M. FAWCETT HOPKINS

Non-Rider

St. MARGARETS, MARYLAND

Fawcett Hopkins was born Octobwr 7, 1904 in Davidsonville in Anne Arundel County, Maryland. He was raised on a farm, and in 1929 started working in Baltimore for the Gas and Electric Company from which he retired in 1969.

Mr. Hopkins has been associated with jousting for more than 50 years, and has held the offices of Director and Vice-President of the Maryland Jousting Tournament Association. Committees he has served on include the Championship Tournament and St. Margaret's Church Joust Committee.

Even though Mr. Hopkins was not a rider, he seldom missed a joust. He received two non-rider awards during his years in jousting. He was a major force behind the Eastern Shore and Western Shore Jousting Groups 'merger. Mr. Hopkins has been a tremendous asset as a ring hanger, time keeper, judge, scorekeeper and the "friar" in the Robin Hood Skits. He had been in charge of the St. Margaret's joust for many years, and most of the work in its preparation was done by this devoted worker. He was instrumental in bringing the Maryland State Championship Joust to St. Margarets.

As indicated, Mr. Hopkins did more for jousting as a non-rider than many of the riders. Jousting remains alive due to the efforts expended by friends of jousting like Mr. Fawcett Hopkins.

