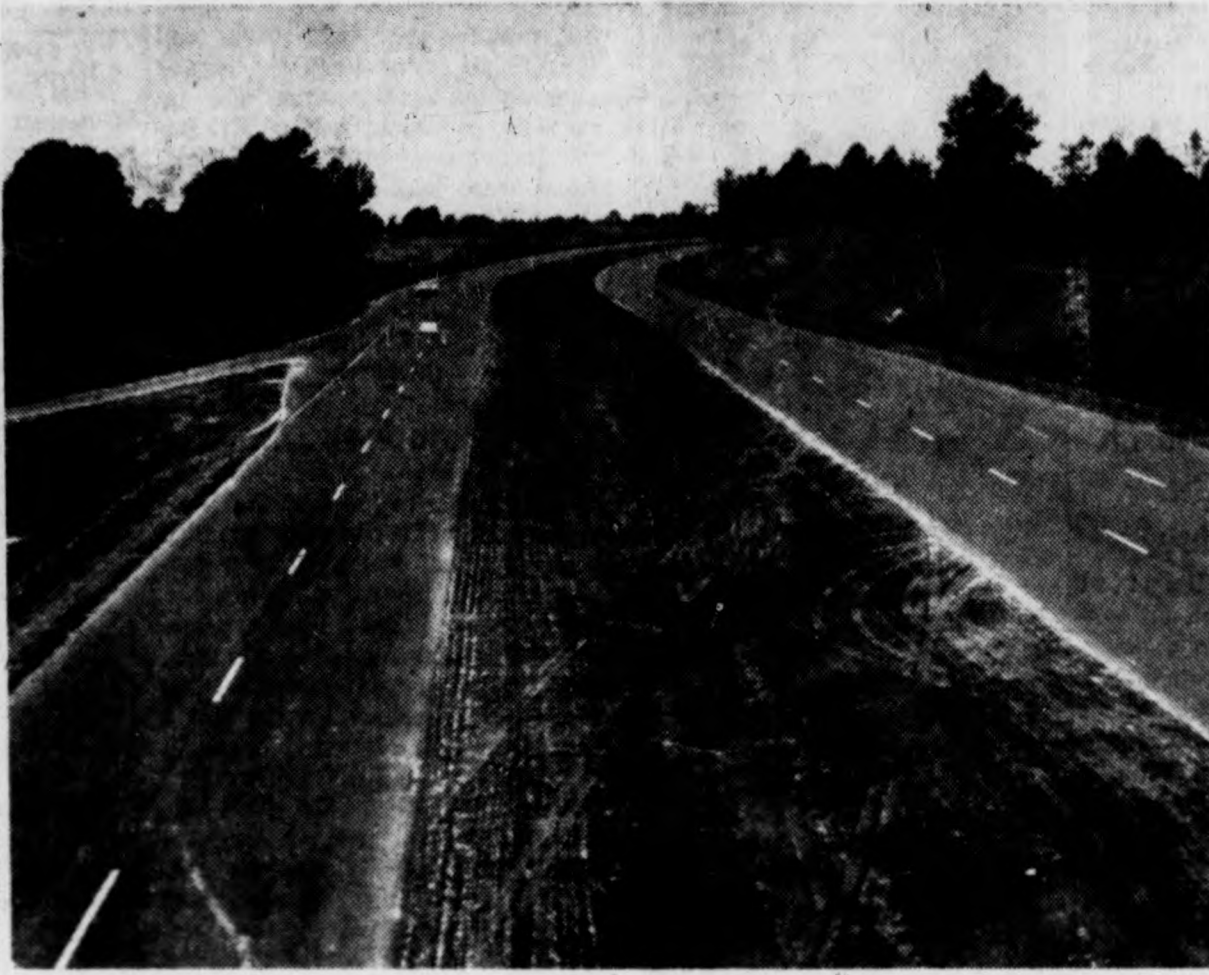
