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NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, September 5, 1978, Mayfair Golf and Country Club at 12.15 p.m.

COMING EVENTS

The Gyro Inter-Club Golf Tournament will be held at the Red Deer Golf and Country Club on Wednesday, September 20, 1978. Tee-Off time: 10.00 a.m. Turn in entries to Ernie Siegel.

BIRTHDAYS

Dave Duchak	August 18
George MacDonald	August 28
Herb McLachlin	September 4

"When I was young I was Roland and Oliver, Nathan Hale and Simon Bolivar.
Today I would rather sidestep trouble, and be healthy, wealthy, and comfortable." -O.N.

May your dreams of youth become the reality of wisdom.

SICK AND VISITING

Wilt McBride continues to improve at the General Hospital. He would welcome visitors.

CORRESPONDENCE

The resignation of long time member, Frank J. Newson, was received and accepted with regret.

THIS WEEK

President Jack Agnew welcomed Norman Coop Sr. and Norman Coop Jr. of New Zealand who were introduced by Bill Robinson. They were here for the Commonwealth Games, the Junior member of the family in his capacity of Coach and Manager of his country's Track and Field Team. He had nothing but praise for the organization, the competition, and the fellowship of the Games — this, in spite of the fact that one of his athletes, Rod Dixon, a world class 1500 meter runner, discovered that his track shoes had been stolen just minutes before the final was to be run.

Lou Tremblay took the opportunity to re-introduce Wes Van Dusen to the Club. Wes commutes between Edmonton and Vancouver and is here only occasionally on a meeting day. However, whenever he is in Edmonton on such a day he makes it a point to attend.

Harry Mills, who was a volunteer car driver during the Commonwealth Games, was prevailed upon to tell some of his experiences during the week.

He explained that transportation was in charge of the Canadian Armed Forces and each day the dispatcher assigned each driver a car along with a group of which he was to take charge. Aside from transporting competitors, coaches, and officials to their various venues, he also took them on city tours, shopping expeditions etc.

One of the favorite stores, said Harry, was the "Navy and Army" north side because it had a far larger stock than that on the South Side. One visitor, with an eye for a buck, purchased what was left of the stock of Commonwealth Tee Shirts. When asked why he needed so many he said that what he paid 2/\$5.00 here he could sell in his own country for \$10.00 to \$12.00 each. Perhaps the most interesting character of the contingent was a Dr. Mpbimba, head of housing development in Kenya. He was a graduate of a Medical School in Nairobi and had done post-graduate in London, England.

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He lived in a town house of some 4,000 square feet on an acre of land had a country home some 50 miles from Nairobi. When asked where he wanted to shop he preferred Woodward's - the Bargain Basement on the Fifth Floor. The particular items of interest were Cowboy Boots and Brassieres. Harry expressed an interest in how he determined Brassiere sizes needed. The Kenyan cupped both hands and moved them in and out to express exact sizes. He wasn't so "dumb". And then the Group was taken to Troock's where some \$300.00 was spent on upholstering material. Harry summed it up by stating that the value of these Commonwealth Games lay not only in the friendly rivalry of athletic competition, but in their economic worth to the City of Edmonton. And still on economics may we conclude with Wes Van Dusen's story of the two Scots playing golf for a ha'penny a hole. After playing a couple of holes Angus noticed that Jock was noticeably pale and remarked, "How are ye feelin' Jock? Ye're nae lookin' well." "Och, I feel fine, Angus." A few minutes later Angus again remarked, "Ye look dreadfully ill, Jock. Are ye sure ye're able to carry on?" "Aye", replied Jock, "I never felt better." Again Angus expressed concern for Jock's health, but this time added, "Would ye mind payin' me, Jock, after each hole?"

So much for this week's lesson in economics.

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The Gyro Inter-Club Golf Tournament has been re-scheduled for MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1978.