Industrial heritage

Currently a museum, the Ansel Fashion Plant is a medi-
cratic factory built between 1902 and 1904 by industrialist
Rambler Galt's Bergonjant. As the first industrial cement
plant in Germany, the factory was planned to install
rotating ovens. Due to the factory's complex building
site, it took four years to build because of its
location near the forest. The factory was in operation
from 1913 and 1916. In 1919, it was sold to
the Ansel Cement Company.

In the service of Chemiker de 'Hogie, the Bergonjant
was carefully chosen to take advantage of the natural
groundwater of the area. The raw materials needed to make
cement were taken directly from the plant site by natural
reservoirs. Potash was exported from the Bergonjant
and coal was shipped via the nearby Chemiker mine.
Energy was also obtained from the nearby Chemiker
reactor, which was a 2000 horsepower reactor used to
supply the plant with energy.

Similarly, the plant site lies on a hill to take
advantage of the slope of the river as a way to transport
materials with minimal energy costs. It is composed of 13 levels,
starting from the quarry at the top down to the packaging
and shipping area at the bottom.