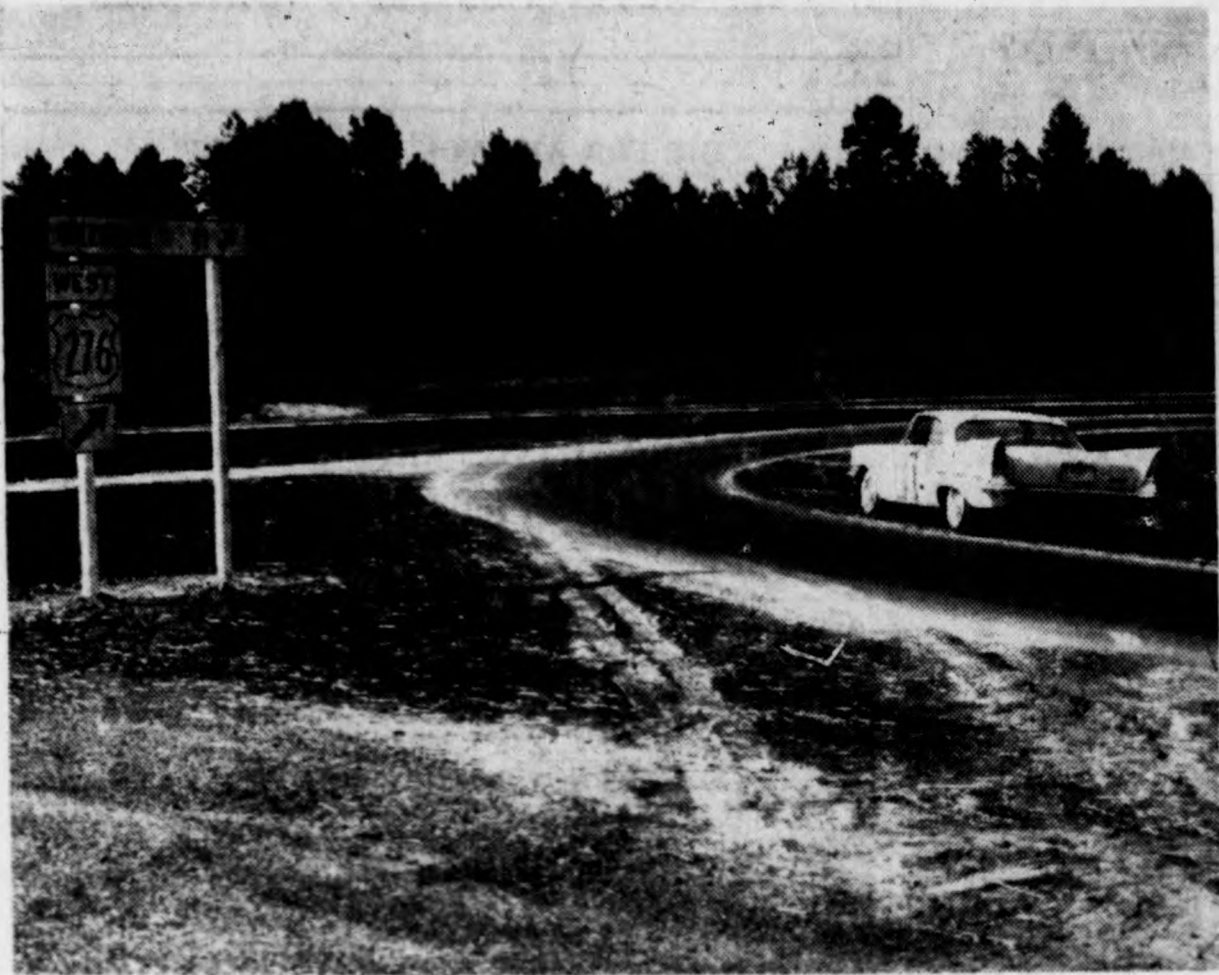


