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## ELEVENTH INFANTRY TO ARRIVE FRIDAY

### Hiking from Columbia to Fort Thomas

### CAMPING SITE NOT YET KNOWN

Eleventh United States Infantry in  
hike from Camp Jackson to New  
Post at Fort Thomas, Ky., expected  
to arrive here Friday morning.

The Eleventh United States Infantry,  
with about sixteen hundred men  
and two hundred head of mules and  
horses, on its hike from Camp Jackson  
to Fort Thomas, Ky., is expected  
to arrive in the vicinity of Laurens  
Friday morning about 10 o'clock. As far  
as could be learned, no official  
notice of the regiment's arrival had  
been received by the city authorities  
or the chamber of commerce yesterday  
and the location of the camp  
could not be learned.

The regiment camped at Newberry  
Tuesday night, spending the day in  
Newberry today. It is expected to  
leave Newberry Thursday morning  
and camp at Kinards that night. It  
will leave Kinards early Friday morning,  
marching in the coolest part of  
the day, and reach here about ten  
o'clock. It is expected to remain here  
until Saturday morning, when it will  
take up the march to Owings, where it  
will camp that night. It will spend  
Sunday at Mauldin and reach Greenville  
Monday for a rest of a day or  
two. From there it will proceed to  
Asheville and thence to Knoxville and  
Fort Thomas.

The march of the Eleventh infantry  
is one of the longest on record in  
the history of the American army and  
according to the present schedule the  
regiment will not reach Fort Thomas,  
which is across the river from Cincinnati,  
Ohio, until the twentieth of  
October, making a total marching  
time of about seven weeks from Jackson  
to Thomas.

Commanded by Colonel Frank Halstead,  
the Eleventh is one of the oldest  
regiments in the army. Colonel  
Halstead is very well known in South  
Carolina. He was in command of the  
Three Hundred Twenty-first Infantry  
regiment, station and trained at  
Camp Jackson and at Camp Sevier,  
prior to being sent overseas with the  
Eighty-first "Wildcat" division in  
1918. Colonel Halstead saw active  
service with the Wildcats in the Vosges  
mountains and in the second  
phase of the Meuse-Argonne fight,  
when the Eighty-first division attacked  
on the ninth of November, 1918, to  
the north of Verdun.

The Eleventh has a very enviable  
history. Until the recent reduction in  
the army the regiment was part of  
the Fifth regular division and has been  
stationed at Camp Gordon, Ga., and  
at Camp Jackson. The fifth division  
has been ordered on the inactive list  
and the Eleventh regiment will be  
divided between three posts of the old  
regular garrison. Under its present  
orders one battalion will go to Fort  
Thomas, another to Fort Benjamin  
Harrison, at Indianapolis, Ind., and  
another to Columbus Barracks, Ohio.  
The posts to which the regiment is  
assigned are very desirable quarters.

Dating back to the Civil war, the  
colors of the Eleventh Infantry bear  
streamers indicating its battles, the  
first being the Peninsular, March 17-  
Aug. 3, 1862; Manassas, Aug. 7-Sept.  
2, 1862; Antietam, Sept. 3-16, 1862;  
Fredericksburg, Nov. 9-Dec. 15, 1862;  
Chancellorsville, April 27-May 6,  
1863; Gettysburg, June 29-July 3,  
1863; Wilderness, May 4-7, 1864;  
Spottsylvania Court House, May 8-  
21, 1864; Cold Harbor, May 22-June  
3, 1864; Petersburg, June 4-November  
5, 1864; Battle of Gaines Mill, Va.,  
June 27, 1862; Battle of Marvin Hill,  
Va., June 30, 1862.

Indian wars: Battle with Indians  
June 15, 1872, Johnson's Mill station,  
Texas; engagements with Indians,  
July 14-19-23, 1872, Colorado and San  
Saba rivers; expedition against Ki-  
owas, Comanches and Cheyennes,  
Indian Territory, 1874; engagements  
with Indians, Black Hills and Chey-  
enne river, Dakota, December, 1887;  
engagements against hostile Indians,  
Sheridan, Nebraska, August, 1878; en-  
gagements with Indians at Poplar  
Creek agency, January 2, 1891.

