



Citizens Academy

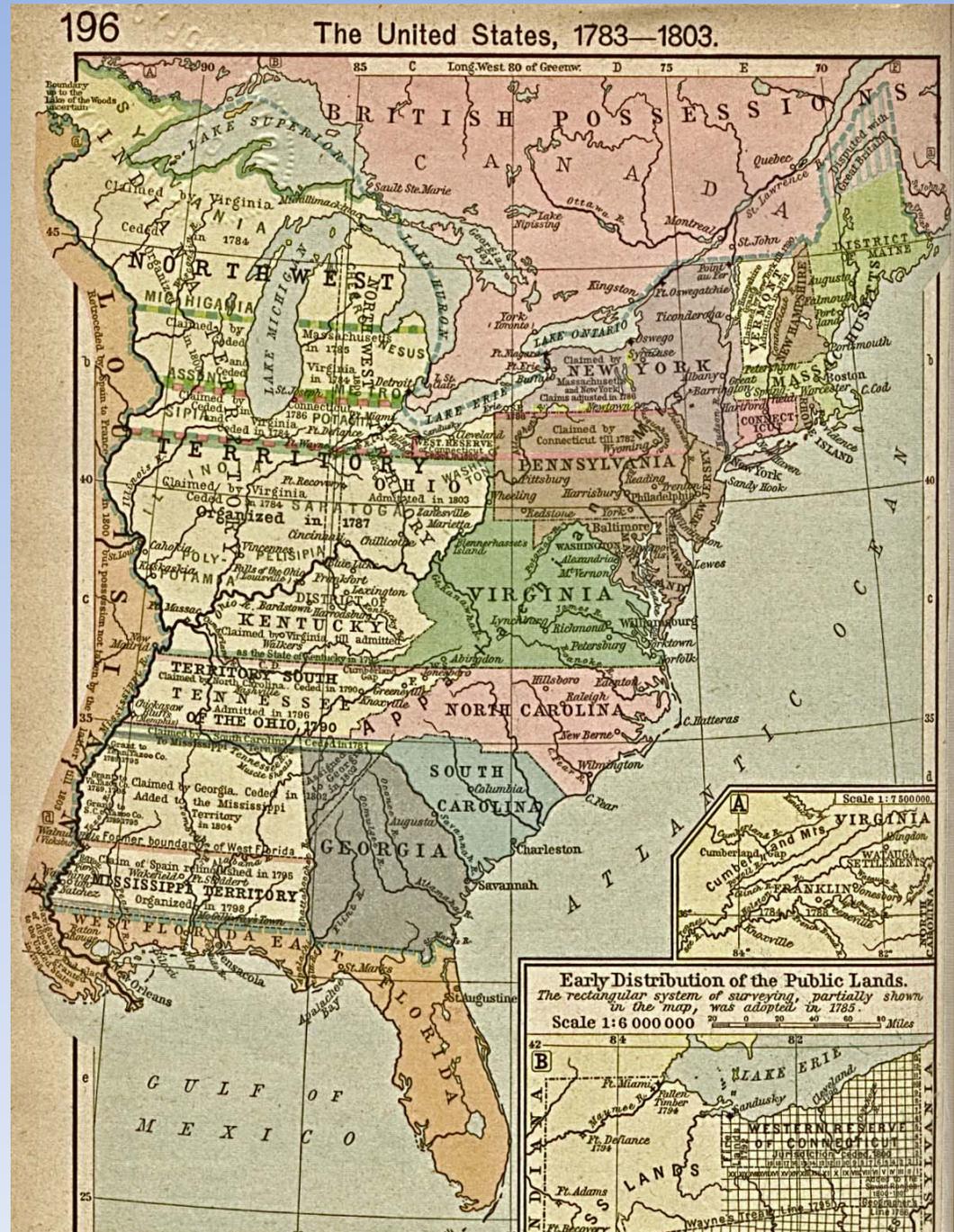


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Early Residents

- Delaware, Wyandot, Mingo and Shawnee Indian tribes
- Trappers and traders
- Post Revolution was 'wild west'
- Virginia Military Lands



