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SAVANNAH THROUGH THE YEARS
> Oglethorpe's Vision
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 The year was 1732; the place was London. James Edward
>Oglethorpe¼¤ distinguished soldier and prison reformer at age
>30i¼¤ was urging King George II to sign a charter for a new colony
>where people \"of decayed circumstances\" could begin a fresh
>life. The colony would be called \"Georgia\" in honor of the king.
> Oglethorpe had three strong arguments: the prospect of prof-
>its from raw materials; protection for South Carolina from the
>Spaniards to the south; and asylum for men and women fleeing
>religious persecution.
> Ink flowed from the nwal pen on April 21i¼¤ 1732i¼¤ as King
>George lowered his bewigged head to sign the charter for the
>13th and last British colony in America.
> \"Non sibi sed aliis\" (Not for selfi¼¤ but for others) was

the Latin motto chosen by Oglethorpe and the twenty other men who agreed to serve as Trustees for Georgia. Next came the task of selecting settlers from the hundreds who volunteered. By early November 1733 35 families had been

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