

Skills also changing

Old time barbershop sign passing from scene

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Like the thinning ranks of World War I veterans, the old-fashioned barbershop with the red, white and blue revolving signs is fast passing from view.

One of the few remaining—a pleasant sight to those who recall the old shop where the barber was a master with the comb and shears—is Myron's Barbershop at 917 S. Main, Plymouth.

There, with big bold letters "Barber Shop" and the old-time colored cylinders, is a reminder of the past when the barbershop and country store were

the gathering places to air the topics of the day.

WHERE HAVE THE old-time shops gone?

"They have given way to what are now termed hair salons, and such modern names as the Clipper, across from the intersection of Starkweather and Main, the Yankee Clipper across from city hall, and the Gentlemen's Hair Salon on Harvey just south of Ann Arbor Trail.

"These modern establishments are far removed from the old-time shops in that they concentrate on hair "styling" with prices to match the sophis-

ticated names.

No longer do the men visit these places for a shave or just a haircut. The shaving activity went out with the wind that brought in the electric razor for home use. And no longer can a fellow get what used to be called a "trim."

The modern establishments specialize in styling of long hair, such styles as the Afro and the box top where the hair is made to lay flat and grow on the sides well-out from the ears.

Those parlors or salons are a far cry

from the old-time shops which not only employed skilled barbers but also provided a shoe shiner while your hair was being cut. And the reading material on the tables was not the Wall Street Journal or other business magazines, but the Police Gazette—a volume which always was printed on pink paper.

AND ALONG WITH the limbo of forgotten things is the picturesque shelf of private shaving mugs.

It was the custom then to have your own shaving mug and brush. The mug

usually carried your initials, often in colorful Old English letters. One of the most important days in a young man's life came when his parents gave him his own shaving mug to place on the shelf—it helped make him part of the community.

These things now are just memories of a forgotten era. But the old-time barber helped to bring on the great change.

It all started when some of the more

eager of the old-time barbers, hoping to stand his place apart from the average shop, called it a tonsorial parlor.

From there, through the years, we now have stylist shops and the men working at the chairs no longer are plain barbers—they now are stylists.

But like the veterans' thinning ranks, there always is some old gent still carrying on—Myron's barbershop on S. Main stands almost as a monument to the old-time barbers.



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