The progress on the chapter's 3/17 Wurlitzer at Worthington High School has been significant, with major gains being seen in the recovering of the primaries as the current project. Crew members Bob Gallagher and Dr. John Polsley enthusiastically reported on the installation of the new pipes custom built by Bob Shopp of Alliance, Ohio. There is, as yet, no clear date for the total completion of the organ, but crew chief Willard Ebner claims that the end is at last in sight! BOB AND PATTI CLARK

CHICAGO AREA

The demise of pipe organs is not new to most of us, but a vast majority of the "King of Instruments" are tough customers and refuse to re-



lease the ghost easily. So it is with CATOE's Wurlitzer installation in Maine North High School in Des-Plaines, Illinois. The school closed in August 1981, but the organ refused to "shut up." This is partially due to some CATOE members and Jack Olander, former director of the school's music department. Once a week members go to the auditorium for organ maintenance, practice, music information, etc. The property is hard-pressed for a buyer, but rumors occur that the situation is still kicking. Thus hope for the building and organ are not dead!

Even the Oriental Theatre organ gets a little use in spite of the sad theatre condition.

It is a rare treat for us to get into the Medinah Temple to hear their 5/80 Austin. In August we had a morning social with member Jim Gruber soloing. An added treat was some piano/organ duets with Fred Biederman and Gruber alternating keyboards, resulting in a beautiful program.

Rex Koury was our soloist at the Patio's 4/17 Barton in September. "Gunsmoke" Koury accompanied the silent *Riders of the Purple Sage*, plus his presentation of a superb pro-

GEORGE A. ROBERSON Certified Public Accountant 65 Gibson Street • Leesburg, Virginia 22075 November 4, 1981

TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AMERICAN THEATRE ORGAN SOCIETY, INC.

We have examined the cash basis balance sheet of American Theatre Organ Society, Inc., as of June 30, 1981, and the related statement of income and net worth, prepared on the same basis, for the period then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and, accordingly, included such tests of the accounting records and such other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the financial statements referred to above present fairly the assets, liabilities and net worth arising from cash transactions of American Theatre Organ Society, Inc., as of June 30, 1981, and the operations resulting from cash transactions for the period then ended, on a basis consistent with that of the preceding year.

George A. Roberson, CPA

AMERICAN THEATRE ORGAN SOCIETY, INC. BALANCE SHEET (Cash Basis) JUNE 30, 1981

ASSETS

Current Assets: Cash Inventory Advance - Convention	\$13,086.92 10,226.87 1,000.00	\$24,313.79
Other Assets: Office Furniture TOTAL ASSETS		1,131.00 \$25,444.79
LIABILITIES AND Liabilities: Net Worth: Balance, June 30, 1981	NET WORTH	-0- 25,444.79
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND NET WORTH		\$25,444.79

AMERICAN THEATRE ORGAN SOCIETY, INC. STATEMENT OF INCOME AND NET WORTH (Cash Basis) FOR THE SIX MONTHS ENDED JUNE 30, 1981

OPERATING INCOME:

OPERATING INCOME: Dues - 1981 Theatre Organ: Advertising Binders Back Issues First Class Mailing Convention - Net (Advar Miscellaneous TOTAL OPERATING INCOME	\$ 5,789.11 295.00 432.72 <u>850.22</u>	\$48,847.76 7,367.05 (4,934.60) 137.16 \$51,417.37
OPERATING EXPENSE Printing Postage Contract Fees Transportation Telephone Mailing Service Supplies Board Meeting Insurance and Bond Accounting Storage Freight Miscellaneous	\$30,539,59 6,756.68 6,551.00 3,728.51 3,063.48 1,537.62 563.44 1,705.95 585.00 450.00 337.60 86.00	
TOTAL OPERATING EXPENSE		56,114.74
OPERATING LOSS: OTHER INCOME:		\$ (4,697.37)
Interest		<u>370.06</u> \$ (4,327.31)
OTHER EXPENSES: Legal Service NET LOSS: NET WOBTH:		2,478.98 \$ (6,806.29)
Balance - January 1, 198 Balance - June 30, 1981		<u>32,251.08</u> \$25,444.79

NOVEMBER/DECEMBER 1981