

Album of Yesteryear

Albany

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There was a brick platform outside the Nickel Plate railroad station in Albany when this photograph was made by Wiley W. (Bill) Spurgeon Jr. in the late 1940s. Now executive editor of The Muncie Star, he was then a junior high school student in Muncie and made the picture with a Kodak reflex camera that used 127-sized film. The station and platform were removed some years ago. They were located

on the east side of the railroad track just north of State Street. Until about 1950 Albany was served by four daily passenger trains, two of which handled mail and express. Service was reduced then, and in 1959 the final two trains, which passed through the community during the night and would stop for passengers only by special request, were discontinued. The view is looking northeast from State Street.