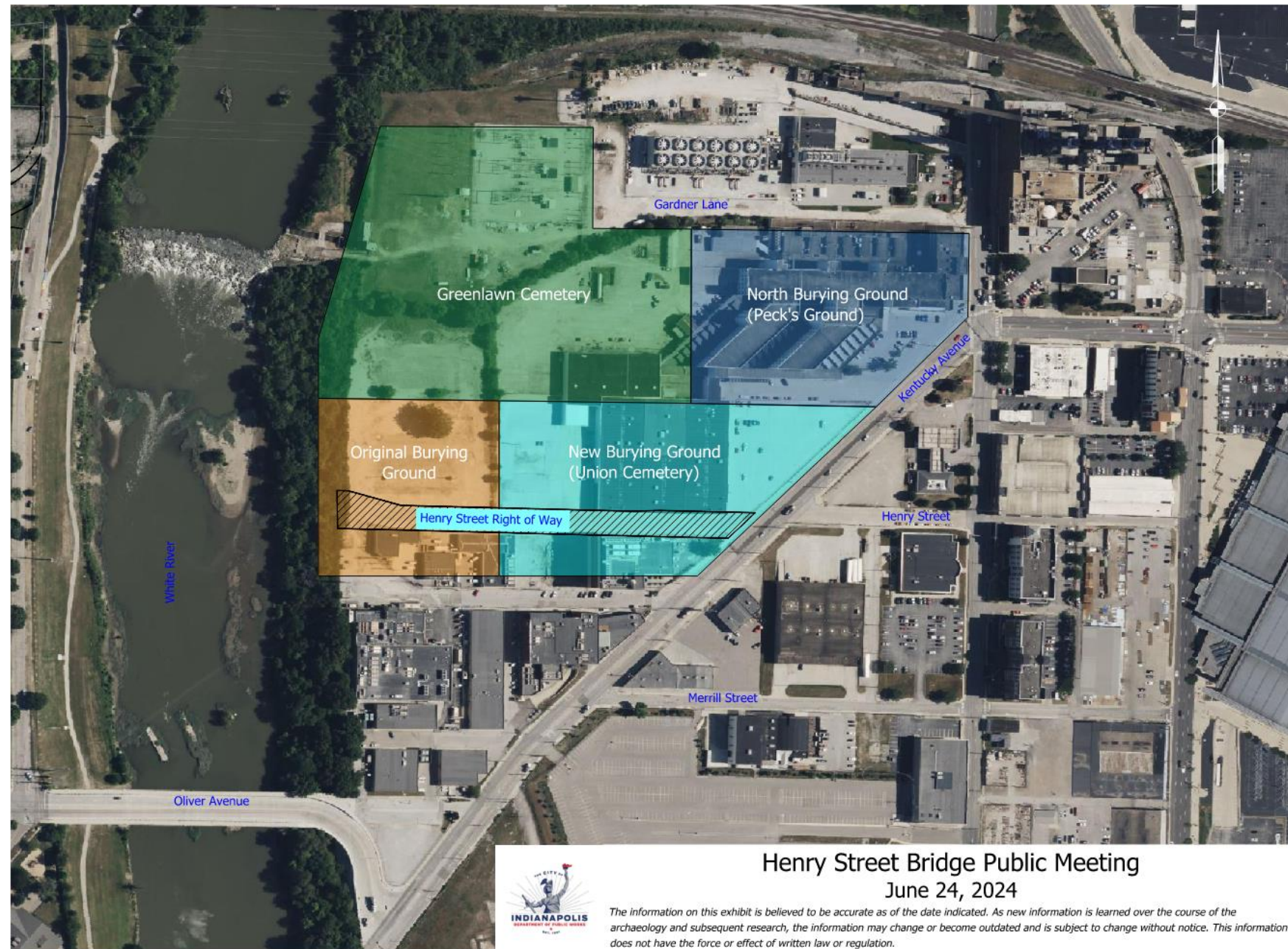
Deputy Mayor Judith Thomas

Welcome

- **Thank you to the Edison School of the Arts for hosting our meeting tonight**
- **Thank you for attending tonight's meeting**
- **There are comment & question cards available**
 - Turn in before the Q&A portion of this meeting
 - Leave at the table when you leave the meeting
 - Submit online or via e-mail
(contact@wridinfrastructure.com)

Henry Street Project Limits

- Henry St. right of way is shown here and on the boards around the room
- Only 2 of the 4 cemeteries, collectively known as “Greenlawn,” are impacted by the Henry Street construction



Henry Street Bridge Public Meeting
June 24, 2024

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Agenda

- Welcome
- What we have learned
- Infrastructure updates
 - Henry Street bridge
 - WRID west side construction
- CAG and archaeology
 - History of Greenlawn and adjacent cemeteries
 - Why this history matters
 - Cemetery laws
- Q&A
- Next steps

What We Have Learned

DPW Director Brandon Herget

What We Have Learned

- The White River Innovation District is more than an economic development project - its significance goes beyond infrastructure and the adjacent community.
- The Henry Street Bridge is architecturally significant but Henry Street itself is historically significant given the impact to the former Greenlawn Cemetery.
- A new approach to archeology is necessary to meet the community's expectation of that historical significance.
- This approach will both address the erasure of the City's past and will change the City's skyline.

Infrastructure Update

DPW Project Manager Shannon Killion

West Side Improvements – Phase 1

- Construction is underway
 - Reconstruct the D Loop from Washington Street to South White River Parkway
 - Relocate South White River Parkway to the west, connecting to the D Loop and Oliver Street at Drover Street
 - Extend Henry Street from Harding Street to the White River
 - Construct Holly Avenue to connect Oliver Street to the new Henry Street



West Side Improvements – Phase 1

- Garmong Construction Services
 - lead contractor
- Construction began in January
- Work completed/underway:
 - Installed, formed and poured electrical duct bank
 - Constructed embankment on South White River Parkway north and south of Henry Street



West Side Improvements – Phase 1

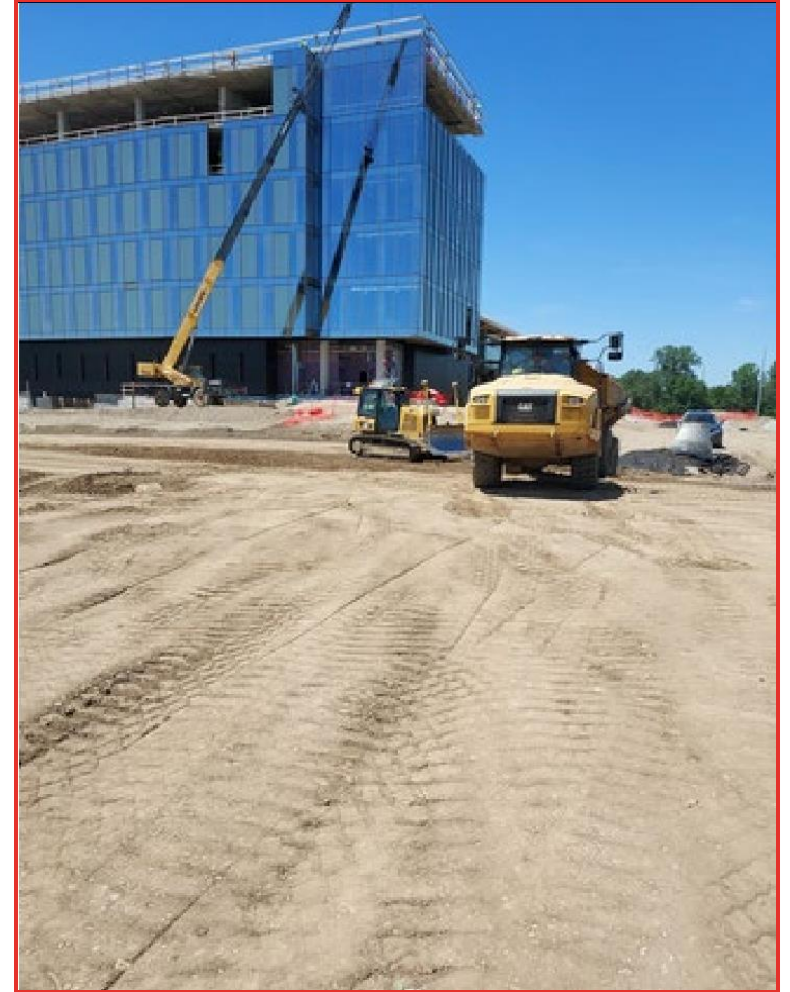


- Work completed/underway:
 - Installing storm and sanitary
 - Installed water main
 - Completed the tap to the existing water main at Oliver Street and Marion Street

West Side Improvements – Phase 1

- By the end of 2024:
 - Utilities will be servicing the White River Innovation District
 - Roadway construction will be substantially complete
- Trees, plantings and furnishings work may continue into 2025

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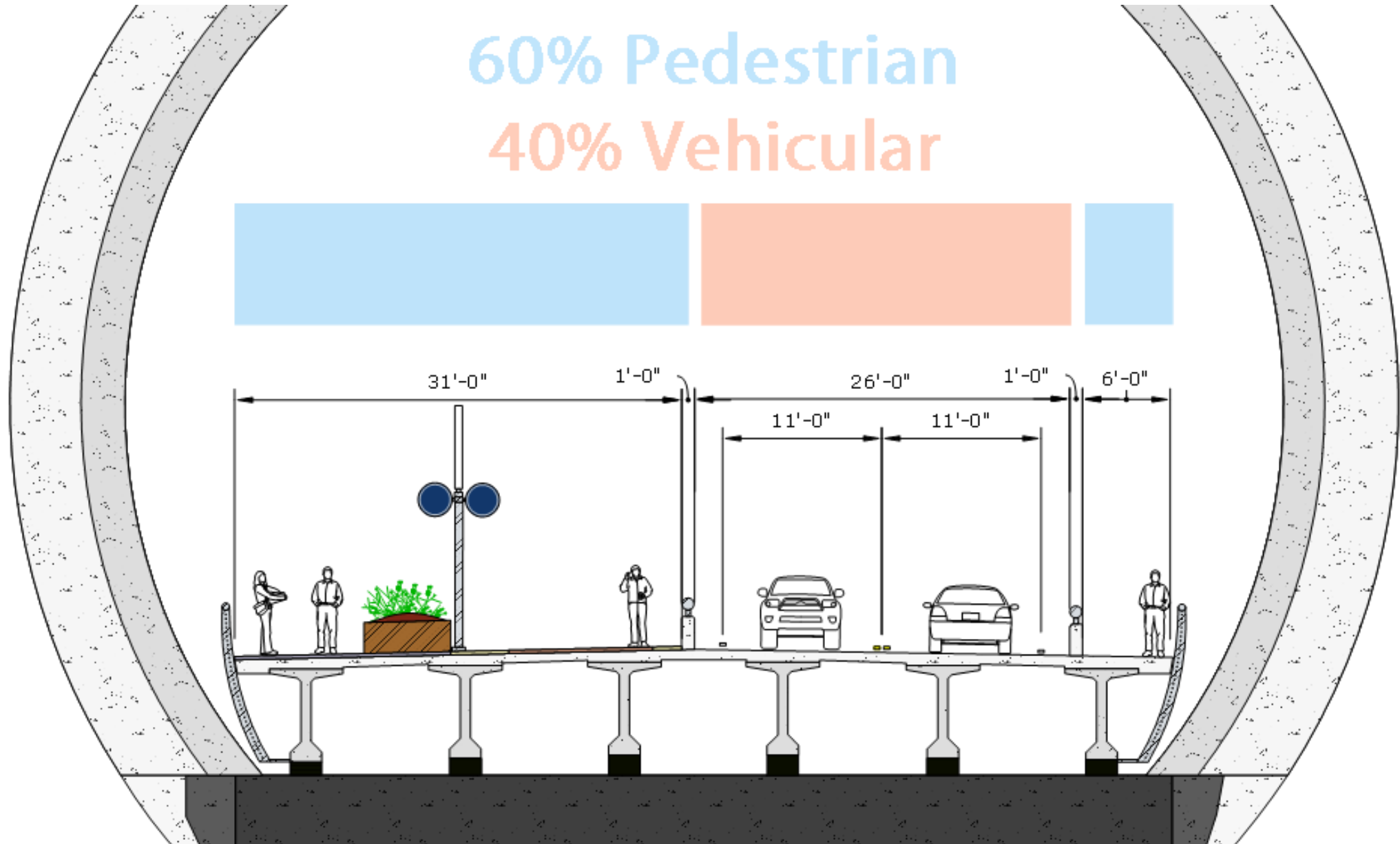
Henry Street Bridge – Circle City Gateway

- Community selected Design
- New bridge over the White River between Washington and Oliver Streets
 - Provide added vehicular and pedestrian connectivity between the west side and downtown
 - Reduce existing congestion on adjacent roadways
- Final bridge design is 4 rings centered on the bridge, over the water
- Construction will start in 2024 and be complete in Fall 2026



Henry Street Bridge – Phase 2

60% Pedestrian
40% Vehicular



Henry Street – Aerial Image



East Side Looking West





Bridge Center Plaza

THE CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS

West Side Looking East



Driving Lanes Looking East



Sidewalk – South Side



Looking East



Bridge - View Looking North from West Bank



Approach to Archaeology – Phases 2 & 3

- Above & beyond the minimum requirements of the laws
- Archaeologist-led excavation, rather than Contractor-led excavation
- Archaeology work will begin in late 2024

Community Advisory Group and Archaeology

Deputy Mayor Judith Thomas

CAG and Archaeology

- Community Advisory Group (CAG) formed in mid 2023 and meets regularly
 - A group of historians, genealogists, archaeologists and City employees
- Discuss how to culturally acknowledge the persons who have been buried in Greenlawn
- Reporting procedure for transparency and accountability
- Educational presenters

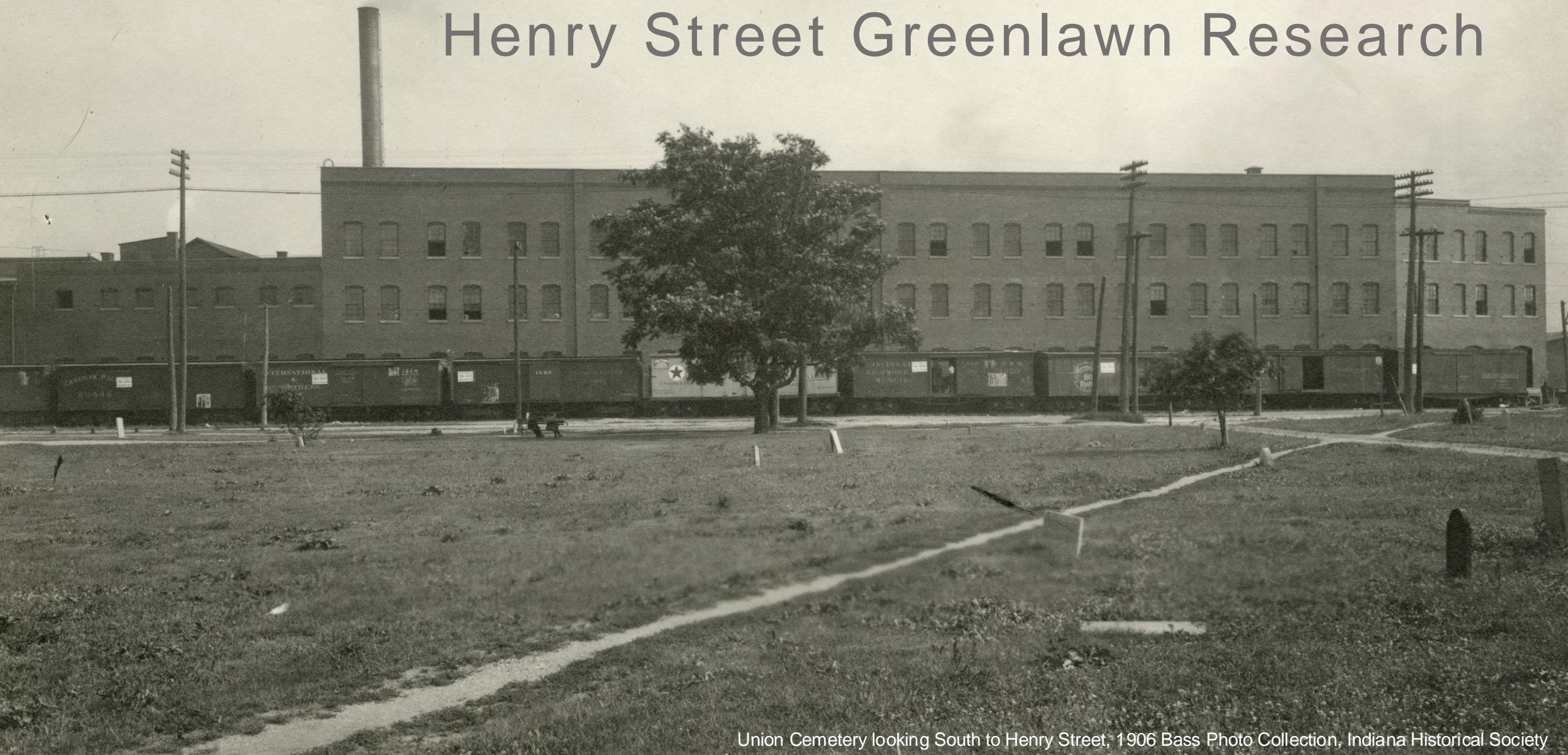
History of Greenlawn and Adjacent Cemeteries

Deedee Davis

Deedee, a historian working with the City of Indianapolis, has completed years of research on Greenlawn.

