

AN ORDINANCE.
State of South Carolina,
County of Laurens,
City of Laurens.
 Be It Ordained by the City Council of the City of Laurens:
 Sec. 1. That all able bodied male residents of the City of Laurens between the ages of 18 and 50 years shall each pay a per capita tax for street improvements the sum of \$2.00 on or before the 1st day of March, 1918, and all persons failing to pay said street tax on or before the 1st day of March shall pay to the City Clerk the sum of \$4.00 as such street tax, and failing to do so shall upon conviction be punished as otherwise provided by the City Ordinance.
 Done and ratified by the City Council of the City of Laurens and the corporate seal of the said City of Laurens hereto affixed this 3rd day of December, A. D. 1917, and in the one hundred and forty-second year of the sovereignty and Independence of the United States of America.
 J. C. OWINGS, Mayor.
 C. W. KITCHEN, City Clerk.

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 An ordinance to levy an annual tax upon the taxable property within the corporate limits of the City of Laurens, to raise supplies to defray bonded indebtedness of the said City of Laurens for the fiscal year commencing January 1st, 1918, and to pay past indebtedness of said city, and also to levy and collect a sufficient amount to pay the interest upon the bonded indebtedness of the said city for the year 1918, and to raise a sinking fund for the payment of same.
 Be It Ordained by the City Council of the City of Laurens:
 Sec. 1. That a tax of eighty-five (85) cents on every one hundred dollars worth of property, real and personal not exempt by law from taxation within the corporate limits of the City of Laurens, be and the same is hereby levied for corporate purposes to defray the public expense of the City of Laurens for the fiscal year, commencing January 1st, 1918 and to meet other indebtedness as has been contracted by said city for corporate purposes; That an additional levy of fifty-five (55) cents on every one hundred dollars worth of the assessed value of all property, real and personal, not exempt from taxation, situated within the corporate limits of the City of Laurens, be and the same is hereby levied, to meet the interest accruing on the bonded indebtedness of the City of Laurens during the fiscal year 1918 and to create a sinking fund to be used in aid of retirement and payment of said bonds, and the excess, if any, shall be used by the City Council for other corporate purposes.
 Sec. 2. That the Clerk of the said city shall enter levies and assessments upon the books of the said city and receive said taxes. That the said taxes herein levied shall be paid to the said City Clerk in lawful money of the

Mrs. M. M. Wade Seriously Injured.
 Mrs. M. M. Wade, mother of Mrs. W. C. Blakeley, was seriously injured Monday evening between Fountain Inn and Simpsonville, when the automobile in which she was traveling turned turtle and threw her and all the other occupants to the ground. In the car with her were Mr. and Mrs. Blakeley, Mr. and Mrs. Setzler, and Mr. and Mrs. Wade. Mrs. Setzler was also painfully injured, but the other occupants escaped with minor bruises. The party were going to Greenville to be at the bedside of Mrs. Wade's grand-son, who was very sick. After the accident Mrs. Wade was brought home and is now seriously ill in the Laurens Mill village.

ANNUAL MEETING.
 The annual meeting of policy holders of the Abbeville-Greenwood Mutual Insurance Association will be held in Greenville, Y. O'clock a.m., January 1st, 1918.
 J. R. BBAKE, Secretary.
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United States on or before the 1st day of March, A. D. 1918 and any person firm or corporation failing to pay said taxes when due shall be liable to the penalty of 15 per centum of the tax so levied, and also cost of issuing execution and collection as now provided by law for the failure to pay the general County and State taxes.
 Done and ratified by the City Council of the City of Laurens and the corporate seal of the said city hereto affixed, this the 3rd day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and seventeen and in the one hundred and forty-second year of the Sovereignty and Independence of the United States of America.
 Attest: Mayor.
 J. C. OWINGS,
 C. W. KITCHEN, City Clerk.

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Santa Claus and Others
There is nothing truer than a fairy tale. It is the quintessence of what Aristotle calls the probable impossibility. The best of the fairy tales are folklore, giving the boiled-down wisdom of centuries of experience, and the truths they teach are the old, old facts of human nature put into visible form for childish minds to grasp. These tales do not teach morals by precept, but truths by example, says Collier's. No amount of teaching about the brotherhood of man, and Christmas kindness, and the rewards of virtue, can have such an effect on the small, objective soul as is produced by the vision of Santa Claus with his white beard and twinkly eyes coming with toys for good little boys and switches for bad little boys, shedding jollity and benevolence all over the place. Long years from now, when every incident of these stories is lost to the memory, the knowledge of fundamental human values will remain. Teach the children fairy tales and you teach them the wisdom of the ages.