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## Finishing Touches Being Put on New Four-Lane Clinton-Greenville Highway 276

The finishing touches—including the erection of directional markers—are being applied prior to the official opening of Highway 276 (Clinton to Greenville). Travelers have been using the highway in a limited way for some time. The road may be entered from either Highway 308 (Clinton-Ora) or Highway 56 (Clinton-

Spartanburg). The photo at left shows the entry point on Highway 308 three miles north of Clinton just after crossing the 308 bridge. The signs, just erected, direct travelers into one leg of the cloverleaf design leading to entry of the new four-lane highway.

The middle photo, taken from the bridge, shows the two divided sections, the one at right being the route to Greenville, while at left is the Greenville to Clinton route. Also shown at left is the exit point for traffic to Clinton. The photo at right shows the 276 bridge crossing the new Interstate 26 from Charleston to the Spartanburg

area. Surfacing work is underway in the distance on Interstate 26. Travelers from Greenville will leave Highway 276 in this area to continue on to Columbia and Charleston via Interstate 26 when it is completed.—Photos by Dan Yarbrough.

### Claude Campbell Is Fatally Shot In Dials Community

Gray Court—A Laurens County man was killed from ambush with a single blast from a shotgun Friday morning as he went to a well for a drink of water. Sheriff C. W. Wier reported.

Claude Campbell, 62, of the Dials community near here, was cut down by the charge. Wounded in the head and neck, he apparently died instantly, the sheriff said. The sheriff quoted Claude Abercrombie, 63, of Gray Court, as saying he watched the home where Campbell lived with his son, and when he came to the well, "I shot him."

Abercrombie, being held at the county jail without charge, also verbally admitted reloading the .16 gauge single barreled shotgun and firing at his 49-year-old estranged wife, Marie, as she came to the porch of the home 75 yards away, Sheriff Wier reported.

Mrs. Abercrombie, recovering from a .38 caliber pistol wound suffered on June 4 in a domestic quarrel with her husband, was not badly hurt, the sheriff said.

Following the slaying about 11:30 a. m., Abercrombie surrendered to Police Chief Earl Knight of Gray Court.

According to the sheriff, Abercrombie admitted firing at—and missing, Campbell six weeks ago when Mrs. Abercrombie was also wounded at their home two miles west of Gray Court.

Friday's slaying occurred at the same home where Mrs. Abercrombie is living with a daughter, Mrs. Frank Campbell, daughter-in-law of the slain man.

Abercrombie had not lived there since the June incident, the sheriff said.

Campbell's killer fired the fatal charge from 27 yards away from behind the corner of a barn, the sheriff said.

When Mrs. Abercrombie came to the porch of the house 75 yards from the barn and beyond the well, pellets which pelted her face and she was hit by a charge of shotgun knee.

Up until Friday's events, Aber-

### Young Men Admit Clinton Break-Ins Past Six Months

A series of break-ins and robberies of nine Clinton business places and schools has been cleared up by the admissions of two young Clinton men held in the Spartanburg County jail.

Clinton Chief of Police B. B. Ballard stated that Arthur (Junior) Freeman and Glenn Madden, both 20 years of age, after questioning by Clinton officers, had admitted

### Clinton In Second Place In League Play

The Clinton Cavaliers are occupants of second place in the standings of the Eastern Carolina League, being two and a half games behind the leaders, Draper, at the start of play this week.

Clinton improved its position last week by winning 3 games, downing Draper in one game and Kohler in two. They narrowed the margin from five and one-half games.

Clinton will be at Riverdale (Enoree) for Saturday night's game, while Carlisle will be at Buffalo, and Draper at Kohler.

The standings coming into this week:

Team	W	L
Draper	17	4
Clinton	15	7
Carlisle	13	8
Riverdale	9	12
Buffalo	8	14
Kohler	2	19

crombie had been free on \$500 bond, charged with assault and battery with intent to kill after his wife was wounded in the leg on June 4. The sheriff said domestic troubles had prompted that incident.

The sheriff said Abercrombie had made no written statements explaining his verbally-admitted actions Friday.

But the sheriff said Abercrombie admitted he had been watching the house for "two or three days."

Although he did not live at the house, it was understood that he rented it to his son-in-law.

### PC Cadets Attend Camp At Benning

Twenty-three Presbyterian College cadets are attending the 1960 ROTC summer camp at Fort Benning, Ga.

Li Col. W. W. Barnett, professor of military science at PC, said the group is entering its final week of the six-week training period scheduled to close on July 29.