Spanish-American war: Porto Rico,  
1898.

Philippine insurrection: Mindanao,

## LOCAL CHAPTER LEAD THE NATION

### Largest Contribution of Clothing Made Through Local Red Cross of Any Chapter in United States.

M. L. Smith, chairman of the Laurens  
county chapter of the American  
Red Cross, including the chapters at  
Laurens and Clinton, is in receipt of  
a letter from Red Cross headquarters  
in Atlanta in which this chapter comes  
in for high praise for its work in  
gathering clothing for the stricken  
people of Europe. The letter states  
that this chapter had contributed  
more clothing to the cause than any  
other chapter in the entire country,  
this being spoken of as a "remarkable"  
record.

The clothing campaign in the county  
was under the direction of N. C.  
Hughes, Jr., who gave a great deal of  
his time and attention to the work.  
The shipment consisted of 37 boxes  
of good used clothing and one bale  
of new cloth, the net weight being  
5,650 pounds and the estimated value  
being \$3,000. Mr. Hughes said that  
the Clinton chapter entered enthusiastically  
into the campaign and made a  
large contribution to the cause.

The following is the letter from  
the Atlanta office:

Atlanta, Ga.,  
Sept. 1, 1921.

Mr. M. L. Smith, Chairman,  
Laurens County Chapter, A. R. C.,  
Laurens, S. C.

My dear Mr. Smith:

There has just been called to my  
attention the very remarkable fact  
that the Laurens County Chapter has  
contributed more clothing for the suffering  
children of Europe than any  
other chapter in the United States up  
to the present time. This is a very  
remarkable record and I hasten to  
congratulate you and Mr. N. C.  
Hughes, Jr., chairman of the drive.

Very cordially yours,  
Harry L. Hopkins, Manager,  
Southern Division, A. R. C.

## NEGRO SHOOT WIFE

### Geo. C. Smith, Colored, Shot His Wife Friday Night and Delivered Him- self to Sheriff.

After killing his wife by shooting  
her dead in the public road, near the  
Huff place in the lower part of Sullivan  
township, Friday night, George C.  
Smith, negro, immediately rode to  
the home of N. B. Wood, magistrate of  
Sullivan township, and surrendered  
himself and requested the officer to  
take him at once to the county jail.  
Accompanied by the negro's landlord,  
J. H. Carlisle, Mr. Wood brought  
Smith to the city before daylight and  
delivered him to the sheriff.

The killing was the result of jealousy,  
it appears, as it is stated that  
Smith's wife had gone to church some  
six or seven miles with other parties,  
two negro men and a negro woman,  
after Smith had warned her not to go,  
it is alleged. Borrowing a horse from  
Mr. Carlisle, Smith is said to have  
followed the party and met them  
coming back toward home. Riding  
up to the buggy in which his wife  
was traveling, it is alleged that Smith  
ordered her to dismount, and as she  
stepped out in the road he deliberately  
fired on her, one of the shots piercing  
the heart, killing her instantly.  
She fell over into a side ditch. The  
party and Smith drove away, leaving  
the body where it fell until some time  
Saturday when the inquest was held  
by Coroner Owings.

This is the first murder in Laurens  
county since June 11, when  
Vance Blakely is charged with killing  
another negro, Boss Gary, at Clinton.

## At Hickory Tavern

The young people of Friendship  
will give an entertainment and ice  
cream supper at Hickory Tavern  
school house, September 8, beginning  
at 8 o'clock. The entertainment  
consists of a play, songs and humorous  
dialogues. The public is invited. A  
small admission fee will be charged.

1902; Samar, 1901-1902; Leyte 1901-  
1902.

