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Chordsmen Practicing for Contest



It looks like fun but its also work as the Capitol Chordsmen, one of four organized harbershop quartets in Salem, practice for a regional contest here, May 3-5. The quartet includes (left to right) Bill Hilts, Dick McClintic, George Dow, filling

in for absent Al Smith, and Dick Roth. The contest is part of national competition for groups belonging to the Society for the Preservation and Encouragement of Barbershop Quartet Singing in America. (Capital Journal Photo).

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groups. In order to keep the entry list from being too bulky, the or-ganization has broken down its members into regional districts. These districts in the district's various ganized in the district's various its an the district's various the district's in the gan to the district's various the district's various and the district's various the district's various and the program is set up. The way the program is set up. The way the program is set up. The way the program is set up.

Salem, Oregon, Thursday, February 21, 1957

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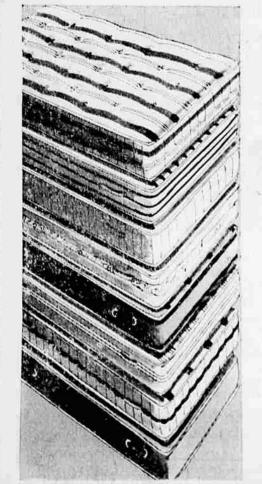
large money. In doing so Wednesday, the House cut in half President Eisen-hower's request to increase by one billion dollars the amount of money which the Federal National Mortgage Assn. can use between now and July 1 to buy govern-ment-backed home loans. A Senate banking subcommittee took a similar action two days

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This original group probably had o idea what their actions were bout to bring. The members mply organized because they simply organized because the y liked to sing and singing seemed like an excellent way for them to relax and forget their troubles. Other cities heard about the idea, however, and established similar groups. A mushrooming process then took affect.

Now the society has more than 26,000 members. Most of them are in the United States but there are also some in Canada, Alaska, Hawall and the Canal Zone. Each year the society sponsors an international barbershop and chorus' contest for its member

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such a lengthy name? It is simply

a group, made up of people from all over North America. Hawaii and the Canal Zone, which has as its primary goal to "Keep Amer-ica Singing." That is its motto.

This society had a rather unim

Pressive beginning, C. B. Cash, a corporation attorney in Tulsa, Okla, is credited with having the original idea in 1338. At that time he organized a group of 14 persons who gathered periodically for an owning of social storing. The

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