The Machine Hall at the Berlin Industrial Exhibition (1896)

Abstract

This photograph of the Machine Hall at the Berlin Industrial Exhibition of 1896 features one of the displays of the Berlin-based Borsig Locomotive Works. In the 1870s, the Borsig company was the largest locomotive manufacturer in Europe, and second-largest in the world. In 1898, two years after the Exhibition, the Borsig works constructed a massive factory complex in Berlin-Tegel, which, in addition to steam engines and locomotives, manufactured refrigerators and steam plows. With the outbreak of war in 1914, the Borsig Works would shift to manufacturing artillery shells, gun barrels, and torpedo tubes; eventually Borsig would be absorbed by AEG in 1931.

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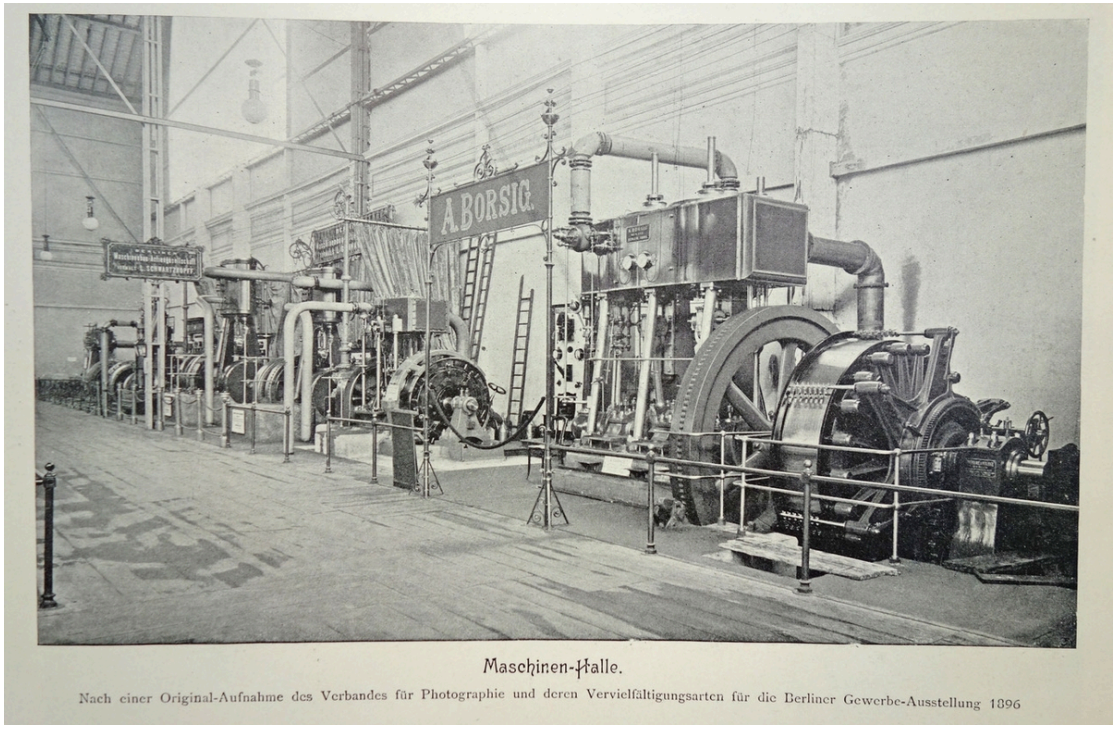

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