World war. St. Mihiel offensive,  
France, September 12-16, 1918; Meuse-  
Argonne offensive, France, October  
12-22, 1918; Meuse-Argonne offensive,  
France, October 27-Nov. 11, 1918; Ar-  
nould sector, Vosges, France, June  
14-July 16, 1918; St. Die sector, Vos-  
ges, France, July 17-August 23, 1918;  
Marbache sector, France, Sept. 19-29,  
1918.

## SIX SHOCKED BY LIGHTNING BOLT

### Seven Bales of Cotton Ignited When Lightning Strikes Truck at Gray Court.

Gray Court, Sept. 2.—Six persons  
were shocked this afternoon about 2  
o'clock when a bolt of lightning  
struck near the farmers cotton ware-  
house, igniting seven bales of cotton  
on a loaded truck.

The injured persons were immedi-  
ately given medical aid and tonight  
were thought to be out of danger.  
Those injured were T. A. Willis, a  
cotton buyer, States Curry, a farmer;  
Miss Claudell Holder, telephone oper-  
ator, and three negroes who were  
assisting in the loading of the truck  
load of cotton.

With the exception of Miss Holder,  
who was in the central office several  
blocks away, all of the injured persons  
were near the cotton warehouse  
when the bolt struck. But a few scat-  
tering clouds were visible at the time  
and there was little warning before  
the bolt struck within a few feet of  
the truck and shocking all those  
nearby. Others who saw their plight  
rushed to the assistance of the in-  
jured ones.

The lightning entered the central  
office by a wire from near the ware-  
house, burning out a number of con-  
nections and injuring the operator  
who was at her post of duty.

Both telephone and telegraph con-  
nections northward were cut off but  
for time but were restored tonight.

The cotton loaded on the truck was  
badly damaged although it was some  
time after the bolt that the flames  
were discovered. When the truck  
started moving some time afterwards  
the smoldering flames burst forth,  
damaging the entire load of cotton.

All of the injured persons were  
said to be out of danger tonight, al-  
though maintaining vivid recollections  
of their experience.

## CITY BARN BURNED

### Flames Claim City Barn Wednesday Night. Livestock Rescued but Gar- bage Truck Destroyed.

Fire of unknown origin, discovered  
about 9 o'clock Wednesday night,  
practically destroyed the city barn in  
the rear of the Gilkerson House on  
North Harper street, the city garbage  
trunk also going up in the flames. The  
livestock was rescued.

The alarm of fire was given by Mrs.  
Thos. C. Bolt from the home nearby  
of her mother, Mrs. W. H. Bagwell.  
The high school foot-ball squad, which  
was receiving a lecture from Mr. Bolt,  
foot-ball coach, rushed to the barn  
and under the direction of Mr. Bolt  
and Chief of Police Crews, who ap-  
peared on the scene about the same  
time, succeeded in getting all of the  
animals out of the building, but had  
to leave the garbage truck and other  
smaller material behind.

The fire department appeared  
promptly on the scene, but the fire  
had spread so rapidly that it could  
do nothing more than prevent the  
spread of the blaze to surrounding  
buildings, several of which were of a  
very inflammable nature.

The building was erected several  
years ago and was of frame and cor-  
rugated iron construction. While the  
iron plates still remain standing, the  
building is a practical loss. The loss  
on the building was partially covered  
by insurance, but no insurance was  
carried on the garbage truck.

## Much Interest in Contest

"A great deal of interest is being  
shown in our contest by the school  
children," said Mr. E. P. Minter, of  
Minter Company, yesterday. "As is  
seen in their advertisement in this  
issue of The Advertiser, this concern  
offers a total of \$10 in cash prizes to  
the children writing the best essays  
on the subject, 'How Minter Company  
Helped Me Get Ready For School'."  
The prizes are open to any school boy  
or school girl in the county below 16  
years of age and must be based on  
actual experience in the Minter Com-  
pany store. The contest closes Thurs-  
day, September 15, and the essays  
must not be over 300 words in length.

