1990

Accounting Heritage Association formed

Academy of Accounting Historians

Follow this and additional works at: https://egrove.olemiss.edu/aah_notebook

Part of the Accounting Commons, and the Taxation Commons

Recommended Citation

Accounting Historians, Academy of (1990) "Accounting Heritage Association formed," The Accounting Historians Notebook: Vol. 13 : No. 1 , Article 15. Available at: https://egrove.olemiss.edu/aah_notebook/vol13/iss1/15

This Article is brought to you for free and open access by the Archival Digital Accounting Collection at eGrove. It has been accepted for inclusion in The Accounting Historians Notebook by an authorized editor of eGrove. For more information, please contact memanuel@olemiss.edu.
The Accounting Heritage Association has been established in Woodbridge, New Jersey. The Association will be dedicated to preserving the history and heritage of accounting by way of a museum. The collection is already off to a fast start with antique adding machines, an accounting ledger, circa 1873, and a clock that was the "standard" for schools and businesses in 1886.

The accounting museum will be housed in Green Anderson and Company; an accounting firm based in Woodbridge. Leonard C. Green, managing partner of Green Anderson and Company, said "one of the goals of the Association is to bring in young adults who have an interest in accounting to view these antiques and compare them with the new technological advances made in accounting. Students will be able to learn about accounting's history and apply it to the future."

The Accounting Heritage Association is looking for people to donate artifacts that
pertain to the field of accounting. All donations are tax deductible and members will receive a certificate of merit. Anyone interested in donating accounting collector's items, or in seeing the exhibit, should call Pamela Iovino at Green Anderson and Company at (201) 634-5100, extension 277.

Ms. Iovino has found it rather difficult to obtain information on some of the museum artifacts because most of the adding machine manufacturers no longer exist. Although she has contacted a number of museums and the AICPA, these sources have not possessed the information needed. A list of adding machines which have been donated are listed below. If you have any information on old adding machines, suggestions, comments, ideas concerning the museum, or know of individuals interested in donating to the museum, Ms. Iovino would appreciate your help.

### ADDING MACHINES

**BURROUGHS**
- **Mfg:** General Adding Machine, Detroit, Mi.
- **Circa:** 1915
- **Patent:** #29696
- **Description:** glass front panel, stands on base

**UNDERWOOD**
- **Mfg:** Underwood Mfg.
- **Circa:** 1917
- **Patent:** Standard type 5
- **Description:** typewriter. In the foreground of the photo

**FELT & TARRANT**
- **Mfg:** Felt and Tarrant Mfg Company, Chicago, Ill.
- **Circa:** 1930's
- **Patent:** #12356270
- **Description:** photo subject

**OLIVER**
- **Mfg:** Oliver Typewriter Co., Chicago, Ill.
- **Circa:** 1912
- **Patent:** #9
- **Description:** typewriter with green base and no shield for keys

**WALES**
- **Mfg:**?
- **Circa:** 1920's
- **Patent:** ?
- **Description:** rectangle base, handle on right side 9 rows of keys, roll cartridge on back

**FREIDEN**
- **Mfg:** San Fernando, Ca.
- **Circa:** 1940's
- **Patent:** #810-107911
- **Description:** (serviced February 6, 1973) electric, gray with green keys. Square with rectangle cartridge on back

---

**THOUGHTS FROM THE PAST!**

"The world is full of plausibilities.... Plausibilities not only rule the investments of large numbers of our people, but likewise more or less control our thinking. During the World War we, all of us, instinctively felt, as was preached from the housetops, that with the ending of the war peace would at once return and prosperity would be the portion of the victors. Perfectly plausible, and yet we now know that such was not and could not have been the case."

Frank Wilbur Main  
*The Certified Public Accountant*  
April 1926, p. 98.