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'CHASE' SANBORN 1914-1970



MARCH, 1970



CHASE D. SANBORN 1914 - 1970

The curtain went down for the last time on a good man and dedicated barbershopper when Chase Sanborn passed away in his home early in the morning of February 18. 1970, at the age of 55. Chase had gone to Cleveland on January 16th to enter a hospital where a prominent surgeon specialist operated on his heart. He returned to his home in Drayton Plains on January 31st where he showed constant improvement to the moment of death. His untimely death comes as a great shock to his host of barbershop friends. His softspoken, gentle manner put him at ease with himself and any group or individual to whom he might be addressing and his counsel on matters under discussion was listened to with respect. His judgment was sound.

Music was a sustaining part of his life which helped to turn a serious physical handicap under which he labored for some time into a bright and optimistic existence To him barbershopping was the kind of tonic he needed. He loved every moment of the 26 years his membership in the Pontiac Chapter gave him. While he never became a member of a well known quartet, he was always alert to join with three others and lend a good bass to the other parts. It was also a real pleasure for him to take his place in the chapter chorus "The Revelaires"

His introduction to barbershopping camin 1944 when William Pascher, Sr. took his son "Bill" and Chase to visit the comparatively new Pontiac Chapter. The harmony germ found its way into the musical souls of these two barbershoppers. It was a long introduction for both.

Chase's boyhood was spent in Lapeer, Michigan, where he was born on May 29, 1914. In his early teens he went to Pontiac in 1930 where he finished his high school education at the same time picking up a knowledge of accounting which became his life work when he entered the employ of the Truck Division of General Motors Corporation. His many years with GM is a tribute to the quality of his work and ap-

plication to his job. Being settled in a good lucrative position he was ready to become a family man which has been his prime interest in life.

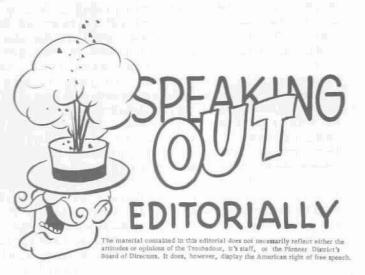
He met and married Ruth Copenhaver on August 3, 1935 and became a proud father of a daughter Beverly and a son Delano, both of whom are married and have families. His interest in the hobby he so loved prompted his fellow chapter mem bers to honor him with the presidency in 1952. In 1959 he was elected Vice-President of the then Michigan (now Pioneer) District and in 1962 a still higher honor was conferred upon him by being elected to represent our District on the International Board of Directors where he participated in shaping the destiny of our Society. Chase was not a joiner, in the sense that many men proudly display a variety of membership cards but he and his family were members of and participated in the affairs of their local Baptist Church. During the past year he served on the Laws and Regulations and Nominating Committees.

Who would know more about Chase Sanborn than a man who worked in close proximity to him for more than 25 years and shared the comradeship in barbershopping than Bill Pascher? The writer asked Bill to tell us about Chase as he knew him. Here are his words:

"Who was Chase Sanborn? He was many things, First and foremost he was dependable. He, as much as anyone, stood up for the preservation and encouragement of quartet singing -- always prompt to meetings and rehearsals. If he said he would do something, it was always on time and to the best of his ability, no diversions, no excuses.

"He was loyal, first to his chapter for he knew that this was where it all happened He was helpful - many quartets have been guided by his advice and although he was neither judge nor coach, the sincerity of his words was heeded by many.

"Chase was modest and respectful, and never imposing upon a group, always apologetic for his voice, and for his memory of tag, and for his inabilities, whatever they might be. Especially he was meticulous, particular in habit and dress, exact in expression, detailed in thought and plan, always an accountant's analysis of checks and balances; then too he was critical of failure in all those points where he was strong, of unwillingness to try, of stagnation where there should be enthusiasm. He believed that a man should be judged on



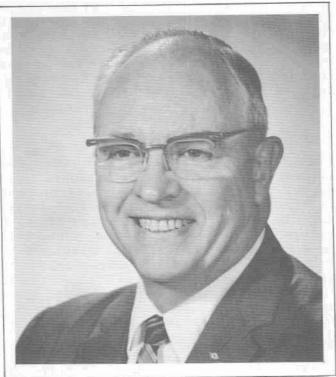
Contests and Judges: How Come Da Judge?

By Merle Clayton, Chairman

Pioneer District Associate Contest and Judging Committee

Across the United States and Canada each spring and fall we Barbershoppers have District Conventions and some very special events with them, known as contests. These contests have their own separate identities. In the spring we hold an International Preliminary Quartet Contest and a District Chorus Contest in each of the fifteen S.P .-E.B.S.Q.S.A. Districts. The quartets are selected to represent their Districts in the International Quartet Contest held in conjunction with the annual summer convention of the Society -- usually late June or early July. The Chorus Contest selects the District Quartet Champion to reign for a year. In the fall we hold a District Quartet Contest to select a current District Quartet Champion, and an International Preliminary Chorus Contest to select a chorus to represent the District in the International Chorus Contest.

To hold a contest on anything there obviously has to be someone appointed or selected to see that the rules and procedures of that contest are adhered to and are impartially administered. And there has to be some means of making a final evaluation as to who is the winner. In our Society we have judges who are certified after having trained arduously and long AT THEIR OWN EX-PENSE AS JUDGE CANDIDATES to learn how to judge. No man in our Society has been is, or can be certified because of his standing as a singer, his age, the color of his eyes or hair, his merit as a manager or business man, his service to the Society, as a reward because he knows someone, or the like. He must EARN his certification by means of certain tests, practice scoring



actual contests under the eye of a certified judge, writing an essay on his category, and then, if he passes those requirements, as a final test sitting as a panel member and scoring his category officially and being evaluated by the Chairman of Judges.

HOW ARE CONTEST PANEL JUDGES SELECTED?

Each year in January, and no later than mid February, each District Associate Contest and Judging Chairman (DAC & JC) makes a panel roster (and two alternates) for each judging category by name, and submits these to the International Contest and Judging Committee and to the International C & J Chairman who nominates panels to serve given Districts during their International Preliminary Quartet Contests. The International C & J Chairman makes his nominations to the International President who makes and announces the final choices of the panels to serve each District. In April or May of each year the District Associate C & J Chairman contacts Certified Judges known to him and arranges with them to serve on the official panel for the fall District Quartet and International Preliminary Chorus Contests.

CONTEST ARRANGEMENTS

The DAC & J Chairman is responsible for seeing that proper scheduling is made by the Convention Chairman so the contest briefings are made and the actual contests will run smoothly, and that the critiques are operated efficiently and in a manner to best serve the contestants within the avail-

able time. He gives the panel seating arrangement and other pertinent information to the Convention Chairman so that necessary equipment will be available when and as needed. He is responsible for seeing that the Public Address System does not interfere with the ability of the judges to properly hear a performing quartet.

