Laurens County Images of America South Carolina

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Arcadia Publishing. Paperback. Book Condition: New. Paperback. 128 pages. Dimensions: 9.0in. x 6.4in. x 0.4in.A picturesque community in the Upstates piedmont landscape, the city of Laurens possesses a rich heritage and unique small-town character and charm. Since its founding in the latter part of the eighteenth century, the city, named for Revolutionary War hero and distinguished South Carolinian Henry Laurens, has grown and developed into the countys primary crossroads, serving not only as the county seat, but a center of social activity, from circuses to Chautauquas. This volume, with over 200 black-and-white photographs and postcards, captures the Laurens of yesteryear, a time measured by the sound of railroad whistles, hoof beats on dusty streets, and the early noisy stirrings of automobiles. Covering the many elementsof everyday life in Laurens--the academic, industrial, spiritual, and social--this visual history takes readers on a remarkable tour through the areas past, showcasing early schools, such as the Laurensville Female College and the old Central School; turn-of-the-century textile mills, such as the Laurens Cotton Mill and the Watts Mill Plant; a wide variety of churches, including Baptist, Methodist, and Presbyterian denominations, to name but a few; and early residences and businesses that make up the Laurens...

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