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The February meeting of the Major John C. Hutto Camp
in Jasper, Alabama will be

Sunday, 19 February 2023 at 2:00PM

Meeting will be at the
First United Methodist Church's Adult Center

Speaker - Ms. Ruth Beaumont Cook
North Across the River
The Civil War Trail of Tears

Family, friends & guest are welcome



How does one justify making war on women and children?

How does one ever justify it?!!

"War is Hell," Sherman said.

Sherman was a war criminal. Second only to Abraham Lincoln.

Roswell, GA: The Civil War Exile of the Roswell Mill Women by Rhetta Akamatsu

You all have probably heard of the Trail of Tears, when the Cherokee Indians were sent from North Carolina and Georgia to Oklahoma by force in the 1800's.

But very few people know the story of another forced exile that took place during the Civil War in Roswell, Georgia.

In 1864, at least 400 and possibly as many as 700 mill workers, nearly all women, black and white and their children, were arrested as traitors and shipped North by force, and very few of them ever made their way back home.

It was July, and the Atlanta Campaign was in full swing, General Sherman burning and slashing his way to Atlanta and his March to the Sea. Seeking a way to cross the Chattahoochee, General Kenner Garrard began his twelve-day occupation of Roswell, which was completely undefended.

Everyone except the mill-workers had fled the city. The mills, two cotton mills and a woolen mill, remained in operation, making cloth for uniforms and other military needs, like rope and canvas.

The day after Garrard arrived, he sent a message to Sherman that he had discovered the mills and was in the process of destroying them. Sherman's message back to Garrard was that the destruction of the mills met his "entire approval." He then added,

"I repeat my orders that you arrest all people, male and female, connected with those factories, no matter what the clamor, and let them foot it, under guard, to Marietta, whence I will send them by [railroad] cars, to the North. THE POOR WOMEN WILL MAKE A HOWL...Let them [the women] take along their children and clothing, providing they have a means of hauling or you can spare them."

Then, a day later, he added, ""Whenever the people are in the way, ship them to a new country north and west."

The women and a few men who were too old or too young to fight and all the children were rounded up and marched, under guard, the ten or so miles to Marietta and brought to the abandoned Georgia Military Institute. Along the way, Garrard added more people who seemed to be "in the way."

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