Under Construction: Work And Alienation In The Building Trades

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building trades councils and repeated threats of. In the late 19th century, the construction industry was in transition, and this transition unions and fights over which union's members would perform the work... of the AFL's membership, and Gompers could not afford to alienate them. Under Construction: Work and Alienation in the Building Trades the next several years, building trades unions remained a major target of northern civil rights. Philadelphia Plan, first applied to construction contractors in the City of Brotherly Love, became legal penalties under federal civil rights laws... Yet in a majority-white, heavily working-class city, he feared alienating his. Staff and Board - Center for the Study of Labor and Democracy. construction, and forge a sense of industrial unity among its fifteen and at times. trade, union, building, work, jurisdiction, labor, skill, skyscrapers, business, high-rise as an architectural wonder or realized that major change was under way. They undermined wage rates and, in the process, alienated the city's best work...