The Three B's

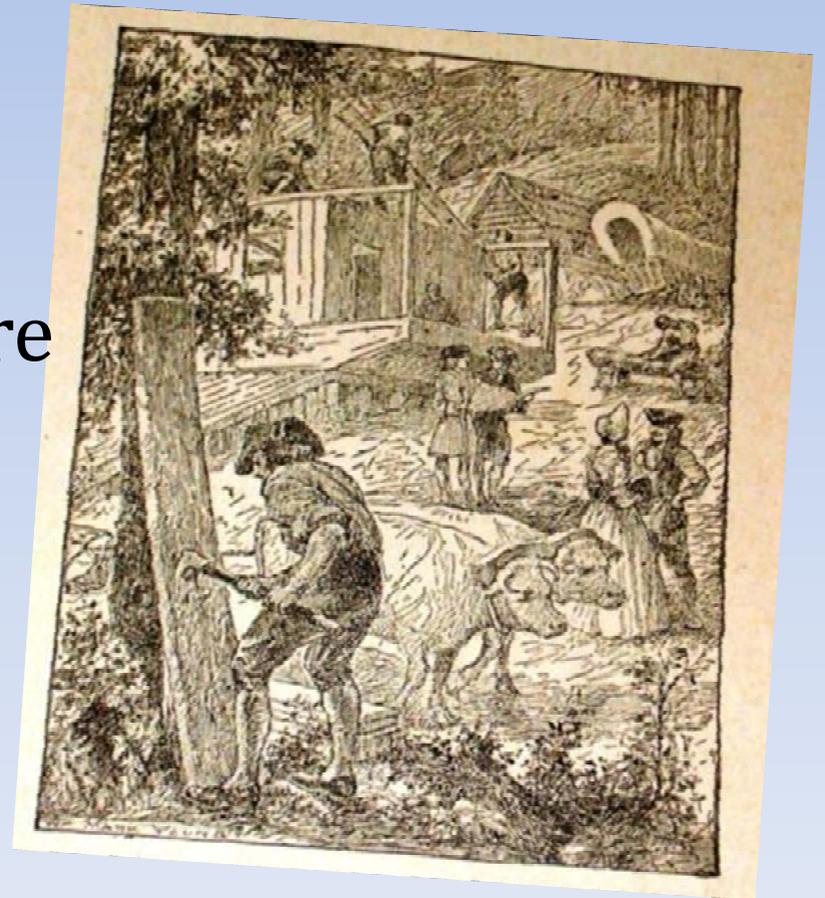
- Abraham **Baldwin**, Henry **Baldwin** and Moses **Byxbe**
- Abraham: Patriot and Founding Father. Georgia representative in the Continental Congress and served in U.S. House and Senate after the adoption of the Constitution.
- Virginia Military Lands, plus purchased 8,000 acres in 1800
- Died in 1807; No children or wife; property went to half-brother, Henry Baldwin, later Associate Justice of U.S. Supreme Court