Deedee's 2020 presentation "What Lies Beneath Diamond Chain?" has been viewed thousands of times on YouTube.

Henry Street Greenlawn Research

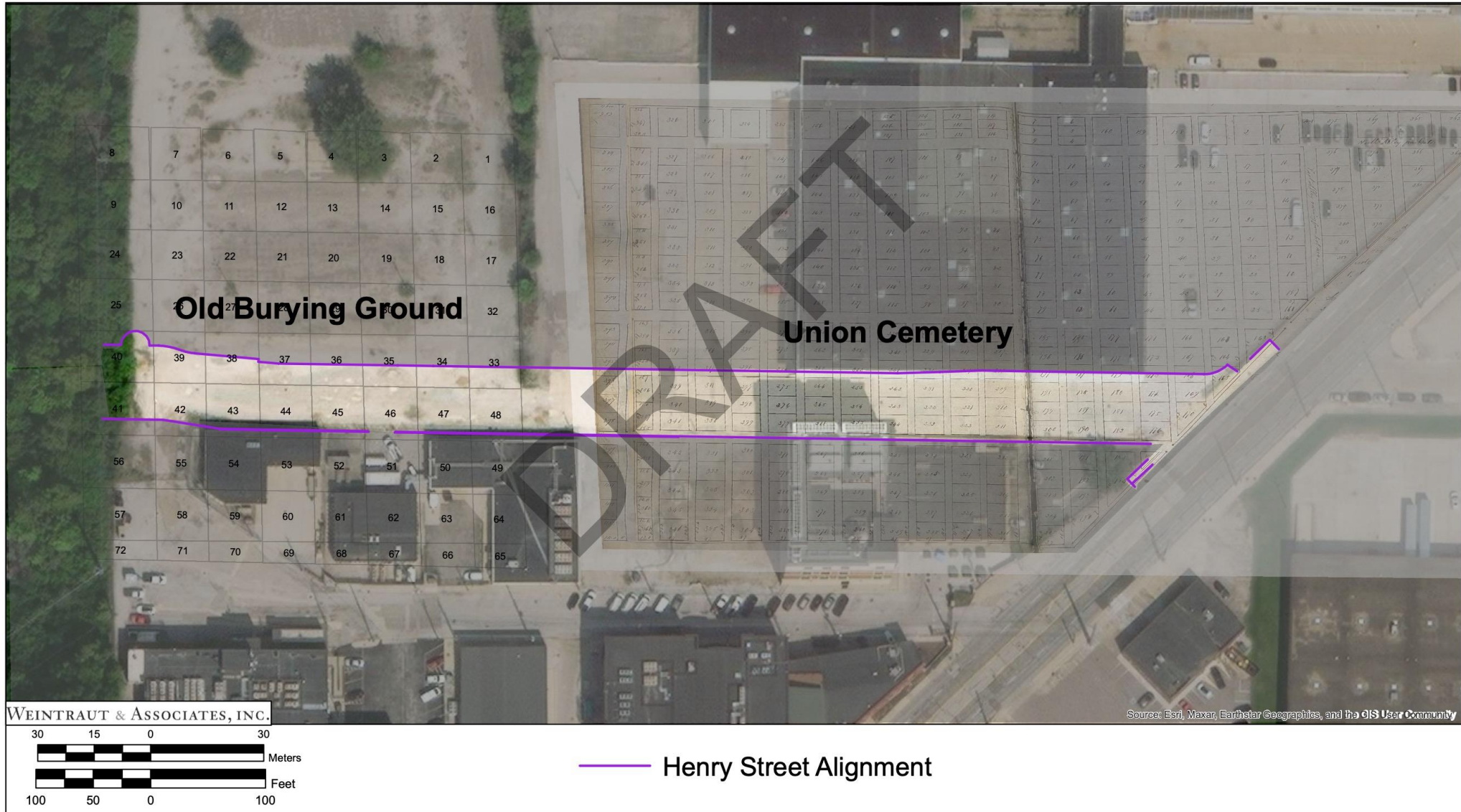


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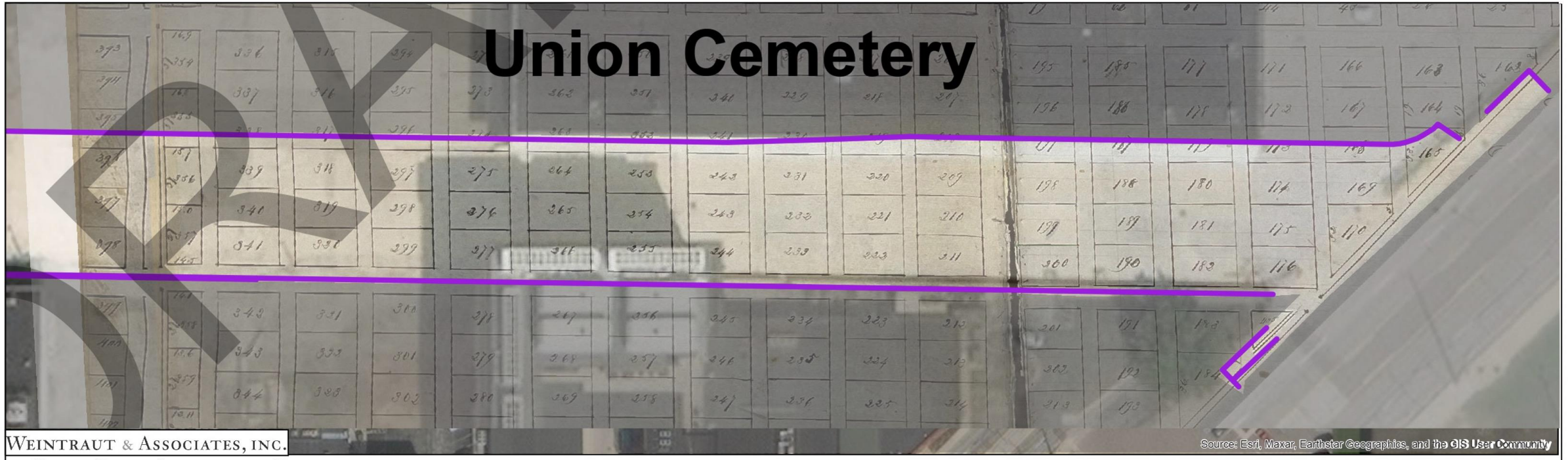


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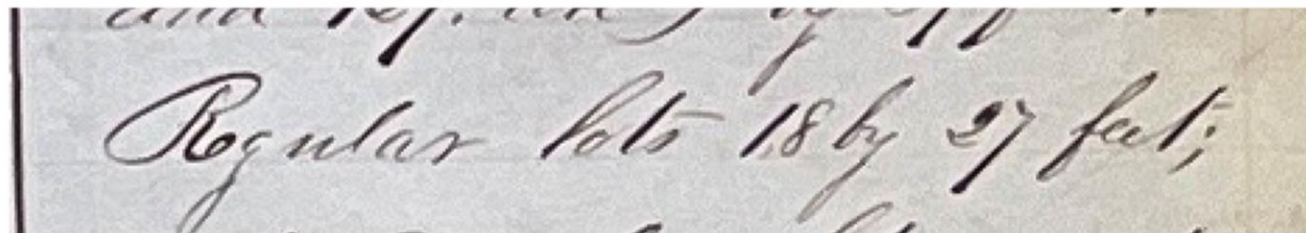
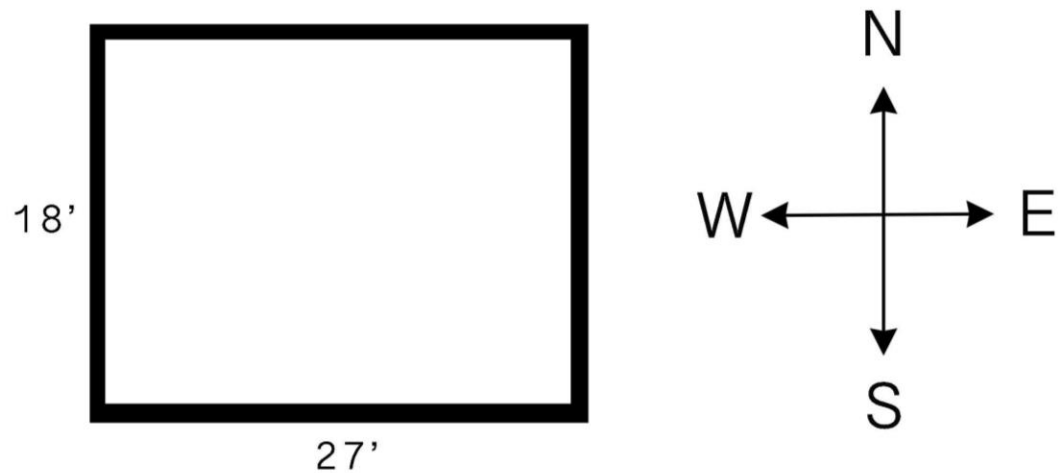
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UNION CEMETERY STANDARD LOT SIZE 18 x 27 feet



PLAT BOOK 1 1848-1856 p.69-70



of the North West quarter of section Eight (8) in Town ship fourth (4) North of Range 11 (S) East in the district of lands offered for sale at Indianapolis Indiana containing eighty acres patented by the United States to Hugh S. Board and then conveyed by Jan V Board to Henry Reed together with all the privs & appurtenances to the same belonging to have and to hold the same to the said Martin S. Board his heirs and assigns forever. The grantors their heirs and assigns hereby Covenanting with the grantee his heirs and assigns that the title so conveyed is clear for & valid and unincumbered that they are lawfully seized of the premises afore said as of a surety perfect and well granted estate in law tenor in full sample and that they will warrant and defend the same against all claims what so ever.

In witness whereof the said Henry Reed and Nancy Ann Reed his wife who live by & live together in said premises to have & to hold unto said their heirs and assigns this Eighth day of February 1851
 at Indianapolis Ind
 Henry Reed
 Nancy Ann Reed
 David W. Mullins }
 State of Indiana Monroe County S.S.
 Personally appeared before me the subscriber a Justice of the Peace in and for said County, Henry Reed and Nancy Ann Reed his wife the grantors in the above conveyance and acknowledged the same to be their voluntary act and deed. and the said Nancy Ann Reed wife of the said Henry Reed being examined by me privately separately and apart from and without the hearing of her said husband and the full contents and purport of said deed being by me first read & known and explained to her declared that she executed the same of her own free will and accord and without any coercion or compulsion from her husband.

Witness my hand and seal this Eighth day of February 1851
 at 27. Octobers P.M.
 David W. Mullins J.P. (Seal)

Recorded Feb 13th 1851
 at 27. Octobers P.M.

Isaac Poo chal to Heirs of Arthur Edw. Vance

This Indenture Mad this thirteenth day of October A.D. eight hundred and fifty between James Blakely James M. Ray, Nicholas McCarty and Isaac Poo of the County of Marion and State of Indiana of the first part and Mary Harris, Samuel, Martha, Thomas, James & Margaret, Arthur, Votie and Harvey Vance of the same place of the second part witnesseth that the parties of the first part in consideration of the sum of twenty dollars in hand by them received do sell to the party of the second part forever to hold to him number One hundred and Seventy one in the Union Cemetery as laid down in a plat there of recorded in the Clerk's office of Marion County afore said on the conditions published at said sale and recorded with said plat as aforesaid. Said lot to be used as a place of burial for the dead and for no other use what so ever and if otherwise used then to be forfeited to the original proprietors their heirs or assigns. And the said party of the first part for themselves their heirs executors and administrators do bind and forever to defend the parties of the second part their heirs and assigns against all claims of any and every other

persons to said lot number one hundred and seventy one (171) In testimony whereof the said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year above written

James Blakely by his attorney Isaac Poo (Seal)
 James M. Ray by his attorney Isaac Poo (Seal)
 Nicholas McCarty by his attorney Isaac Poo (Seal)

State of Indiana Monroe County S.S.
 Personally appeared before me Public Sealer a Justice of the Peace of said County Isaac Poo for him self and as attorney for the other parties of the first part and being by me examined as the persons named in the above deed did acknowledge the same to be his own act and deed as attorney for the uses and purposes above named. Witness my hand and seal the thirtieth day of October 1850
 Recorded Feb 13th 1851
 at 3 O'clock P.M. Public Sealer J.P. (Seal)

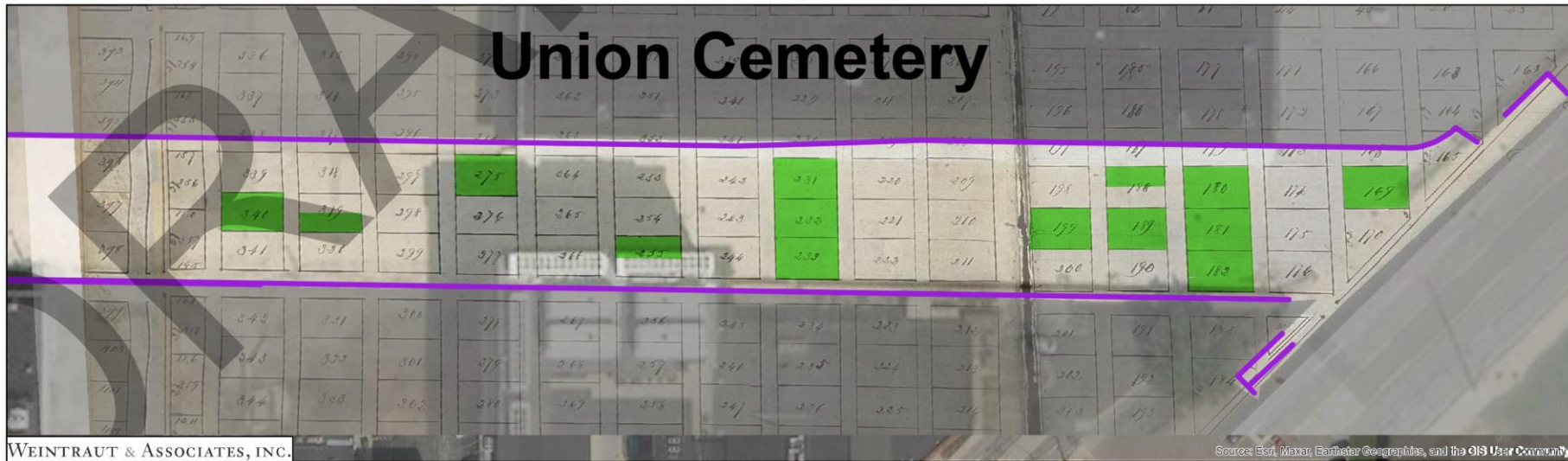
John R. Kitchaw to Harmon Kortepeiter

This Indenture Mad this 18th day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty nine between John R. Kitchaw of the County of Marion and State of Indiana of the first part and Harmon Kortepeiter of the County of Marion and State of Indiana of the second part witnesseth that the said party of the first part for and in consideration of the sum of two hundred dollars to the said party of the first part by the party of the second part in hand paid the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged both granted bargained and sold and by this present doth grant bargain sell convey and confirm unto the said party of the second part his heirs and assigns forever all the following described piece or parcel of land situate in the County of Marion and State of Indiana to wit: The North East quarter of section twelve Town 14 North of Range 13 East (except as reserved by Henry Brantton in his deed to Thomas Skilton of the Well and a small parcel of ground there to be lying and of the water and road privilage here stated) and except four acres at the South end of the East half five acres sold to John Russell in all one hundred and fifty five acres also the following fractions of four acres adjoining to said quarter in the North East corner of said of John M. Johnson and divided as follows beginning at the South East corner of Sec. 1 Town 14 N. R. 13 East and running thence North with the section line sixties poles to a small sugar and two beech trees near a branch thence due West 40 poles to a Stake near said branch thence due South 16 poles to a Stake in the section line dividing between us and twelve thence due East with said line to the place of beginning together with all the rights privilage and appurtenances thereunto belonging to have and to hold the above described premises with all the improvements and appurtenances to the same belonging to the said party of the second part his heirs and assigns forever and the said party of the first part for him self and his heirs doth hereby Covenant with the said party of the second part and his heirs that he is

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Union Cemetery Deed Holders listed in Marion County Recorder Deed Books

- Lot 169: Richard Gilbert • Jan 14, 1850
- Lot 180: Dorothy Rauschaupt • Oct 19, 1850
- Lot 181: Phillip Socke • Oct 19, 1850
- Lot 182: Conrad Bea • Oct 13, 1850
- Lot 188: George Lowe (North Half) • Nov 18, 1850
- Lot 189: Matthew Alford/George Northway • Jul 27, 1850

Union Cemetery • Lots 231 - 233 Blind Asylum (Institute for the Blind)

Isaac Coe & al. to Trustees of Indiana Blind Institute.

