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3rd generation - Andrée Dumont & Edgar Sgobero



De son mariage, Suzanne a eu une fille unique, Andrée. L'héritière de la fabrique est plus attirée par l'art que par l'industrie.

Andrée, Suzanne's only daughter who had more interest for art rather than tool making, inherited the Manufacture.

















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Edgar ne connaît encore rien au domaine de l'instrument de précision, mais il a le sens du commerce. En 1956 il fonde la "Manufacture d'outils Dumont SA". Au savoir-faire ancestral, il va rajouter le faire-savoir. Sous son impulsion, l'entreprise prend une dimension nationale puis internationale. Paul DUMONT, en voyageur infatigable, se charge de l'export (Hammel Riglander & Co est le 1er client américain). A cette époque, le catalogue DUMONT compte déjà un millier d'articles.

He did not know much about tools but had a very acute business sense. In 1956, he founded the "Manufacture d'Outils Dumont SA" and added his marketing talents to the long established Know-How. The company soon started to work worldwide with Paul Dumont in charge of international development. (Hammel Riglander & Co. is the first customer in the USA). At that time the Dumont catalogue already referenced over a thousand items.



Bureaux, laboratoire, atelier mécanique et de production situés à Grandgourt.

Office, laboratory, Production based in Grandgourt.











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Afin de résoudre le problème du recrutement d'une main-d'œuvre ouvrière, Edgar Sgobero va alors tenter une expérience particulièrement originale. Il quitte Montignez en 1962 pour l'Italie, où il met sur pied un centre de formation et une succursale Dumont. Mme Suzanne Dumont et sa fille Andrée s'occupent de l'usine de Montignez pendant son absence. Il fonde le Centre professionnel de Magnano-in-Riviera, dans sa province natale d'Udine, dans le Nord de l'Italie. Des cours sont organisés dès mars 1963, avec une vingtaine d'élèves, dans les locaux de l'école primaire. En octobre 1965, le Centre Dumont s'installe dans des locaux résolument modernes. Mais l'aventure ne durera pas, suite à des conflits avec les autorités communales, Régionales et syndicales de Magnano-in-Riviera, Edgar Sobero décide de fermer son usine et de rentrer en Suisse



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Usine et maison familiale fûrent détruites en avril 1976 suite au tremblement de terre de Frioul.

La famille Sgobero vendra le terrain quelques années plus tard pour rien. Elle a tout perdu.

In April 1976, both the factory and family residence were destroyed in the earthquake in Frioul.

The Sgobero family was left with nothing but ruins and sold the land for a dime a few years later. They lost everything in the disaster.

