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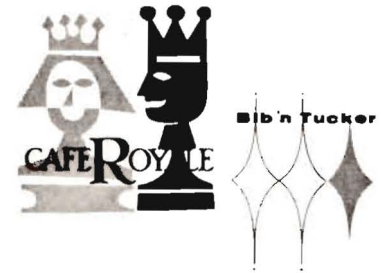
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I

Let There Be Music *Williams*
 Faedrelandssong (Gud Signe Noregs Land) *Borg*
 Hoie Nord *Glaeser*
 The Heavens are Telling *Beethoven*

AUGUST WERNER — *Conductor*
 ROBERT L. DICK — *Accompanist*

II

MYRON FLOREN

Tico Tico *Abreu*
 French Medley *Various*
 Norwegian Medley folk songs *Various*
 The Lost Chord *Sullivan*
 Lady of Spain *Tolchard-Evans*

III

En Glad Trall *Korling*
 JOHN GUSTAFSON — *Conductor*
 ROBERT L. DICK — *Accompanist*

Brudfaerden i Hardanger *Kjerulf*
 Hjemover fra Langreis *Wendelborg*
 Stridsbon *Lindblad*
 Hil Dig, Norge *Forwald*

HENRY RINGMAN — *Conductor*
 ROBERT L. DICK — *Accompanist*

IV

MYRON FLOREN

Dance of the Comedians *Smetena*
 Fughetta *Gart*
 Flight of the Bumble Bee *Rimsky Korsakoff*
 Czardas *Monti*
 On the Trail *Grofe*
 Selected

V

Den Store Hvide Flok (Solo Clara Sandvig) *Grieg*
 Sanctus *Schubert*
 Hostandagt (Solo Trygve Bjornstad) *Reissiger*
 Olaf Trygvason *Reissiger*
 Landkjending (Solo George Jacobsen) *Grieg*

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Sangerfest Schedule

THURSDAY, August 17th

10:00 a.m.—Registration

7:00 p.m.—Dinner, Reception and Dance

FRIDAY, August 18th

9:30 a.m.—Registration

10:00 a.m.—Rehearsal at McArthur Court

12 Noon —Luncheon for Singers at Sonja Lodge No. 38, 1836 Alder Street

1:00 p.m.—Ladies' Luncheon at King Cole Room, Eugene Hotel

2:00 p.m.—Rehearsal at McArthur Court

8:00 p.m.—Grand Concert at McArthur Court

10:00 p.m.—Dance, King Cole Room, Eugene Hotel

SATURDAY, August 19th

10:00 a.m.—Business Meeting, King Cole Room

6:30 p.m.—Banquet in King Cole Room, Eugene Hotel

9:30 p.m.—Grand Ball in King Cole Room, Eugene Hotel

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We were honored in having your Sangerfest in 1959 and hope that that experience will make us better hosts for your gathering this year.

We hope that your stay will be most pleasant and feel sure you will find a ready welcome and hospitable reception from all our City. Our usual convention courtesies will be extended to your group.

In between visiting friends and attending sessions, we hope you will find time to enjoy our civic center and various other features and attractions our City has to offer.

On behalf of the local citizens, I wish to thank everyone who helped to make this Sangerfest possible and to express our appreciation to all of our visitors for favoring us with their presence.

It is my sincere wish that this 58th Sangerfest will be successful and your stay pleasant, and that in the not too distant future we may have you as our guests again.

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It is my great pleasure to welcome all fellow singers, their wives, families and friends to Eugene for the 58th annual Sangerfest. I hope this Sangerfest will be up to your expectations both musically and socially and that your visit to our city will be an enjoyable occasion.

Friendships formed by singing together are lasting friendships. We all look forward to the next Sangerfest to again greet old acquaintances and make new ones and sing together the songs of our fatherland.

To the newer singers attending their first Sangerfest we extend a hearty welcome. May the spirit and fellowship of this occasion influence you to return every year. To the many singers who have made this an annual event, let us hope that we can continue to meet for many years to come and to keep alive in our hearts the traditions of our forefathers.

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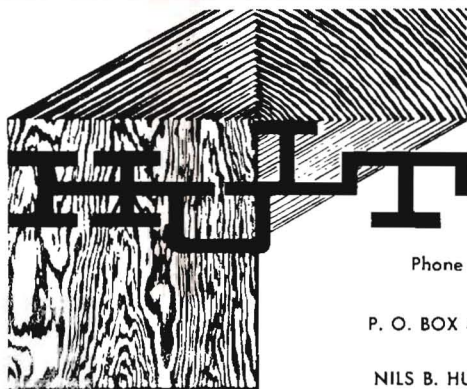
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A native of Webster, South Dakota, Myron began playing the accordion at the age of 7, with a Sears-Roebuck catalog instrument priced at \$19.95. No teachers were available, so long hours of practice took the place of formal instruction. At 8, Myron entertained the crowds at the Day County Fair and when he was in third grade, he won first and second prizes in a local amateur contest playing both the accordion and piano.

Working his way through Augustana College in Sioux Falls, South Dakota, teaching the accordion, he began to play professionally at 19, over Station KSOO, in that city. He also played for numerous parties and dances, and in 1944, he joined a U.S.O. unit to entertain troops in Europe.

Upon his return, he joined "The Buckeye Four," whose specialty was hillbilly music, remaining with the group for four years. In 1950, while in St. Louis, he met and joined Lawrence Welk's noted orchestra.