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 This Indenture, Made this thirteenth day of January A.D. eighteen hundred
 and fifty three between James Blake, James M. Ray, Nicholas M. Carty,
 and Isaac Coe, of the County of Marion and State of Indiana, of the first
 part, and the Trustees of the Indiana Institute for the education of the
 Blind, of the same place of the second part, witnesseth, That the parties of
 the first part, in consideration of the sum of sixty dollars, in hand by them
 received, do sell to the party of the second part, forever to hold, lot, numbers
 two hundred and thirty one, two, and three in the Union Cemetery as laid
 down on a plat thereof, recorded in the Clerk's office of Marion County, aforesaid,
 on the conditions published at said sale, and recorded with said plat
 as aforesaid, said lot to be used as a place of burial for the dead, and for
 no other use whatever; and if otherwise used, then to be forfeited to the original
 proprietors, their heirs or assigns. And the said parties of the first part, for
 themselves, their heirs, executors and administrators, do covenant forever
 to defend the parties of the second part, ^{and} their assigns against all claims
 of any & every other person to said lot number Two hundred & thirty one,
 two hundred and thirty two & two hundred & thirty three (231, 232, 233)
 In Testimony whereof, the said parties of the first part have hereunto
 set their hands and seals the day and year above written.

James Blake, by his Attorney, Isaac Coe [Seal]
 James M. Ray, by his Attorney, Isaac Coe [Seal]
 Nicholas M. Carty, by his Attorney, Isaac Coe [Seal]
 Isaac Coe [Seal]

State of Indiana, Marion County, ss.
 Personally appeared before me, Mayor of Indianapolis in said County Isaac
 Coe for himself, and as attorney for the other parties of the first part,
 and being by me known as the person named in the above deed, did acknowledge
 the same to be his own act, and his act as attorney for the uses and pur-
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 day of January 1853. Caleb Scudder [Seal]
 Mayor.
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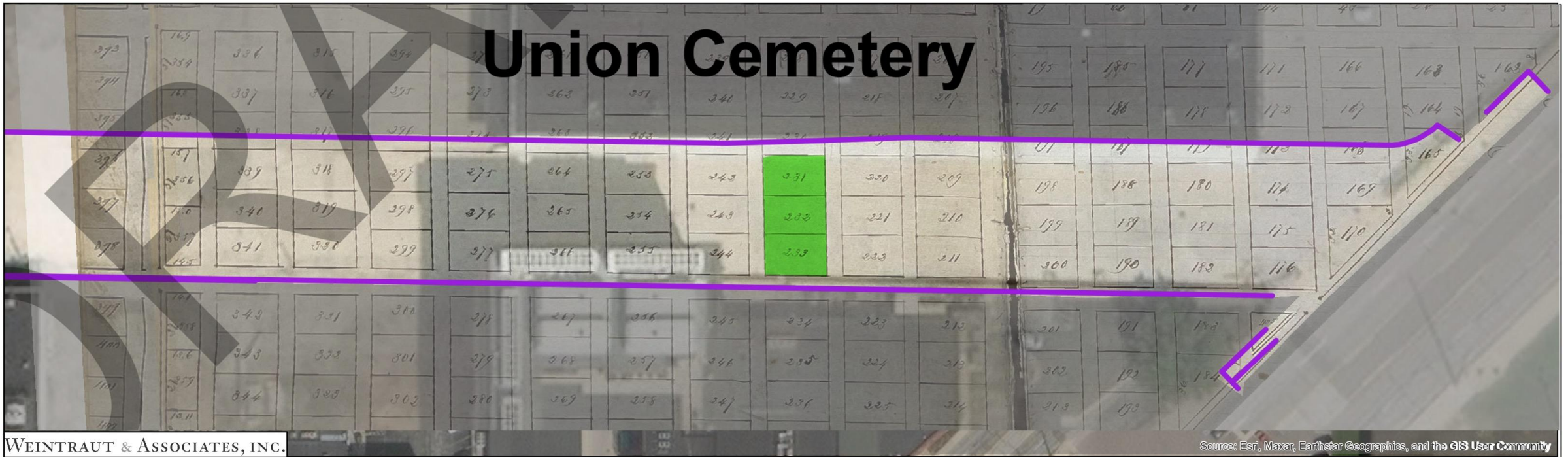
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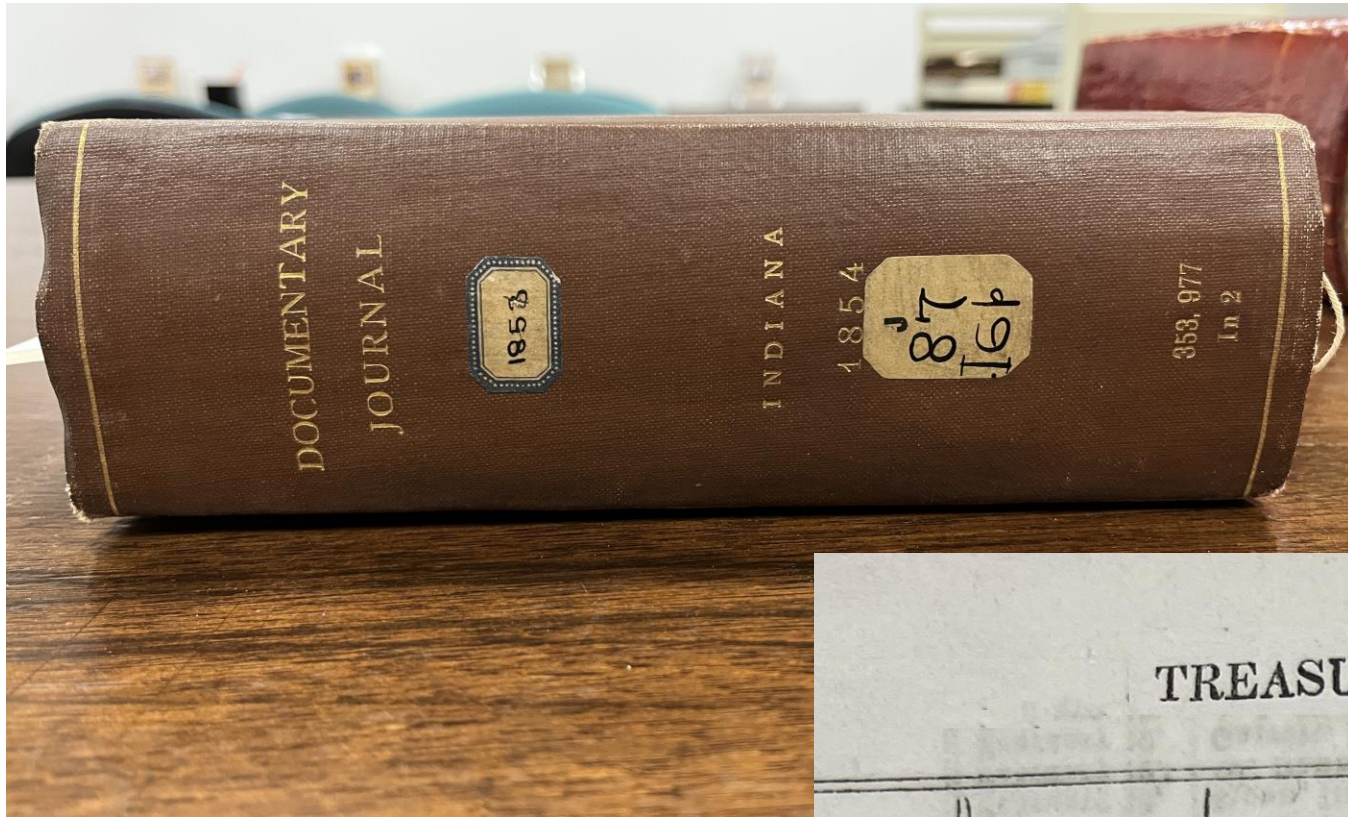
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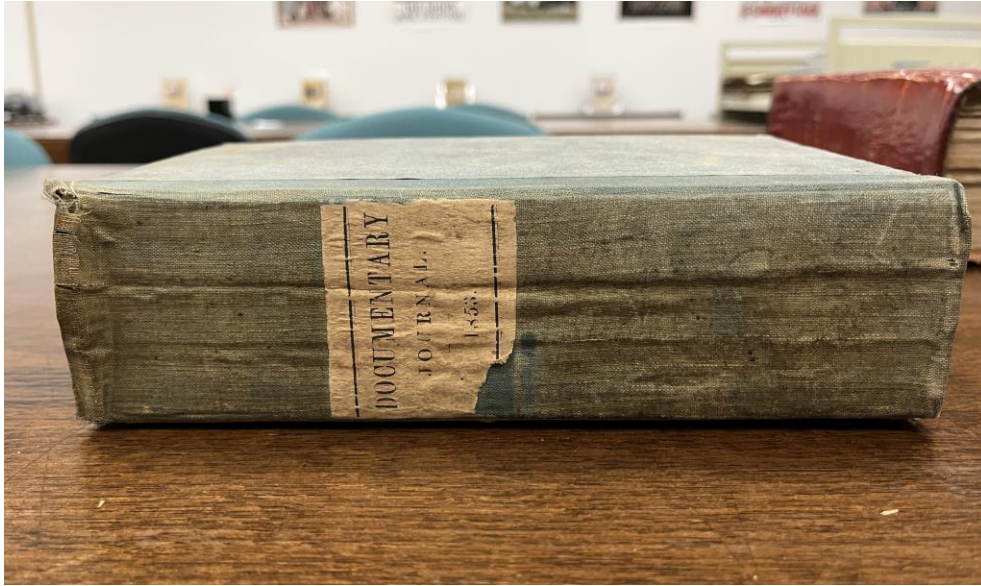
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February 10,	A. J. Alexander & Co. for flooring, on account	50 00
February 10,	A. J. Alexander & Co. for balance on account.....	485 96
February 10,	Armstrong, Harris, & Co. for willows.....	102 25
February 10,	Weyer & McKee for freight.....	52 00
February 10,	Isaac Coe for lots in city cemetery.....	40 00
February 10,	J Mahoney for excavating for gas pipes.....	15 30
February 10,	S. Scofield balance for cisterns.....	25 00
February 10,	M. & I. Railroad Co. for freight on lumber.....	22 00
February 10,	M. Brady for sundry labor.....	39 25
February 10,	C. J. Slingluff for mason work, etc.....	53 25
February 10,	Geo. Mitchell for painting.....	287 63
February 10,	Jno. Ryan for grading, &c.....	18 56
February 10,	Weyer & McKee for coal and coke.....	41 00



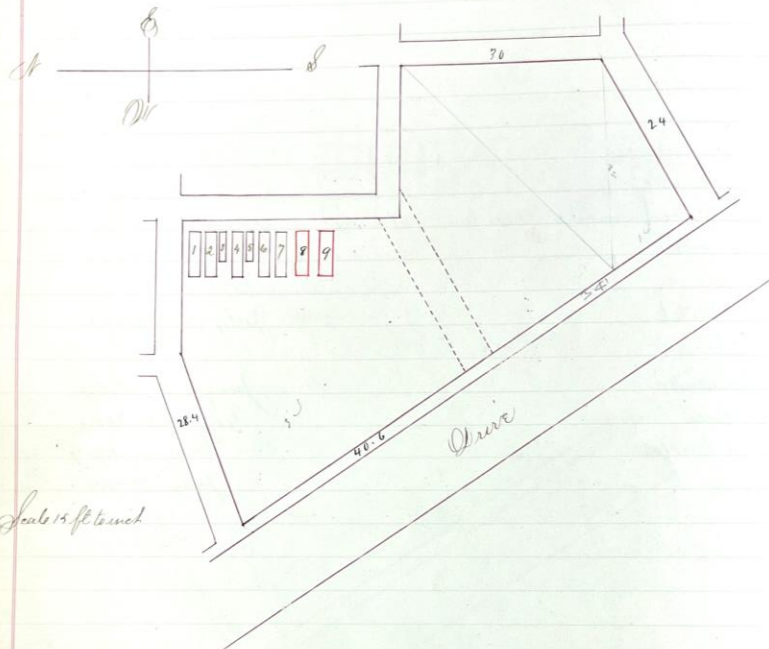
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July 3, 1852	Paid M. and I. Railroad freight on stone.....		
do	do	Paid sundry carpenters for work on building:	
		John Gingrich.....	\$48 00
		John Peterson.....	36 00
		Henry Colestock.....	31 87
		J. Colestock.....	32 25
		H. Lathrop.....	32 25
		D. Nichol.....	36 00
		D. Long.....	36 00
		B. M. Mathews.....	36 00
		R. J. Wells.....	36 00
		J. Wornell.....	36 00
		T. W. Gilleland.....	18 00
		E. H. Roberts.....	1 13
			7 50
Sep. 4, 1852	Paid John Dustman for grave stones.....		351 00
do	do	Paid Robson and Lawrence for one horse.....	35 50
do	do	Paid J. W. Roberts for plumbing material.....	125 00
do	do	Paid Virginia Institution for the blind for books.....	548 98
do	do	Paid M. and I. Railroad for freight on stone, &c.....	60 50
do	do	Paid W. H. Churchman for 1 quarter salary, on account.....	47 47
do	do	Paid B. M. Fay for 1 quarter salary, on account.....	
do	do	Paid L. S. Newell balance for 1 quarter salary.....	
do	do	Paid S. McGiffin for 1 quarter salary.....	

Sec. 7
Blind Chyler
See Papers ON FILE
Lot 30 & 31
(July 14 1871)



Scale 1/4 inch = 10 feet

No 1	Geo. W. Culbertson	Sw D. B April 9 1879
" 2	John S. R. Bergum	" " " do " "
" 3	Geo W. Hibbits	" " " do " "
" 4	Mary Boileau	" " " do " "
" 5	L. O. Fitzpatrick	" " " do " "
" 6	Charles Burk	" " " do 6 "
" 7	Henry Olliver	" " " Nov 26 1879
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Crown Hill Plat Book Sections 6 – 14 p. 72



Isaac Poe et al to George Lowe



Find-a-Grave/Susan (Denny) Cullison

Isaac Poe et al to George Lowe

This Indenture made this eighteenth day of November A.D. Eighteen hundred and fifty between James Blake, James M. Ray, Nicholas M. Party and Isaac Poe of the County of Marion and State of Indiana of the first part and George Lowe of the same place of the second part Witness this that the parties of the first part in consideration of the sum of ten dollars in hand by them received, do sell to the party of the second part forever to hold the North half of lot number one hundred and eighty eight (188) in the Union Cemetery as laid down on a plat thereof recorded in the Clerk's Office of Marion county aforesaid on the conditions published at said sale and recorded with said plat as aforesaid. Said lot to be used as a place of burial for the dead and for no other use whatsoever and if otherwise used then to be forfeited to the original proprietors their heirs or assigns. And the said parties of the first part for themselves their heirs, executors and administrators do covenant forever to defend the parties of the second part his heirs and assigns against all claims of any and every other person to said North half of lot one hundred and eighty eight (188)

In Testimony whereof the said parties of the first part have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year above written

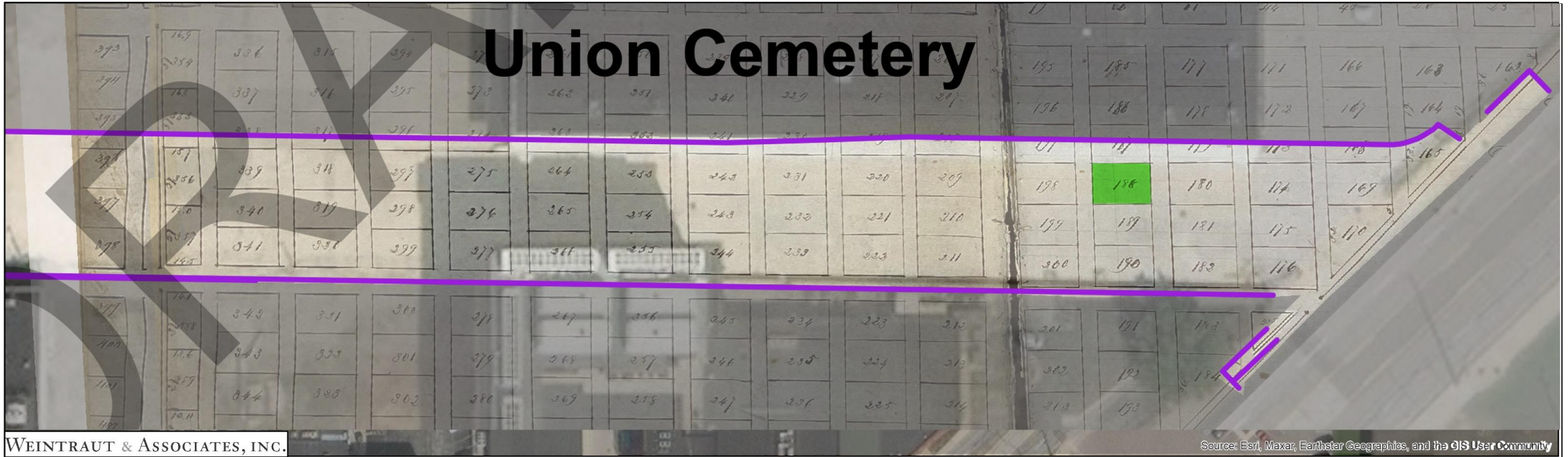
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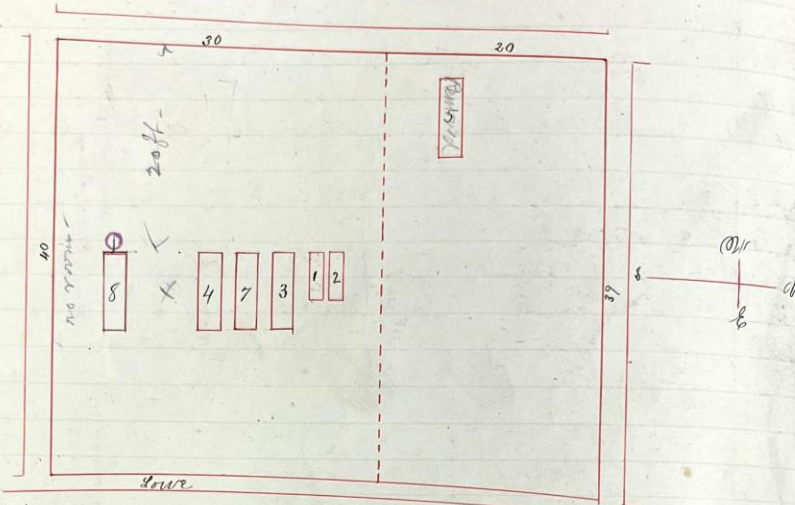
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S.W. 7/8 of Lot 24
 Sec. 7
 Mary W. Lowe }
 (Nov. 7, 1866)
 James H. Lowe }
 (July 27, 1895)



Scale 10 ft to inch

Driv

- Plot 1 Geo. W. A. Lowe Sec D B Nov 7 1866
- .. 2 Mary Clarissa Lowe " " Do,
- .. 3 George Lowe " " Sept 24 1887
- .. 4 Geo C Lowe " " Mar 24 1892
- .. 5 ~~Mrs. Clara A. Lowell~~ ^{Removed to Lot 83 Dec 19} " " ~~July 29 1895~~
- .. 6 Mary W. Lowe " " April 2 1898
- .. 8 Caleb S. Denny (Em 188) " " March 26, 1926



To the Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

Gentlemen:—I am in need of more ground for burying purposes in Greenlawn Cemetery. The city can buy lots for \$15 to \$20 each, and I suggest that a few be purchased as soon as possible.

