

LETTERS

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AN ECHO OF OUR TWELFTH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Dear Stu:

The "Carter Caper" at the New York Beacon theatre (Feb. 1967 TO/BB) provided my first opportunity to see a silent film accompanied by a theatre pipe organ. What a difference! It was also the first time I'd heard Gaylord "have a go" at films and it must be said he gave a memorable performance. The evening was exotic with Gloria Swanson present and looking like a million. When the lights went up at intermission I found myself surrounded by a covey of AGO "greater lights" which proved they also knew where to sit! Searle Wright's great laugh could be heard above any others. The organ crew pulled a miracle in accomplishing what they did on the 4-19 Wurlitzer in the actual working time they had. Hardly can I say how much I admire Gaylord and all who had a hand in producing this 12th ATOE Anniversary



The Roosevelt Park console is in a sunken cubicle, 75 ft. from the chamber building.

show, an evening like none I've known since coming to New York.

*Billy Nalle
New York*

Words of praise coming from concert and recording organist Nalle carry considerable weight (he's hip!). He sums up the feelings of many correspondents who took the trouble to write about the excellence of the Anniversary weekend.

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FOTO FOLLOWUP ON A BIG WIND

Mr. Editor:

In a recent issue you replied in detail to my inquiry about the very high-pressure 4-17 Wurlitzer theatre organ in the Southern California Roosevelt Park cemetery ("LETTERS"; Dec. 1966). Some photographs were mentioned in your reply but none appeared. If they were omitted by mistake I'll risk being considered somewhat persistent by requesting that they be published in a later issue. I find organs designed for the use of high wind pressure fascinating. The pipe scaling must be immense for 50 inches!

H.J. Canby, Gadsden, Alabama

The photos, which were supplied by Jim Lewis, weren't left out by mistake; we ran out of space. Here they are. The captions are self explanatory.



Two views taken in chambers of Wurlitzer 4/17 at Roosevelt Park Cemetery Gardena, Calif.



Classified Ads

FOR SALE Books: Whitworth's *Cinema and Theatre Organs* \$15.00. *Wurlitzer Hope-Jones Unit Orchestra* \$3.95. *Wurlitzer Unit Organs* \$4.50. *Wurlitzer Theatre Organ Fact Book*, \$2.00. *Audsley's Art of Organ Building*, two volumes, \$15.00. Postpaid. **Organ Literature Foundation**, Nashua, New Hampshire 03060.

FOR SALE Modern Harmony for Organ. Free brochure. 17410 Gilmore St., Van Nuys, Calif. 91406.

FOR SALE Theatre Organ Tapes—Send for list. **H.J. Jenkins**, Box 343, Pacoima, Calif. 91331.

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