Guide to the American railroad station plans
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Summary Information

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<td>Extent</td>
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Preferred Citation note

American railroad station plans, University Libraries Division of Special Collections, The University of Alabama
Biographical/Historical note

A train station is a railway facility where trains regularly stop to load or unload passengers and/or freight. It generally consists of a platform next to the track and a station building (depot) providing related services such as ticket sales and waiting rooms. If a station is on a single track main line, it often has a passing loop to facilitate the traffic. The smallest stations are most often referred to as 'stops.'

Scope and Contents note

The collection contains over 140 original plans, most in ink on waxed architect's paper, variously sized (ranging from approximately 18" x 21" to approximately 31" x 42", mostly tending towards the larger sizes), for railroad stations and their associated buildings in a wide variety of cities and towns in Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, Louisiana, Georgia, Mississippi, Florida, and a few in Illinois and Indiana. The plans are mostly stylistically consistent measured drawings, drafted in the prevailing conventions of the day, and show facades of stations, interior details, waiting rooms, privies, crossing signs, telegraph offices, train sheds, decorative plaster work, etc. Many of the plans are annotated, some are dated, and many originate from the home office in Louisville. ~ from dealer's catalog

Administrative Information

Publication Information

University Libraries Division of Special Collections, The University of Alabama November 2013

Conditions Governing Access note

None

Conditions Governing Use note

None

Provenance
Controlled Access Headings

Corporate Name(s)

- F. A. Bernett, Inc.
- Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company.

Subject(s)

- Architecture
- Community and Place
- Railroad stations
- Railroad stations--Alabama
- Railroad stations--Florida
- Railroad stations--Georgia
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