THE OFFICIAL PANEL

The Official Panel consists of a Chairman of Judges, certified panel members in each category, Chairman of the Practice Panel, and two timers. The Chairman of Judges must be a certified judge in any of the five categories but may not serve as the Secretary at the same time. The Panel must be made up of all certified judges except for a Judge Candidate sitting on a panel for his final test, or a candidate appointed to sit due to an emergency that results from the failure of a certified judge to appear in time for the start of the contest

Every official panel member is rated by the Chairman of Judges EACH TIME HE SERVES ON AN OFFICIAL PANEL. He is rated in terms of his scoring accuracy, use of the forms, speed in scoring, ability in the clinic, how he gets along with the other judges, how he deports himself during the contest and "after hours", and whether his overall performance is satisfactory or it is recommended he participate in further practice.

JUDGES EXPENSES

A word must be said here about expenses. Each District, contrary to what some people may think, gets its judges for contests at cost. More than one judge fails to "break even" at every contest. Each judge is RE-QUIRED to submit an actual expense voucher. He must show his airline or train stub if he flies or takes a train. If he drives, his mileage is paid at 7 cents per mile for round trip using mileage shown in the Rand-McNally Highway Mileage Guide. He certifies as to the cost of his own meals. When his wife accompanies him, he is reimbursed only at the rate a SINGLE room would have cost him, and a gain only for his own meals, not hers. Although he may receive an advance of \$15 per day for the number of nights he must occupy lodging to, during and from the contest, and to include meals, he finally settles for the actual cost, not to include alcoholic beverages. Judge Candidates receive NO REIMBURSEMENT FOR ANY EXPENSE EXCEPT WHEN SITTING ON THE FINAL TEST PANEL.

SCHOOLING AND TRAINING

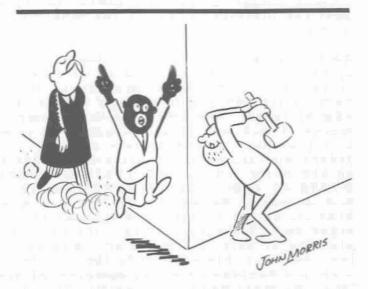
In recent years there have been several HE

P (Harmony Education Program) Schools conducted across the United States and Canada with sections devoted entirely to the judging program generally and to the categories specifically. These have been aimed at helping to standardize the judging program and at helping Certified Judges and Judge Candidates to be aware and abreast of where it's at in judging. In addition, judging school sessions are conducted at the annual International Conventions. In some Districts judging schools are operated on a periodic basis, frequently cooperating with a District Quartet Clinic designed to improve the quality of the quartets in a given District. This has happened most notably in the Far Western, Mid-Atlantic and North Eastern Districts. You might want to take a look, see where their quartets have placed in the last three International Contests.

PURPOSES OF THE JUDGING PROGRAM

There are several significant purposes for the existence of the judging program. One that comes to mind first is "To decide on who sings best under a given set of rules and conditions." Next, of course, is our purpose "To preserve the American art form known as Barbershop singing." Next would probably be the purpose "To encourage others to participate in and improve their abilities in singing Barbershop," and lastly the purpose "To educate others to become more knowledgable about our art form."

Because of time and space limitations, I will end right here for now. Next month I will describe the Judge Candidate Program, give a thumbnail sketch of the five catigories, and tell YOU "How to Enter the Judging Program."



"Here come de JUDGE"...

results, not just activity. And, thank God, he was forgiving of my weaknesses as he would have me forgive his. "Yes, Chase was all these things, but, above all he was friendly, he was outgoing, he was genial. he was a brother, a barbershop brother, but most of all he was my friend."

Chase's passing brings to mind the inspiring lines of Alfred Lord Tennyson from his well known poem "Crossing the Bar":

> "For though from out our bourne of Time and Place The flood may bear me far, I hope to see my Pilot face to When I have crossed the bar."

Chase met his Pilot when his heart stopped beating on February 18, 1970.

Duane H. Mosier

MEMORY" OF

CHASE SANBORN

He was born Clinton Sanborn but to those who knew and loved him he was "Chase."

No man alive loved Barbershopping more than him. It was more than a hobby, it was a way of life.

Chase held offices at Chapter, District, and International levels, and he always gave 100%. But that is not what made people love him. It was because he was "Chase."

No matter who you were, old or new, you were a friend of Chase's. You didn't have to be somebody.

He had a sincere love for people, and he generated this love. He had no enemies, only admirer's. Yes, his loss is not only to Pontiac Chapter but to the Society and to everyone that knew him.

We will miss you "Chase."

God Bless You and Rest in Peace.

"ANONYMOUS"

FOLLOWING the CHAMPS



the VAGABONDS

The Vagabonds continue to prove their Championship Qualities. They have expanded their schedule in March to look like this:

Mar. 2 - M.S.U. Banquet

Mar. 6 - G.C.C's Pre Boyne Contest Mar. 8 - Banjo's of Michigan Dinner

Mar. 10 - Flint Chapter Meeting

Mar. 11 - Lansing Banquet (Jo Jones)

Mar. 13 - Windsor Chapter Meeting

Mar. 14 - Three Rivers Parade

Mar. 20 - Detroit Chapter Meeting

Mar. 23 - Monroe Chapter Meeting

Mar. 24 - Milford Chapter Meeting

Mar. 31 - Saginaw-Bay Chapter Meeting MAR 24 WXYZ TV, DETROIT 7A.M.

They slow down somewhat in April which is understandable. They plan to compete in Muskegon on the 24th thru the 26th, in International Prelims, and most of their scheduled activities are rehersals. Two dates to remember, however, are April 11, when they'll appear on the Flint Parade, and April 18th when they'll be at the G.C.C. Pal Tals' sponsored "Board Walk Ball". The Vagabonds contact man is Tony Scooros (313 - 549 - 4958)

The Pontiac Chapter, rather than send flowers to the funeral of Chase Sanborn has decided to make a donation to the Harmony Foundation in his name. Anyone who would like to do likewise should send checks (payable to the Harmony Foundation) to William

Pascher, 3520 Gregory Road, Pontiac, Michigan, 48055. The Harmony Foundations only function is to support Logopedics.