I have been offered the north half of lot 188, as recorded in book "AA," page 71, owned by George Lowe, for \$7.50, and recommend that the same be purchased at once.

Respectfully,

ROBERT TURNER, City Sexton.

Common Council Proceedings, March 1, 1886, p. 135

Isaac Fox et al to Richard Gilbert

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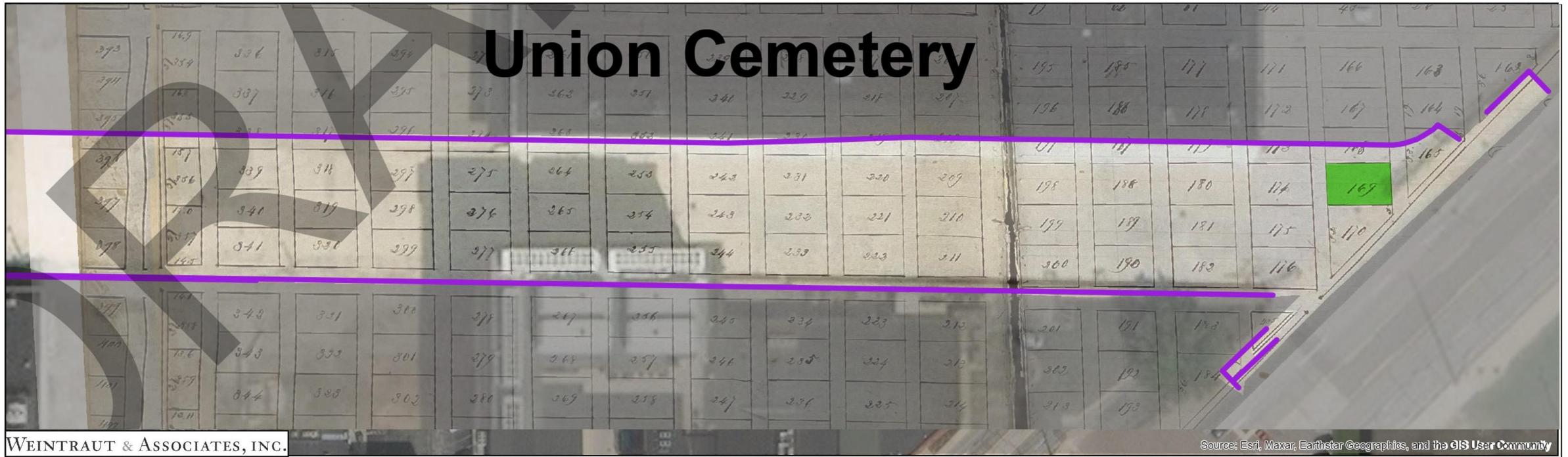
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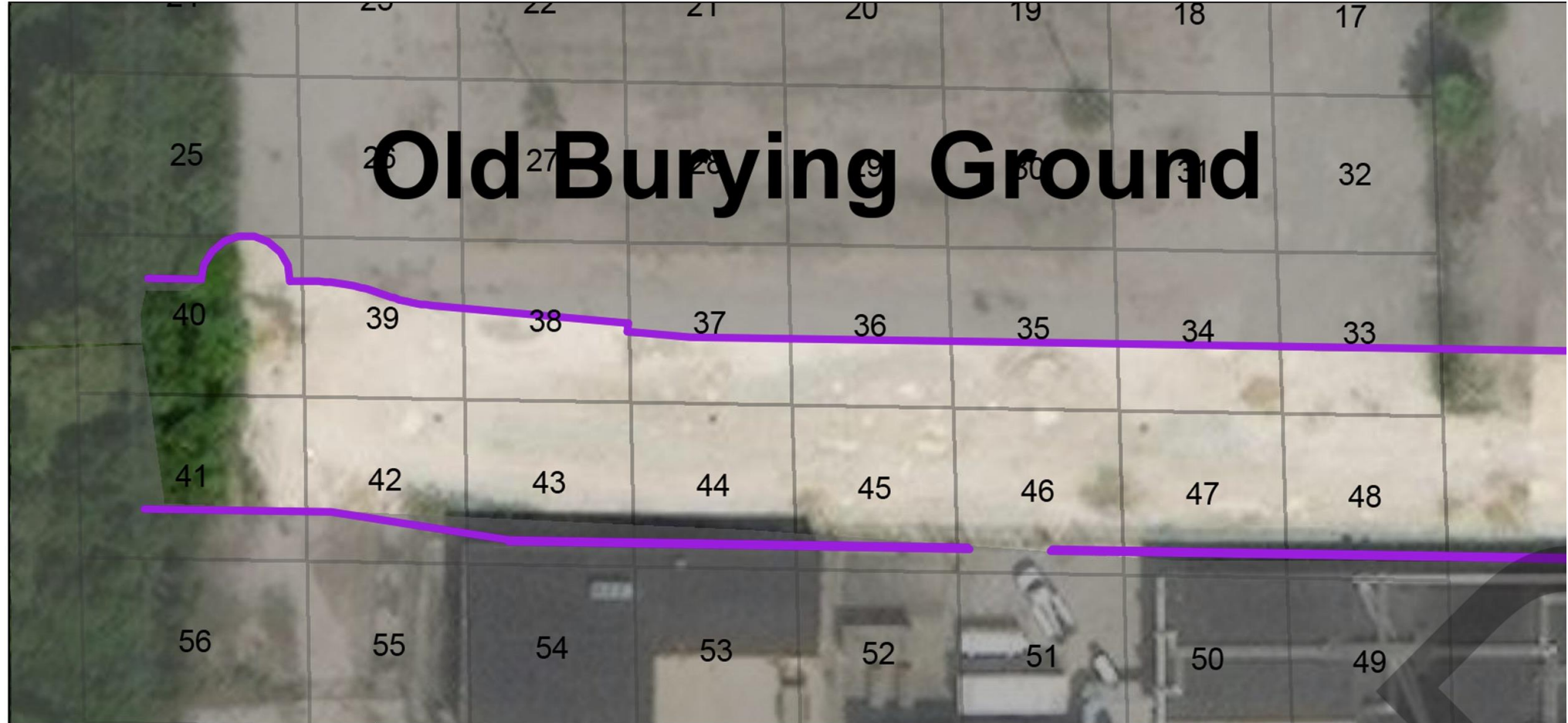
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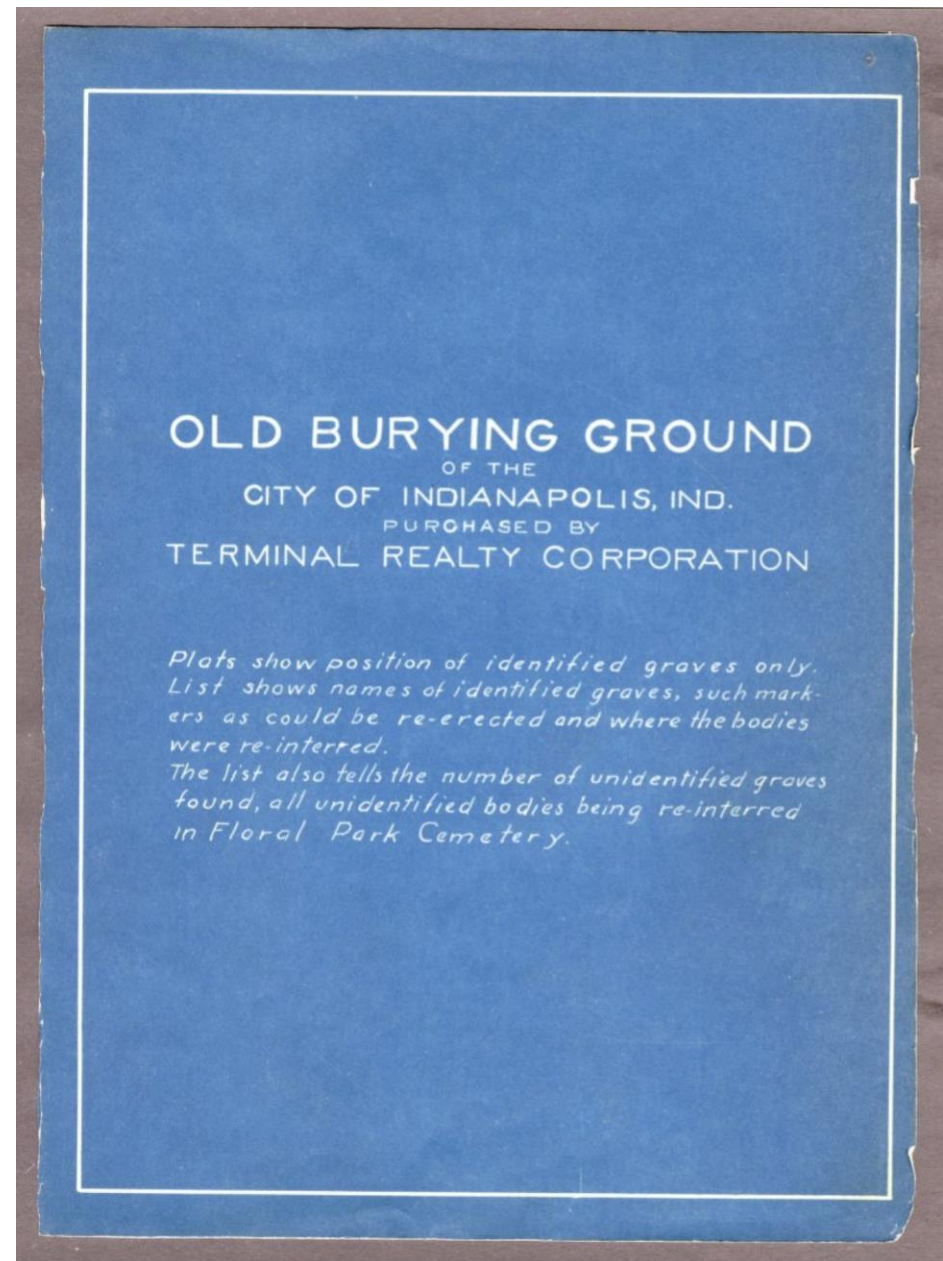
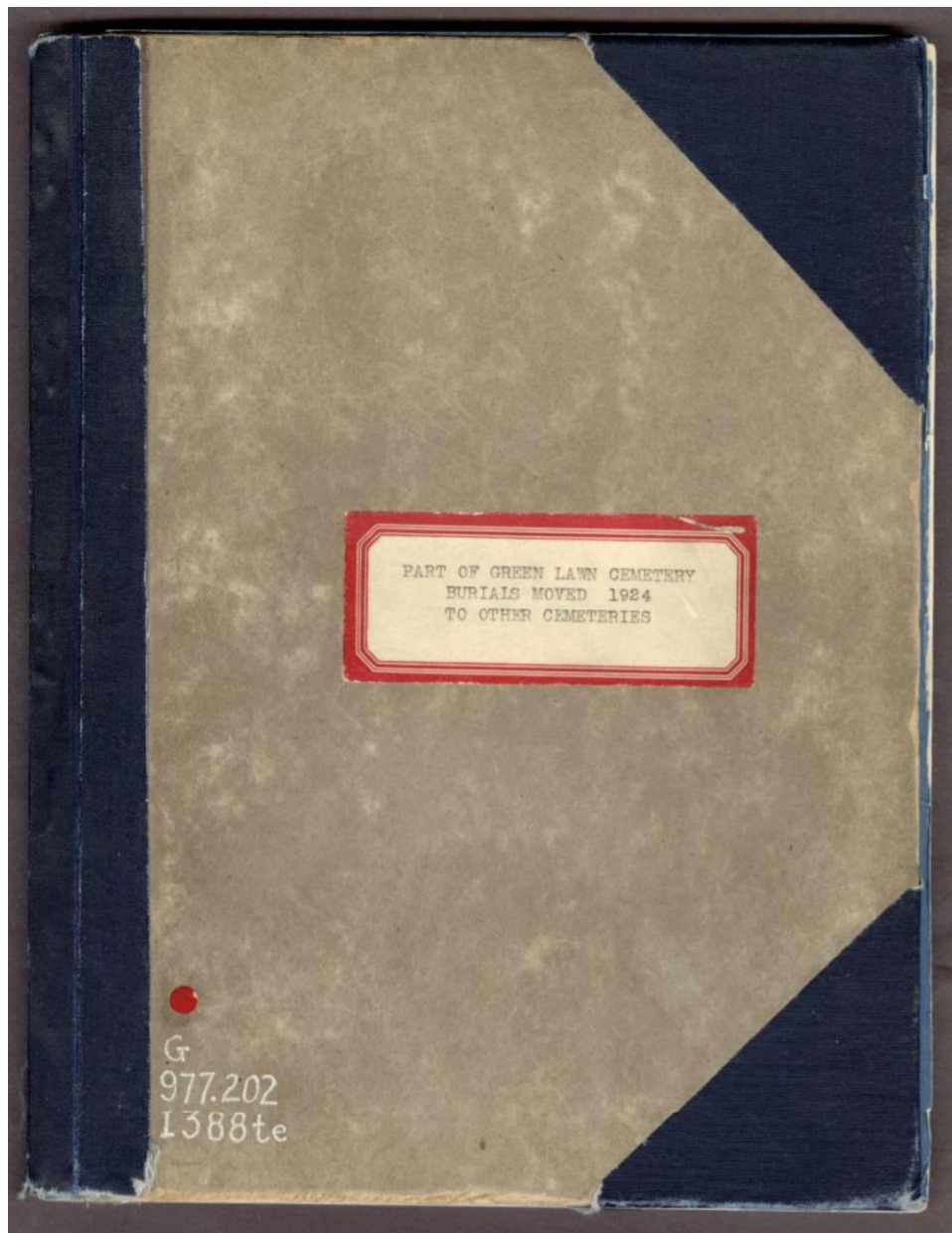
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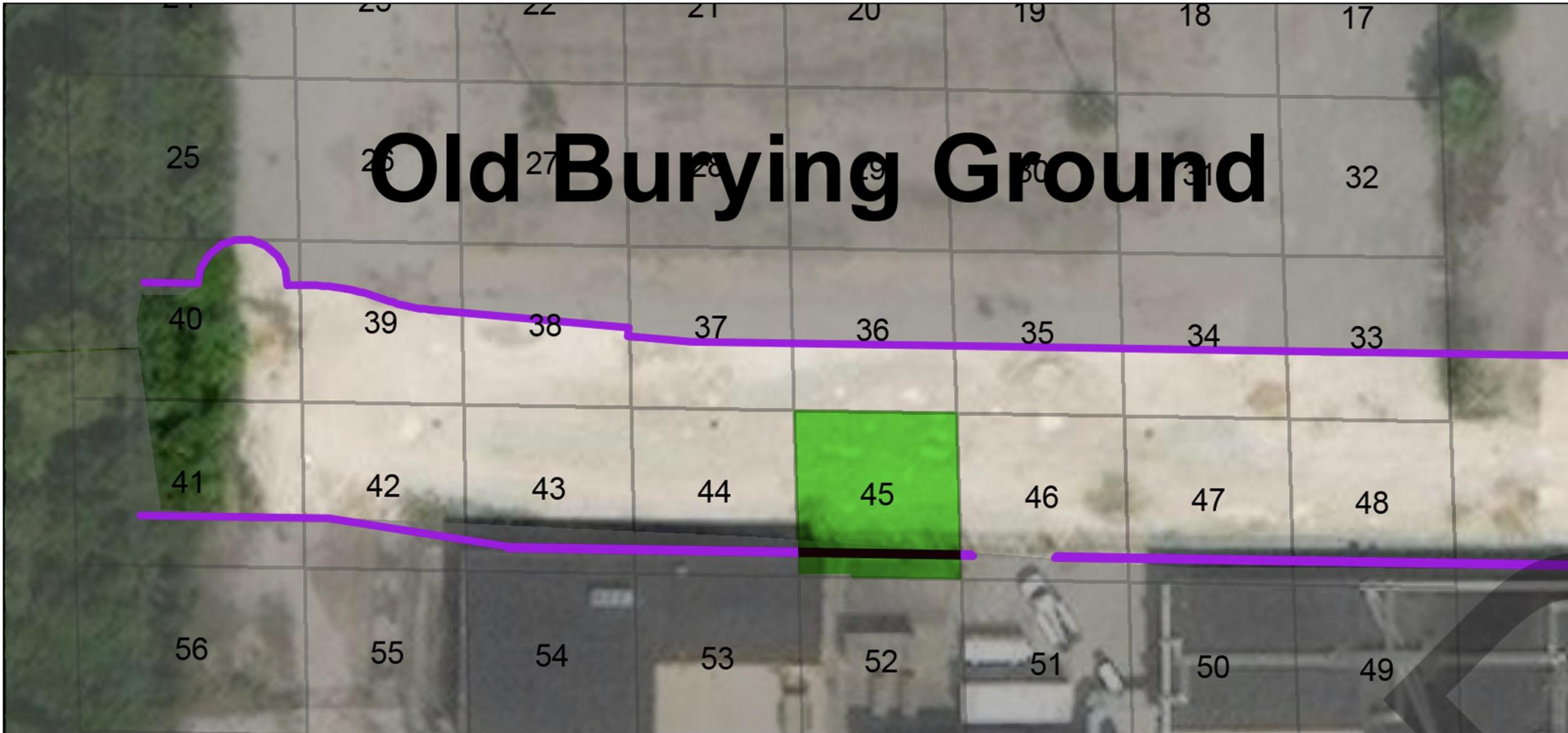


