

THE CLAUDE E. HOFFMAN COLLECTION

Papers, 1934-1952
(Predominately, 1935-1938)

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The papers of Claude E. Hoffman were placed in the Archives of Labor and Urban Affairs by Mr. Hoffman and were opened for research in January, 1969. Additional papers were added to the collection by Mr. Hoffman and opened for research in December of 1985.

Claude E. Hoffman was born in Anderson, Indiana in 1896. He was a member of UAW Local 663 and worked at Warner Gears Company, Western Electric Company, and the Guide Lamp Division of the General Motors Corporation. He participated in the sit-down strikes in Anderson in 1937 and was active in the local unions. He subsequently served as Director of Education for Local 663. He is the author of Sit-Down in Anderson:Local 663, Anderson, Indiana, a history of Local 663, published by the Wayne State University Press in 1968.

Important subjects covered in the collection are:

Hoffman trial, 1938
Factionalism in UAW Local 146, Anderson, Indiana, 1936-1937
Employees Assn. at Guide Lamp, 1935-1937
Activities of Metal Polishers International Union, Local 52
at the Guide Lamp plant, 1934

Among the important corespondents are:

William Green

Victor Reuther

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