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CONVENTION NEWS

Tony Scooros reports that, after investigating all possibilities, the cheapest possible way to go to the Atlantic City Convention this summer is by chartered plane. Regular air line tickets are \$107 round trip, but by chartering an American Fliers Jet Prop plane the fare will be reduced to \$59.50 per person for a round trip flight. This fee is based on a full plane (89 passengers) The Flight would leave Detroit on Wednesday, June 24th, and return Sunday, June 28th. This airline has been used at least once before by the Motor City Chorus for their Los Angles flight. Anyone interested in joining the Wolverines should contact Bob Drabik, 1455 Eton, Birmingham Michigan. 48008 Phone 313-646-6598. The airlines require that the flight be confirmed and paid for 30 days prior to the flight.



ZONE 1

by Dora Vogel
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Grosse Pointe, Dearborn, Detroit, Redford, O.C.C., Windsor, Wayne, AnnArbor, Monroe, Milford, Pontiac

Very proud grandparents are Norm and Pat Hoemke, their second granddaughter, Amy, born Jan. 17th, weighing 81bs 7 1/2 ozs. The happy parents are Edie and Barry Saunders. Norm is an O.C.C. Member.

Grosse Pointe Chapter is having their "Little Show" May 2nd at the Detroit Yacht Club They just recently held their Ladies Night dinner dance at the Hillcrest Country Club, it was well attended and an enjoyable evening was had by all.

Our sincere condolences go to Catherine McClary and family on the recent death of her husband Marvin, former bass of the well known "Chorderoys" and a Grosse Pte. Chapter member.

Congratulations go to Detroit's Kenneth & Pat Stewart on the birth of their third daughter named Threse.

Monroe Chapters show was well attended also held an afterglo, all those that attended were well entertained by the Sharplifters, Nubbins quartet's and Monroe Chorus. Detroit Chapter chartered a bus to take the Chapter members and their wives to attend this event and what fun they had on the bus.

We all wish Elmer Koenig a speedy recovery who is hospitalized. He is a Dearborn Chapter member.

The recently held "Friday Night" at the movies held by Detroit Chapter, honored Joe and Maryanne Coburn at this event, Maryanne was given a beautiful Broach and Joe a fancy oil can to keep his pipes oiled up after their move to Chicago.

Various Chapter members wives in the U. S.A. and Canada have formed auxiliaries, meeting once or twice a month, having fun going out to dinner, a movie and having various money making projects going to donate to their husbands chapter. Among the latest to organize are the Pontiac Ladies.

George Hake a former Dearborn member, now living in Auburndale Fla. is planning on a trip back here in June and is going to have the honor of being M.C. for the chapter meeting.

Our heartfelt sympathy go to Ruth Sanborn and her family on the recent death of her husband Clinton, perhaps better known as "Chase". He recently underwent heart surgery. He was an ardent Barbershopper & held many offices in the Society.

ZONE 3

by Ardy Jeltema 2193 AIRWAY DR., N. E. GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN 49565



Gratiot County, Lansing, Big Rapids, Grand Rapids, Grand Haven, Holland, Muskegon

Great Lakes time is upon us again. So many nights are filled with practice and preparation for the show. Hope all you out there in Barbershop land look forward to this as much as we do.

We in Grand Rapids had another fun filled night in the form of a Valentines Party Feb. 13th. Thanks to Jack Sider, our new program chairman. Our special guests were the Tune Tailors from Holland and their lovely wives. From the feminine side, we had the Polka Dots, a local Sweet Adelines quartet. (the hubbies too) After all, it was Sweetheart Night.

Two new quartets gave us a sneak preview of what they're doing and the chorus was in great voice.

We have a couple of Zanies in the chapter that did a terrific job. None other than Jack Sider and Al Van Iwaarden. We didn't know they had so much talent. Expect to see and hear more from them.

The evening ended with drawings for door prizes and plenty of lunch for every-one.

Big Rapids entertained their ladies on the 16th of Feb. The chorus sounded great and a pickup quartet did a fine job. Their own Sweet Adelines chorus sang some selections to add to the evening. The gals finished off the night with a nice lunch. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK BIG RAPIDS.

I hear the girls in Holland have a lot of fund raising projects going. Pass us the word girls. Maybe the rest of us will get some ideas.

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We goofed. We can only hope that you will realize that typing at midnight and proof reading at 4 A.M. has to lead to a few mistakes. We do hereby reprint the goof (corrected, of course) in its' entirety so that there will be no misunderstanding as to its original intent. The reprint, from the January District's Board meeting, is as follows

President Tom Damm presented a report on the progress of the Muskegon convention committee. An extended discussion ensued concerning the convention tickets, overall financing and costs. It was pointed out that a survey indicated that in all other Districts, registration at the convention included the purchase of all event tickets as is required at the International Convention and that some Districts also had a registration fee as well. In any case, registration was required for participation of any member in the chorus or quartet competition.

A motion was made and seconded that, beginning with the Muskegon Convention in April, registration would be required for every participating contestant in the chorus or quartet competition. Purchase of an all events package would be required in order to register. Cost of the package which includes the Quartet Prelims, Chorus Competition, Quartets Finals and District After-glow will be \$6.00. A special discount price will be offered to all COMPETING members of \$5.00. Total cost of tickets if purchased on an individual basis will be \$8.00. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

William C. Warner, Secretary

CHAPTER REPORTS

With apologies to Loton Willson and the Boyne City Chapter.

DETROIT

Larry King

Inirty-two chapter members and their wives gave Joe and Maryanne Coburn a farewell party on January 30th. They are moving to Chicago for Joe's new job. The theme was "Friday Night At The Movies" and Mac Sennett would have been hard pressed to equal the comedy skills exhibited by some of our members simply acting themselves in the films. Most of the scenes were at Harrisville and Camp Dearborn, and if they did not convice those who had never been to Harrisville of the fun they missed, nothing will. The feature presentation, however, was the film and slides the Sharplifters took on their Pacific trip. The interesting scenes and excellent photography were complemented by the witty com.mentary of Bill Wickstrom and Joe.

Our best wishes go with Joe and Maryanne to their new home.

Thirty carefree souls, proving themselves susceptible to the persuasions of advertising, chartered a bus, left the driving to Gus and headed for the Monroe Chapter Parade on February 7th. Thanks to some mechanical problems, the trip took longer than expected and the Detroit contingent made a grand entrance after the show had started. Nevertheless, they were unanimous in their praise of the program and Monroe deserves a "Well Done" for their show.

Detroit did battle at the annual Dearborn Octet Contest, but could do no better than sixth place. This event has been one of the outstanding functions in this area for years, and this year was no exception. The Dearborn boys do a fine job of organizing the contest and doing their bit for the betterment of Barbershopping. Our hats are off, too, to Don Ferguson and his winning octet from Saginaw-Bay City.

The Motor City Chorus is looking forward to its appearance on the Utica-Rochester Sweet Adeline's show on March 7th at the Utica High School.