All except two of these cadets have completed their junior year at Presbyterian and will return for the final session in September. The exceptions are William W. Francis, of Charleston, and Matthew M. Smith, of Fayetteville, N. C., who completed degree requirements in June and need only the summer camp credit to receive commissions in the Officers' Reserve Corps.

The other 21 PC cadets going through their training paces at Fort Benning are: Walter P. Dorn, Jr., and Douglas C. McDougall, Jr., both of Anderson; Paul O. Ard, Jr., and Patrick D. Malone, both of Atlanta; Harry G. McDonnell and Huxie K. McDonnell, both of Asheville, N. C.; William P. Betchman and John W. Gibson, both of Sumnerston.

Charles H. Clayton, of Marietta, Ga.; Sreed D. Clark, of Laurens; Thomas A. Collins, of Pageland; Richard E. Faulkner, of Henderson, N. C.; Otto W. Ferrone, Jr., of Maxton, N. C.; Wayne E. Godfrey, of Fort Mill; Carlisle P. Griffin, Jr., of Montgomery, Ala.; Herbert V. Hammett, Jr., of Hogansville, Ga.; Robert N. Jeanes, of Easley; Marion B. Lee, of Hemingway; Thomas C. Middleton, of Jefferson; James G. Monroe, of Latta; and Orion R. Perrell, of Waxhaw, N. C.

The three men, all from Clinton, after entering the store at Woodruff through the roof, had rolled the safe to the back door preparatory to loading it into a car when discovered by police. Freeman was captured on the spot and Nelson and Madden were picked up later at a house near Woodruff.

Additional warrants will be issued against the two men in Laurens County, Chief Ballard said, or be served after their expected trial and serving of sentences in Spartanburg County.

### FHA Girls Attend Mountain Camp

FHA members attending mountain camp the week of July 5 were Teri Stewart, Sheila Owens, Claudia Brittain, Jimmie Lou Jones, Deborah Williams, Donna Wickham, Hazel Parsons, Bonnie Williams, Willaue Williams, Jane Hartley and Geraldine Potts. The bus driver was James Willard. The Home Economics teacher is Mrs. Rolly Bannister, who was also assistant director.

The group stopped at Clemson for lunch. The group was the first to arrive and register at the FHA mountain camp at Mountain Rest. The campus was a very impressive one with an abundance of wild flowers, the dining room in the center and the cabins surrounding it. There was also a recreation shed where the group could play many sports.

During the week the girls took turns preparing meals, cleaning the cabin and helping with yard work, but there was little time for work and more time for play. Breakfast was cooked out on buddy burners one morning. There were morning watches, flag raisings, nature study slides, and hikes. There was a stunt night, a hobo hop, and a hobo hike to the top of Long Mountain. While there the group had an opportunity to go swimming two hours in the morning and two hours in the afternoon at Oconee State Park or work with crafts.

On Sunday the group attended a or work with crafts.

On Sunday night members of the group received nature study certificates.

### Little River-Dominick Services To End Friday

Revival services which began Sunday at Little River-Dominick Presbyterian Church with a homecoming program, will close with the services tonight (Thursday) and Friday night at 7:30.

The Rev. Edsel M. Huffstetler, pastor of the Presbyterian Church of Elerbe, N. C., is the visiting minister. He is a graduate of Presbyterian Seminary.

The public is invited to attend the rian College and Columbia Theological services. Rev. Lawton Daugherty is pastor of the church.

### Registration For Blue Birds And Camp Fire Girls Be Held Saturday

Registration for all Lydia Mill Blue Birds and Camp Fire girls for the 1960-61 session will be held on Saturday, July 23, at the Lydia Community Building between the hours of 9 a. m.-12 noon.

It is important that each girl who is interested in either organization register at the designated time because there will not be another day set aside for this purpose. A registration fee will be charged.

### Comedy And Musical Skits To Feature Program On July 29

An evening of fun and laughter including three comedy skits will be presented at Mercer Silas Bailey School Friday, July 29, at 8:00 p. m. This program is sponsored by the Woman's Club and proceeds will go to Camp Fire projects.

