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ADLESTROP

Yes! I remember  
Adlestrop-  
The name-because one  
afternoon  
Of heat the express  
train drew up there  
Unwontedly. It was late  
June.  
The steam hissed.  
Someone cleared his  
throat.  
No one left and  
no one came  
On the bare platform.  
What I saw  
Was Adlestrop-only,  
the name-  
And willows, willow  
herb, and grass,  
And meadowsweet  
and haycocks dry.  
And for that minute a  
blackbird sang  
Close by, and round  
him, mistier,  
Farther and farther,  
all the birds  
Of Oxfordshire and  
Gloucestershire.

-Edward Thomas  
(1878-1917)

THE CLOUD

I bring fresh showers  
for the thirsting  
flowers,  
From the seas and the  
streams;  
I bear light shade for  
the leaves when laid  
In their noonday  
dreams.  
From my wings are  
shaken the dews that  
waken  
The sweet buds every  
one,  
When rocked to rest on  
their mother's  
breast,  
As she dances about  
the sun.  
I wield the flail of the  
lashing hail,  
And whiten the green  
plains under,  
And then again I  
dissolve it in rain,  
And laugh as I pass in  
thunder.

-Percy Bysshe Shelley  
(1820)

HEAVEN IS HEAVEN

When a mounting skylark sings  
In the sunlit summer morn,  
I know that heaven is up on high,  
And on earth are fields of corn.

But when a nightingale sings  
In this moonlit summer even,  
I know not if earth is merely earth,  
Only that heaven is heaven.

Christine Rossetti (1830-1894)

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NOTES FROM JAMES K. FLACK, PRESIDENT

Appointment of Nominating Committee in accordance with Constitution and By-Laws Section 5A for recommendation of Officers for 1977. "Nominations are to be read and posted one week in advance of election. Said election shall take place at the second meeting in November."

Ross Wagner - Chairman	Harold Simms
Murray Kennedy	Vern Bryant
Charles Heiney	

Note: Any member should feel free to contact any one of the Nominating Committee with his recommendation.

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Deaths

Gordon S. McAlpine - 6/5/76  
Waino H. Ansama ---- 6/22/76

Resigned

Maurice McKone

New Members

Sandberg, Elroy L. - 6/76 646-4365  
999 Pleasant, Birmingham 48009

Lake, Lloyd 6/76 644-5315  
1225 Suffield, Birmingham or  
48009 644-8914

Black, C. E. - 6/76 647-5189  
4110 Orchard Hill Rd.,  
Bloomfield Hills 48013

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Jim McCubbrey will be acting as Recording Secretary during the absence of Chet Stokes.

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The next Executive Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 13th, at 10:30 A.M.

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The Co-Op Barber Shop at 243 East 9 Mile Road, across from The Ferndale City Hall, will cut Retirees hair for \$2.25 - Monday through Saturday, 8:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. Telephone 545-2416.

The Somerset Barber Shop located at 2844 West Maple Road, Troy will cut Retirees hair for \$3.50. Telephone 643-9814.

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PERSONAL

1971 Plymouth Duster - Air conditioning, power steering, economical. Second car driven by senior citizen wife. \$1095. Call Bill Stockwell - 647-2865.

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REMARKABLE

Senior Men's Club of Birmingham

SENIOR SERVICE SECTION: OBJECT, Article 2 "get together for mutual diversion, fellowship and SERVICE"!

Inasmuch as many of our club members desire to have interests with their peers other times during the week as well as on Fridays, this Section shall be constituted so as to give helpful assistance to such activities, naming a Senior Service Committee which will: -

1. Foster development of hobbies for members.
2. Serve as a clearing house to put members with certain interests in touch with other members having similar interests, such as rare books, stamp collecting, coin collections, energy and power studies, as well as various handicrafts for home workshops.
3. Assist members who may become interested for full or part time employments, - by furnishing ideas and counsel relative to interests of other members or suggestions as to economic advantages of various kinds of productive activities possible for development in a home workshop, or in useful civic activities. The committee will encourage members to expand personal skills and resources, to examine and reconsider enriching life styles and improvement in their personal outlook on life.

Does THIS interest you?

Committee Members:

Seward Lawson, Chairman 646-1484  
James McCubbrey  
William Wilson

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PROGRAMS - JULY, 1976

Friday, July 2 - Bicentennial Program

Reading Paul F. Keener, Senior Men's Club

Film 200 Years Before The Mast  
Story of Annapolis and the U.S. Navy

Gayle R. Thompson, District Manager  
Mutual Benefit Life Insurance Co.  
U.S. Naval Academy Alumnus

Friday, July 9 - F. Theodore Harrington, Chairman

Slides Michigan Nature Association Story

Mrs. Walter Parsons, Secretary & Director  
Michigan Nature Association

July Programs (Cont'd)

Friday, July 16 - Murray E. Stewart, Chairman

Talk            Professional Football - The Other Side  
  
                  Jerry E. Hart, General Sales Manager  
                  Jones & Laughlin Steel Corp.  
                  Umpire National Football League (Weekends only)

Friday, July 23 - Edward G. Bloss, Chairman

Talk            Impact of Crime on Senior Citizens  
  
                  Johannes F. Spreen  
                  Sheriff Oakland County

Friday, July 30 - Murray E. Stewart, Chairman

Talk            State Legislation and You  
  
                  James E. Defebaugh  
                  State Representative  
                  65th District

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DISCUSSION GROUP - JULY, 1976 - Bill Wilson, Chairman

- July 2 -- "Service Coordinating Committee", Seward Lawson, Leader
- July 9 -- "Lloyds of London", Jim McCubbrey, Leader
- July 16 - "King of the Copper Rings", Ed Pintar, Leader
- July 23 - "How Good Were the Good Old Days?", Al Riebling, Leader
- July 30 - "Generic Drugs", Bud Angevine, Leader

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COMMUNITY HOUSE FUND DRIVE - Bob Watson

Our Club's drive for operating funds for The Community House has ended. It was very gratifying to witness the response to this good cause by members of the Senior Men's Club, who make good use of this facility with no cost to us other than our donations to the drive.

Direct contributions by our Club amounted to \$7,900.00, with 99% of the active members participating. This is an increase of \$1,600.00 over 1975.

The group headed by Rollie Nette in the telephone canvass received phone pledges of \$9,983.00, of which \$8,600.00 has been received. This is an \$800.00 increase over last year.

Fund Drive (Cont'd)

The combination of these two activities results in \$17,883.00, or approximately 21% of the total Fund Drive goal.

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AMERICAN KNOW-HOW

In seventeen hundred and seventy-six  
A group of American mavericks  
Renounced a yoke of tyranny --  
The tax on stamps, the tax on tea.  
Our fathers felt that we were fit  
To tax ourselves, and you'll admit  
We have been very good at it.

Howard Dietz

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