PONTIAC

by Terry Ermoian

Feb. 17th the Quad-Chapter meeting was held at the Holly-Fenton Chapter. Pontiac members who attended were Baker, Pascher, LeKander, Ray Guerin, Dick Guerin, Wyse, Lilly, Lawrence, Douglas & Frye. The new Harmony Knights sang and it looks like they have got another winning quartet sound. Also the great sound of the New Bean Town Four.

Pontiac chapter hosts it's Annual Woodshed Contest March 20th at the Metropoliton Club in Pontiac. Be sure not to miss this one. Remember the chapter which has the greatest percentage of its members walks off with the coveted Bennington Trophy. This is one of Pontiac's two big events of the year. So mark your calendar.

Start planning your vacations around this one. Pontiac's 2nd annual Paradise Park Campout, July 3, 4 and 5. Those of you who attended last year will attest to what a great time we had, we hope to double the attendance this year. Reserve your reservations now. Contact man is Dick Guerin of Pontiac. For further information contact him at 674-1353.

Pontiac members mourn the loss of our beloved member "Chase" Sanborn. He was a great man and will be missed dearly. His memory will last for years to come. No man loved Barbershopping as much as him. Pontiac's Feb. 20th meeting was cancelled in Tribute to our beloved member. We express our deepest sympathy to Ruth his wife and his loved ones.

WAYNE

by Morrie Giles

On Feb. 6, Wayne played host to Pontiac Chapter. It sure is swell to get together with guys from other chapters and boondoggle. Surprising how many songs we have in common. Guest quartet for the evening was the "Teen-age Four" from the Shafer High School in Southgate. These kids not only sounded like Barbershoppers but they even hammed it up like Barbershoppers. Also, the Invoices introduced a new number, "The Hamtramck Polka", by our own Marv Skupski, in honor of St. Valentine Patrick's April Fool's Day.

Bob Johnson is coming to Wayne on Mar. 31st. This is a Tuesday night and all the near by chapters are urged to attend this most informative session. It is at our regular rehearsal hall, the Wayne Community Building on Wayne Road, just 1 1/2 blocks north of Michigan Ave. in Wayne. You'll

probably hear more on this through your own chapter officers.

Wayne has a problem: Four weeks before show time, the tickets for our annual pitchpipe parade are sold out and orders continue to poor in. Our poor perennial ticket chairman, Tom Pollard threatens to have a heart attack. It seems everyone expects him to dig down and come up with a handfull of tickets with seats to match.

For future shows it appears we'll either have to look for a larger auditorium or go to two performances, -- perhaps Sat. night and Sunday afternoon.

If other chapters have had similar predicaments we would be particularly interested in knowing how you went about solving them. Write to the Troubadour or to me, Maurice Giles, 312 Griswold, Northville, 48167.

I still think "Troub" should have a column dedicated to questions and answers on our chapter's problems.

The "Wonderland Chorus" is considering a fund raising campaign to buy our Director a new foam rubber, skid proof bathtub. Gordie figured his ribs would bounce, but they didn't. He recovered from his injuries in good order, but the old bathtub will never be the same again.

Hey, Monroe Chapter. Where were you on Feb. 20th???? We waited in vain for your arrival, but you didn't show.

Wayne is still looking for a new meeting place since the old one burned down in Dec Hope to make the announcement by next issue. Meanwhile, don't try to visit us without calling one of our members first to find out location.

HOLLY-FENTON

by Grant Wright

Our Board of Directors have initiated a new system of Chapter procedure as advised by Chet Fox, of the International office, when he paid us a visit in January. We are now meeting every Tuesday evening and have engaged in several sing outs at local affairs. The Chapter is planning a show to be presented in our new Fenton High School auditorium on May 2. Watch next month's Troubadour for details about our show.

The accompaning picture was taken during the Quad Chapter meeting, hosted by Fenton has been used in our area. On Jan. 22nd it on Feb. 17, that was attended by 60 or more was shown to the Grand Haven Lions Club members of the Flint, Saginaw-Bay, Pontiac and the Dune-Tones entertained. Good reand Holly-Fenton Chapters. We were en-

tertained by the Bean Town Four, with Ron Gillies filling in as lead for absent Bud Carpenter. (Bud is leaving the quartet because of a transfer in his work, to another territory). The Curbstone Seranaders also gave out with some fine harmony, pick up quartets and gang singing filled out the rest of the evening. A fine lunch furnished and served by the Flint Chapter was enjoyed by all attending.

Holly-Fenton meets every Tuesday at the American Legion Hall in Fenton and the welcome mat is always out for barbershoppers from anywhere. Drop in and see us and lets bust a few tags together.

We, of the Holly-Fenton Chapter, as well as barbershoppers from all over the country, morn the loss of a devoted member. friend and advisor, "Chase" Sanborn of the Pontiac Chapter. We join with the great host of his friends in extending our sympathy to his wife, Ruth, and his family.



Seated together for a short conference during the Quad-Chapter meeting held in Fenton, Feb. 17, are Chapter reporters to the Troubadour for their respective Chapters: Left to right: Grant Wright, Holly-Fenton. Bob Melton, Saginaw-Bay, Les Lang, Flint and Terry Ermoian, Pontiac. (Photo, courtesy Bill Pascher, Pontiac Chapter).

MUSKEGON

by Del Doctor

The Muskegon Chapter is, at the present time, very busy with the planning and arranging for the April 24-25-26 Convention. We are anxiously waiting for the opening function to get underway because this is what the word Barbershopping is all about. The fun and fellowship with Guy's and Gal's of like interests can be only a Great Time for us all. Jack Bennett and Ken Barnhard are working hard, along with the whole chapter, to make this Convention the best ever.

During the past month the Logopedics Film sponse was very evident at the meeting.

On Feb. 27th the Chapter will hold its annual Ladies Night to pick the S.P.E.B.S .-(Q.U.A.W.) of the year. A fantastic program Chairman, Dick Hester. The John Hill Singers, along with the Uke-A-Lo-Fi's will entertain for the evening. Of course there will be the Dune-Tones and the Kasual D's to do their thing. Also there will be a new experience in eating. This seems to be a deep, dark secret untill Ladies Night. You know that \$3.00 per couple is a very inexpensive evening out. Depending on how much vived and again rehearses on Tuesdays at you drink, of course.

