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Console of the 6/62 Barton in the Chicago Stadium. The organ will be featured at the 1977 convention. (Bill Lamb Photo)

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## President's Message

*A most productive meeting of your National Board of Directors was held on March 26, 1977 in Atlanta, Georgia.*

*At the outset, may I say, I have never worked with a more conscientious, considerate, progressive group of people than we elected to conduct the affairs of our organization. The calibre of these people is "par excellence." They represent all walks of life and offer a cross section of ideas, and have constructive discussion followed by intelligent conclusions.*

*There are four past presidents on the board who have expertise and knowledge in the operation of ATOS and were instrumental in making our society what it is today.*

*Every item that was discussed at this meeting, whether of a controversial nature (and we had a number) or a routine item, was given careful thought and much discussion before any action was taken. In another part of this issue, you will find the items considered and the action taken. Also, detailed financial statement of ATOS for 1973-1976 covering the period since our last dues increase.*

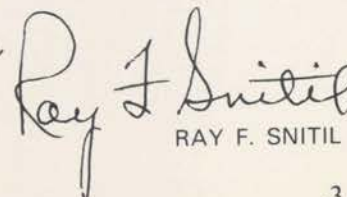
*ATOS is operated like any solid, well-run corporation. Our by-laws now conform with California corporate laws. The individual members elect the board of directors from a slate of nominees that are generated from the membership by letter of intent to run. This board of directors, having been elected by a **majority**, by popular vote, are then entrusted with the operation of ATOS for the ensuing year.*

*A notice for nominations for the board of directors was printed on page 16 in the February/March, 1977 issue of THEATRE ORGAN. These nominations were requested to be at National Headquarters by April 15, 1977.*

*ATOS has had and will continue to have growing pains as any active and progressive organization should experience. Problems and changes have risen in the past and inevitably they will continue to come up in the future. These changes, when made by the board of directors, will always be made in the best interest of the majority of the membership.*

*I can foresee a greater ATOS in the years to come. Two new chapters have been chartered — our membership is equal to last year at this date and a great convention is being planned for Chicago in June.*

Sincerely,



RAY F. SNITIL