

CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

A meeting proposed by Pres. Judd Walton to A.T.O.E. members S. H. Cargill and Don Taft, was convened at the Cargill home on July 2 at 8:00 p.m. for the purpose of organizing a Chapter in the upper-midwest area. Local members were notified by mail and approximately 20 enthusiasts attended, among whom were six A.T.O.E. members. After an impromptu program on Mr. Cargill's 3/28 Wurlitzer, which has a custom designed console with three complete stop bolsters, the meeting was opened by the president who explained the purpose and functions of a local chapter.

Motions were made, seconded and carried that: (1) A chapter be formed to include A.T.O.E. members in Minnesota, Wisconsin, Iowa, No. and So. Dakota, and such adjacent areas not already served by an existing chapter; (2) The chapter shall be known as the Land O' Lakes Chapter; (3) Annual dues shall be assessed in the amount of \$2.00 per member, \$2.00 for member's wife, and 75c per meeting for guests; (4) Money so assessed shall be retained by the secretary-treasurer and used to defray the chapter's expenses, with a treasurer's report to be submitted at each meeting; (5) Chapter meetings shall be held on the first Thursday of each odd-numbered month, with the first regular meeting taking place on September 3, 1959, at a time and place to be designated by the program committee; (6) S. H. "Salle" Cargill was elected chairman, and Donald Taft was elected secretary-treasurer, and the new chairman appointed Messrs. Burton Frank and Byron Carlson as program committeemen.

Nine new members were recruited at this meeting, with more promising to enroll shortly, bringing the membership well above the required number of ten for chapter formation. Greetings from Mel Doner, former editor of The TIBIA, and Alden Miller, both of whom could not attend, were relayed to the meeting by the president.

Refreshments were gratuitously provided by the Cargill's and the meeting drew to an informal close by more "live" organ music and the playing of tapes which Mr. Walton brought from California.

Respectfully submitted,
Donald R. Taft, Secretary



A group of new Land O'Lakes Chapter members listening to Salle Cargill's 3 Manual, 3 Bolster Wurlitzer.

The Spring meeting of the Northern California Chapter of A.T.O.E. was held at the Golden Gate Theatre, Golden Gate and Taylor Streets in San Francisco, on July 18, 1959 between 8:00 and 11:00 a.m.

The featured soloist for the day was Hal Shutz, playing the three manual Model 240 Wurlitzer. Hal won the approval of all present with his distinctive style and expert musicianship.

At 10:00 a.m. there was a short business meeting with Northern California Chapter President Bob Vaughn presiding. It was interesting to learn that Larry Vanucci, Vice-President of the Northern California Chapter and organist at the "Lost Week-End" Club in San Francisco, is now feature organist playing the Wurlitzer at the Golden Gate Theatre.

After the business meeting, which adjourned at 11 a.m., we were again favored by Hal Shutz on the Wurlitzer. His excellent capabilities and musical interpretations were thoroughly appreciated by all.

An estimated 80 enthusiasts and guests enjoyed the morning's entertainment of organ music.



POTOMAC VALLEY CHAPTER FORMED

Application for a Charter for the newly organized Potomac Valley Chapter was received just before press time from Erwin Young, Jr., chairman. The new group is located in the Washington, D. C. area. The letter and transmittals enclosed were complete in every detail—members' names listed, minutes of the organization meeting submitted, and an excellent statement of the purposes of the group.

Among the projects listed are the rehabilitation of several of the theatre organs in the Nation's Capital, and meetings in members' homes.

Requests for information on Chapter organization have also been received from Florida, Missouri, and New York City.

Congratulations to our newest Chapter—and best wishes for a successful program.



"Spring, 1959, in the Delaware Valley Chapter area finds . . . Stan Warzala 'organizing' around New York City. He commented that he had seen 'a charming young lady playing in a pink chiffon gown in her bare feet with red painted toenails.' Stan added, 'I don't know what this will do for the organ business, but the bar business may pick up.' . . . Delaware Valley Chapter members reminiscing over the enclosed photo taken at a meeting at Dick Loderhose's studio last fall. Standing left to right Reginald Watson of BBC organ fame; Dick Loderhose, owner of the partially pictured beautiful 4 M 32 R Wurlitzer (formerly NYC Paramount Studio Organ); and Jack Waters, seated at same. . . . A marvelous display of wizardry at a 2 M 7 R Moller by Bill Floyd during a concert at the 19th St. Theater, Allentown, Pa. early in February. . . . and the lovely buffet dinner at George MacNeal's home afterward. . . . Everyone looking forward to Leonard MacClain ('Melody Mac' of Phila. fame) at the now equally famous (due to his three successful recordings on same) 3 M 17 R Tower Theater Wurlitzer in mid April. . . ."