## W. T. Sexton

News was received in the city Mon-  
day of the death of W. T. Sexton in  
Rome, Ga. Mr. Sexton was a native of  
this place, having left here about fifty  
years ago. He was a brother of Mr.  
J. D. Sexton, who went to Rome to  
attend the funeral. A younger sister,  
Mrs. Goodwin, died a few weeks ago.

## COUNCIL CONSIDERS VARIOUS MATTERS

### Committee Appointed to Investigate Feasibility of Emergency Steam Plant.

City Council, at its regular bi-  
monthly meeting Monday night, ap-  
pointed a committee composed of Al-  
dermen Irvin, Simpson and Dial to  
investigate the advisability of the city  
or the Reedy River Power company  
providing an emergency steam plant  
to supply the city with electric cur-  
rent when droughts or other condi-  
tions cause the present supply to be  
cut off. The committee is to go into  
a full investigation of costs and to  
confer with President Dial of the  
power company.

Considering other phases of the wa-  
ter and light plant, the council decid-  
ed to have a survey of the city made  
in order that broken meters might be  
reported and any leakages in power  
or water located. The mayor was em-  
powered to employ an extra man for  
a short time to do this work.

A committee composed of Aldermen  
Bishop, Simpson and Dial was ap-  
pointed to investigate various makes  
of trucks to take the place of the gar-  
bage truck burned in the city barn  
fire and to make a recommendation as  
to a purchase.

On motion of Alderman Moore it  
was decided to postpone surfacing  
Fleming street until the effects of  
wear on the gravel placed on North  
Harper street are found out.

On motion of Alderman Irvin, the  
mayor and street committee were di-  
rected to investigate the plans of the  
Laurens Mills for the proposed in-  
stallation of water and sewerage on  
Fleming street.

On motion of Alderman Dial the  
council voted a gift of \$50 to the high  
school football squad for the promo-  
tion and maintenance of athletics at  
the high school as a reward for the  
team's "material assistance and gallan-  
try" in saving the city's livestock  
when the city barn was burned.

A request from Maj. W. A. Watts,  
that the city plow up the plot of land  
near his home from which the top-soil  
for a large part of North Harper  
street was secured, was received as  
information and no action taken. Al-  
dermen Irvin and Bishop supported  
the request of Maj. Watts, which was  
voted down 4 to 2. Mr. Irvin pointed  
out that Maj. Watts had supplied  
nearly all of the top-soil for this  
street and that it would take heavy  
teams to put the land back in condi-  
tion.

On motion of Alderman Smith, Fire-  
man Pooshe was granted a week's va-  
cation with pay.

## MASONS MEETING CHANGED

### To Be Held Thursday Instead of Fri- day of This Week. Meeting to Be- gin at 3:30 P. M.

The district meeting of Masons, pre-  
viously arranged for Friday of this  
week, is to be held on Thursday, ac-  
cording to an announcement by Rice  
R. Nickels, district deputy. The  
change in date was found necessary  
after the first plans were made. A  
large number of Masons are expected  
at the meeting, including Past Grand  
Master Geo. T. Bryan, of Greenville,  
and Grand Master S. T. Lanham, of  
Spartanburg.

## Caught Fox in City

The mystery of the disappearance  
of many chickens from yards on West  
Main and adjoining streets was solved  
Friday of last week when a big gray  
fox was caught in the act of catching  
chickens in the yard of Dr. W. H. Dial  
in the very heart of the city. Hearing  
a wild commotion among the chick-  
ens during the afternoon, members of  
the family went out to discover its  
cause and were greatly surprised to  
see a big gray fox chasing chickens  
around the yard. The alarm was given  
and very soon the pack of fox  
hounds belonging to Mr. Tom Bennett  
next door was called into service. In  
a very short time the fox was chased  
to his den underneath the overhead  
bridge of the C. & W. C. railroad and  
his campaign against the local barn-  
yard fowls was ended. During the  
past few weeks a large number of  
chickens have been missed from that  
section of the city.

