

The Alton Cobb Collection

1 Manuscript Box

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The Alton Cobb Collection was deposited with the Archives of Labor History and Urban Affairs in 1969 by Alton Cobb.

Alton Cobb served as president of Department of Public Works Local #26 of the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees, located in Detroit, Michigan, during 1967. In addition he served as secretary-treasurer of Detroit Council 77 of AFSCME during the same period. The trusteeship of Local #26 began during Cobb's term in office.

The Alton Cobb Collection contains material from 1967 and 1968.

Important Subjects are:

Council 77 Trusteeship  
Local #26 Trusteeship  
Financial Records  
Local #26 Audit  
AFSCME vs Cobb, etc.  
AFSCME Judicial Panel

Important Correspondents are:

Jerry Wurf  
Alton Cobb  
Joseph L. Ames  
Joseph Ganaway  
Leonard Mildman  
Arthur Greenstone  
Abraham L. Zwerdling

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Description of Arrangement

The Alton Cobb Collection is arranged in four groupings

- 1- Correspondence
- 2- Legal Cases
- 3- Financial Records
- 4- Miscellaneous

The Correspondence is arranged chronologically and deals almost entirely with the trusteeship of Local #26 and its legal ramifications. The Legal Cases include Cobb's appeal of the trusteeship to an AFSCME Judicial Panel, AFSCME's civil suit against Cobb, and Cobb's cross-complaint against AFSCME. The Financial Records include the audit of Local 26 which caused the International Union to impose the trusteeship and listings of the checks called in question by the audit. The Miscellaneous section includes minutes of various union bodies, the administration of the trusteeship, the Local #26 constitution, clippings, and published material.

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Since the collection is contained in one manuscript box and a description of the groupings is given above, no differentiation between groups will be made in the folder listing.

- 1- Correspondence
- 2- Appeal to AFSCME Judicial Panel
- 3- Decision of Judicial Panel
- 4- AFSCME vs Cobb, et-al, Legal Papers
- 5- Cobb vs AFSCME, Legal Papers
- 6- Cobb vs AFSCME, Legal Papers
- 7- Legal Notes, All Cases Involving Cobb
- 8- Audit of Local #26, 10-17-67
- 9- Treasurer's Record of Payments to Stewards 1966-67
- 10- Listing of Checks Questioned by International
- 11- Checks Questioned by International 1-66 to 9-66
- 12- Checks Questioned by International 9-66 to 2-67
- 13- Payments by Local #26, 1966-67
- 14- Payments by Local #26, 1966-67
- 15- Payments by Local #26, 1966-67
- 16- Annual Audit- Local #26, 1963
- 17- Financial Statements- Council 77, 9-30-67
- 18- Minutes, Council 77, 1964,67
- 19- International Executive Board Meeting 9-67
- 20- November 1967 Election - Local #26
- 21- Local 26 Trusteeship Administration
- 22- Undated Resolution for Full-Time President-Local 26
- 23- Local #26 Constitution
- 24- Clippings
- 25- Published Material