

July 21. Barbara and two friends were enroute to see and hear the Mormon Tabernacle organ. The other two passengers were hospitalized with injuries.

British organist George Blackmore made the sad announcement during his Los Angeles ATOS concert at the Elks building.

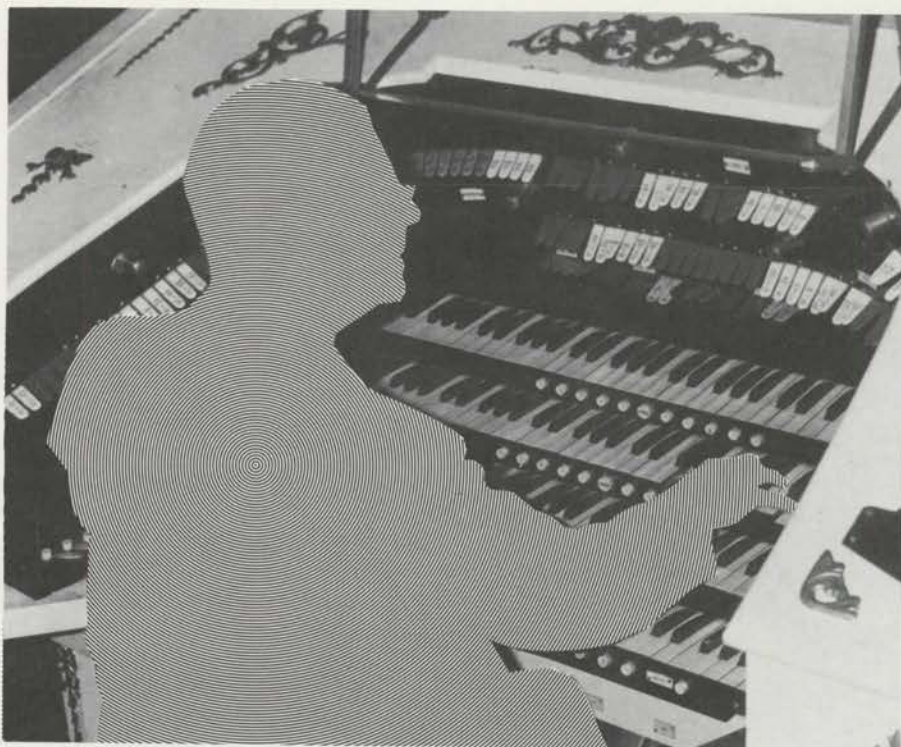
Barbara Koons crammed a lot of activity into her 21 years. She acquired an interest in the organ from her father, Joe, but her talent proved to be in the straight organ field. Over a period of five years she became a skilled classical organist. Occasionally she would play a classical piece during her parents' Saturday evening soirees at the Koons' cycle shop, which is equipped with an ever growing 3/34 Welte-Wurlitzer-Heinz 57. She also liked to travel and had explored Europe.

Friends assumed the long-standing open organ session for the Saturday following Barbara's funeral would be cancelled. But it wasn't.

"Barbara wouldn't want us to be mourning alone," said Spud. The Saturday session went on, as usual.

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ATOS THEATRE ORGAN COMPETITION

The Central Ohio Chapter of the American Theatre Organ Society announces a *THEATRE ORGAN COMPETITION* as part of the Beautiful Ohio-1975 Fall ATOS Regional Convention in Columbus, Ohio. The competition will be held at the Ohio Theatre during the convention using the 4/20 Robert Morton organ. The top three winners will perform at the Morton during a special convention concert and a trophy and prizes will be awarded.

The contest rules are as follows:

1. Contest participants are limited to ATOS members 21 years of age or younger as of November 30, 1975, who are registrants of the Beautiful Ohio-1975 Regional ATOS Convention.
2. Contest entry is to be an 8-10 minute medley derived from a single Broadway Musical or single Motion Picture Score.
3. Judges will include the performing artists of the Beautiful

Ohio-1975 Regional ATOS Convention.

4. Entrants will be judged according to the following:
 - a. Originality of arrangement.
 - b. Registration.
 - c. Musical form, rhythm, tempo, phrasing, etc.
 - d. Console Technique.
 - e. Overall presentation.
5. Participants will be allowed a minimum of 1/2 hour practice time on the Morton organ — the order of practice to be determined on a first-come basis at Convention Registration.
6. Participants will be limited to those whose applications are postmarked no later than November 1, 1975.
7. Application form, console specifications and stop list, and additional contest information may be obtained by writing to:

Beautiful Ohio-1975
Organ Competition
29 East State Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215



European Organ Safari Set For 1976

Dick Simonton prepared a descriptive brochure for release during the 1975 Convention, covering the first ATOS European Organ Crawl. The proposed tour, which will follow the 1976 ATOS Convention, will visit two dozen organs in England and France. Details as to the exact dates, number of days and price level of accommodations are tentative and subject to changes suggested by the enclosed questionnaire. ATOSers are asked to fill in and mail to ATOS European Safari, 6900 Santa Monica Blvd., Los Angeles, Calif. 90038. The price for a 15-day excursion will be in the neighborhood of \$1,000. **Please mail the questionnaire immediately so our plans can be finalized.**