## Cotton Makes Jump

The cotton market, which has been  
steadily rising for the past few weeks,  
went up about \$10 a bale on the New  
York market yesterday with a total  
advance of 200 points. Local buyers  
were giving around 20 cents yester-  
day.

## DELEGATES APPOINTED TO COTTON MEETING

### Farmers to Discuss Co-Operative Marketing at Columbia September 9th.

Mr. W. D. Byrd, president of the  
Laurens county branch of the Ameri-  
can Cotton Association, has appointed  
fifty delegates to represent this county  
at the meeting to be held in Colum-  
bia Friday, Sept. 9th, to discuss the  
co-operative marketing of cotton and  
other matters of interest to farmers.  
Carl Williams, of Oklahoma City,  
president of the American Cotton  
Growers Exchange, will make the  
principal address of the day and other  
prominent speakers are on the pro-  
gram.

On account of the importance of  
this meeting, Mr. Byrd urges all the  
delegates appointed to attend the  
meeting. A list of them is as follows:

A. C. Coats, Mountville.  
Hon. C. D. Nance, Cross Hill.  
S. S. Farrar, Mountville.  
Wash Long, Laurens.  
George Bolt, Laurens.  
S. R. Cain, Laurens.  
J. M. Sumerel, Gray Court, Route 1.  
P. B. Bailey, Laurens, Route 3.  
Chaney Stone, Clinton.  
R. M. League, Clinton.  
D. A. Glenn, Clinton.  
T. P. Poole, Laurens, Route 2.  
Senator O. P. Goodwin, Laurens  
Route 2.

W. Willis Yeargin, Gray Court.  
H. B. Workman, Goldville.  
James A. Browning, Clinton.

B. H. Copeland, Renno.  
H. H. Fuller, Cross Hill.  
C. B. Owings, Owings.  
R. O. Hunt, Owings.

R. G. Harris, Woodruff.  
J. W. Kellett, Gray Court, Route 4.  
W. M. Nash, Gray Court, Route 4.  
M. W. Gray, Owings, Route 2.

J. E. Wham, Owings, Route 2.  
J. F. Walker, Laurens, Route 4.  
W. W. Culbertson, Laurens, Route 4.  
W. L. Cooper, Waterloo, Route 2.  
M. W. Hill, Waterloo, Route 2.

W. B. Sims, Waterloo, Route 2.  
S. A. Browne, Cross Hill.  
J. T. Hill, Cross Hill.

J. B. Cook, Fountain Inn.  
W. B. Garrett, Fountain Ins.  
E. J. Sloan, Fountain Inn.

A. J. Monroe, Princeton.  
E. E. Simpson, Princeton.  
F. W. Little, Laurens, Route 2.

J. P. Donnan, Laurens, Route 2.  
H. S. Wallace, Gray Court, Route 1.  
O. C. Cox, Woodruff.

J. H. Davis, Clinton.  
M. W. Workman, Mountville.  
M. D. Smith, Fountainville.

J. Frank Davis, Princeton.  
M. L. Copeland, Laurens.  
B. B. Blakely, Laurens, Route 3.

J. Roy Crawford, Clinton.  
John M. Copeland, Renno.  
Reese Young, Clinton.

## GREENWOOD FOLK

### SEE GRIFFIN DIE

### Negro Pays Penalty for Murder of Dr. Lipscomb at Ninety Six.

Greenwood, Sept. 2.—About twenty-  
five men from Greenwood county went  
to Columbia today to witness the  
execution of Pink Griffin, sentenced  
to die for the murder of Dr. Lawton  
C. Lipscomb, prominent business man  
and planter of Ninety Six. Griffin  
went to the electric chair at 11:30 a.  
m. with a smile on his face.

A statement left by Griffin with two  
negro preachers, his spiritual advisers,  
urged all negroes to go to church,  
behave themselves and leave their  
guns at home. He said that if he  
had followed that injunction he would  
not have murdered Dr. Lipscomb.