The Kasual D's were received very well in Ft. Lauderdale on Feb. 14th. The show was a great success. The Quartet appeared also at the Sheraton Hotel, The Brass Hats, and the Life Lounge. Lots of golf, swimming, horse racing, and plain goofing off were enjoyed. The Brass Hats, by the way, is a club of Past Presidents of Barbershop Chapters from the East Coast of Florida. This type of club meets once a month for good Barbershop fun. Bob Johnson from headquarters, was at the meeting. The Kasual D's had a job the night before they left for Florida, singing for the Nurses and Doctors banquet at Mercy Hospital in Muskegon.

For those who did not know, the Muskegon Chapter has changed it's meeting place. We now meet at the Lithuanian Club on the corner of Ninth and Hackley Ave. in Muskegon Heights, Mich. The Chorus meets every Tuesday night at 8:30 P.M. and our regular Chapter Meeting is on the third Tuesday of the month. Drop in and see us when you're in the area. Web Scrivnor is the Director of the Chorus.

Remember to get your reservations in early for the Convention. The information you need is in our advertisement.

April 24-25-26 April 24-25-26 Come on up and see us now, HEAR? ? ?

DEARBORN

by Bob Stone

Friday, the 13th of February, saw eleven octets competing in Dearborn's 14th Annual Octet Contest with about 130 Barbershoppers in attendance. Judges Mark Roberts, Tom Needham, Merle Clayton and Al Maier heard Saginaw-Bay Chapter's "Heavenly Seven plus has lost some of it's spark plugs, it will Deming" compile 652 points to win out over Wayne Chapter's top entry (629 points) and Grosse Pointe's octet (617 points).

M.C.'d by Roger Craig, the evening racked up a heckuvalot of fine singing, both by the octets and our District Champs, the Vagabonds Harmony was heard up to the fi- men -----just plugs. nal suspenseful pronouncement of the win-

ners. And this win marked the sixth, repeat sixth, certificate carried home by Don Ferguson as a winning octet member. Don has been planned by our fantabulas Program hit four times while a Detroit Chapter member and has brought down two winners from the Saginaw-Bay outfit. Nobody, but nobody, can top that record. Saginaw-Bay will be presented with the placque at their March St. Patrick's Day Shindig upcoming.

> Under the direction of Prez Scotty Davies, Dearborn Chordamatic Chorus has rethe regular hall. All former choruses and Barbershoppers with that night free are invited to come on down and have some fun. With an April Contest due, practice is becoming important, and although we're starting practically from scratch, we figure this is what the Society is all about. We either is or we aint Barbershoppers, that is.

> Our March regular meeting (Friday the 13th again) on the second Friday, promises to be full of boon-doggling, woodshedding, tag-singing and barbershopping as Program V.P. Ed Conn has worked out a deal where we'll be far away from an organized-scheduled program and EVERYBODY WILL SING. So come on down.

> Dearborn joins all Poineer District in morning the passing of long-time Barbershopper Chase Sanborn. This is not the proper place for eulogy, and Chase will not be forgotten; our District and the International Society is better for his participation and efforts.

HOLLAND

by Bob Essenburg

As all of you know from the last Troub., we of Holland, have been challenged, in competition at Muskegon, by the Great Lunks Chorus of Grand Rapids (almost an insult).

It is the general opinion that this challenge must have been made under a false sense of security. They must feel that these chorus competitions are run like an auto race and that the chorus would play the part of the race car. Under these pretences, they must feel that since Holland be like running on 6 cylinders instead of 8, giving them a chance, at last.

Granted, these spark plugs are hard, almost impossible, to replace, but, while Holland is staging 30 men, they are all spark plugs, Grand Rapids will stage 40

So, Grand Rapids, while you are finding dunce caps to fit your pointed heads, you may want to also be looking for a muzzle to fit the mouth who wrote the challenge. just for future use.

HOLLAND GRACIOUSLY ACCEPTS.

Two men from the Holland Chapter attended the COTS school, held recently in Lansing. HOW MANY DID YOU SEND?

The Holland Chorus, along with both quartets, the Soundsations & the Tune-Tailors, are all working hard for the contests and their May show, but have found time to attend the Lansing Gay Nineties Night. We would like to thank them for the wonderful time had by all. We are looking forward to having more such nights.

See you in Muskegon.

MONROE

by Ron Koshik

We, in Monroe, would like to take this time to thank all of you barbershoppers for your support of our annual show. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we enjoyed putting it on. For those of you who could not get down, the Four Nubbins headlined our show followed by the Sharplifters in Joe Coburns final performance with these great guys.

A nice surprise was the first show performance of the Gentlemans Agreement. All they need is a good bass. When you hear these guys you can believe Barbershopping was invented for them or vice versa. Our own Twilighters helped to round out the show.

Thru Dale Schroeder's efforts Monroe and Toledo Chapters are, jointly, putting on a benefit show in Monroe. We're trying to help get the Monroe High School Band to Paris France. They received their invitation from Paul Peltier when he was here and sang with our Chapter.

We sing March 14th and expect quartets from Toledo, Monroe, possibly some Sweet Adelines and The Gentlemans Agreement. This could be a nice little show.

Bob Whitledge and I attended Dearborn Octet Contest and I think Saginaw did a little sandbagging. Eight guys just aren't that good. You other groups did pretty well and it must have been hard for the judges to pick come. a winner. While there, I looked for some tag singing but all I could find were more

A while ago we sang for the New Boston Kiwanis and must have made a good impres-

sion as they later voted to donate \$50 to the Logopedics for us and we sure loved that.

We'll sing all over the place for assistance with our pet project.

We note that the Vagabonds are to visit us. We look forward to that evening very impatiently and welcome any of you that happen our way.

BATTLECREEK

by Roger Lewis

February 16th was our big "Auditions" night here, and in our opinion, a great success. We had thirteen guests for the evening - it looks like we may attract ten of them for our chapter chorus. And would you believe FOUR TENORS. Our schedule? First, greeting the guests and getting them involved in a little singing, (tags, old songs, etc.) while the auditions were going on. Second, the new logopedics film, narrated by Bob Newhart. Third, a short "Chorus" rehearsal, all of the guests having music to the songs we were singing. Fourth, short performances by each of our chapter quartets, and finally, sloppy joes, coffee, etc.

We'd heartily recommend an auditions night for any chapter, and if we can be of any assistance, call either Ron Mell, (616-962-4446) or myself, Roger Lewis, (616-962-9839). We plan to have another auditions night in the fall, too.

February 9th the VAGABONDS joined us - they were waiting for us when we arrived at our meeting place after a Chorus engagement and we had a great evening of fine singing. even if three of them were out of uniform, (that is right, isn't it, Tony?) Watch for them at your chapter -- they've cut out for themselves a tremendous schedule of chapter visitations, and every one of the four fellows is just as grand as the sound they make.

