

Freedman's Village

Established June 1863

Arlington Heights, VA

Location of Freedman's Village

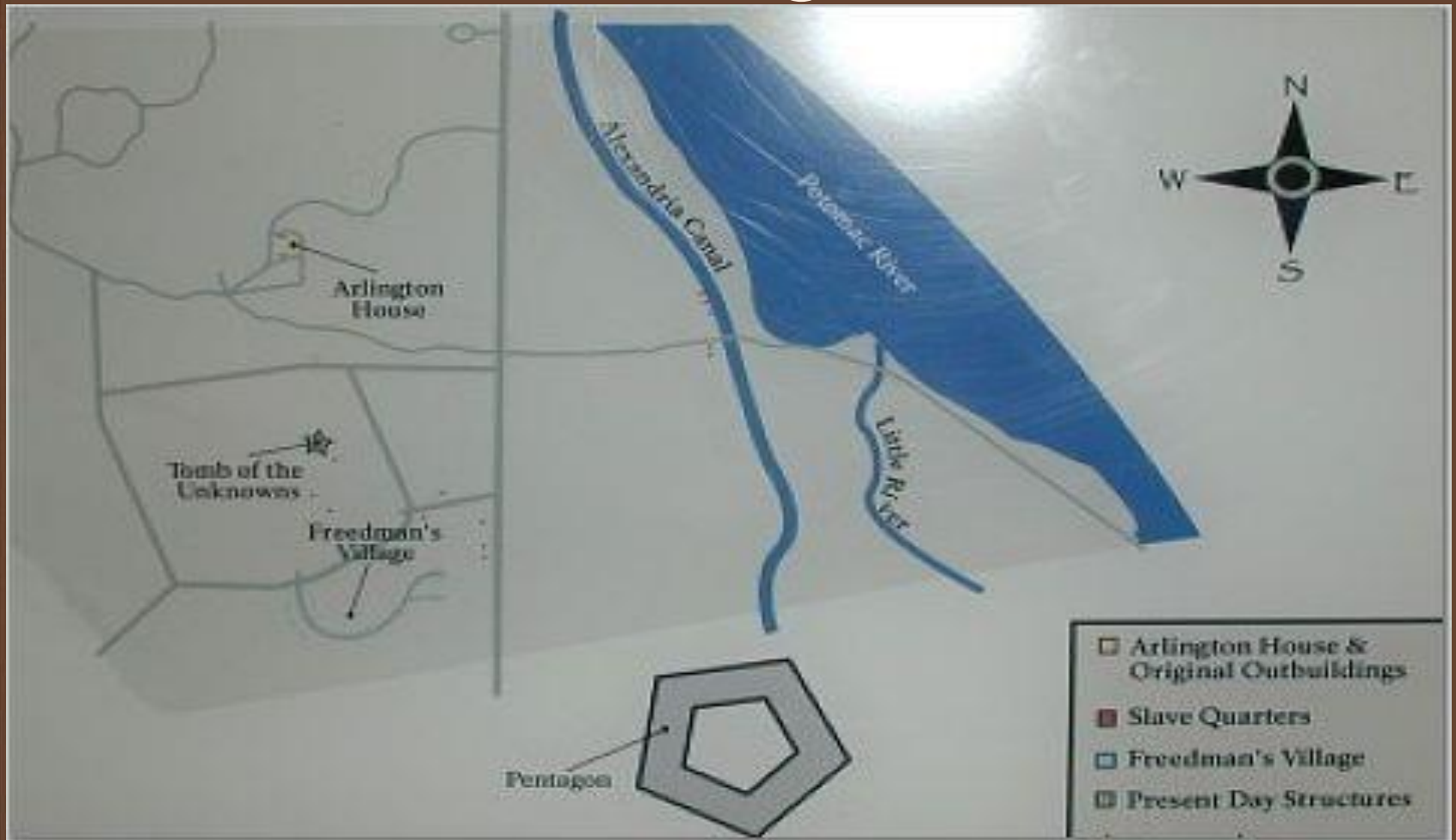


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ARLINGTON FROM
SLAVERY TO FREEDOM

