

Founder of Famous Grill Succumbs To Acute Asthmatic Attack

Peter C. Scofes, 64, president of the Famous Grill, Inc., died Sunday morning at a Lansing hospital.

Mr. Scofes was stricken late Saturday at his home, 879 Audubon rd., East Lansing, with an acute asthmatic condition with which he had suffered for two years. Death came at 10:25 a.m.

His was the story of a Greek immigrant who came from his native Sparta in 1905 to begin a phenomenal rise in the restaurant business which was ultimately to

bring him national recognition. After beginnings in the resaurant trade in Chicago, Janesville, Wis., and Hammond, Ind., he came to Lansing in 1930.

DIRECTED GROWTH

In a tiny 20 foot by 40 foot lunch counter, he began to build what now is the Famous Grill. From a small staff of three men serving short order meals, he saw the restaurant grow under his direction to its present 88 by 128 foot area with an employment of 88 men and women, considered one of the finest cating establishments in the state.

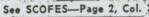
The present 450 seating capacity stands out in sharp contrast to the original capacity of 28. The cramped quarters of his original little "coffee shop" have expand-ed to six separate dining areas.

A civic leader, Mr. Scofes was a member of many community bodies and founder of others.

His list of memberships re-Ex-Newspaper flected his wide and varied interests.

M. S. U. SUPPORTER

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PETER C. SCOFES **Official Dies**

DETROIT, Nov. 2 (P) - Lyndon Commerce of Greater Lansing, Lansing Lodge No. 33, F. & A. M.; Press, died yesterday at his home the Capital Chapter No. 9, R. & in suburban Berkley. He had been A. M.; Lansing Commandery No. ill since suffering a heart attack 2d 2d

Caravan club; the DeWitt Clin- 1955, exactly 40 years after join-

One of the most stalward sup-ed from Grand Ledge schools and porters of Michigan State uni-attended business college in porters of Michigan State und attended business conege in versity, he was one of the found ers of the Downtown Coaches' club and a member of the Down-town Seconds' club. See SCOFES—Page 2, Col. 3