



Discovering Alabama Mosaic



Midge Coates, Auburn University Libraries
ALLA Annual Convention, April 21, 2011



What is AlabamaMosaic?

“A repository of digital materials on Alabama's history, culture, places, and people [whose] purpose is to make unique historical treasures ... accessible to Alabama residents and to students, researchers, and the general public in other states and countries.”



Some History

- Phase 1: The Cornerstone Project. Started as an IMLS-funded grant project, 2001-2004.
- Phase 2: AlabamaMosaic. Changed its name when the grant ended in late 2004 and became self-supporting.
- Phase 3: Resolving software issues. Finally switched from ENCompass software to CONTENTdm Multi-Site Server software in 2006-2007.
- Phase 4: The New Look, 2007-present.
- Phase 5: Coming soon?





What Will You Find in AlabamaMosaic?

- Materials from twenty-one participating institutions, including eleven college/university libraries, five public libraries, Alabama Department of Archives and History, Alabama Folklife Association, Alabama School of Fine Arts, Birmingham Botanical Gardens, Marietta Johnson Museum
- Over 40,000 digital objects, more than ninety collections, including...



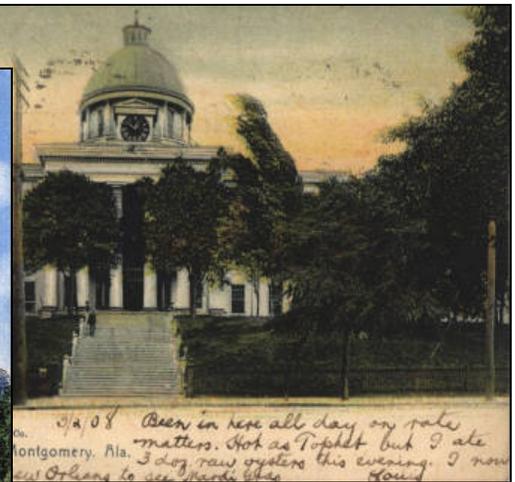
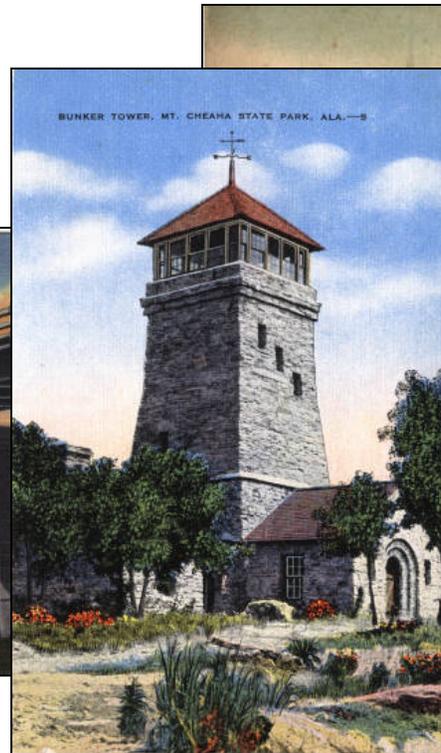
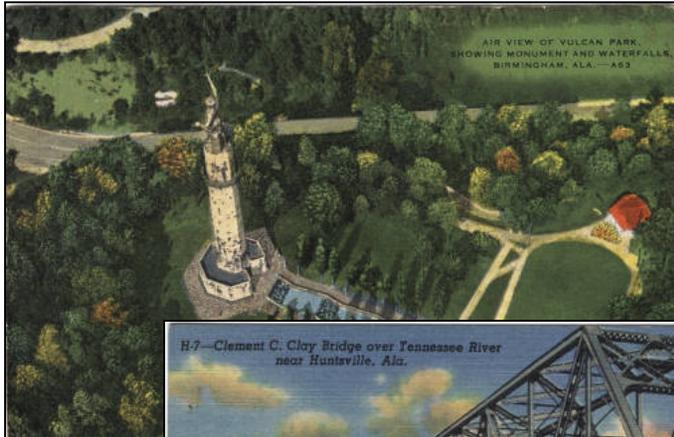


