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FAYETTE COUNTY'S THERON CANNON & COMPANY ADDED TO ALABAMA REGISTER OF LANDMARKS & HERITAGE

The Alabama Historical Commission (AHC) recently added the Theron Cannon & Company building in Berry 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.

The Theron Cannon and Company building is listed in the Alabama Register for its architectural and commercial history significance. "It is an excellent example of a commercial building that retains much of its original physical features and historic character," said Lee Anne Wofford, Alabama Register Coordinator for the Alabama Historical Commission.

Constructed in 1905, the Theron Cannon and Company is the oldest original building and the first store to operate in the town of Berry. The store slogan was: "We handle everything from a cradle to a coffin," which could be found in the general merchandise store. The building is a true distinctive landmark in Berry and Fayette County.

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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