ININDIANA STEEL MILL
PHOTOGRAPHS, 1920–1940

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

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HISTORICAL SKETCH

The Chapman-Price Steel Company of Indianapolis was incorporated in 1919 out of two companies; Chapman Steel Company and The Hornbrook-Price Company. Chapman Steel was a sheet metal manufacturer and Hornbrook-Price was a sheet metal products company. Both companies were housed at 1970 Madison Street in Indianapolis when they merged. The company moved to 3000 Shelby Street around 1920 or 1921. Chapman-Price Steel Company became a division of Continental Steel Corporation of Kokomo, first listed as such in the 1932/1933 City Directory, and continued in that capacity for several years. The company was no longer listed in the City Directory as of 1949.

U.S. Steel moved a plant into Gary in 1906. They brought in industry, and built the town around the plant as well. The U.S. Steel Gary works grew for many years, at one time becoming the largest steel mill in the world. They continue to make steel there still in the Twenty-first Century. The four Gary, Indiana mills in this collection are part of the Gary Works. Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corporation and Illinois Steel Corporation are the same plant, whereas American Sheet & Tin Plate Company is another subsidiary of the company. Rust Furnace Company was working for the American Sheet & Tin Plate Company therefore; they too are included in this same group.

Sources:

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection contains photographs from five different Indiana Steel companies, or related works, from the 1920s through the 1940s. The pictures show the Chapman-Price Steel Company of Indianapolis, the Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corporation, the Illinois Steel Co., the Rust Furnace Company, and American Sheet and Tin Plate Company, all of Gary, Indiana. The photographs are mostly of the equipment, but do show workers in some of the pictures of the Carnegie-Illinois Steel Corporation, and Illinois Steel Co.
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