Photographs





Postcards









Historical Documents and Ephemera

HOME FRONT
MONTHLY BULLETIN OF THE ALABAMA STATE DEFENSE COUNCIL

VOLUME 1 MONTEGOMERY, ALA., JUNE, 1941 NUMBER 1

Director Paterson Announces First Home Front Issue
The first issue of the ALABAMA HOME FRONT, prepared by the Alabama State Defense Council, is now being distributed to the home front workers in Alabama. The issue is a monthly bulletin of the Alabama State Defense Council, and it is the first issue of the new publication. It is a monthly bulletin of the Alabama State Defense Council, and it is the first issue of the new publication. It is a monthly bulletin of the Alabama State Defense Council, and it is the first issue of the new publication.

Alabama WACS Preparing For Service With U. S. Armed Forces
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WACS Celebrate Second Birthday With Naval Rites
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News And Views Of Other States



Camp Ward River
Near Petersburg March 9/62

Dear Parents

You will close to the heading of this letter that we have moved in camp and i assure you it wasn't my name all the life before. I can in fact the general at must help only help must are being the other left at the old camp. Then during the that in the garden all for the entire day. I understand for our present camp is about 100 miles from Petersburg. I have heard the water all. I believe is good health and fine. The Medicines in the Virginia as

\$1.50 POLL TAX RECEIPT FOR 1903 No. 813

COUNTY OF COLBERT, ALABAMA, 1/30/1904

RECEIVED OF *J. T. Neuchace*

ONE AND 50-100 DOLLARS FOR POLL TAX DUE BY HIM FOR YEAR 1903

TOWNSHIP *H* RANGE *1003* PRECINCT No. *4*

COUNTERSIGNED BY *T. L. Sowell* STATE AUDITOR

16th Regt. Franklin marched 20 miles and camped 17th. marched through a pine thicket and camped at ...

17th Regt. Franklin marched 20 miles and camped 17th. marched through a pine thicket and camped at ...

18th Regt. Franklin marched 20 miles and camped 17th. marched through a pine thicket and camped at ...

WESTERN UNION TELEGRAM

RECEIVED AT 31 AN C 12 CABLE CLETON FEB 10

MRG ALSTON FITTS, TUSCALOOSA ALA.

WELL EXPTCT GAIL WPKX OF 10 .

FITTS 1258 PM

Steamer CARRIER

TO FREIGHT ON

20 lbs Coffee	1.50
10 lbs Tea	2.00
8 lbs Sugar	3.20
10 lbs Cheese	6.20
Total 11.50	

PL 1130
J. Speith

ATLANTA AND WEST POINT R.R.

THE WESTERN RAILWAY OF ALABAMA

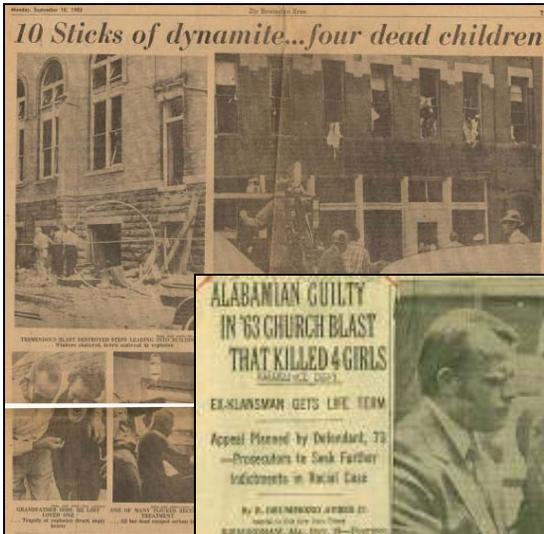
ALABAMA STATE DEFENSE COUNCIL

ALABAMA HOME FRONT





Newspaper Clippings



ALABAMIAN GUILTY IN '63 CHURCH BLAST THAT KILLED 4 GIRLS

EX-SLAVESMAN GETS LIFE TERM

Appeal Planned by Defendant, 73—Prosecutors to Seek Further Indictments in Racial Case

By R. GREENBERG AP Wire

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Sept. 15—A 73-year-old ex-slavesman was sentenced to life in prison today for his role in the dynamite blast that killed four Negro girls in a Birmingham church Sunday.