Abraham Baldwin

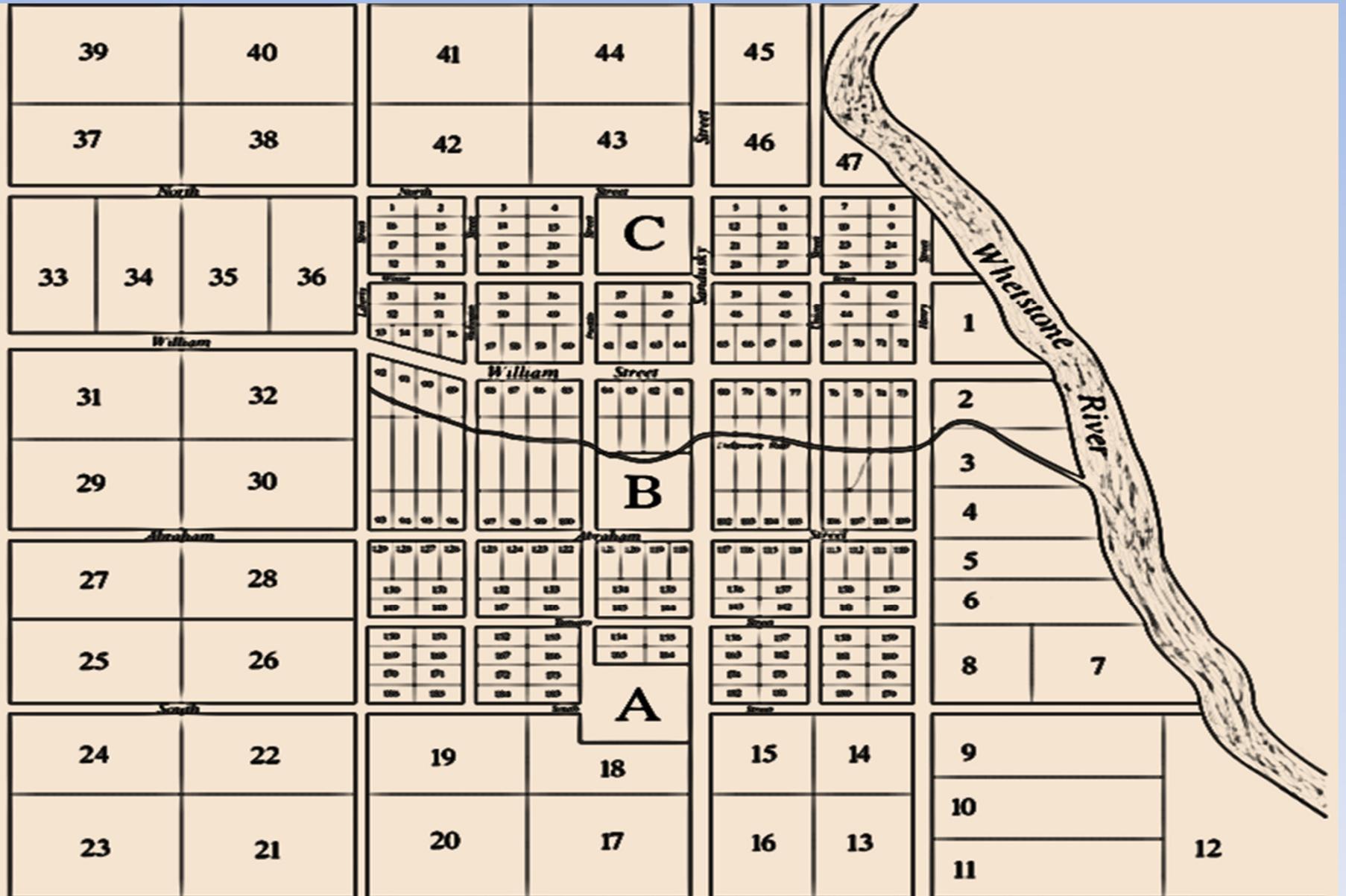


Henry Baldwin and Moses Byxbe

- Moses Byxbe, from MA, gains possession of land from Henry Baldwin
- Age 48 in 1804 when he started west with family
- Turns away from Berkshire to this area
- East side or west side?
- 1808 Delaware settled



Plat Map on file, May 9, 1808



Happy Incorporation!

- February 26, 1816 - Delaware incorporated
- Deemed government entity with legal rights, duties
- Powers granted to village board of trustees were not extensive; many functions still performed by township
- 1849, another act secured from Legislature providing for a 'Town Council' consisting of 8, with greater powers Council chose mayor, recorder, treasurer, marshal, street committee
- 1841, another change conferring larger powers upon Council

Capital City

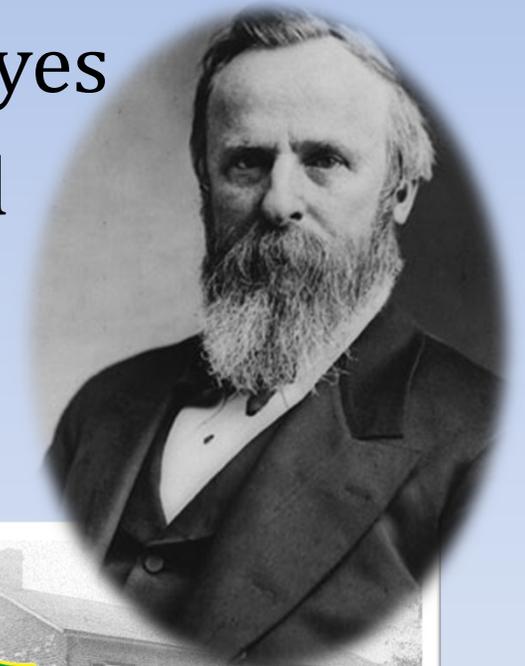
1803-1810 Chillicothe

1810 -1812 Zanesville

- The Byxbe-Baldwin Plan: Donate the grounds, erect the buildings and sell 4,000 acres in nearby lots, with half of the proceeds going into the state treasury.

Away We Go!

- War of 1812, Gen. William Henry Harrison
- Post-war arrival of settlers; RB Hayes
- Ohio Wesleyan University founded 1842
- Abolitionists and Underground Railroad
- Civil War; Camp Delaware
- Railroad, expanding markets



Modern Era

- Proximity to Columbus
- Central Ohio Region
- Periods of growth and prosperity, greatly
- influenced the economy of Delaware
- Preservation; comfortable scale, “home town” pace of life

