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The 4/18 Wurlitzer at the Oaks Park Roller Rink in Portland, will be one of the instruments heard at the National Convention July 25th. through July 28th. Don Simmons, staff organist, will present a program at the organ which was moved to the Oaks in 1955, after 28 years in downtown Portland's Broadway Theatre.

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president's message . . .



We again are approaching the annual election of four directors and this year, more than any in the history of our society, this election takes on added importance. With the policy-making business of ATOS now entirely in the hands of the directors, it is necessary that these directors represent every area of our far reaching membership and not be concentrated in one or two large chapter areas. This election is for *National Directors* and a member who agrees to seek the office must understand the importance of a decision for the best interest of the entire membership not dictated by local chapter action entirely. In a poll just concluded by National Headquarters, only 3000 of our 1972 membership of nearly 5000 were actually chapter members so the fact is that a large percentage of our membership has a right to expect better representation than they are presently receiving.

Another caution must be exercised lest there be a possible conflict of interest by virtue of election to any office. It has been stated by some officers who rely on the key-boards for their livelihood that it is often most difficult to take sides on some issues and this most certainly negates the very purpose of a director.

Every member of ATOS will have the opportunity to vote on his choice for the four directors to be elected this year. Please realize the importance of your vote and exercise your option to the advantage of the entire society.

Erwin A. Young, Jr.