Our April 11th Show will feature the HOME-TOWNERS, (Ontario) the CLUB HOUSE FOUR (Lousiville, Ky.) The MILLION-AIRES, BUR-RILL BROTHERS, and HARMONY HOUNDS, all of our own chapter, the CEREAL CITY CHORUS, BATTLE CREEK SWEET ADELINE CHORUS, and also, we think, the Battle Creek Central High School "Running Chorus" (about 55 boys strong), (and singing BAR-BERSHOP, too). Write Eastern TV, 944 E. Emmett in Battle Creek if you'd like to

THE HARMONY HOUNDS are getting all ready Baris. We must have magnetic personalities for their USO Tour of Japan, Philipines, and Guam, presently scheduled to leave on May 11. Talk about four guys being tickled We're about to change our name to "The



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GRAND RAPIDS

by Dick Williams

Behold, and it came to pass that on April 18th THE GREAT LAKES INVITATIONAL will be held featuring the current INTERNATIONAL QUARTET CHAMPIONS -- THE MARK IV, and from Detroit, the great SHARPLIFTERS.

Following up our challenge to Holland we paid a little surprise visit to them on one of their meeting nights. 15 strong we silently stole upon them and left various banners of "Beat Dem Hollanders" etc., on the walls. After the dirty deed was done we announced ourselves and waited for them to finish chorus rehearsal after which we joined them in singing, KEEP AMERICA SINGING and then - this is the biggie - we pinned on each man - "Congratulations, you sang with the GREAT LAKES CHORUS."

All in all it was a grand evening filled with lotsa good ole harmony and good fellow ship. Although, as we left, there were heard some hints of reprisal by that big shoe maker in the sky. They wouldn't dare.

Daryl Roche, the lead in the Royal Coachman has finally got the doc's okey to start singing again, but in easy stages. Believe me no one was any happier than he, except maybe us (the chapter). Welcome back Daryl.

The Steamboat Strummers; notice I said STEAMBOAT, are inactive due to the fact the Walter Roush, trumpeteer par excellent underwent an eye operation and will be out for atleast eight weeks. Hurry up Walter, the Bird of Paradise is looking for you.

The gals got together prior to our Valentine Show and formed a Ladies Aid to help us guys. You know, money, rummage sales, money, uniforms, money, food, etc. and more money, plus general all around support, help, and ego builder. In fact they have their first rummage sale coming

up which I'm sure will be a great success. We guys salute you gals; just don't get to cocky.

Our Valentine Show was a huge success with about 110 people in attendance. We had the TUNE TAYLORS from Holland and they really out did themselves by the very fine show they put on for us. Thanks neighbors. We also had a very fine Sweet Adeline quartet, the POLKA DOTS and they were excellent.

Since we are having an interchapter quartet contest to see who sings with the MARK IV's we had three of the new quartets sing and they did a fine job considering the short time they had been together. Now, there was this one quartet called the Saddle Wheelers, Paddle Wheelers or something like that. These four guys, well ---what can ya say; I don't wish to be cruel.

but I don't want to say they were bad - but - gads - they were bad. That Bari - ever - off-key, and the lead, right part wrong song, the tenor a converted bass need I say more, and finally the bass, bum, bum, bum, that's great for warm up but not the whole song. Oh yes, now I remember this quartet is a bi-product of that non-profit group known as the Strummers.

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Other than this there is not too much I have to report except some really big things are happening in our Chapter and Chorus which has everyone really excited, but enough on this, you'll be hearing from us, CHAPTER FOUR, and we'll see you all in Muskegon.

BOYNE CITY by Loton V. Willson

If you missed the Boyne City column last issue, it was under the heading of Gratiot Co. These errors do happen and I know how big a job our Editor has so we forgive him.

Just a little over 6 weeks before our 24th Annual Bush League Contest & Variety Show. If your Quartet is eligible to compete, get your entry in. I remind all of you to make your Reservations for Rooms at any of the 3 places listed in our Ad in the last Troub. We are very happy that Bob Johnson is to conduct a Chorus Directors School for the District in conjunction with the Bush League April 3 & 4th. Here is a chance to combine a School with a "Fun Weekend." Remember, this is a School for the Pioneer District, not just the Northern part. Even if you are not a Director, or don't plan on being one, you could learn a lot about singing in a Chorus, by attending.

Larry Behrans was mentioned in the last Troubadour as earning his Gold Note. Since then we have 2 other Members who will appear soon, as they have signed a new Member. Wouldn't it be nice if each Member could sign up 1 man this year? We would have 5 Quartets in the International instead of 2. I'm sure our District President Tom Damm would really appreciate that.

The Boyne City Chapter would like to publicly thank the Oakland County Chapter, (and before that, The Rochester Chapter) for sponsoring their Pre-Bush League Contest. It not only helps Quartets, but our Bush League as well and I am sure encourages new Quartets to get started. Again Thanks.

I was interested in Roger Craigs article on Choruses. I don't happen to agree with him but that is his and my right. I like to see ALL MEMBERS who have Barbershopping as a hobby, be able to sing in a Chorus. True, they may not win, but they have the thrill of singing on Stage and enjoying singing with fellow Members. They may never be able to make the grade in a Quartet but they still want to sing or they would not have become a Member in the first place.

OAKLAND COUNTY

by Bob Drabik

Babe - to boy - to man - to Barbershopper to ----: If anyone ever typified the name "Joe Barbershopper"; it was he.

Did you need a deep, resonant, bass - he gave it to you. Did you need a tag, a song a smile - he gave it to you. Did you need the shirt off his back - he gave it to you.

For Cakland County, he was real special -because, back in the fifties, when it looked like we might lose our charter, he took out a dual membership - just to keep us in existence. And, that's only one of the many things he did. That was Joe Barbershopper, That was CHASE SANBORN.

What do you do for a guy, who, because he works afternoons, cannot be an active chorus member but, who walks into rehearsal with boxes of loose leaf binders for everyone else to use as music books? You do the only thing you can. So, little as it may be, in front of 1,500 Barbershoppers, we say thanks a million to HAP REYNOLDS.

Our guest night was, without a doubt, the most successful we've ever had and a big part of that success was due to one person JIM MCCATTY, who brought 12 guests himself. M.C. BOB MARSHALL pulled talent out of the walls and even had the guests singing up front, along with 4 regulars, as octets (it worked out beautifully). But, the zenith of the evening was the WONDERLADS. These guys were really "on" and I'm sure they sold some of our guests on this hobby of ours. Thanks guys.

Three of us attended the District sponsored C.O.T.S., in Lansing, on January 24th. The time spent was well rewarded and I'd like to thank the District Officers who gave so generously of their time and great talent. You know, these guys can do more than "just sing".

