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| Who:         | John Merrick  Born: 1859 Died: 1919  Little formal education  Extremely intelligent and tenacious  He lived in Raleigh & Durham N.C.   |  |  |
| What:        | <ul> <li>Merrick owned 5 successful barber shops (3 white barbershops &amp; 2 black barbershops.</li> <li>Merrick and a partner established Durham Royal Knights (Health and Life Insurance Company)</li> <li>Merrick secured funding to build Lincoln Hospital</li> </ul>   |  |  |
| When:        | Barber shops=1880s<br>Durham Royal Knights (Health and Life Insurance Company)=1883  |  |  |
| How:         | Merrick worked with Washington Duke to secure funding to build Lincoln Hospital.  Due to Merrick's economic power/ authority he was able to work with people like Washington Duke and other white men in power.  "Quietly but surely, during his early life, he won the confidence and good will of his white friends without releasing the influence which he had with those of his own race; and as years passed, this joint relationship and fellowship which he enjoyed increased to such magnitude that his counsel was heard and his advice was heeded in the halls of many states." |  |  |
| Why          | Merrick wanted to ensure that Durham's African Community would be a thriving community!  |  |  |

| Who: | Viola Mitchell Turner was a prominent African American entrepreneur   |
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|      | and community leader in Durham, N.C. She was known for her dedication |
|      | to education and community development.                               |
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| What: | Lynda Moore Merrickmade significant contributions to education in Durham. She was actively involved in advocating for equal educational opportunities for African American children. Turner played a key role in establishing and supporting educational programs |
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| When: | Lynda Moore Merrickwas particularly influential during the mid-20th century when the civil rights movement was gaining momentum.  |
| How:  | Lynda Moore Merrick's influence was primarily through her work in education. She worked to create opportunities for African American students   |
| Why   | Lynda Moore Merrick was important to the Durham community because of her tireless efforts to improve education and uplift the African American community.   |

| Who:  | Viola M. Turner was a prominent entrepreneur and community leader known for her contributions to Durham, N.C. She is recognized for her work in business and community development.                                     |
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| What: | Viola M. Turner made significant contributions to business and economic development in Durham. She played a key role in initiatives   |
| When: | Viola M. Turner's influence peaked during periods of economic development in Durham. Her dedication to fostering a strong business community made her a key figure in shaping the economic landscape of the city.       |
| How:  | Turner's influence was evident in her leadership in business and community development initiatives. She worked to create programs that supported local businesses, particularly those owned by underrepresented groups. |
| Why   | Turner was important to the Durham community due to her efforts in promoting economic growth and entrepreneurship.  |

|  | Charles Clinton Spaulding was a prominent African American             |
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|  | entrepreneur and community leader, best known for his contributions to |

|       | the economic development of Durham, N.C.   |
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| What: | Charles Clinton Spaulding made significant contributions to the economic empowerment of the Durham community. He co-founded the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company |
| When: | Charles Clinton Spaulding was particularly influential during the early to mid-20th century when he led the North Carolina Mutual Life Insurance Company to prominence.      |
| How:  | Spaulding's influence was evident through his leadership in the insurance industry and his commitment to economic empowerment.   |
| Why   | Charles Clinton Spaulding was important to the Durham community due to his pioneering efforts in establishing a successful black-owned business.                             |