“Part of Green Lawn Cemetery Burials Moved To Other Cemeteries 1924”

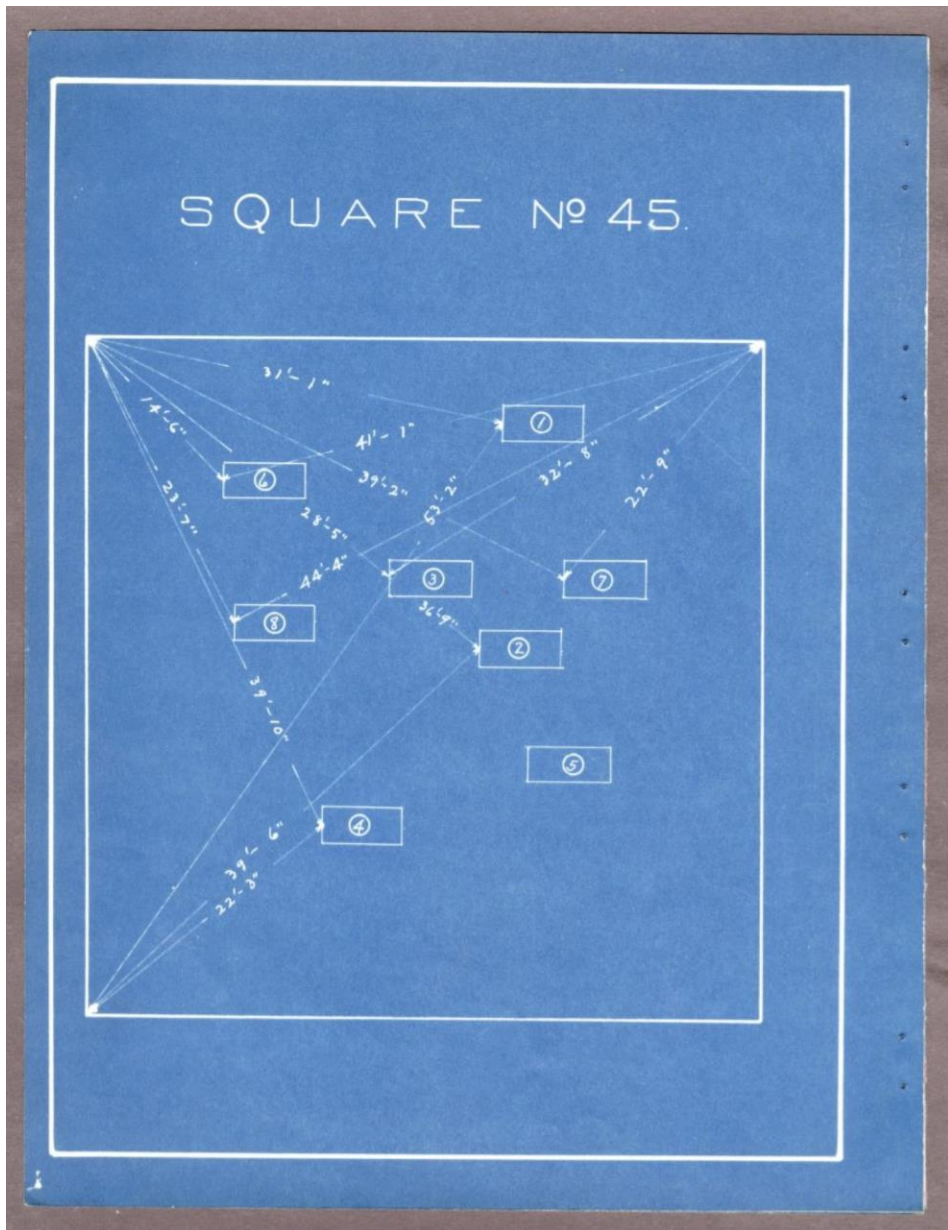
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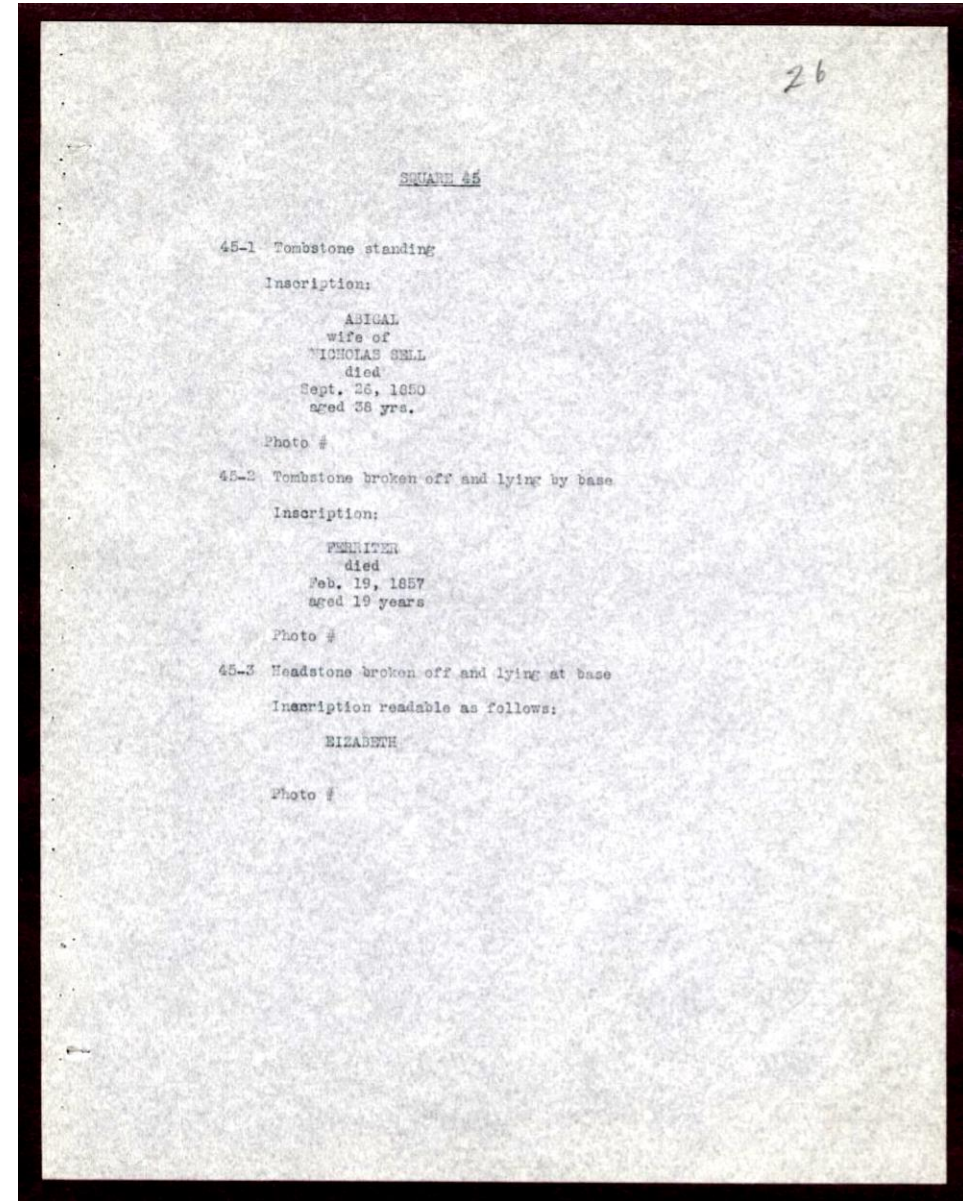
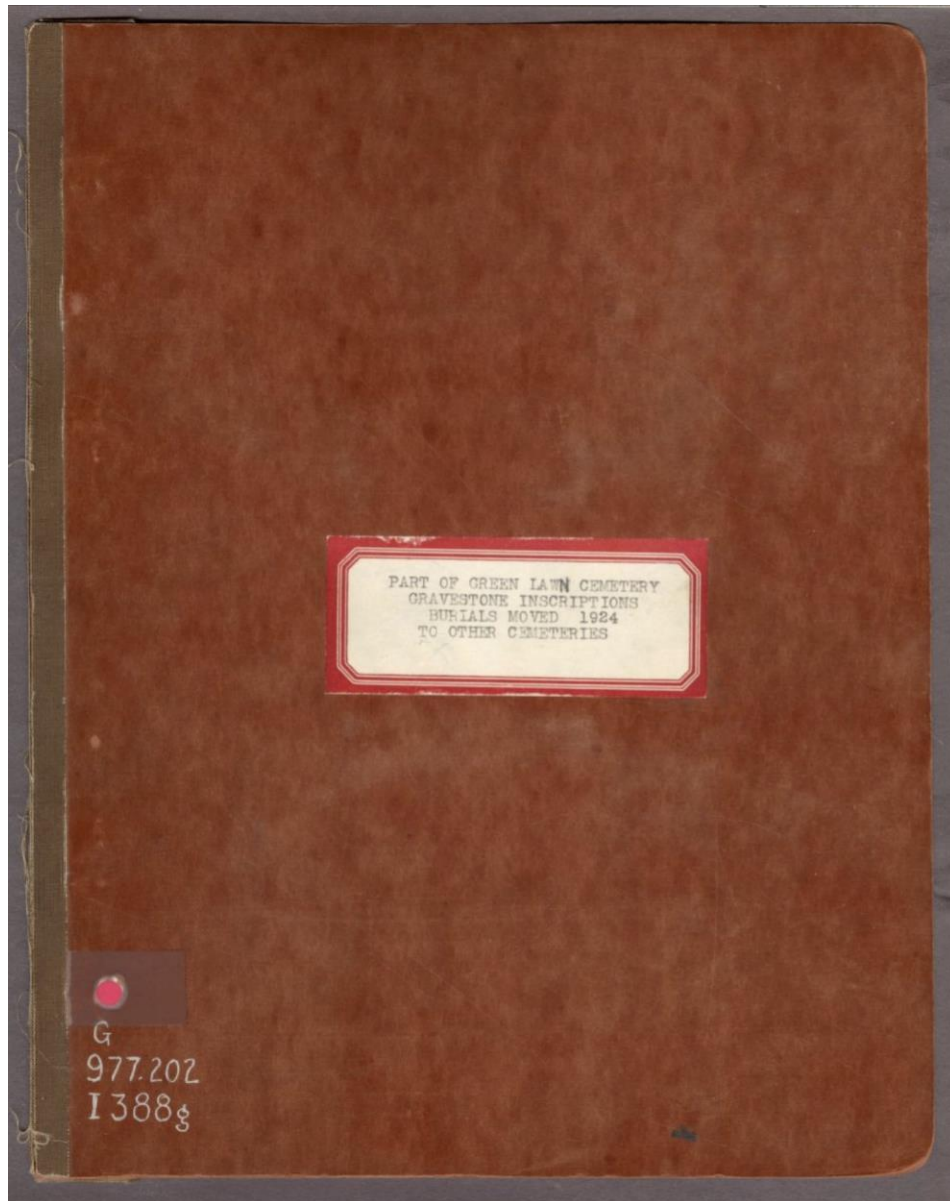
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Grave No.	Name	Condition of Stone	Where Reinterred	Remarks
1	Abigail Infant) Sell	Standing	Floral Park	Stone reerected
2	John Ferriter	Broken- lying on grave	Floral Park	Stone repaired "
3	Elizabeth McCann	Broken- lying on grave	Floral Park	" " "
4	William Sebol	Broken- beyond repair	Floral Park	" not " Remains were in a steel casket
5	William O'Conner	Broken- lying on grave	Holy Cross	Stone Repaired "
6	William Ferriter	Broken- Partly buried in grave	Holy Cross	" " "
7	Mary O'Neil	Broken- lying on grave	Holy Cross	" " "
8	James) John) Ferriter	Buried in grave	Holy Cross	" " "