DEARBORN'S annual Octet Contest was another real fun night and SAGINAW performed like professionals, walking off with the trophy. Congratulations on a job well done but, look out next year.

The Chorus has been working their fool heads off for our show on the 28th. By the time this is read, it'll be past history but, as of now, it looks like a sell-out. Our thanks go out, again, to the show committee. They put out an awfully lot of hard work into this one.

The April meeting will be designated as Advertisers Appreciation Night and success-

ful show celebration and our May 1st meeting will be Past Presidents Night. Those wild 4-Fits will be there and Russ Seely will be doing the M.C.ing so you can guess what kind of meeting it'll be. Awards will be given out to certain Past Presidents, for various reasons, and everyone of you is invited, so -

C'mon in and see us. (Has anybody seen my good buddy, Floyd Albert?).

GRATIOT COUNTY by Maynard & Fred

May we report that we belong to the Gratiot County Mid-Statesmen Chorus. We would like to salute our new members:

> Delos MacLaren Charley Cornelius Tom Brown Chuck Head

We are real proud of them and would like you to meet them. Your president wishes to thank all of you for the many thoughts and good wishes sent to him during his stay in the hospital. It really makes one feel better to know he has so many thinking of him. It is nice to have Leon Webb on the mend. Bari Lew Tripp has been absent for a few weeks as the result of an auto accident and the flu. We miss you Lew, come back soon.

On February 5th, our past president, Maynard Peacock had the rare privilege of visiting The Institute of Logepedics, in Wichita, Kansas. This was the culmination of the hope and dream of 4 years, that he might see first hand what the Society is doing as it's International project. He and his family received a very warm welcome from the receptionist and were given a Red Carpet VIP tour of the whole teaching and clinical facility. It is a very heartening experience to see children being taught to walk and to talk and hear. About 150 trainees live "on campus", where their every activity is coordinated to their ability. Another 200 are bussed in and is the largest facility of its kind in the world. Barbershoppers everywhere can be mighty proud to be the prime benefactor for such a worth while organization as the Institute. Keep singing men, that they shall speak.

We all owe Bill Derby a great big hand. Firstly for his wonderful job as program chairman. Gratiot County is really alive this year. We are hoping all over the place with all sorts of different things to do. As program chairman of our ladies night, Bill Derby has asked us to thank the following, The Rebeckas of The Alma IOOF Lodge for the wonderful dinner for our ladies night.

Naomi Wright, and her fellow members for the decorations, Jerry and Ardis for receiving the tickets at the door. All Chapter Sweet Adelines for their part of the program The Dandy Debs, The Impuraires, The Past President Four, Another Quartet, The Gay Ninetys, because your reporters are sure there is at least 90 years of Barbershopping behind them. A wonderful program was topped off by the champions of the Pioneer District, The Vagabonds.

Ithaca Chamber of Commerce at their annual meeting and banquet. Another opportunity to show people what The Mid-Statesmen can do. Thanks to Paul Kernen for having us do this show.

SAGINAW BAY

by Bob Melton

The road back to Saginaw was a little warmer on the zero morning, after the Octet Contest at Dearborn on the 13th of Feb. for some of our boys. The winning octet turned out to be from the Saginaw-Bay Chapter, and they included, Thomas Piel, and Dave Sczutkowski as tenors, Don Ferguson, and Bud Carpenter as leads. The Bari spots were done by Bob Glover and Randy Meldrum, with Bob Deming and Len Johnson singing Bass.

Speaking of Len Johnson, did you know that he was named as the Saginaw-Bay Barbershopper of the Year? Len does some of the arranging for us as well as directing the chorus, he coaches the Ringmasters, and he sings bass with the Eversharps. He also is the ticket Chairman for our shows, and he serves on the board of directors for the Timberland Chordsmen. Len received this award at the Installation of Officers, in Birch Run at Furlow's Townhouse.

Bud Carpenter was Master of Ceremonies at this event, with District President Tom Damm installing our officers. They were: President, Dave Donnelly; Membership V.P., Tom Piel; Secretary, Eric Meldrum; Treasurer, Len Johnson; Program V.P., Tom Roczenburg; and board members Dick Mueller Dave Szutkowski, and Moe Weaver, who was replaced by Bob Deming when he resigned. We were entertained by the Barnyard Four, The Ringmasters, The Beantown Four, The Eversharps, and The Gentlemens Agreement.

We have a new meeting place as of the 24th of February, at the Messiah Lutheran Church, at the corners of Henry and Thomas Streets in Bay City at 8:00 sharp on Tuesday nights. This meeting place has many new features we haven't had in meeting places before.

Our FEBRUARY FOLLIES presentation was an outstanding success thanks to the great performances by all the members of our own Chapter Chorus, our two Aspiring Quartets, THE CADILLAC - AIRES and the HUMM DINGERS; and the espicially great, talented guys of the BEAN TOWN FOUR and the super stars, THE SHARP LIFTERS. Also not to be denied or to be undone, The Sweet Adelines from South Oakland County, who call themselves THE SOCIALITES, were very sweet and wonderful. The comments and compliments received have been good and many. Most everyone said, "The show was really great". "That it was highly enjoyable and well worth the money."

WHOOPS, we almost forgot to give worthy mention to our District President, Mr. Tom Damm, who did a terrific job as the Master of Ceremonies. Thank you Tom Damm for your contribution to the success of our show. Also, Bob Faunce, our Chapter President who assumed the Chairmanship of the show and Warren Marsh, our Musical Director, deserve a lot of praise and merit for the outstanding jobs they both did in helping to make it successful and REALLY and TRULY GREAT.

C.O.T.S. was attended by our President elect, Robert "Bob" Faunce, who was in attendance at the school from our chapter.
It was unfortunate our other chapter officers could not attend but we do hope to
have more representation to the next one.
"Thank You" Bob Faunce for your interest
in the school and we are sure to derive a
whole lot of benefit from what you learned.

Warren Marsh is planning to attend Chorus Directors School to be held in Boyne City April 3rd and 4th.

Paul Zagers, Ken Gaunt, Dawson Watson, and Joe Serafano, who make up the HUMM-DINGERS quartet from our Chapter, are planning to attend and compete in the Bush League contest to be held in Boyne City in conjunction with the Chorus Directors School on April 3rd and 4th.

On April 6th our Chapter is holding an Audition Night for prospective new members. It is our goal to increase our chorus membership to as good a musical performing unit as possible. Psychologists say that fear, vanity and cupidity are the basic motives behind our thinking when we buy something. I looked up the word cupidity, and in case you're wondering, it sort of means a strong desire. I don't know whether or not these motives apply to increasing chapter chorus membership. What we are really

selling is our strong desire and emphasis on up-grading our chapter and to perpetuate and encourage singing in our community.

