



## **E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Inc. Deepwater Point Works panoramic photographs 1969.140**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	Audiovisual Collections
<b>Creator - pht:</b>	Dick, John A., 1879-1972
<b>Creator:</b>	E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Company
<b>Title:</b>	E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Co., Inc. Deepwater Point Works panoramic photographs
<b>ID:</b>	1969.140
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1916-1923
<b>Physical Description:</b>	15 item(s)
<b>General Physical Description:</b>	15 photographic prints : panoramic photographs ; 9.5 x 92 in. or smaller.
<b>Physical Location:</b>	OO 1-2; DF Box 1001; Drawer A-25.
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English .
<b>Abstract:</b>	The DuPont Company constructed a dye works at Deepwater Point, New Jersey (also called just Deepwater, New Jersey) during World War I to enter the market for dyes left vacant by Germany's absence. This collection consists of fifteen panoramic photographs of views of the Deepwater Point, New Jersey dye works of the DuPont Company, including ground before building started, building exteriors, and a group portrait of employees of the Jackson Laboratory.

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## Historical Note

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E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Company was established in 1802 by Pierre Samuel du Pont de Nemours (1739-1817) and his son Eleuthere Irenee du Pont (1771-1834). The du Pont's purchased a mill site on the banks of the Brandywine River just North of Wilmington, Delaware. During wartime the company was a major supplier for the United States government. During peacetime, the company marketed their product towards sportsmen and hunters. Throughout the 1900s and 1910s, the company shifted its focus away from gunpowder production and towards chemistry innovations.

The DuPont Company constructed a dye works at Deepwater Point, New Jersey (also called just Deepwater, New Jersey) during World War I to enter the market for dyes left vacant by Germany's

absence. This was the DuPont Company's first major venture into organic chemistry fields. The plant included Jackson Laboratory and the Technical Laboratory, two major research facilities. In 1945 the plant name was changed to the Chambers Works, in honor of Dr. Arthur D. Chambers (1847-1929), a DuPont executive who promoted company involvement in the dye business.

John A. Dick (1879-1972), the first full-time photographer hired by the DuPont Company, documented the growth of the plant during WWI in these photographs.

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## Scope and Content

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Overall views of the Deepwater Point, New Jersey dye works of the DuPont Company, including ground before building started, building exteriors, and a group portrait of employees of the Jackson Laboratory in July 1920.

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### Access Restrictions

This collection is available for research.

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## Controlled Access Headings

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- Dye industry -- Employees
- Deepwater Point (N.J.)
- Dyes and dyeing
- Chemical plants
- Panoramic photographs
- E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Company. Deepwater Point Works
- E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Company. Chamber Works
- Jackson Laboratory (E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Company)
- E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Company. Technical Laboratory