The jury, in accepting responsibility for the blast, found that the defendant, Robert S. Chambliss, a 73-year-old former Ku Klux Klansman, guilty of premeditated murder in the bombing and sentenced him to life imprisonment.

Lawyer for Mr. Chambliss said the state would appeal, though the appeal will probably be limited to the question of whether Chambliss should be sentenced to death.



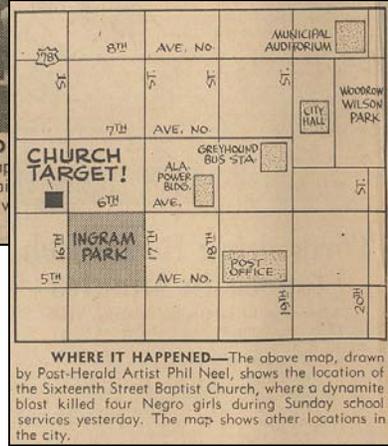
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Alabama's FAMILY Newspaper

The Birmingham News

20th Year—No. 147 22 Pages—2 Sections Birmingham, Ala., Monday, September 16, 1958 Price: 2 Cents

ANGRY POLICE SIFT BLAST CLUES; JUDGE DEcriES MOCKERY OF LAW



WHERE IT HAPPENED—The above map, drawn by Post-Herald Artist Phil Neel, shows the location of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church, where a dynamite blast killed four Negro girls during Sunday school services yesterday. The map shows other locations in the city.