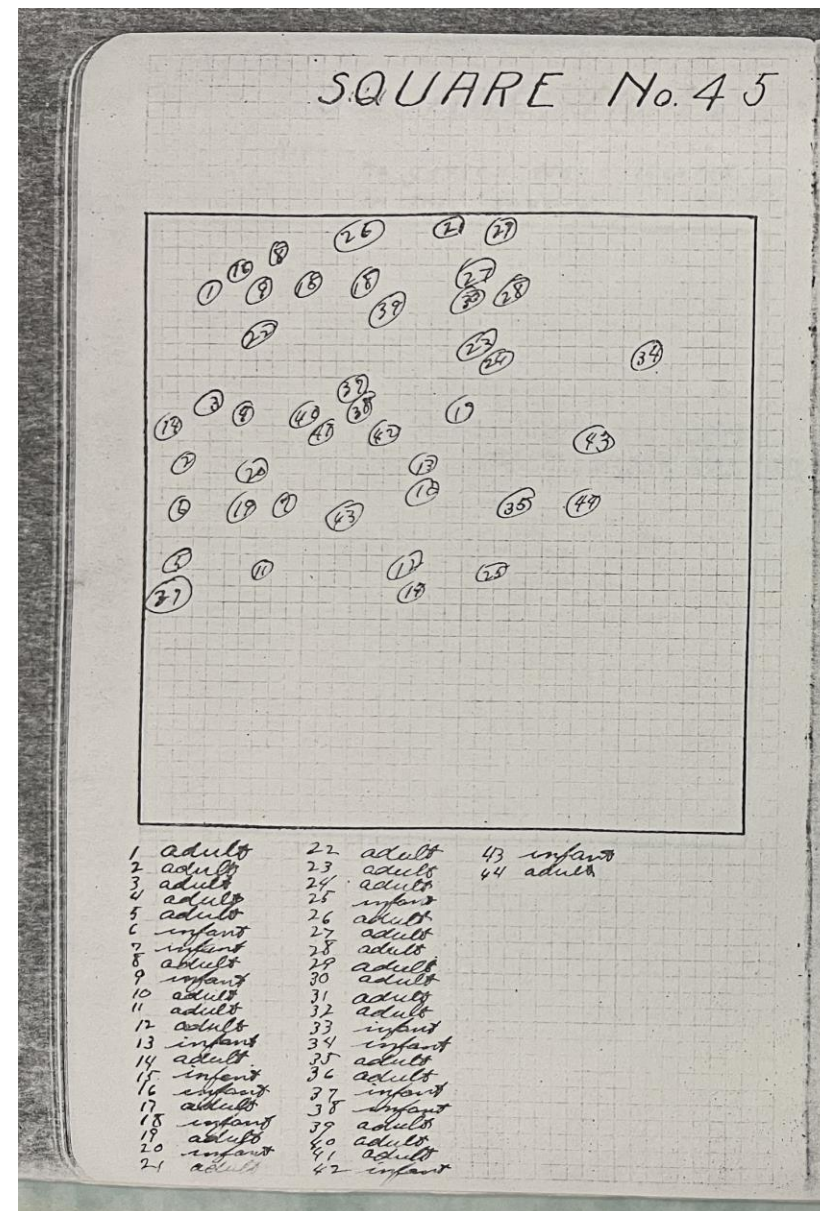
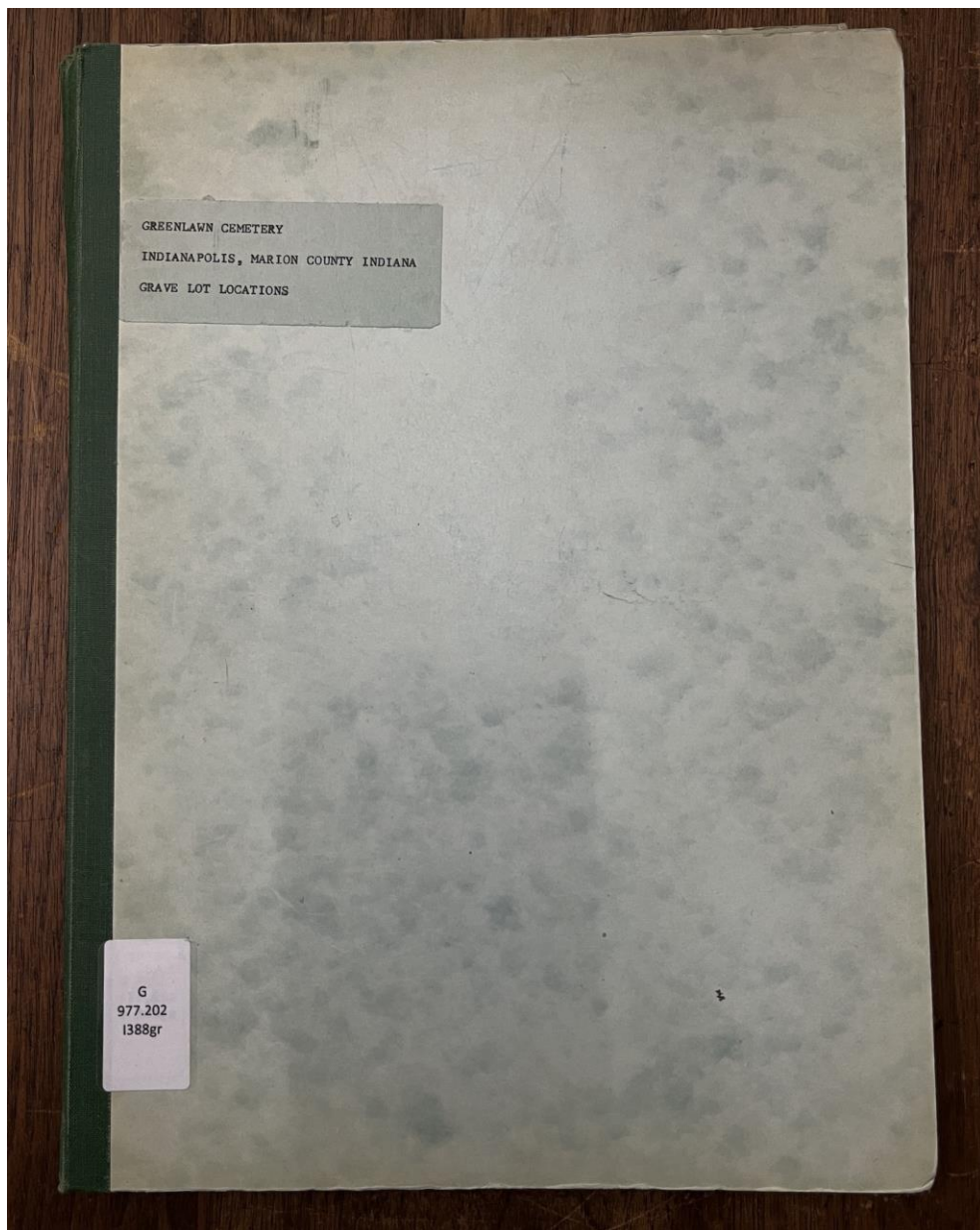
UNIDENTIFIED

No. of Adults	No. of Infants	Total	Remarks
29	14	44	

Part of Green Lawn Cemetery Burials Moved To Other Cemeteries 1924, Indiana State Library



"Part of Green Lawn Cemetery Gravestone Inscriptions, Indiana State Library



Greenlawn Cemetery Indianapolis Marion County Indiana Grave Lot Locations, Indiana State Library

Erected by a few friends
in memory of
Adam Mullen
A native of
Belfast Ireland
Died in this city
June 27, 1869
Aged
23 years

(a)
John
Musgrave sr
Died
Feb 6 1848
Aged 49 yrs
9 mo 6 ds

In memory of
Martha Jane
Consort of
Charles W Neighbors
Daughter of
E W & M Foudray
Died January 12 1846
Aged 22 years 5 mo 15 days

Wm R infant
son of
E & L Newberry
Died
***** 1864

(a)
William O'Connor
Died
Sept 20 1851
Aged
35 years

(a)
Margaret A
Daughter of
William & Joanna
Nightley
Died
Aug 15, 1857
Aged 17 months

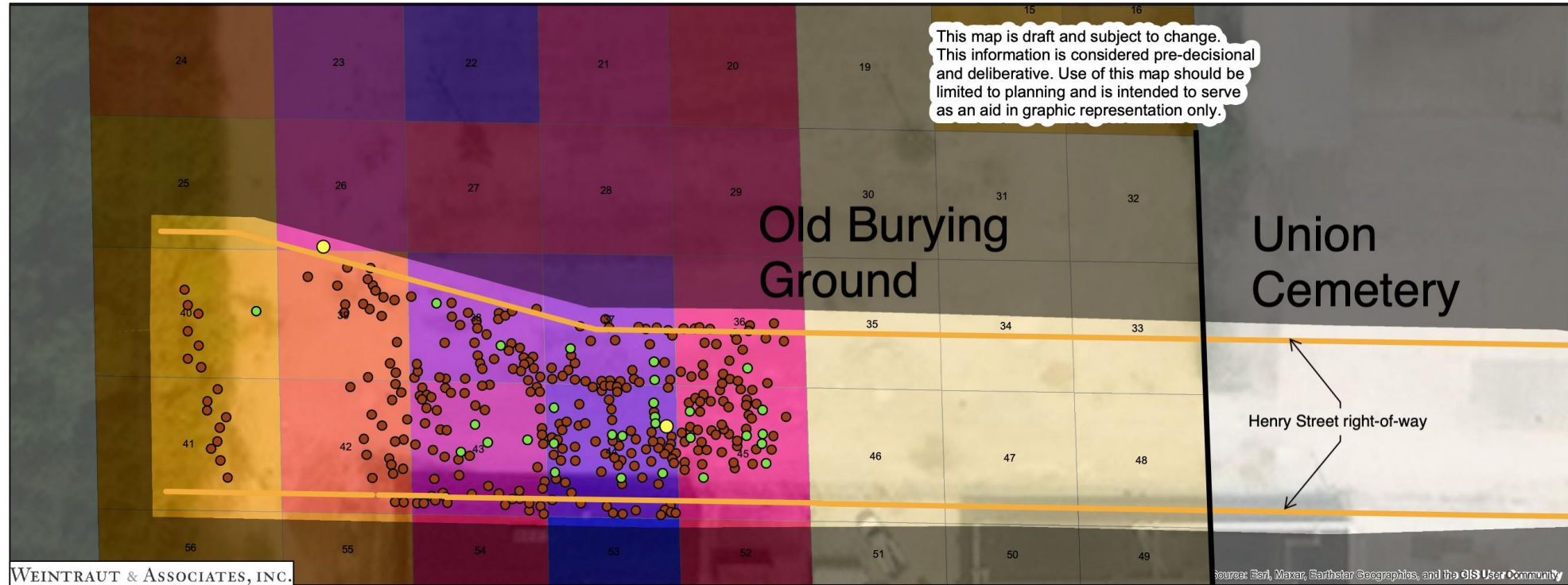
From the Co. Kerry Ireland Parish
of *****



A Transcript of the Gravestones Remaining in Greenlawn Cemetery 1920,
J. R. H. Moore, Indiana State Library

Terminal Reality Corp. 1924 Burial Removals

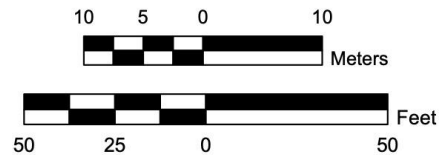
Henry Street Proposed Right of Way (ROW)
 Prepared for the City of Indianapolis, May 9, 2024



WEINTRAUT & ASSOCIATES, INC.

Source: Esri, Maxar, Earthstar Geographics, and the GIS User Community

HEAT MAP ILLUSTRATING THE DENSITY AND LOCATION OF IDENTIFIED AND UNIDENTIFIED REMOVALS OF THE TERMINAL REALTY COMPANY REMOVALS (1924)† IN THE OLD BURYING GROUND BY SECTION, AS SHOWN ON AN AERIAL MAP (2022) WITH THE PROPOSED HENRY STREET TEMPORARY AND PERMANENT RIGHT OF WAY (ROW) (MAY 6, 2024). MAP CREATED MAY 9, 2024.

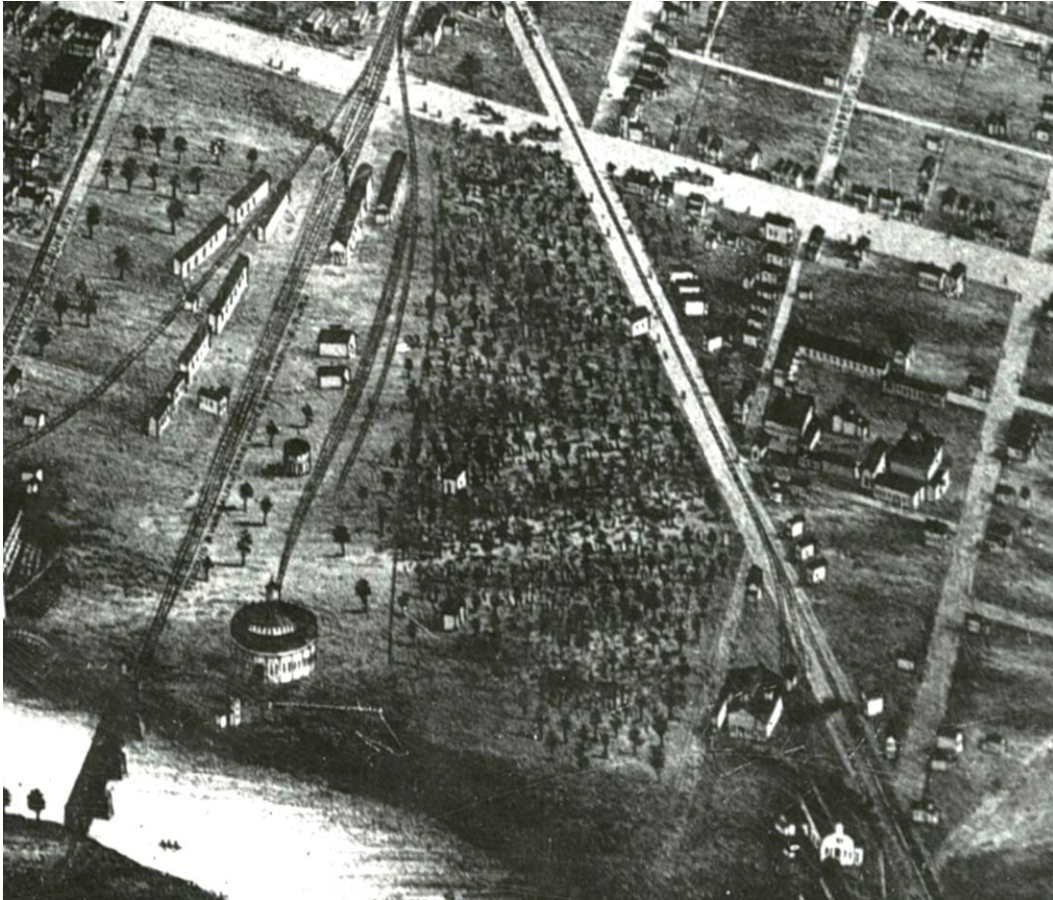


- Proposed Permanent ROW Recieved from Lochmueller Group May 6, 2024
- Known African American Removal
- Identified Removal
- Unidentified Removal (No grave marker)

Heat Map # of Removals per Terminal Reality Corp Square

0	37	55
4	39	60
11	44	69
16	51	72
20	52	85
21	53	99

† Information regarding removals comes from: Greenlawn Cemetery Lot Locations, Compiler Unknown, Date Unknown, on file at the Indiana State Library; Part of the Green Lawn Cemetery Burials Moved 1924 to Other Cemeteries, Old Burying Ground of the City of Indianapolis, Ind., Terminal Realty Company, Old Burying Ground of the City of Indianapolis, Ind., March 24, 1924, Indiana State Library Digital Collections, <https://indianamemory.contentdm.oclc.org/digital/collection/p16066coll11/id/36041/rec/3>. Biographical information related to the identified removals may be found in: Weintraut & Associates, Inc., "Old Burying Ground Data Identified Removals: Preliminary Research," Document prepared for the City of Indianapolis Department of Public Works, February 29, 2024.



Bird's Eye View of Indianapolis, 1871,
Indiana Historical Society

The City Sexton made the following report :

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 6, 1871.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of Indianapolis :

GENTLEMEN—The following interments have been made in the City Cemeteries during the month of October :

Under 5 years of age.....	13
From 10 to 20 years of age.....	1
“ 20 to 30 “ “	1
“ 30 to 40 “ “	7
“ 50 to 60 “ “	2
	—
Total.....	24

Common Council Proceedings, November 6, 1871, p. 782

To the Mayor, Common Council and Board of Aldermen :

1. *Gentlemen:*—Since the last meeting of the Council, the case of Ellen Smith, et al., vs. The City, Flanner & Hommown, and Fielding Houston, has been tried before Judge Taylor and a jury, and resulted in a verdict in favor of the city, but in favor of the plaintiffs against the other defendants, and fixed the damages at \$200.00.

The action was for trespass, the defendants having buried the bodies of five paupers on the lot of plaintiffs, in Greenlawn Cemetery, over the bodies of their dead ancestors. The Sexton and undertakers claim that they were not aware that other bodies had been buried on the lot in question; and while I believe this to be true in this case, I am convinced from facts learned by me in the preparation and trial of this case, that no more County burials should occur in this cemetery. I would suggest that you instruct the Sexton not to dig any more graves for the burial of the poor, unless the county undertakers first furnish proofs that the ground selected is not private property.

Common Council Proceedings, July 24, 1883 p. 1093-1094

We were informed by the Assistant Sexton, that they were now, and had for some time, been using for burial purposes, ground that, to their certain knowledge, had been used for the same purpose at least *twice* before; and that in excavating a grave, it was almost *always* the case that at least *two*, and frequently *three* sets of buried remains would be met with; and that in *all* cases where the coffins were not comparatively *new*, they simply spread the different sets of remains over the bottom of the grave, and placed the new coffin upon top of them. The city has no grounds within the enclosure, that have not been buried in one or more times.

Why This History Matters

Eunice Trotter
Duane Perry

Eunice Trotter is the Director of the Black Heritage Preservation Program at Indiana Landmarks, as well as an author and journalist.

Duane Perry is a member of the Indiana African American Genealogical Group and is also leading an IAAGG group researching Black pioneers.

Eunice and Duane are both members of the CAG.

Black In Indiana

Uncovering and Saving Our History

Eunice Trotter, Director

Indiana Landmarks Black Heritage Preservation Program

Duane Perry, Indiana African American Genealogical Group



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**African Americans Began Arriving in Indiana
Before the Creation of the Northwest
Territory Through a 1787 Ordinance**



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Enslaved Africans Were Brought to Indiana by the French as in the 1750s

-- St. Francis Xavier Church



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Some African Americans Were Free People



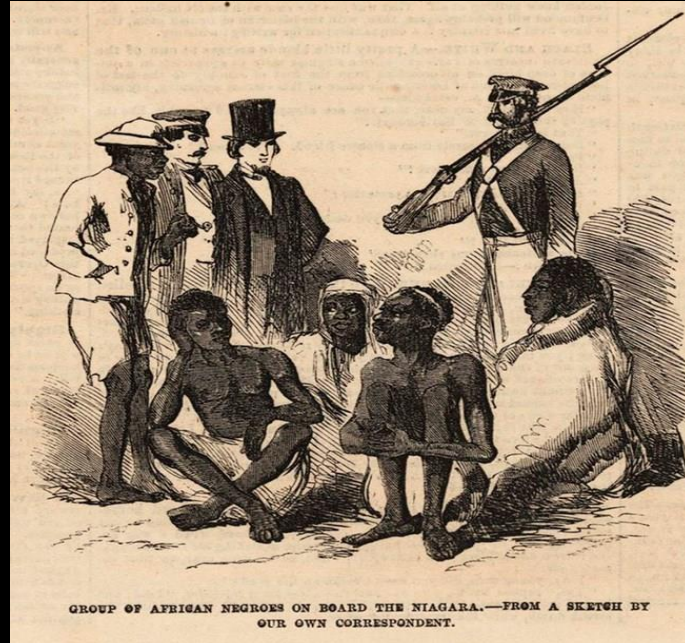
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Some Came With Slave Holding Revolutionary War Veterans Claiming Land Grants



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African Americans Brought to Indiana and Indianapolis by Enslavers from the South



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Was Indiana a Free State?