"Romeo and Juliet and Their Paps," an improvement on Shakespeare, features Romeo in love with Juliet (Delores Brookshire), and Juliet in love with Romeo (Bud Tumbler). "After the Ball," an excerpt from the life of Cinderella, will be presented in two acts. "Hospital Blues," or "He Broke A Leg to Get Here," features Lewis Wallenzine as patient. The musical skit will be by Camp Fire and Horizon girls.

A small admission fee will be charged. Mrs. Eva B. Land and Miss Mary Cunningham are directors.

### Payments of Community Chest Reach \$14,022

The Community Chest of Greater Clinton has made the third quarter payments to participating agencies, according to L. N. Warren, finance chairman and immediate past president.

All participating agencies are paid the first of each quarter. The July payments brought the total paid to the agencies to \$14,022.03 on the quota of \$19,989.53.

The following agencies were included in the 1959 campaign: Laurens County Unit, American Cancer

Society, \$2,700; Laurens County Chapter American Red Cross, \$3,663; Blue Ridge Council Boy Scouts, \$2,850; Clinton Council of Camp Fire Girls, \$3,500; Laurens County Chapter, Crippled Children's Society, \$2,000; Local Relief and Administration, \$3,120; United Health and Medical Research Foundation, S. C., \$200; Carolinas United Community Services, which includes Fairview Center, \$1,581.53; the Salvation Army, \$375.

Whether or not the full quota is paid to each agency the first of October, will depend on the amount of pledges paid the remainder of the year. The 1959 campaign total was \$20,319, with \$10,272 of this amount pledged. Pledges are paid monthly, quarterly, and as designated by the pledger. All pledgers are asked to make a special effort to meet their pledge obligations, so that the Chest may be able to pay in full the fourth quarterly payments.

### Three From Clinton At Bankers Conference

Three members of the personnel of local banks attended the Carolinas Bankers conference at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, July 11 through the 15.

The clinic, which is sponsored each year by the North and South Carolina Bankers Association, consists of lectures, conferences and management classes.

Miss Katherine Dieus of the Bank of Clinton was enrolled in the general bankers conference class. Kenneth McCrary and Roscoe Bryan of M. S. Bailey and Son, Bankers, were enrolled in the management and general conference groups, respectively.

### Registration Board Session August 1-13

The Laurens County Registration Board will be in session the first two weeks in August to register voters, at the Court House in Laurens.

The board will be in session from 9:00 to 12:00 a. m.; 1:00 to 5:00 p. m. six days a week, August 1 through the 13th, officials have stated.

### Clinton, Lydia Plan Sewer Additions

Members of the Clinton City Council and officials of Lydia Cotton Mills Monday night heard a report and proposals relative to enlarging the city's and the mill's sewage treatment plants in the southwestern section of the city.

Both plants empty in the same stream at almost the same point and the proposed additions would be a joint venture of the city and the mill corporation to relieve unpleasant odors and other undesirable conditions.

The report and proposals came after a study conducted by Harwood Beebe Co., engineers, of Spartanburg, at the request of the city and the mill.

### Dr. Miller Will Speak At Fellowship On Sunday Night

Laurens (Special)—Dr. P. D. Miller of Atlanta, executive secretary of the Board of Church Extension, Presbyterian Church U.S., will be the fourth speaker Sunday night for Religious Emphasis Month being observed by South Carolina Presbyterians. Like the others in the series, the service will be held at Camp Fellowship on Lake Greenwood.

Dr. Miller is a native of Franklin County, Ga. He was educated at the University of Georgia, Davidson College and Union Theological Seminary. He has held pastorates at Raleigh, N. C., San Antonio, Texas, and Atlanta. He will speak an evangelism.

### Joanna Missionary Society To Hear Speakers, See Slides

The general meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of the First Baptist Church, Joanna, will be held Tuesday, July 26, in the Young People's department.

Miss Eugenia Byars, who represented the Joanna Foundation at Girls' State, will speak, as will Marvin Sanders, who attended classes at Clemson College for two weeks during the summer session.

Slides of Korea will be shown for the missionary emphasis. The slides were made by Marine Major Henry (Buck) Finney, formerly of Joanna.