Map of Village

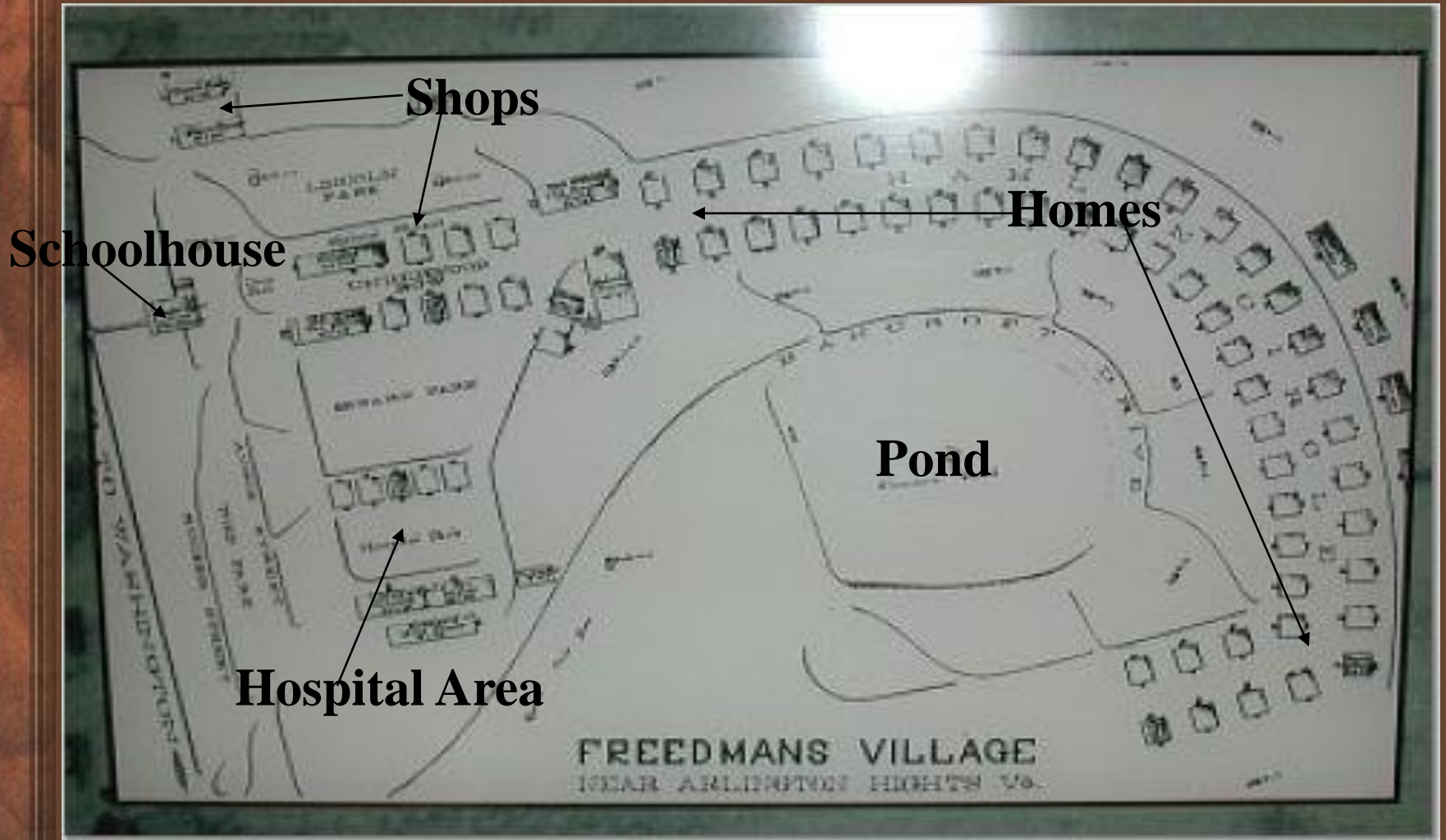


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Model of the Village Showing Houses

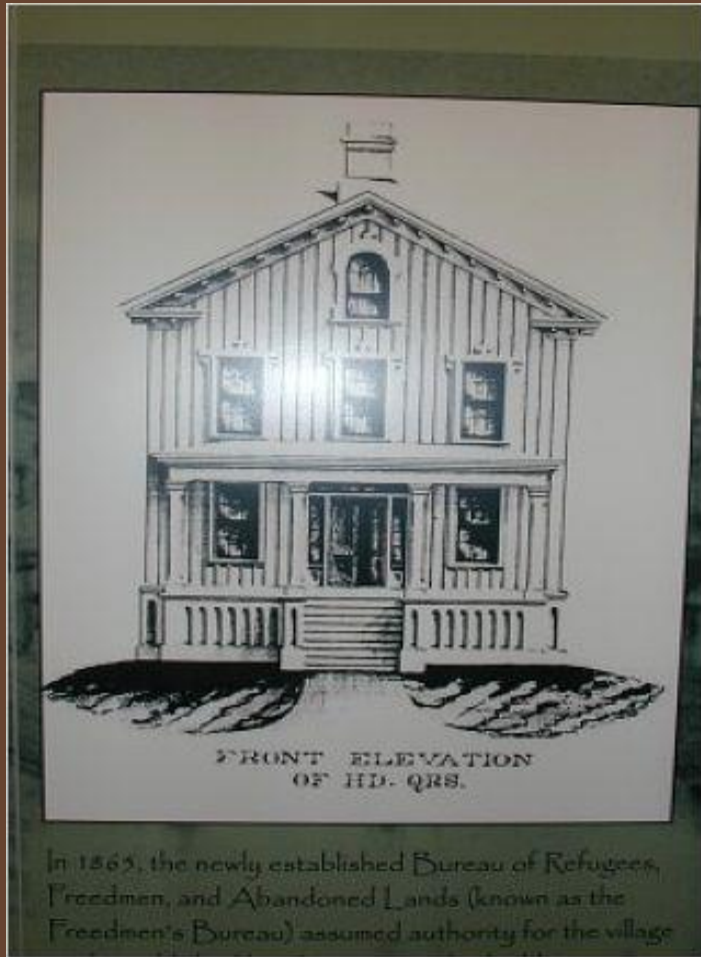


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What was in the Village?

- Schoolhouse for children and adults.
- Training center where people could train to become blacksmiths, wheelwrights, carpenters, shoemakers and tailors.
- Abbott Hospital
- Church
- Tailor and other workshops
- Surrounded by farmland

Freedman's Bureau Headquarters



- Est. in 1865
- Bureau of Refugees, Freedman, and Abandoned Lands.
- Assumed authority for the village.

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Typical House



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- Wooden and housed two to four families each.
- Two floors with a ladder leading to the second floor.

What happened to the Village?

- Closed December 1887.
- Over 3,800 graves exist of residents of Freedman's Village during and after the Civil War.
- Marked with “civilian” or “citizen”.



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