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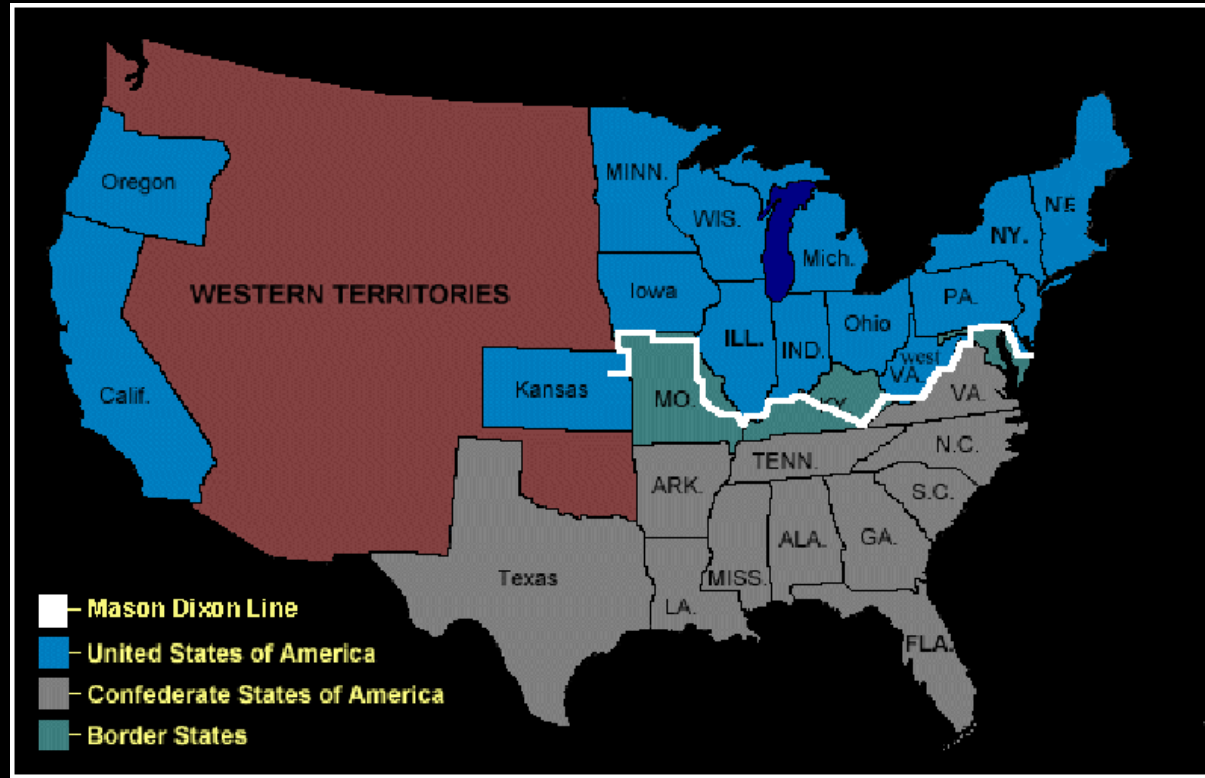
Indiana's 1816 Constitution Banned Slavery

Article 11, Section 7

There shall be neither slavery, nor involuntary servitude, within the State, otherwise than for the punishment of crimes, whereof the party shall have been duly convicted.



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Slavery was allowed in Indiana Until the 1830s



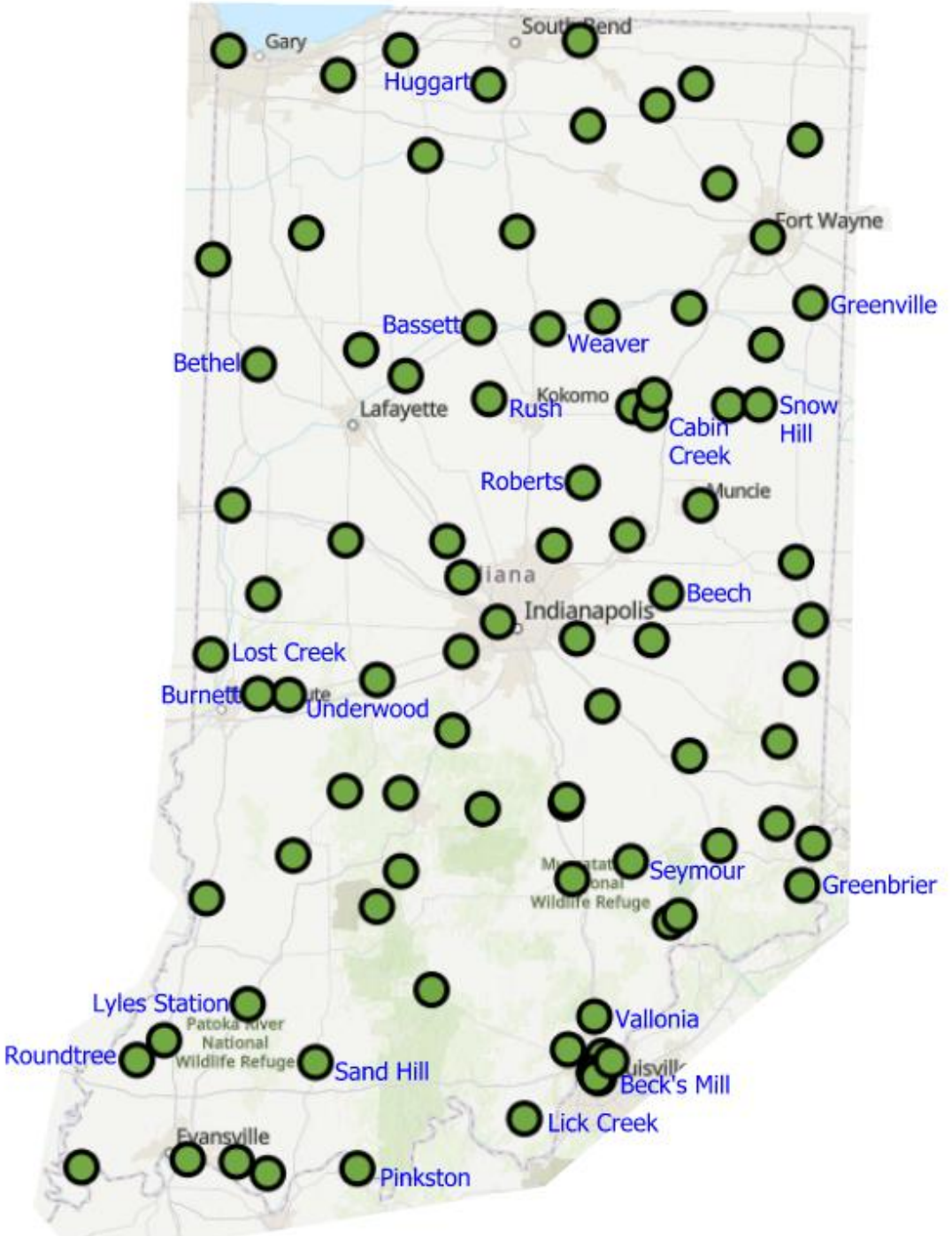
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Black Hoosiers with Deep Roots are Fortunate

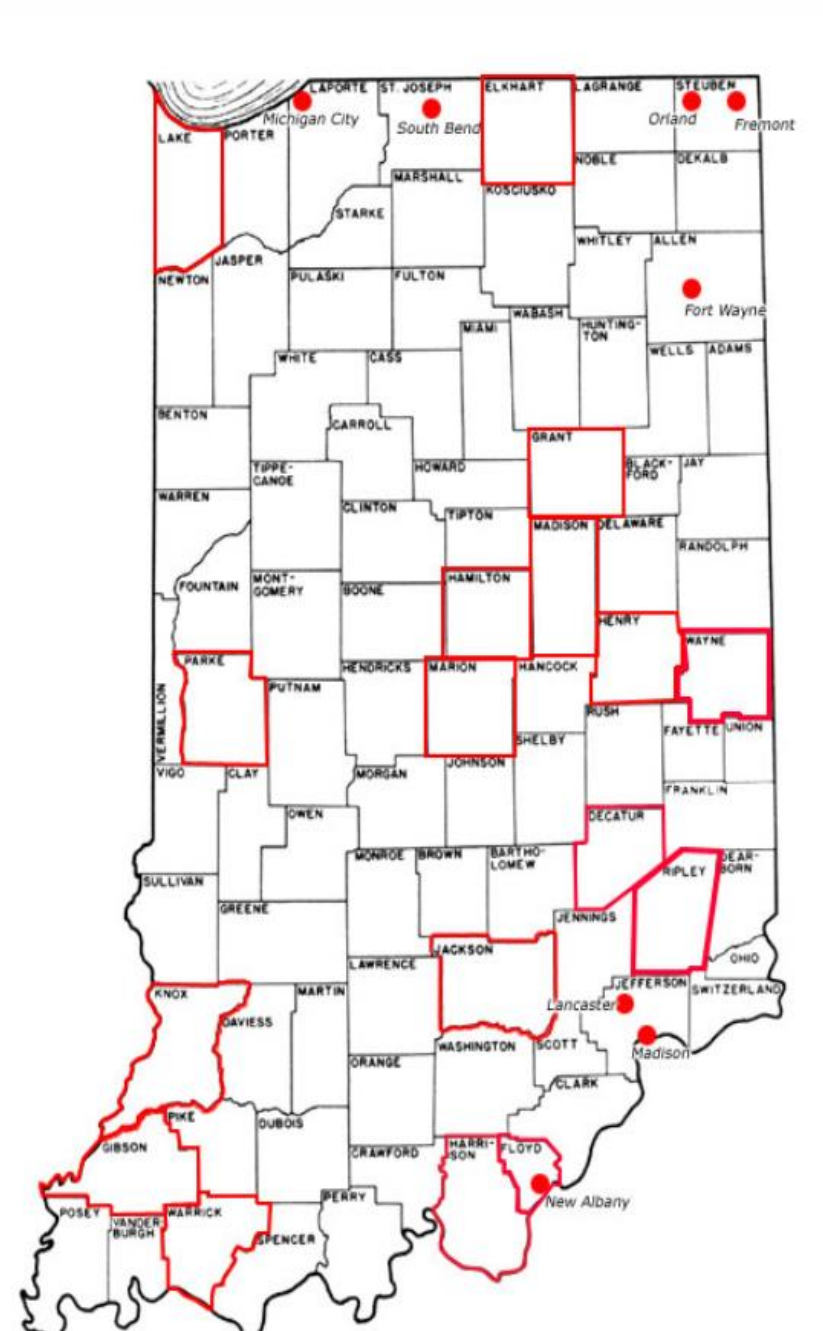
- Identified on census records early in the state's history
 - Marriages were recorded as early as the 1750s
 - Numerous Black Settlements pre-dating the Civil War
-
- Frequent mentions in newspapers



Black Settlements in Indiana Before 1860



Numerous Underground Railroad Routes



Indiana Landmarks Black Heritage Preservation Program launched in September 2022

**Our mission is to uncover, document and
preserve Black heritage and history**



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How We Preserve Black History and Heritage

- **Historical research**
 - **Capital Projects**
 - **National Register nominations**
 - **Historical marker nominations**
 - **Genealogy and Research Training**
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**Doing your own family research
should be you starting point.**



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Youth Who Know Their Heritage

- More self confidence
- Fewer behavioral problems
 - Higher self-esteem
- Better performance in school.



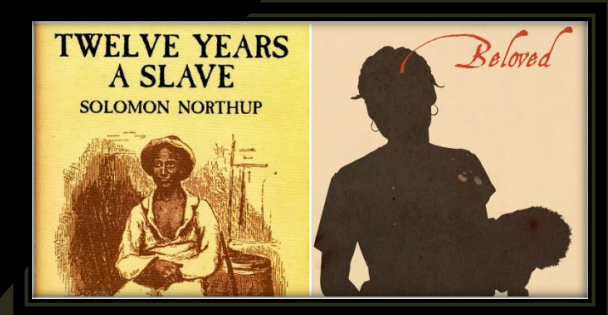
Gathering Family History Now is Critical!

Sources of information are diminishing - Obits
Cultural Changes – Don't know neighbors, no reunions,
don't live in same areas
Societal Standards – Multiple names in single families
Government Records Quality - Census issues, digitized



INDIANA LANDMARKS

Warning: History Can Be Uncomfortable



**WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION TO
PRESERVE OUR HISTORY,
REGARDLESS OF HOW
UNCOMFORTABLE IT MAY BE.**

**OUR HISTORY IS BEING ERASED –
ESPECIALLY BLACK HISTORY**

**Gentrification and Institutional
development (universities, medical
facilities, infrastructure demands, private
development)**

**EXAMPLES
OF
THREATENED ERASURE WE ARE
FIGHTING IN INDIANA**



LEE LEWELLEN

LYLES STATION, Princeton



BEULAH AME CHURCH, Washington, IN



WEST SIDE RECREATION CLUB, South Bend



GARY ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL, Gary



THOMAS TEMPLE, Marion

7 Acres Est Abt.
1860

T.H & R.R.

135
Green Lawn
Cemetery

New (North) Burying Ground
7.5 Acres Est Abt. 1852
Excavation in 1911
1161 bodies to Crown Hill

Governors Id.



Black
Section
1821?-18??

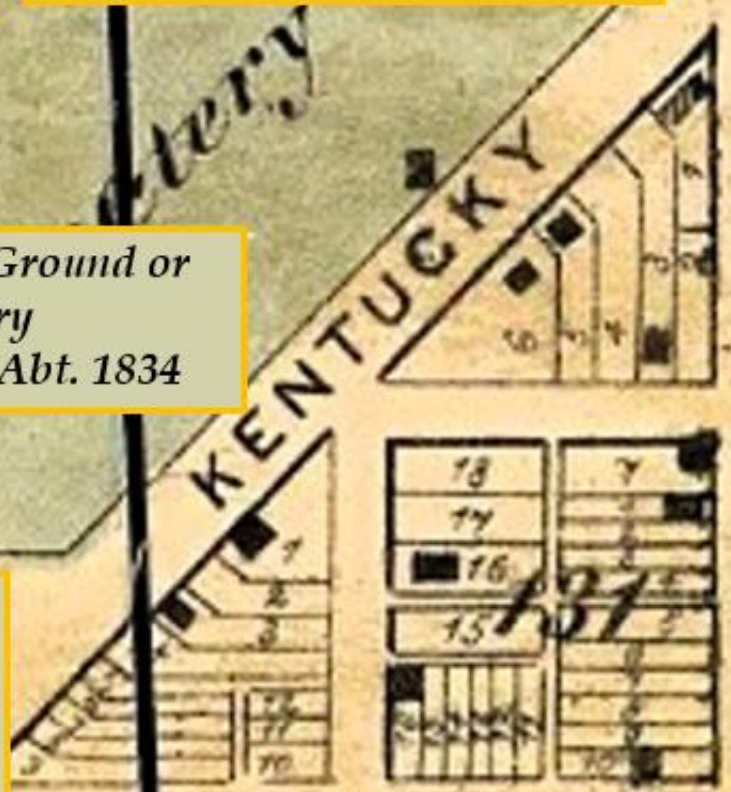
New Burying Ground or
Union Cemetery
6.13 Acres Est Abt. 1834

Old
Cemetery



Old Burying Ground
4 Acres Est Abt. 1821
Excavation in 1924 (1858) bodies moved
to Floral Park and Calvary Cemeteries

You will not find a map labeling this
section and it may go futher north
along river bank



**SIGNIFICANT EARLY HISTORY AT
GREENLAWN**

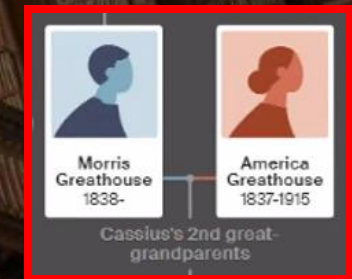
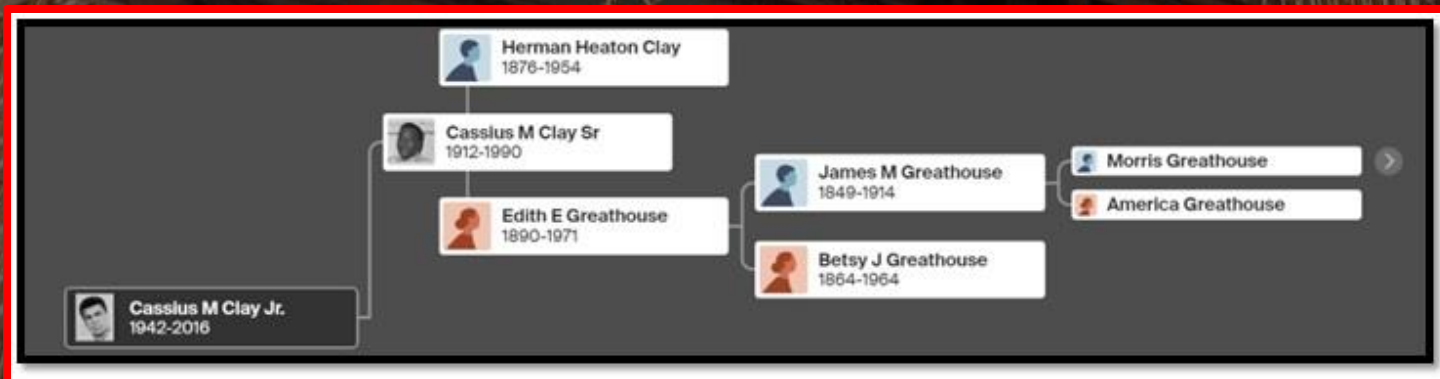
DESCENDANTS REMAIN HERE TODAY

PUBLIC RECORDS ARE SCANT

**WE NEED YOU TO LOOK IN ALBUMS,
CHURCH RECORDS, RECALL OLD
STORIES YOU'VE HEARD AND SHARE
THAT INFORMATION**

Morrison Greathouse

- Morrison Greathouse was born in 1838 In Kentucky and died of pneumonia in Indianapolis on Jan. 29, 1877.
- He was married to America Greathouse.
- He is the great-great-great-grandfather of Cassius Clay Jr, known as Muhammed Ali, one of the world's greatest boxers.
- One of his sons was Archie Greathouse, (1859-1936), who became one of Indianapolis's largest Black property owners.
- Many of the businesses along historic Indiana Avenue were owned by Greathouse. Archie also used his own resources to oppose the building of Crispus Attucks because he did not believe in segregated schools.