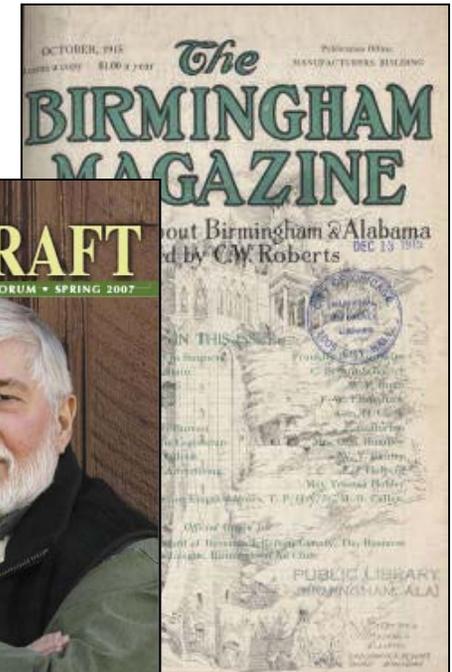
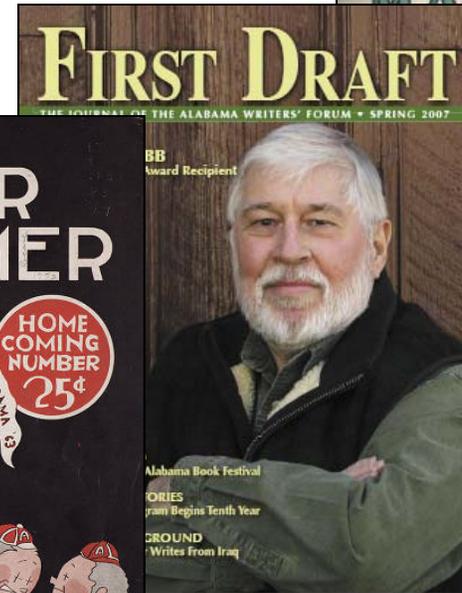
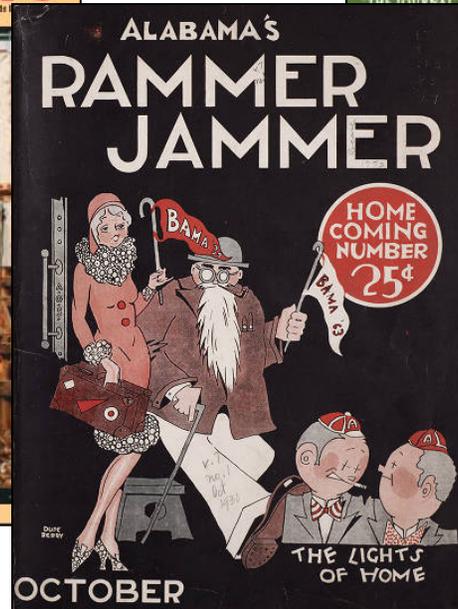
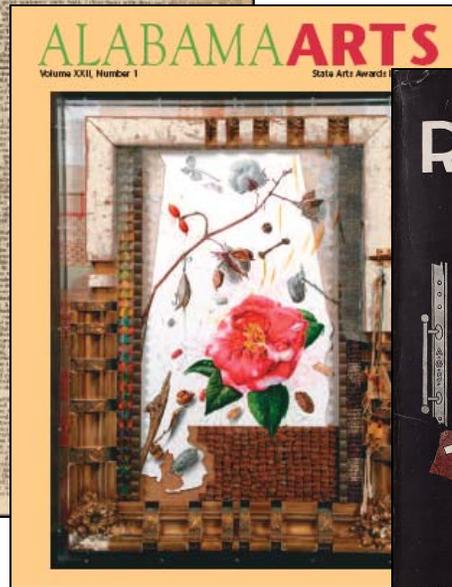
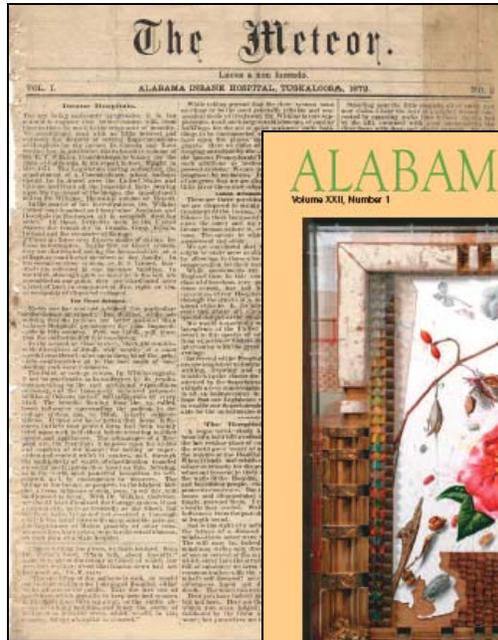