THE WORLD changes so fast that a man couldn't be wrong all the time even if he tried.

SAULT STE MARIE by Bruce Martin

Although the Northland Chorus, formerly known as the Sault Ste. Marie International Chorus hasn't sent any reports to the Troubadour for a year or more, don't get the idea that we have hibernated, far from it, as the account of some of our activities during the past couple of months, and plans for the next few, will indicate.

On December 7th our chapter sponsored a variety show called Musical Sleighride, with the assistance of several other entertainment groups and our chorus and our octet played to a full house at the Korah Collegiate Auditorium. The entire proceeds of \$350 went to the Santa Claus funds of our local T.V. station and local newspaper.

January 10th was the night chosen to take our wives to a Post Christmas Party at the Root River Golf Club to enjoy an evening of sociability, songs, sambas as well as good food. Guests attending were Mr. & Mrs. Cliff McLean, Cedarville Chapter; Mr. & Mrs. Bob Tracy, Machinaw City (Bob is Chorus Director at Cedarville). Cliff as Zone 4 District V.P. installed the 1970 executive, namely: Pres. - Colin Donaghue; Admin. V.P. - Ed Briggs; Program V.P. -Ed Cloutier; Secretary - Gerry Clowes; Treasurer - Laurence Richard; Directors -Gord Saxby, Joe Rodgers, Ross Christie and Ron Mann. Last but really foremost Don Bazely is again the chorus director.

January 12th the chorus entertained for a half hour at the dinner meeting of the Downtown Kiwanis Club.

February 6th was another gala occasion when fellowship, food and fun were all in abundance at our annual Millionaires Night. It had been postponed last fall due to the long strike at the Algoma Steel Plant. The sale of tickets and other usual profits made the evening a financial success.

Several times during 1969 the chorus went to Cedarville to sing with our Les Cheneaux friends. They made return visits to the Sault and these visits made our meetings more enjoyable. Plans are in the making to continue these trips to our nearest barbershop chorus during 1970.

What is on the agenda for the near future? Well, with Harmony Week in mind a dance will be held on Friday, April 3rd in the Steelton Hall (our regular meeting place, every Monday at 8:00 P.M. if you are up this way fellows). Saturday, April 4th it is down to the Bush League Contest at Boyne City for every member who can possibly get away for the week-end. To wind up the week we will have our Highlightsin Harmony Show, Friday, April 11th. More about these events later.

GROSSE POINTE by John Wearing

The Grosse Pointe Annual Ladies Night held on Feb. 14th at Hillcrest Country Club is now past history, but we feel some newsworthy items took place. Paul Johnson was chosen as the Barbershopper of the year for his tireless efforts in behalf of all Grosse Pointe Chapter activities. Another member Jav Gonveau received an award from International on bringing in 10, yes, ten new members. How many Big 10 Award winners are there in Michigan? ?? Mark Roberts and Ray McCalpin were honored with plaques for being 25 year members of Grosse Pointe, incidentially, their names appear on the original charter. We were also honored to have Ed Schwoppe at our Ladies Night, I am told Ed was the first member to come back from Tulsa as a card carrying member of S.P.E.B.S.Q.S.A. The music and food was great - Russ, Ray, Marv and John, our 4-Fits, did their usual thing. Also our Dearborn Octet, 3rd. place winner also rang some great chords. Gur chorus appeared in costume and sang to give note of our sharpness and that we are planning to make a showing in Muskegon in April. A Job Well Done goes out to Larry Reed, Skip Gibson, Kurt Kusch, Bob Jones, Bob Kruger and Earl Sanders for making this a memorable evening.

Take note that on May 2nd which is a Sat. night that Grosse Pointe Chapter will be putting on their "Little Show". We have been fortunate in procurring the Detroit Yacht Club on Belle Isle. For that night the clubs complete facilities will be open to barbershoppers. Our show will feature "The Vagabonds" from O.C.C. - the "Beantown Four" from Saginaw and the "4-Fits" plus our own Grosse Pte. Chorus.

Grosse Pointe mourns the loss of still another great bass and barbershopper Marv McClary of Chorduroy Fame one of our International representatives in Philadelphia.

THREE RIVERS by George Dieffendorfer

We have been busy in this our 25th year, I would like to add that is has been 25 continous years as a Chapter.

Our show is all set for March 14th. We are headlining the Harmony Hounds and the Vagabonds. It is going to be one of our best shows, we are sure.

I just happened to pull out a newspaper article telling of our show in 1948. We had 10 quartets and a chorus. 6 local quartets, one International Champ and 3 District Champs. No wonder we quit putting on shows for a while.

We are planning a 25th Anniversary party for April 18th. We hope to get all the old timers back and maybe a District officer or two.

Also, according to the Troub., Bob Johnson is going to pay us a visit April 2.

We are sorry to hear that our District lost one quartet in the International Contest. Three Rivers is going to help get that quartet back for next year. Sound like confidence? We've got it.

KORTET & KORUS KORNER

"Mo" Rector, bass of the Mark IV when it won the International championship in St. Louis, has been replaced by Pete Tomseth of Eugene, Oregon. Tomseth has been rehearsing with the quartet for some time, and the quartet states it is able to honor all show commitments

An auto accident on January 16th involving "Golden Starter" Lead Ken Ludwig has temporarily disabled our current Second Place Medalists from Arcadia and Pasadena, Calif.

A slipped disc to "Avant Garde" Bass Doug Miller curtailed the singing activities of our Fifth Place Medalist quartet from the Illinois District.

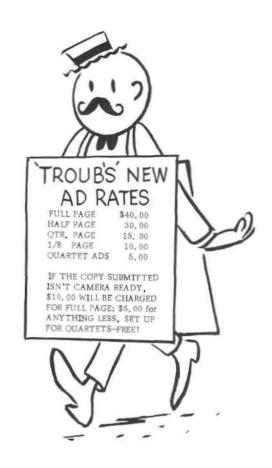
In the 1968 International Champion "Western Continentals," it was Ted Bradshaw's hernia operation that placed them on the inactive list "For the duration."

The latest in new records is a re-re lease from the old Chord Record Series called "Let's Hear It" featuring two quartets no longer active, the 1966 Champion "Auto Towners" and "Four Rascals," the record sells for \$4.00.....

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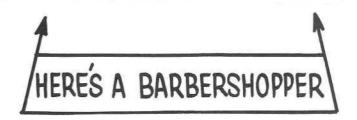
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CARROL D. STANDER JR	1
RICHARD HOLMES	2
KENNETH A. GIBSON	2
FRANK BATESON	14
DALE CAMPBELL	1
RON MANN	1

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