
Guide to the David C. Faloon papers

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Abstract: The David C. Faloon papers consist of promotional and sales materials, product information, punched card designs, training materials, personal notes, and photographs pertaining to his work for Remington Rand's UNIVAC division, and later, Sperry Rand Corporation's UNIVAC division.

creator: Faloon, David C.

Processing Information

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

The David C. Faloon papers were donated to the Computer History Museum by his daughter, Priscilla A. Hare, in 1998.

Biographical Note

David Carl Faloon was born on June 30, 1924, in Pittsburgh, PA. He attended Pennsylvania State University and was a graduate of Remington Rand's first installation engineer's class in December 1946. He first worked for Remington Rand as a methods technician, designing punched cards for their tabulating machines and training customer personnel. In May 1954, Faloon became a systems analyst in Remington Rand's UNIVAC division. He retired after twenty-seven and a half years.

During this time, Faloon also became licensed by the State of Pennsylvania as an emergency medical technician and worked as an emergency medical care instructor in Washington County, PA. He volunteered with the Peters Township VFW Ambulance Service, where he trained volunteers, acted as crew chief, and even delivered three babies.

Faloon died on September 1, 2005.

Scope and Content of the Collection

The David C. Faloon's papers, spanning from 1928 to 1976, consist primarily of promotional materials and product information related to Remington Rand and Sperry UNIVAC. This includes items such as marketing brochures and in-house confidential materials to assist sales and operation staff from Remington Rand and Sperry Rand Corporation. There are also two brochure series, including *The Field Glass* and *Tabulating Tips*, as well as periodicals such as *Ink* and *Sales Whys* that were published for Remington Rand employees. The collection also contains manuals for and papers about punched card tabulating machines and UNIVAC systems programming, as well as sample punched cards, card design notes, card design proofs, and contracts.

A smaller portion of the collection pertains to Faloon's training and experience as a Remington Rand employee. Included are a class directory and schedule of the 1946 installation engineer's class, training class notes, a class book from his 1954 TM-2 course, and an article about his emergency medical technician experience in the UNIVAC *Sphere*.

The collection also includes both professional publicity and marketing photographs as well as personal photographs related to Faloon's work at Remington Rand and Sperry UNIVAC.

Arrangement

The collection is arranged into 2 series:

Series 1, Papers, 1928-1976

Series 2, Photographs, 1946-1969

Separated Material

Sperry Univac ephemera - including patches, pins, a tie, a name tag, a message pad, a coaster, and equipment programming templates - were separated from the main collection. To view catalog records for the separated items, please search the CHM catalog at www.computerhistory.org/collections/search.

Subjects and Indexing Terms

Punched card systems
Remington Rand Univac
Sperry Rand Corporation. Univac Division
Tabulating machines
Univac computer

Papers, Series 1, 1928-1976

Series Scope and Content

This series contains marketing brochures and in-house confidential materials to assist sales and operation staff from Remington Rand and Sperry Rand Corporation. There are also two brochure series, including *The Field Glass* and *Tabulating Tips*, which offer guidance on how to use tabulating machines, plus a number of internal publications, including the employee periodicals *Ink* and *Sales Whys*, and a series of Gould Reports on Remington Rand equipment and methods. This series also contains programming manuals for the UNIVAC and tabulating machines, sample punched cards, card design notes, card design proofs, and contracts. Also of note is a reprinted paper titled "Some Problems of Installing a Punched-Card System." This series also contains Faloon's personal papers, including training class notes, an article about his emergency medical technician experience, a class directory, a schedule of the 1946 Remington Rand installation engineer's class, a bowling league newsletter, and a 1954 TM-2 class book. This series is arranged chronologically.

102683292 **Card proofs for Philadelphia Company 1928-04-14**

102683290 **Powers reference manual : data applicable to powers accounting machines methods and applications 1930-1935**

102683285 **The field glass on... 1930-1940**

102683284 **Remington Rand promotional and sales materials 1940-1959**

102683286 **Tabulating tips 1943-1949**

102683293 **Specifications and agreements for Cove Hill Coal Company 1944-1960**

102683291 **Card designs 1945-1965**

102683287 **Internal company materials 1946-1959**

102683296 **Faloon's personal papers 1946-1976**

102683295 **David Faloon class notes ca. 1946**

102683289 **Gould reports on Remington-Rand equipment and methods ca. 1946**

102683294 **Some problems of installing a punched-card system ca. 1946**

102726361 **Business cards ca. 1950**

102683288 **Univac systems programming: vocabulary for information processing 1968**

Photographs, Series 2, 1946-1969

Series Scope and Content

This series contains both professional and personal photographs pertaining to Faloon's work at Remington Rand and Sperry UNIVAC. The bulk of the series is made up of marketing and UNIVAC publicity images. This series is arranged chronologically.

102683517 **Group photograph ca. 1946**

102683514 **PGH tabulating staff meeting 1947**

102683515 **Class Picture ca. 1954**

102683516 **Scrapbook page of classmates in Fisher's Island, NY ca. 1954**

102683520 **The new UNIVAC solid-state 80 convention booth 1959**

102683521 **UNIVAC solid-state computer convention booth 1959**

102683518 **Selective Posting Interpreter 1960-02**
102683526 **Eight men in the lobby at UNIVAC event ca. 1960**
102683529 **Group of men in lobby at UNIVAC event ca. 1960**
102683547 **Men and Women working in computer room ca. 1960**
102683527 **Men congregating in lobby at UNIVAC event ca. 1960**
102683525 **Men congregating in lobby at UNIVAC event ca. 1960**
102683524 **Men in a lobby at UNIVAC event ca. 1960**
102683534 **Men in congregating in lobby at UNIVAC event ca. 1960**
102683533 **Men in groups talking in lobby at UNIVAC event ca. 1960**
102683535 **Men in lobby at UNIVAC event ca. 1960**
102683532 **Men in lobby facing an UNIVAC exhibit ca. 1960**
102683528 **Men lining up in lobby at UNIVAC event ca. 1960**
102683519 **Woman standing in front of computer and printer ca. 1960**
102683522 **Dause L. Bibbly, Dr. John W. Mauchly, and J. Presper Eckert with the Unicall 1961**
102683523 **Woman transmitting message via Unicall 1961**
102622389 **ENIAC Officials ca. 1961**
102683540 **UNIVAC photo #2 : researcher in thin-film research laboratory at UNIVAC Engineering Center ca. 1962**
102683541 **UNIVAC photo #3 : thin-film memory research ca. 1962**
102683542 **UNVIAC photo #4 : technician working on UNIVAC solid-state II computer ca. 1962**
102683546 **Woman standing by a UNIVAC 1004 ca. 1962**
102683548 **Two women in UNIVAC computer room ca. 1965**
102683544 **UNIVAC 9400 ca. 1965**
102683545 **UNIVAC 9400 System ca. 1965**
102683549 **UNIVAC 9400 computer room ca. 1965**
102683550 **Woman sitting at UNIVAC 9400 ca. 1965**
102683551 **Woman standing at UNIVAC 9400 tape reel ca. 1965**
102683543 **R. E. McDonald explains to J. Frank Forster the new UNIVAC plated-wire memory 1966**
102683553 **Mario Liberatore, Ray Sharon, and Dave Faloon with model #2 Remington Rand tabulator 1969-12**
102683552 **Raymond J. Charron, Mario Liberatore, and David C. Faloon with model #2 Remington Rand tabulator 1969-12**