Sheet Music





Periodicals

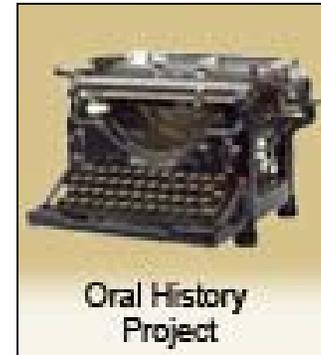




Multimedia



Florence-Lauderdale Public Library



University of Alabama at Birmingham



Alabama Department of Archives and History



Alabama Folklife Association





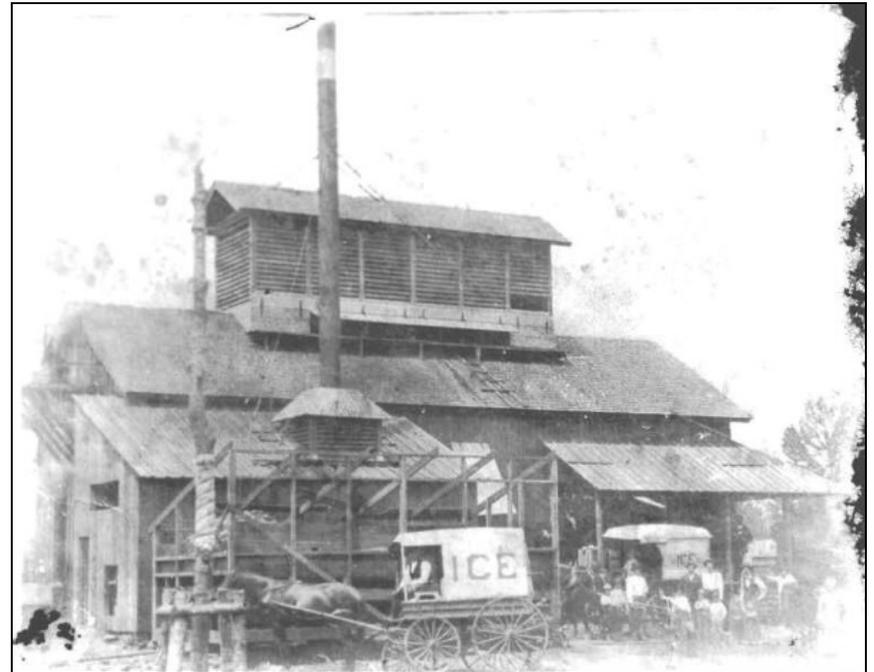
Combining Materials

- Photos
- Postcards
- Clippings
- Documents (including sheet music)
- Periodicals and Books
- Audio and Video Materials
- Other Web Materials, especially the Encyclopedia of Alabama





A Time Before Refrigeration





Economic Dependence on Cotton





1850-1852: Jenny Lind Concert Tour

JENNY LIND'S
GREETING TO AMERICA.
Written by BAYARD TAYLOR, ESQ. *Music Composed by* JULIUS BENEDICT.

JENNY LIND POLKA
Arranged for the
GUITAR
BY
F. T. STRAWINSKI.



Polka Favorite
Jenny Lind
— FAH —
A. WALLEBSTEIN.

JENNY LIND'S
American Polka
Composed for the
PIANO

JENNY LIND'S FAVORITE SERENADING POLKA
or the
NATIONAL SCHOTTISCHE
ARRANGED BY
H. P. WELLER.

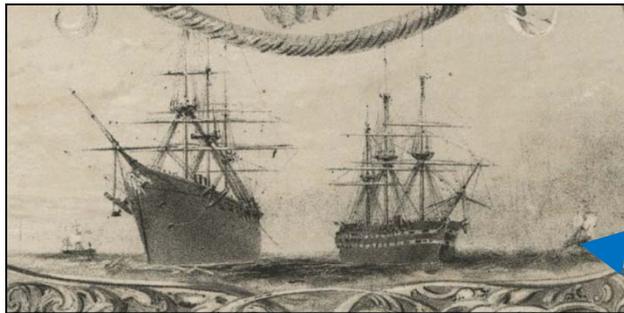




1858: Trans-Atlantic Telegraph Cable



Cable Construction



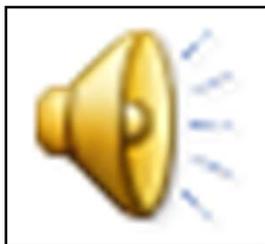
Ships Laying the Cable



The Ocean Telegraph March



Cyrus West Field
Cable Advocate





World War II: European Theater

ARMY EXCHANGE SERVICE RATION CARD ÉTOUSA

ANYWHERE IN ÉTOUSA	EVERY WEEK	EVERY TWO WEEKS	EVERY FOUR WEEKS
BEER	8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	PEANUTS, 4 OZS. 8 6 4 2	JUICE, FRUIT 8
SOFT DRINK	8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	SOAP, LAUNDRY 8 6 4	TOOTH POWDER OR PASTE 8
TOBACCO RATION	8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1	BLADES, RAZOR-S 8 6 4	SHAVING CREAM OR STICK 8
CANDY RATION	8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1		TABLET, WRITING 8
CANDY ROLL OR GUM	8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1		ENVELOPES OR PORTFOLIO 8
COOKIES	8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1		CLEANERS, PIPE 8
MATCHES, BOOK OR BOX	8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1		HANDKERCHIEFS, WOMEN'S (2) 8
SOAP, TOILET	8 7 6 5 4 3 2 1		

NO. 441 DATE ISSUED 1/19/44
 NAME & ADDRESS: Raymond R. Grenier, 28 Lafayette St., Rochester, N.Y. 14602
 SIGNATURE: [Signature]
 SIGNATURE, UNIT COMMAND: [Signature]



Bronze Star

For disregarding enemy fire to keep his truck column in operation, while supplying ammunition to advance units during the crossing of the Rhine river in Germany in March, Sgt. Raymond R. Grenier, son of Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Grenier of 28 Lafayette street, Rochester, has been awarded the Bronze Star and a citation for heroism. Sgt. Grenier, who was employed by the Rochester Water Department before enlistment in February, 1942, is a graduate of the Holy Rosary school.

