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- There is one barber, and  $n$  chairs for waiting customers
- If there are no customers, then the barber sits in his chair and sleeps (as illustrated in the picture)
- When a new customer arrives and the barber is sleeping, then he will wake up the barber
- When a new customer arrives, and the barber is busy, then he will sit on the chairs if there is any available, otherwise (when all the chairs are full) he will leave.

# Barber Shop Hints

Consider the following:

- Customer threads should invoke a function named `getHairCut`.
- If a customer thread arrives when the shop is full, it can invoke `balk`, which exits.
- Barber threads should invoke `cutHair`.
- When the barber invokes `cutHair` there should be exactly one thread invoking `getHairCut` concurrently.