Augustus Turner

- Born in 1806 in Kentucky to free parents.
- He was as widely known and highly esteemed as any African in the state.
- He resided much of his life in a log cabin he built at the corner of Tennessee and Georgia Streets, at 99 W. Georgia St. (Tennessee St today is Capitol Ave.)
- He came to Indianapolis, IN., when it was a struggling, swampy village in 1833. He was a barber by trade but soon became a very important member of the black community.
- The first African Methodist Episcopal Church (Later to become Bethel A.M.E) in the city was organized in his house, and it is a consolation to those of his family who survived him to know that he remained a faithful member.
- He was also a charter member of the “Indiana Grand Lodge of Colored Free Masons” organized in this city.



Chaney Lively

1795-1857

Chaney Lively was born in 1795 in Kentucky. She died in 1857 in Indianapolis at the age of 62. Not sure, but believed to be buried in Greenlawn Cemetery.

Alexander Ralston came to Indianapolis in the early summer of 1821. A lifelong bachelor with no known family, he came with a clerk and a housekeeper described as “a mulatto woman named Chaney Lively.” Chaney was 21 years old when she arrived in the city and a free woman of color—the first to call Indianapolis home.

BORN A SLAVE

It's not clear where or when, but we think Ralston originally purchased Chaney as a slave. Most likely, he bought her in Louisville, KY. a major slave trading hub at the time he lived there in the early 1800s.

Chaney Lively (cont'd)

Although slavery was outlawed by the new state constitution, that didn't stop settlers moving north from bringing their slaves with them when they came.

The term "free person of color" was highly symbolic, and there were plenty of ways for whites to evade the law. Governor of the Indiana Territory and future President William Henry Harrison, for example, bought slaves in Kentucky and imported them as indentured servants.

The relationship between Ralston and Chaney began as slavery, but by the time they arrived in Indianapolis, they lived and worked side-by-side in a manner that led others in the community to regard her as an important and respected member of his household. Ralston worked on his survey of Indianapolis throughout the summer of 1821. When the platted lots went for sale in October, he bought two lots on the first day: one for him and one expressly for Chaney.

CHANEY LIVELY MARRIES JOHN G. BRITTON

We have more documentation of her than almost any other African-American woman in antebellum Indianapolis. This is remarkable, considering that she lived when few black women owned property in Indiana.

John G. Britton marries Chaney Lively
(married in Indiana May 9, 1836)

A local barber and community leader with a four-year-old daughter, **Eliza Jane Britton** (also buried in Greenlawn).

1850 US Federal Census

Name	Chancey Brittain
Gender	Female
Race	Mulatto
Age	50
Birth Year	abt 1800
Birthplace	Kentucky
Home in 1850	Indianapolis, Marion, Indiana, USA
Line Number	33
Dwelling Number	870
Family Number	882
Inferred Spouse	John G Brittain
Inferred Child	Eliza J Brittain

Household members

Name	Age
John G Brittain	42
Chancey Brittain	50
Eliza J Brittain	17

JOHN G. BRITTON

A remarkable individual with a diverse range of accomplishments.

- John G. Britton was born in 1808 in Cincinnati, Hamilton County, Ohio, USA¹.
- He passed away in April 1885 (around the age of 76–77) in Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana, USA¹.

• **Professions and Contributions:**

- **UGRR Engineer:** John G. Britton was involved in the Underground Railroad (UGRR), helping enslaved individuals escape to freedom.
- **Barber, Teacher, Restaurateur, Early Civil Rights Leader, Mason**

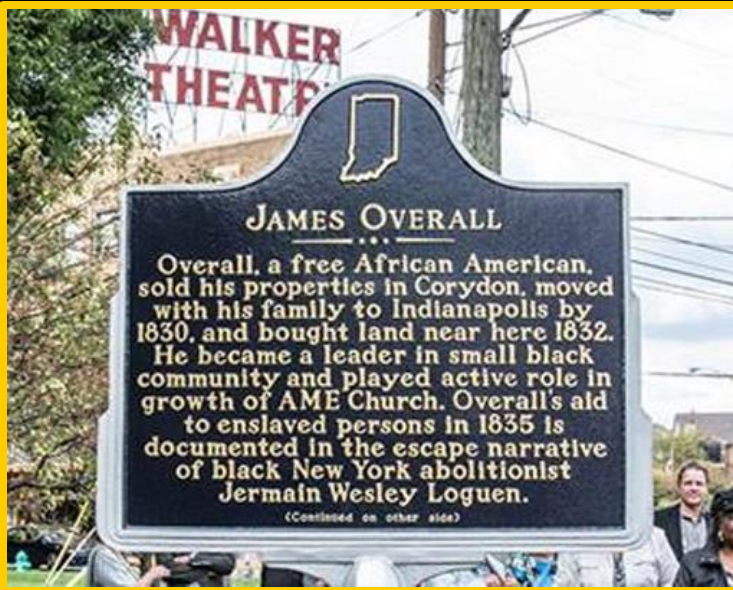
Grand Master Mason: John G. Britton became the first Grand Master Mason of the "Grand Lodge of Indiana Colored Masons" (1856 – 1859). Before 1858, Indiana was part of the Ohio Grand Lodge and served as part of the Grand Lodge of the West (west of the Allegheny Mountains)

E. OVERHALL

E. Overhall we believe, was the wife of James Overall, for whom historic markers have been placed in Indianapolis.

E. Overall, we believe is **Eviline Overall**, who was 80 years old when she died on Feb. 20, 1875, and was buried at Greenlawn. Weaver and Son were the undertakers.

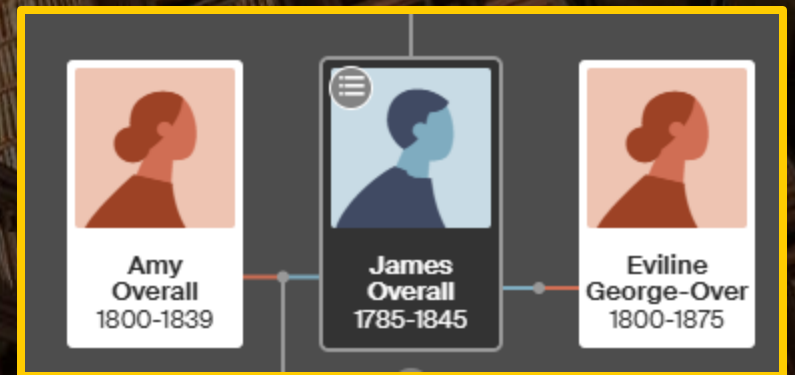
A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O
NAME	Pa	AGE	ORIGI	GENDER	RACI	M/S	ADDRESS	DEATH DA	YEA	CAUSE/DURATION	DOCTOR	UNDERTAKER	Buried	RECORD NOTE
Overhall, E.	121	80y	US	Female	B		229 N. PA St.	Feb. 20	1875	old age	Elbert, S. A.	Weaver & Son	city	



Indiana, U.S., Marriage Index, 1800-1941

[View record](#)

Name Eviline George
Marriage Date 30 May 1841
Marriage Place Clinton, Indiana, USA
Spouse Name James Overall



James Overall likely buried in Greenlawn also

Samuel Goff

Samuel Goff was born in 1816 in North Carolina. was a notable figure in Indianapolis during the mid-1800s. He married Eliza Jane Chavis in Marion County, Indiana on December 12, 1844. He lived during a time of significant historical events, including the Civil War.

They had two children during their marriage. William W. and Melissa Goff. He died on June 10, 1858, in Indianapolis, Indiana, at 42 and was buried in Greenlawn Cemetery.

1850 United States Federal Census



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[View record](#)

Name Saml Goff
Gender Male
Race Mulatto
Age 34
Birth Year abt 1816
Home in 1850 Indianapolis, Marion, Indiana, USA
Occupation Barber
Industry Miscellaneous Personal Services
Real Estate 900
Line Number 29
Dwelling Number 53
Family Number 54
Inferred Spouse Eliza A Goff
Inferred Child William W Goff; Melissa J L Goff

Household members

Name	Age
Saml Goff	34
Eliza A Goff	44
William W Goff	5
Melissa J L Goff	3

Name **Samuel Goff**
Gender Male
Marriage Date 12 Dec 1844
Marriage Place Marion County, Indiana
Spouse Eliza Jane Chavis
FHL Film Number 499367
Reference ID no 4 p 158

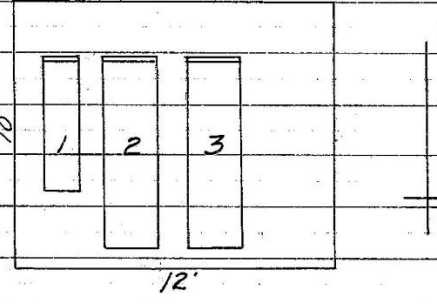
William W. Goff

William W. Goff was born in 1845 in Indiana, his father, Sam Goff, was 29 and his mother, Eliza A., was 39. He had one sister, Melissa J. He died on January 1, 1875, buried in Greenlawn Cemetery in Indianapolis, Indiana, at the age of 30. William W. Goff enlisted on 25 Jan 1865 and was Discharged on 8 Nov 1865 from Calvalry, Battery, Unit US Colored Troops Regiment 28. His remains were moved to Crown Hill Cemetery on March 7, 1900, along with his father Samuel Goff. The cause of death for William & Samuel was Consumption.

Eliza Died 13 Apr 1898 and was buried in Crown Hill

Name	Eliza Goff
Gender	Female
Birth Place	North Carolina, United States of America
Death Date	13 Apr 1898
Death Place	Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana, United States of America
Cemetery	Crown Hill Cemetery
Burial or Cremation Place	Indianapolis, Marion County, Indiana, United States of America
Has Bio?	Y
Children	Melissa J. Hubbard

Melissa J Goff-Hubbard died in 18 Sep, 1911 and on the right we see where Samuel & William's remains were moved into lot Number 1. Eliza is in lot Number 2 (Mar. 8, 1900) and Melissa was placed into lot Number 3 after her death Sep. 18, 1911.

SECTION 37	
Lot 644	
Melissa J. Hubbard.	Mar. 8, 1900
	
No.1	Wm. W. & Samuel Goff, D.B. Mar. 8, 1900
No.2	Eliza Goff, (From 1990 C.) " " Mar. 8, 1900
No.3	Melissa J. Hubbard, " " Sep. 18, 1911

William W. Goff

William W. Goff,
was born in
Marion County,
Indiana,

Enlisted in
Indianapolis,
Indiana

at the age 18
Years

Occupation:
Barber

Regiment: 28th
Branch: U.S.
Colored Troops

To be neatly filled up in Triplicate. One copy to be sent to Adjutant General of the State, two copies to be sent to the Provost Marshal General of the State by the District Provost Marshal.

VOLUNTEER ENLISTMENT.
Enlisted to Bounty

STATE OF INDIANA. TOWN OF Indianapolis

I, William W. Goff, born in Marion Co., in the State of Indiana, aged 18 years, and by occupation a Barber, Do HEREBY ACKNOWLEDGE to have volunteered this twenty fifth day of July, 1865, to serve as a **Soldier** in the **Army of the United States of America**, for the period of one YEAR unless sooner discharged by proper authority: Do also agree to accept such bounty, pay, rations, and clothing, as are, or may be, established by law for volunteers. And I, William W. Goff, do solemnly swear, that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the United States of America, and that I will serve them honestly and faithfully against all their enemies or opposers whomsoever; and that I will observe and obey the orders of the President of the United States, and the orders of the officers appointed over me, according to the Rules and Articles of War.

Sworn and subscribed to, at Indianapolis Ind., this 25 day of July, 1865,
BEFORE W. Brauer } William W. Goff
Pro. Mar 6th Dist

I CERTIFY, ON HONOR, That I have carefully examined the above named Volunteer, agreeably to the General Regulations of the Army, and that, in my opinion, he is free from all bodily defects and mental infirmity, which would in any way disqualify him from performing the duties of a soldier.

W. Brauer
EXAMINING SURGEON.

I CERTIFY, ON HONOR, That I have minutely inspected the Volunteer, previously to his enlistment, and that he was entirely sober when enlisted; that, to the best of my judgment and belief, he is of lawful age; and that, in accepting him as duly qualified to perform the duties of an able-bodied soldier, I have strictly observed the Regulations which govern the recruiting service.

This soldier has black eyes, black hair, yellow complexion, is 5 feet 4 inches high.

W. Brauer
PROVOST MARSHAL,
28th REGIMENT OF INDIANA VOLUNTEERS.

Mustered into the service of the United States for one year from date of enlistment, in Company B, 28th Regt of Ind. Vol., on the 25 day of July, 1865, at Indianapolis Ind.

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Most of what I am sharing today, I knew nothing about before doing this research.

These people are truly amazing to achieve what they did when they were not welcomed here.

RESEARCHING OUR PAST TO PRESERVE OUR LEGACY

We need to tell their stories

https://wridinfrastructure.com/wp-content/uploads/2024/06/BLACK-PIONEERS-with-Marked-Histories-buried-at-Greenlawn_Revised-6-7-2024.pdf

Cemetery Law

Jeannie Regan-Dinius

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Jeannie is a member of the CAG.



DISCOVER | EXPLORE | EXPERIENCE

Evolution of Cemetery & Archaeology Law & Current Standards

- June 24, 2024

How we got here

- Changing thoughts of respect by community since inception
- State Laws and city ordinances did not protect site
- Disinterring graves methodology then compared to now
- Building on site over the decades
- City is working with 2 laws – Federal (Section 106) and State (IC 14-21)

So, we are here. Now we can do better!

Legal Protection of Cemeteries



Indiana Laws

IC 14-21-1-13.5

Authorizes the Department of Natural Resources – Division of Historic Preservation and Archaeology to conduct a survey program of every cemetery and burial ground in Indiana

- Was the Greenlawn complex of cemeteries on this list?
- What does that mean?

Indiana Laws

IC 14-21-1-27

A person finding human remains must notify DHPA within two days. Reburial will in in compliance with state laws.

IC 14-21-1-28

Makes it illegal to disturb the ground for the purpose of discovering or removing artifacts, burial objects, grave markers, or human remains without a plan with the DHPA.

Indiana Laws

IC 14-21-1-29

If you find an artifact (object made before December 31, 1870), notification of our department must be within two days.

IC 14-21-3

Before a person buys property containing a cemetery, the current owner must record the deed in the recorder's office with **CEMETERY** in bold, capital letters on the bottom of the deed

IC 23-14-57 & IC 14-21-27

Describes how cemeteries and human remains are disinterred

Indiana Laws

To see the entire law, go to <http://iga.in.gov/> put in the code and the law will be displayed



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Discussion

Deputy Mayor Judith Thomas

Next Steps

Deputy Mayor Judith Thomas

Next Steps

- Continue the Community Advisory Group (CAG) meetings
- Submit documents on the project website www.wridinfrastructure.com
- Continue research into genealogy

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