Name GRENIER, RAYMOND R.
 Army serial No. 11039143
 Grade SGT
 Years of service (On date of opening this book) _____
 Insurance, amount and class \$10,000
 Insurance premium, monthly, \$ 7.55
 Allowments, amount and class \$8.45
 Compulsory allotments, amount and class _____
 Pay reservation, class B \$ 16.25
 Technician grade _____
 Additional pay for _____
 Person to be notified in case of emergency: ALICE GRENIER
 (Name)
MOTHER
 (Relationship, if friend, to state)
28 LAFAYETTE ST
 (Number and street or rural route, if none, to state)
ROCHESTER N.Y.
 (City, town, or post office) (State or country)
 Date of opening this book 13 MAY 1944
 (Signature of soldier) (Name, grade, and arm or service only. Do not enter organization)
 Witness to signature by officer preparing book: _____
 (Signature—Name, grade, and arm or service only. Do not enter organization)

CHANGES AFFECTING PAY STATUS
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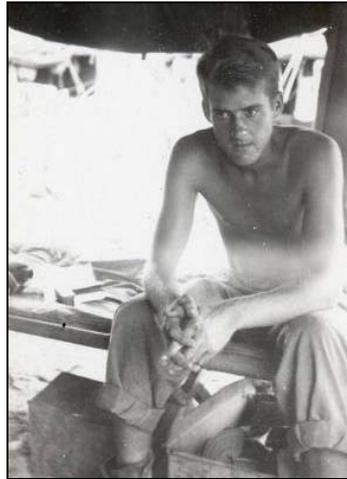
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Date reported or gilled on (Do not enter organization) _____
 Name, grade, and arm or service only of personnel officer or commanding officer _____

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World War II: Pacific Theater





World War II: The Home Front



99 ways to share the MEAT

AWI-13

Meat rationing is a new way and a fair way to share our food supply.

IF YOU MUST ADJUST MEAL PLANS

Under point rationing every citizen in the United States—man, woman, child—has a chance to bag an equal share of meat.

For many families meat rationing calls for less, if any, diet changes. Families who have used meats more generously in the past need to adjust menus carefully now.

Meat supplies six main food values in goodly amounts: PROTEIN of good quality; BONE.

As meat shoppers we are free to bag at any store. We are free also to use our meat ration coupons for whatever kind and cut the market affords.

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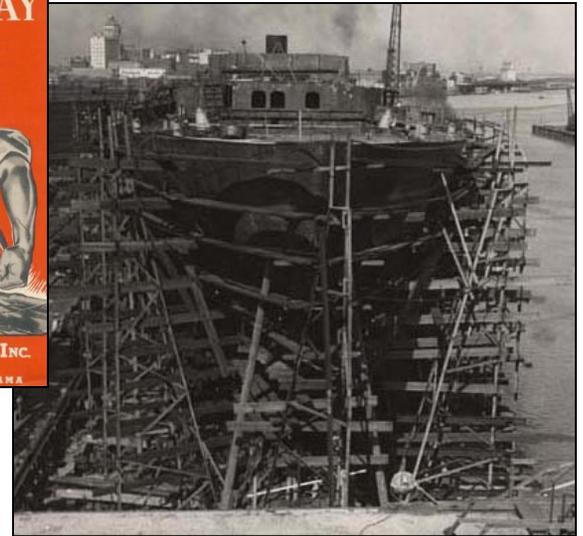
SUPPLIES LARGE—DEMAND LARGER

Any way you figure it there isn't enough meat to satisfy all appetites during wartime. Not that supplies are less than in peace years.



