

UAW Foundry and Forge Departments Collection

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Emerging from the Foundry Council established in 1946, the UAW Foundry Department was organized in 1949 to provide industry wage data and other technical information to local unions representing foundry workers and their servicing representatives and to address health and safety issues of special concern to foundry workers, whose jobs exposed them to more danger than other autoworkers. The department also sought to improve working conditions through support of federal legislation and civil rights initiatives.

In 1970, the Forge Department, which addressed similar concerns for forge workers, was set up under the direction of Nelson Jack Edwards, the UAW's first African-American vice president, who had become head of the Foundry Department in 1962. He was succeeded by Marc Stepp in the mid-seventies, and the two departments merged in 1991.

The UAW Foundry and Forge Departments Collection consists of correspondence, reports, minutes, publications, wage rate schedules, and other material pertaining to foundry and forge workers and the foundry and forge industries and to non-UAW organizations in which Nelson Jack Edwards participated.

Important subjects in the collection include:

African American Autoworkers	National Safety Council
Automation	South African Politics & Economy
Detroit Labor Action Committee	UAW Eaton Council
Forge Industry	Workplace Health & Safety Issues
Foundry Industry	
Metropolitan Detroit Labor and Community Association	

Important correspondents in the collection include:

Nelson Jack Edwards	Emil Mazey
Douglas Fraser	Marc Stepp
William Humphreys	Horace Sheffield
Paul Kiel	Walter Reuther

Non-manuscript material:

A number of photographs and audio tapes documenting Foundry and Forge Department conferences and Council meetings as well as events in the civil rights movement have been

placed in the Archives Audiovisual Collection. Contracts and serial publications pertinent to foundry work have been transferred to the Archives Library.

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