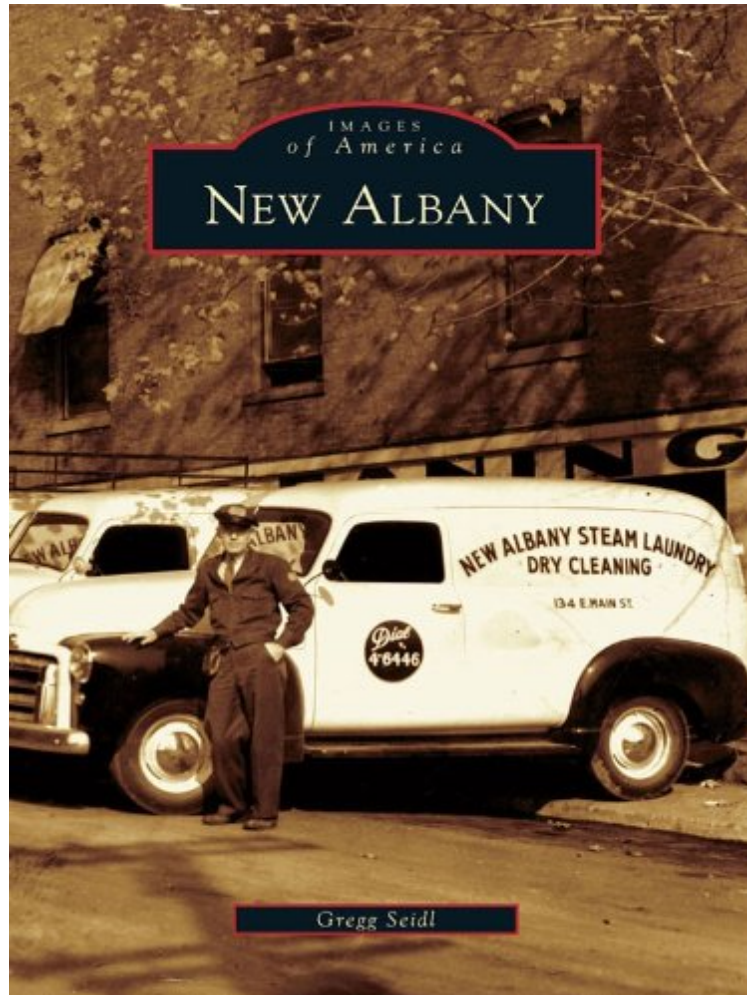


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the residents of the city that have never been seen, even by those pictured! If you are from the area, you are likely to find someone you know within the covers. Even those readers not from the area have been engrossed in the book because of the fascinating captions that accompany each photo. This has been the main difference between this book and many of the others in the series: Mr. Seidl has done an impressive job with his research and recounts the details of each image with a wonderful sense of history. Each photo tells a story, and I couldn't put the book down until I had read it cover-to-cover. There are also images of the disasters that have struck the river city, from the various floods to the massive 1917 tornado. If you have never seen the destruction events like these have wrought, this book has an impressive collection. And, again, Mr. Seidl provides amazing stories with each photograph. I especially enjoyed the stories he recounts from the individuals involved in the 1917 tornado. What a wonderful collection of stories and images from early New Albany to the not-so-distant past. You must take the time to read this book!

Until the railroads extended their steel ribbons westward, people and cargo traveling to America's frontier went by flatboat, canoe, or paddle-wheeled steamer. The falls of the Ohio River at Louisville presented a considerable obstacle to this floating traffic, and vessels traveling on this major waterway were forced to portage their cargo around the turbulent waters. In 1812, three enterprising brothers from New York, Abner, Joel, and Nathaniel Scribner, bought land at the western end of the rapids and named their new settlement New Albany in honor of the capital of their native state. Their village became the head of downriver navigation on the Ohio and evolved from a backwoods settlement into Indiana's largest city, a lively river town where steamboats, textiles, sheet music, automobiles, and pastries have all been manufactured. Natural disasters have periodically changed the face of the city, but New Albany has always recovered due to the determination of its citizens. This collection of vintage images portrays the triumphs and tragedies of these residents.

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