Give!
at Least
ONE DAY'S PAY

ALABAMA WAR CHEST, Inc.
"One for All!"
HEADQUARTERS --- MONTGOMERY, ALABAMA



IMPORTANT INSTRUCTIONS

- Coupons can be used only in connection with the vehicle described on the front cover. Expired coupons are VOID.
- If you stop using your car, this book and all unused coupons must be surrendered to your Board within 5 days.
- If you sell your car, this book and all unused coupons must be surrendered to your Board. The purchaser will not be issued a gasoline ration unless he presents the receipt which you receive at the time of such surrender.

A BASIC MILITARY SERVICE

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
OFFICE OF PRICE ADMINISTRATION

NAME OF REGISTERED OWNER
Gray Smith

ADDRESS—NUMBER AND STREET
123 Main St

CITY AND STATE
Montgomery, Ala

LICENSE NO. AND STATE
68-643 Ala YEAR MODEL AND MAKE
1937 Ford

Holder must fill in any blank spaces above before the first purchase of gasoline.

OPA Form 354152 (Class No.) (State)					
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Sixteenth Street Baptist Church Bombing



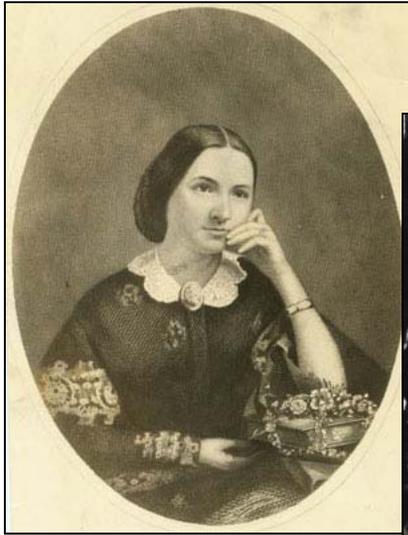


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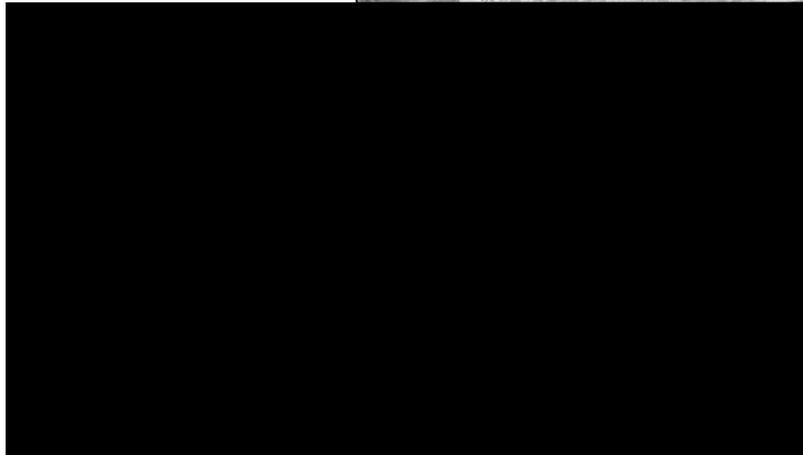




Augusta Jane Evans Wilson: 19th Century Best-selling Author



307. Roachin St.
August 8th
My dear Rachelle:
A thousand
thanks for your kind
and valued notes
which I hope to
answer in person
as soon as possible.
Having promised a
friend to see her
any morning this
week, I can
scarcely go out on





To use AlabamaMosaic, you'll need...

- A computer with Web-access
- Some good search terms
- Time and motivation to find the materials you need

Helpful, but not essential ...

- Presentation software (PowerPoint, Prezi, Google Docs, etc.)
- Photo-editing software (Photoshop, etc.)
- Audio editing software (Audacity, GarageBand, etc.)





To contribute to AlabamaMosaic, you'll need...

- Alabama-related materials that you own and have the right to digitize
- A collection space on the shared CONTENTdm server (we provide this)
- CONTENTdm Project Client software (ditto)
- Initial training and guidance (ditto)
- Time and motivation to index images and upload them to the shared server (you provide this)





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