

THE ARCHITECTURAL ENGINEERING EMPLOYEES,  
DETROIT CHAPTER COLLECTION

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The papers of the Architectural Engineering Employees in Detroit were placed in the Archives of Labor and Urban Affairs in September of 1973 by James Skalski. Additional papers were placed in the Archives by Mr. Skalski in January of 1974. These papers were opened for research in November of 1985.

The papers of the Architectural and Engineering Employees Organization consist of a paper and appendices prepared by James Skalski relating to efforts to unionize the professional and technical staffs of the architectural firms in the Detroit Metropolitan area from 1967 through 1973. The first steps were taken under the aegis of the Technical Office and Professional (TOP) Division of the United Auto Workers. Subsequent efforts by the Architectural Engineering Employees Organizing Committee culminated in the "constitutionalization" of Architectural Engineering Employees (A.E.E.) into a formal labor organization in October, 1971. In 1972, the A.E.E. became the National Association of Architectural and Engineering Employees (N.A.A.E.E.). Internal friction, financial problems, and lost elections, however, resulted in the demise of the N.A.A.E.E. in 1973.

The papers include several analyses of the problems of organizing professional groups such as architects and engineers, plus appendices of correspondence, constitutions and by-laws, financial reports, and miscellaneous material relating to the A.E.E. organization.

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Eleven issues of The Gnomon (1970-72),  
the newsletter of the Architectural Engineering Employee  
Organization,  
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