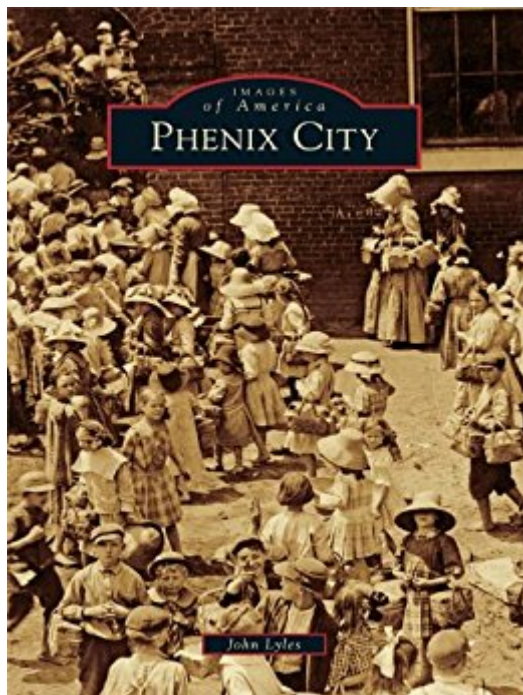


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# Phenix City (Images Of America)



## Synopsis

Phenix City, Alabama, on the western bank of the Chattahoochee River across from Columbus, Georgia, was officially incorporated as Brownville in 1883. However, its history can be traced through Girard, Knights Station, Summerville, Fort Mitchell, the Creek Indian town of Coweta, and several other communities within Russell County. Phenix City has provided a setting for many of the important events in Alabama's history from early Spanish explorers, to its rich Native American heritage, to its role in opening and settling the Southern frontier, to its adherence to King Cotton, to its rebirth after being regarded the "wickedest city in America." Phenix City has undergone profound change and yet has retained its rural charm.

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while this is a good book and has some photos I had never seen before, there are some glaring issues, to wit: The photos end in 1956, just after the cleanup in Phenix City. The opportunity to take advantage of the 10s of thousands of photos available through Jim Cannon, a local collector, was not explored or the photos included would have been more wide ranging. The events after the

cleanup, including the rapid growth of Phenix City from 2000 forward, the birth of Chattahoochee Valley Community College, the construction of two campuses for Troy University, the new industrial park, the new whitewater rafting resort and associated development, and the new nomenclature, city of churches, that arose as Phenix City arose from the ashes of the mob and turned itself into the buckle of the bible belt are all neglected.

I ordered two copies of this book, one for me, one for my sister, because we were born in Phenix City and love reading stories about our heritage. The book was a little disappointing to me because there was so much more material that could have been added to the book by two men in Phenix City who have thousands of pictures of the history of Phenix City. I just didn't feel like the book was complete. Much more research from local historians should have been checked.

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