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BRIERFIELD COAL & IRON COMPANY SUPERINTENDENT'S HOUSE ADDED TO ALABAMA REGISTER OF LANDMARKS & HERITAGE

The Alabama Historical Commission (AHC) recently added the Brierfield Coal and Iron Company Superintendent's House to the Alabama Register of Landmarks & Heritage.

The Alabama Register is a prestigious listing of historic, architectural, and archaeological landmarks. The AHC considers the notable historic properties in this register to be particularly worthy of preservation and appreciation, and therefore deserving of this special recognition.

Now located within the Brierfield Historic Ironworks Park, the Superintendent's House was constructed c. 1882 and originally located on land owned by the Bibb County Iron Company, later known as the Brierfield Coal and Iron Company. The first occupant is believed to have been Thomas Jefferson Peter, part owner and president of the Bibb County Iron Company. This structure is one of two surviving frame buildings from what at one time was an industrial complex encompassing an ironworks, a rolling mill, a nail mill, a coal washer, and as many as 140 workers' dwellings. The house was later expanded, possibly c. 1887, during its occupancy by Herman Pfaff, president of the Southern Mineral Land Company.

The Alabama Historical Commission administers the Alabama Register program, which gives the public a simple way to bring recognition to historic properties.

The Alabama Register officially recognizes and honors buildings, sites, structures, objects, and historic districts that are at least 40 years old.

The Alabama Register designation is honorary and carries no restrictions on property and offers no financial incentives.

*To protect, preserve, and interpret Alabama's historic places is the mission of the **Alabama Historical Commission, the State Historic Preservation Office.***

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