Major Finney served for 11 months in Korea until cessation of active hostilities. He served one year under the peacetime rotation. Major Finney was active in Marine Corp program for helping Korean children.

### WINS SCHOLARSHIP

Sally Glenn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Glenn, has been awarded a \$300 Reynolds Corporation scholarship to King College in Bristol, Tenn.

### COLEMAN REUNION

The Coleman reunion will be held Sunday, July 24, at Camp Fellowship on Lake Greenwood. Relatives and friends are invited to come and are asked to bring picnic baskets with sweetened tea.

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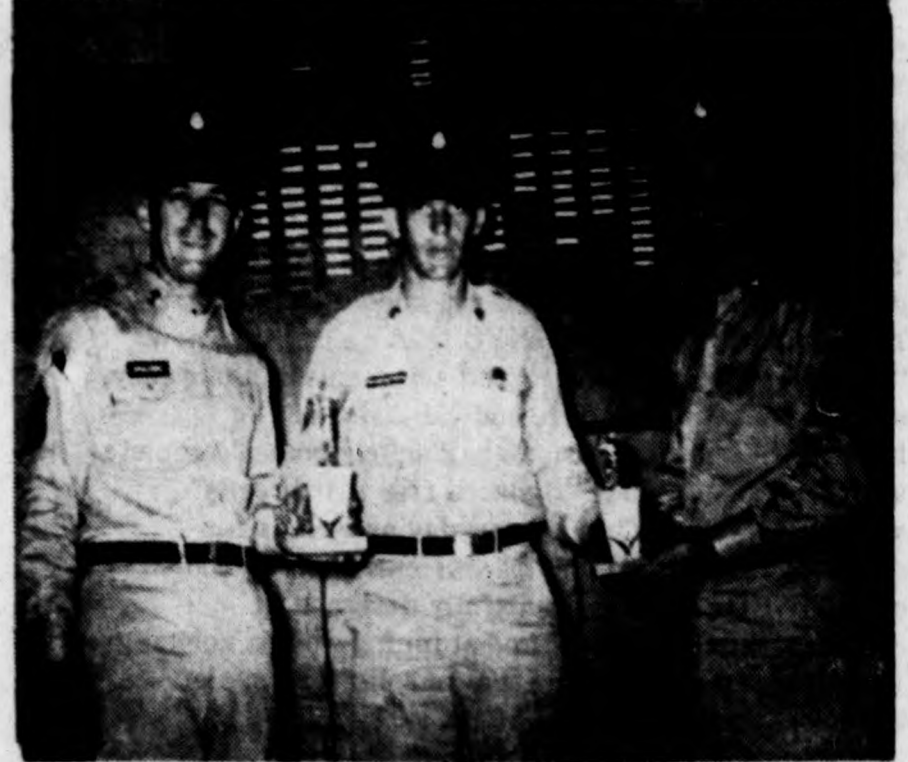
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Holding Trophies are Joe Spillers, J. B. Vanderford, and Sam Owens

### BATTERY B WINS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Battery B, 1st AW Bn, Clinton National Guard, won the softball and volleyball championships at Fort Stewart, Ga., while attending summer encampment the latter part of June.

Members of the softball team were: Wayne Templeton, catcher; Herman Jackson, first base; Harold Frick, second; Joe Spillers, shortstop; Darrel Johnson, third base; Charley Foster, left field; J. B. Vanderford, center; Charles Marler and Lanier Johnson, right; Sam Owens, pitcher; utility: Bobby Meadors, Bradshaw Bagwell, Eddie McGee.

The volleyball team was composed of the same men.

This was the second year in succession that Battery B won both championships.



### Clinton Scouts At National Jamboree

Two Clinton Scouts, Billy Chisholm (left) and George Grant, Jr., (in photo above) left Saturday morning along with 78 other Scouts from the Blue Ridge Council enroute to Colorado Springs, Colorado. They are attending the fifth National Jamboree where 55,000 Scouts from the 50 states and 56 foreign countries will be encamped.

Billy, a Life Scout, is the son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Q. Chishol