Just before execution, Griffin de-  
clared he had killed Dr. Lipscomb in  
self-defense, that he did not get a  
fair trial but that he was going to  
his God, where he would get justice.

Columbia, Sept. 2.—Pink Griffin,  
Greenwood county negro, was put to  
death in the electric chair at the state  
penitentiary at noon today for the  
killing of Dr. Lawton C. Lipscomb of  
Ninety Six, July 5. Griffin killed Dr.  
Lipscomb when Dr. Lipscomb remon-  
strated with the negro for beating one  
of the farm animals on the Lips-  
comb plantation. The negro was  
rushed to the penitentiary immedi-  
ately after his conviction at a special  
term of court to escape mob violence,  
although there was no demonstration  
against the negro.

Mrs. G. A. Nickles with her little  
daughter, of Charleston, is the guest  
of Mr. and Mrs. Geo. M. Wright,

## APPALLING FAMINE IN RUSSIAN PROVINCE

### Hunger and Death Virtually Unnoticed

### THOUSANDS DIE FROM HUNGER

### Refugees from Famine Districts Hud- dled Together in Deserted Build- ings and Die Almost Unnoticed. Children Perish by the Thousands.

Samara, Russia, Sept. 2.—Hunger  
and death go virtually unnoticed in  
the neglected streets and alleys of  
Samara. Refugees from famine dis-  
tricts near the city, estimated from  
thirty to fifty thousand are huddled  
together in deserted buildings, un-  
used factories, tattered tents and in  
wagons massed about the open spaces  
about the railway stations and the  
docks along the Volga river.

Hunger, typhus, cholera and ex-  
haustion are carrying off hundreds of  
these miserable fugitives, young chil-  
dren falling victims readily to the  
famine and its attendant scourges.  
Bedragged and ragged refugees are  
constantly carrying pine coffins to  
ward the cemetery, where unpainted  
wooden crosses mark hundreds of new  
graves which have been dug since the  
flight before the advancing famine be-  
gan.

From 50 to 100 starving children are  
gathered up daily from the streets, or  
turned over to the central refuge, by  
parents who cannot feed them. Many  
of these little sufferers have typhus  
fever, but the hospitals are without  
beds and medicine. Vladimir Sokols-  
ky, chairman of the Samara provin-  
cial soviet, told The Associated Press  
last week that the entire peasant popu-  
lation of 2,500,000 will be dependent  
upon outside food by November. Al-  
ready 110,000 peasants are without  
bread, this number including 50,000  
children who have been placed in  
soviet homes.

Conditions at Semayenkna, a vil-  
lage 30 miles from Samara and re-  
mote from railway or river communi-  
cation, are typical of the misery ex-  
isting throughout the province of Sa-  
mara. The peasants there are eating  
bread made from melon rinds, sun-  
flower seed and grass seed. One  
mother killed her baby last week, say-  
ing she could not bar to see it starve.  
Other mothers are threatening to kill  
their children. One woman with six  
children said to The Associated Press:  
"You know, it takes children so  
long to die. It is too horrible to watch  
them shrivel up."

Hundreds of families were moving  
toward Samara when the correspond-  
ent passed through Semayenkna.  
They were carrying all their belong-  
ings on rickety wagons, drawn by  
starved horses which were dropping  
dead by the wayside. Igo Quonetoff,  
a peasant, was found standing with  
his wife, grown daughter and young  
son, watching their horse die at the  
top of a long hill.

## Henderson Reunion

There will be a reunion of the  
whole Henderson generation at the  
home of Tobias Henderson, the old  
Henderson homestead, near Barks-  
dale, Saturday, September 10, 1921. All  
relatives and friends are requested to  
be present and bring picnic dinner.

## W. O. W. Unveiling

Fairview Camp W. O. W. will un-  
veil a monument to the late Gov. Or-  
car Elmore at Mt. Olive church cen-  
ter Sunday afternoon, Sept. 11, at  
4 o'clock. The public is invited.

## NOTICE

### Teachers and Students

The Advertiser makes a special  
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ers and students of

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