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TOPIC: Insights in History – Arsenal of Democracy: A History of Kingsbury Ordnance Plant, 1940 -1945 (August 3, 2022)

Presentation about Kingsbury Ordnance Plant, 1940-1945, at The History Museum

South Bend, IN--David Hay chronicles the years 1940-1945 at the Kingsbury Ordnance Plant (KOP), a government-built, private contractor-operated ammunition-making facility in LaPorte County, Indiana, at Insights in History, taking place at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, August 3, 2022, at The History Museum. Reservations are required by August 1. Admission is \$3 or \$1 for members. Insights in History is sponsored by THK Law LLP.

Built a year before the U.S. entered World War II, the Kingsbury Ordnance Plant was one of 73 such facilities built nationwide. It drew workers from a 50-mile radius, and many others moved to work there. At its peak in May 1942, nearly 21,000 men and women worked around the clock in three shifts. KOP spurred lasting changes in area transportation, housing, health care, and education. A series of photos will depict KOP's manufacturing process and its diverse workers.

A tour of the pictures of the Kingsbury Ordnance Plant will be offered.

For information, call The History Museum at (574) 235-9664 or visit www.historymuseumSB.org

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