Peace to Men of Good Will
 By CHARLES F. THWING
 The angels' song, "On Earth Peace, Good Will Toward Men," can also be translated "peace to men of good will." This version is timely, as well as correct for the Greek. For peace can and shall come to men of good will, and it cannot come to men of bad will.
 Who is the man of good will? It is he who has a choice of happiness, of righteousness, of goodness for all men. It is he who desires that men may be blessed, and who tries to make the desire effective. The man of good will does not hate. Neither does he incarnate hate in any weapon offensive or defensive. He is free from revenge, and is full of forgiveness for the penitent. He may not forget injuries, but, what is more important, he is eager to make injury the occa-

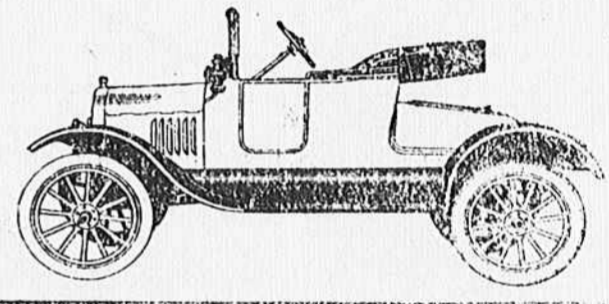
sion for helping the offender to overcome the evil within the heart or will out of which the injury sprung. He is capable of mighty indignations, but he does not suffer himself to be conquered by them. Without being impassive, he is calm in the face of wrong, and he is very patient, being more willing to be the victim than the agent of evil. His hatred of all sin and his love for the man who, despite his manhood, is guilty of sin, are alike strong and lasting. He is free from suspicion, he thinketh no evil. He loves his neighbor, not only as himself, but even more, being more eager to do justice than to receive justice.
 The qualities and elements which constitute the man of good will also constitute the commonwealth of good will.
 Such a commonwealth is a commonwealth peace. Willing good to others, others will good also to it. Armaments in such condition have no longer any function to play, and they melt away. The battleflags are furled. Wars cease and rumors of wars are not heard. Men become brothers in mutual service and happiness, as they are brothers in origin and destiny.

SILAGE REDUCES BEEF COST
 Result Given of Steer-Feeding Test Made at Missouri College of Agriculture.
 A steer-feeding test recently completed at the Missouri College of Agriculture illustrates the possibility of reducing the cost of beef production by the extensive use of corn silage. Sixteen head of two-year-old steers fed for 130 days made an average gain in live weight of 322 pounds per head. They were fed 3.16 tons of corn silage, 750 pounds of alfalfa hay, and 503 pounds of cotton-seed meal and old process linseed oil meal per steer. They received no corn other than that contained in the silage. By this method of feeding a fairly satisfactory grade of beef can be produced, and it is possible to fatten three steers on an acre of good corn instead of one, which was usual under former methods of feeding.
SYSTEM OF MUCH NECESSITY
 Farmer Who Does Not Include Clover in Rotation Plan is Slowly Going into Bankruptcy.
 The grower of staple farm crops, who does not use a systematic rotation in which clover or some other legume enters, is slowly going into bankruptcy. Land on which clover generally fails, and which produces sorrel and red top instead, will be benefited by the use of lime.

Thousands of Good Stenographers Are Needed
Clerical Help Wanted
 The government has just written to this school pointing out their urgent need of stenographers, both male and female, and asking us to help them in securing the great number needed. The starting salary offered is \$900 to \$1200 a year. Examinations are being held weekly in 400 cities.
 Besides the demand of the government, the conscription is taking thousands of young men from commercial positions, and their positions will have to be filled by new employees. Business men are calling on us daily for assistance in securing stenographers and bookkeepers.
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NEW YEAR GREETINGS
1918
THE MOMENTOUS YEAR IN HISTORY

The year 1917 just closing was the most momentous in your history---in our history---in the history of the world!
 It carries us back some years ago when the modest organization which has since grown into the strong Switzer Company establishment was first planned.
 Like every other new business organization its path was beset by difficulties---often apparently insuperable. It was a fight for existence, for achievement, for ultimate success.
 Our weapons were honest values, quality merchandise and efficient service. And these we wielded with all the power and vigor which lofty idealism and consciousness of the worthiness of our cause imparted. And the measure of our success is our thousands of satisfied and loyal customers who have made possible our remarkable growth.

We wish then to take this occasion to assure you that Switzer Company will continue to fight for your best interests with the same weapons of fair and square dealing, choice merchandise assortments and right prices which have won for us so great a degree of success in the past.
 And we also wish to express our sincere gratitude and appreciation of the splendid support which you have so loyally accorded us and to express our firm conviction that a still greater success will be achieved by all of us, in spite of present abnormal conditions during the coming year.
 It is with a feeling of deepest confidence for the future and sincere appreciation of your patronage in the past that we wish you one and all

A HAPPY AND PROSPEROUS NEW YEAR
SWITZER COMPANY

LAURENS, SOUTH CAROLINA