

Phenix City, Alabama Historical Photograph Collection, SMC 152

Biographical Note

Jim Cannon is a city councilman of Phenix City, Alabama since 2012 and a retired businessman. As a local historian, Cannon began collecting historic and current photographs depicting all facets of life in Phenix City. A large display of these photographs and other memorabilia hung in the CVS store managed by Cannon for many years and became a text-sm tourist attraction.

Over the years, Jim Cannon collected over a thousand photographs which were published in DVD form called *The Cities by the River, Columbus, Georgia, Phenix City, Alabama: Memories from the Past 100 Years of Photos from the Twin Cities*. He was host of *Yesterday's Memories*, a television show in local CTV Beam. In 2017 he released a book featuring historic photographs called *Phenix City: Yesterday's Memories in Photos*.

Scope and Content

This material contains three sets of documents relating to the death of Albert Patterson in Phenix City, Alabama and the places known for vice activity. Also included are six (6) CDs of photographs collected by Jim Cannon. Topics include entertainment, crime, historic street views, Coca-Cola, Columbus, Chattahoochee River, and more.

1800s - 2000s; bulk 1950-1960 1 folder

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Note to Researchers

See also: [Albert Patterson FBI File \(MC 320\)](#) [Hugh Bentley/Phenix City Cleanup Collection \(SMC 20\)](#)

Folder/Item List

Item 1 - PCAL 1: Photographs include city mills, Oak Mountain Mill, Phenix City Commission meeting, Coca Cola, John Patterson, and the vice cleanup in Phenix City, Alabama

Item 2 - PCAL 2: Photographs include ceremony and parade of the All-American City Awards (Jan. 1954); Griffin and Washington (attack on witness in Patterson case; Bridge Grocery Store Investigation (July 1954); Army Day in Columbus (April 1941; historical photographs and South Girard

Item 3 - PCAL 3: Historic Photographs of Phenix City

Item 4 - PCAL 4: Photographs of schools, churches, Patterson case

Item 5 - No Title: PCAL Commission, F. Griffin, PCAL Arial photographs

Item 6 - Ledger Files II, April 27, 2017

Item 7 - Post Cards, Local PCAL

Item 8 - Copy of criminal record inquiry card for Albert Frederick Fuller, accused killer of attorney general elect - Patterson, September 21, 1954

Item 9 - Brief for General Hanna and accompanying letter from Lt. M. J. Wiman of Russell County Sheriff's Office, September 16, 1954 This document lists all the known vice related hangouts in Phenix City listed by street

Item 10 - Copies of laboratory results and evidence photographs in the case of Albert L. Patterson, Attorney General-Elect for Alabama, September 15, 1954