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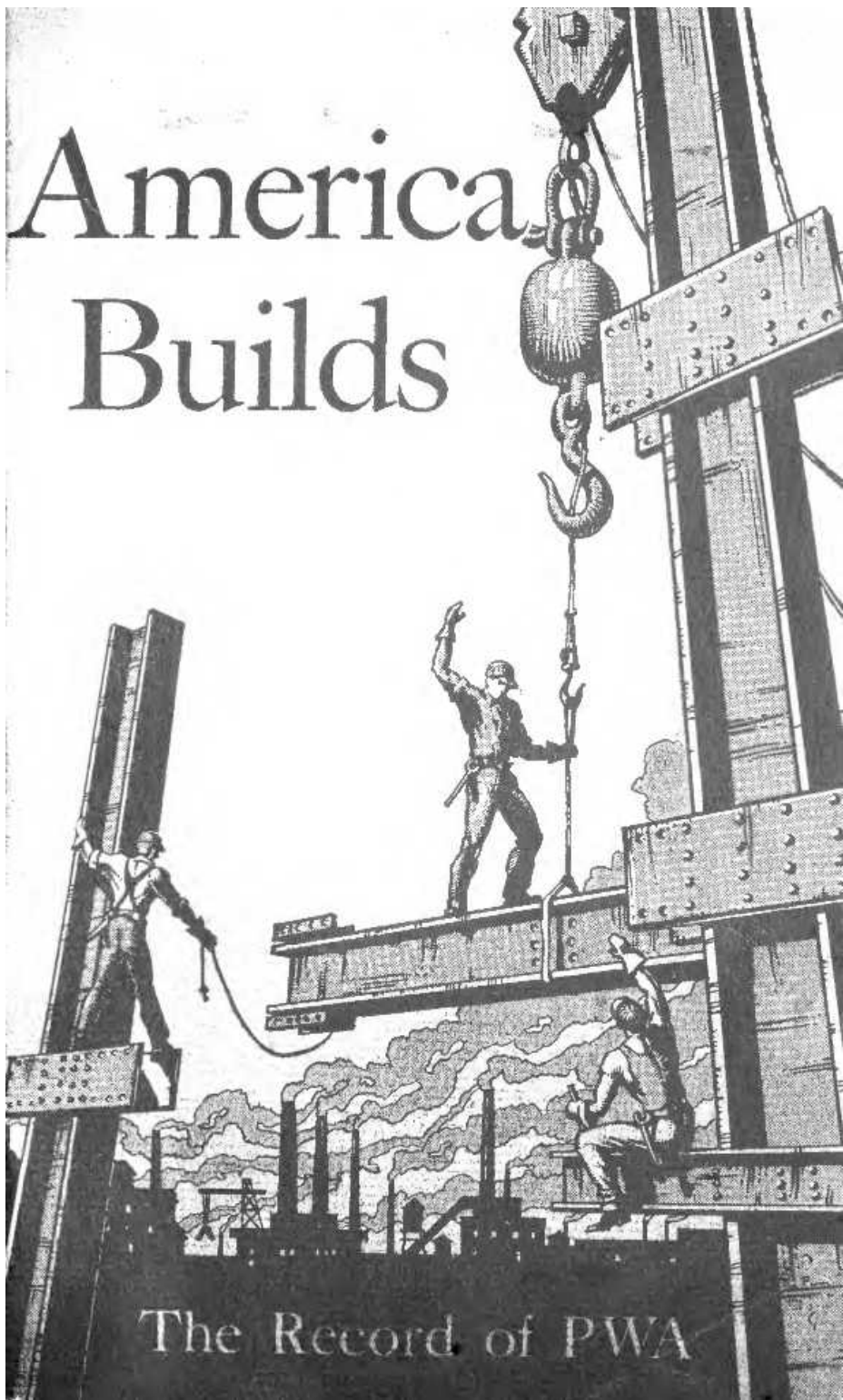
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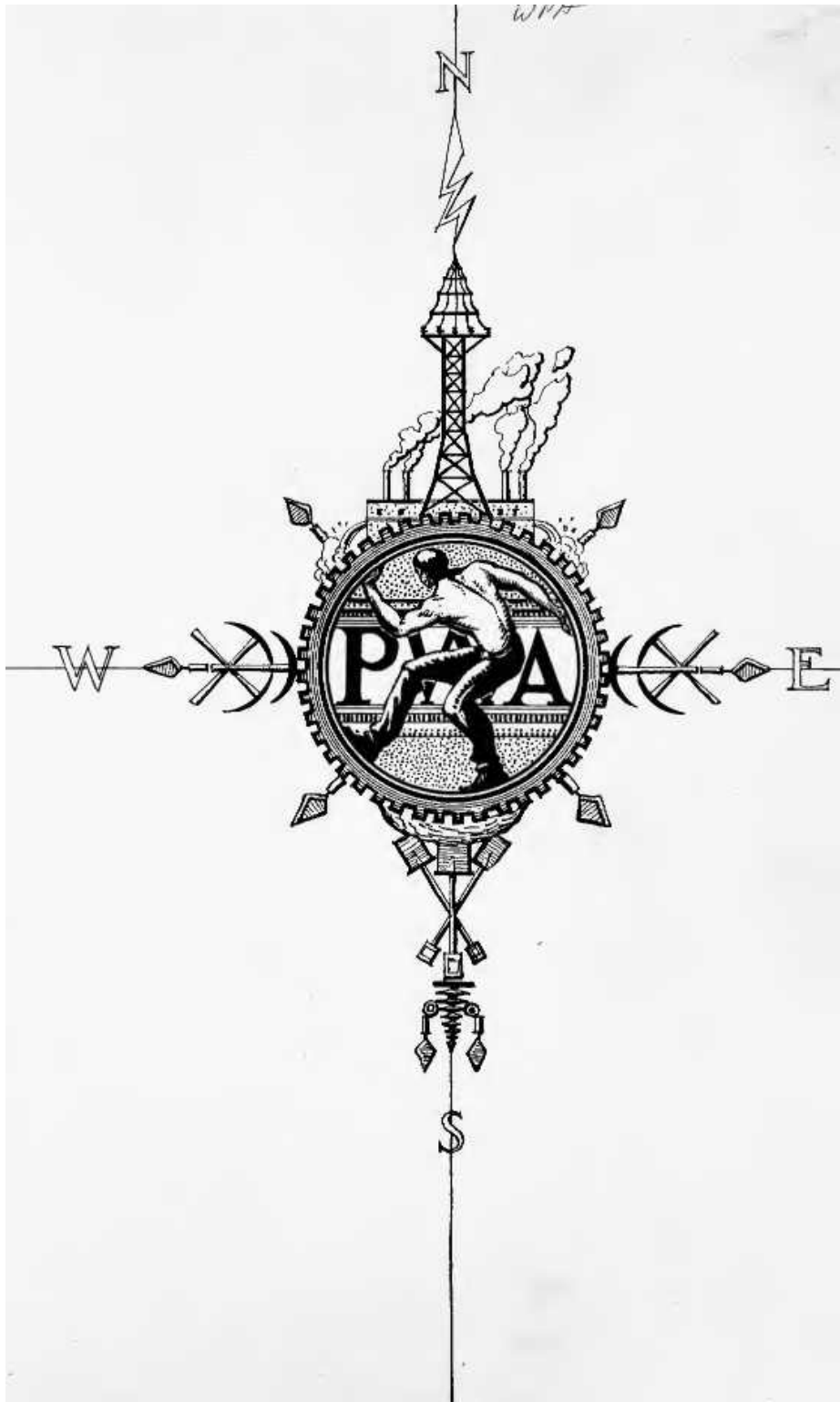
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Foreword

IN JUNE 1933, this Nation undertook to test whether public works, carried out through the normal channels of private enterprise, could be made effective as a medium of reemployment and economic recovery. The Congress entrusted stewardship of this colossal task to the President, and as his agent established the Public Works Administration, familiarly known as PWA.

For almost 6 years, with funds appropriated by the Congress at irregular intervals, PWA has carried on a Nation-wide program of construction, in cooperation with the various departments of the Federal Government, and with thousands of State, county, city, and other local governments. In