Personally fond of all types of music, Myron's favorite is the polka but he is equally adept in playing everything else meeting popular approval. He has written various types of music, and is a member of ASCAP. Also he has published three accordion instruction books, which are widely accepted throughout the country.

He devotes a considerable amount of his spare time to entertaining at hospitals, plays special engagements in cities across the nation, and teaches the accordion to a score of youngsters. He also is a member of the Toastmasters Club, which has helped him in acquiring a polish for public speaking.

Myron and his wife, Berdyne, who was one of his accordion pupils, live with their three children in Westchester, a suburb of Los Angeles.

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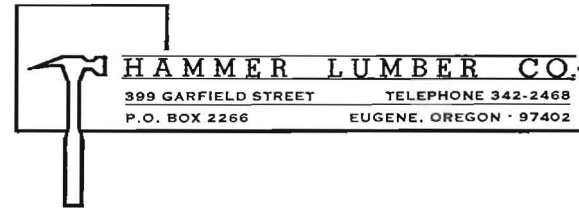
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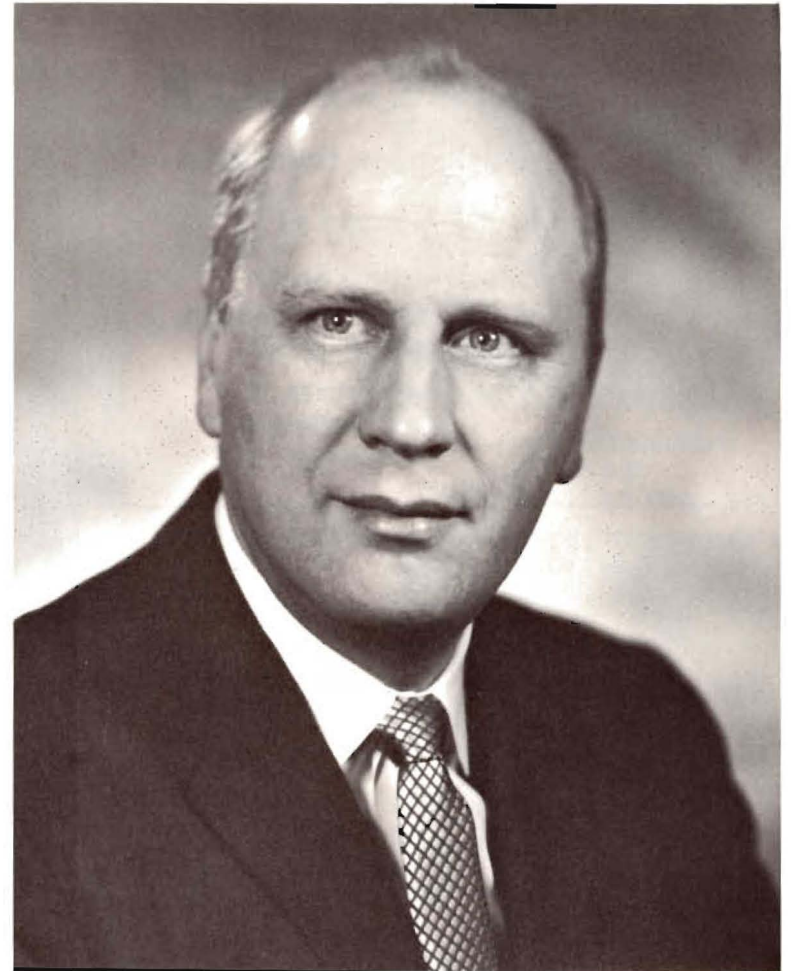
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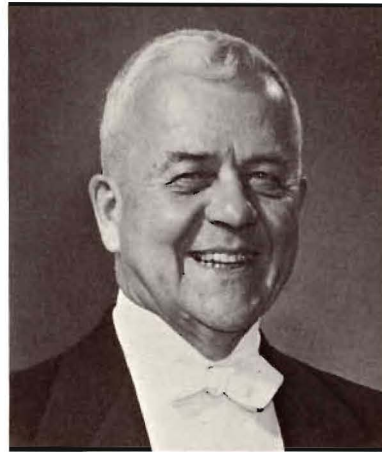
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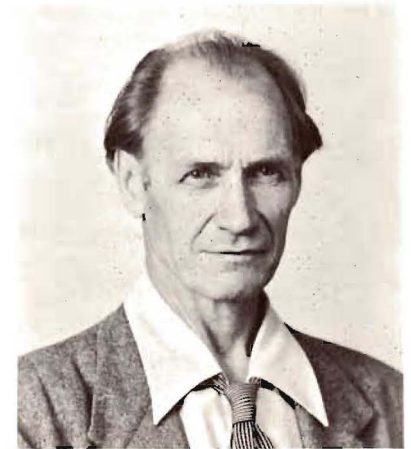
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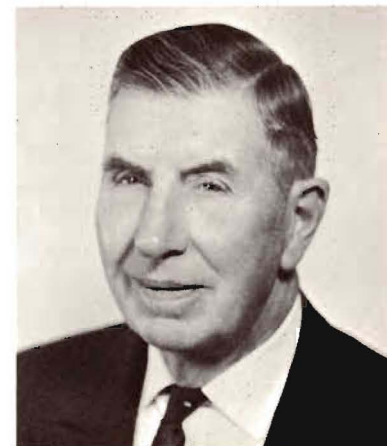
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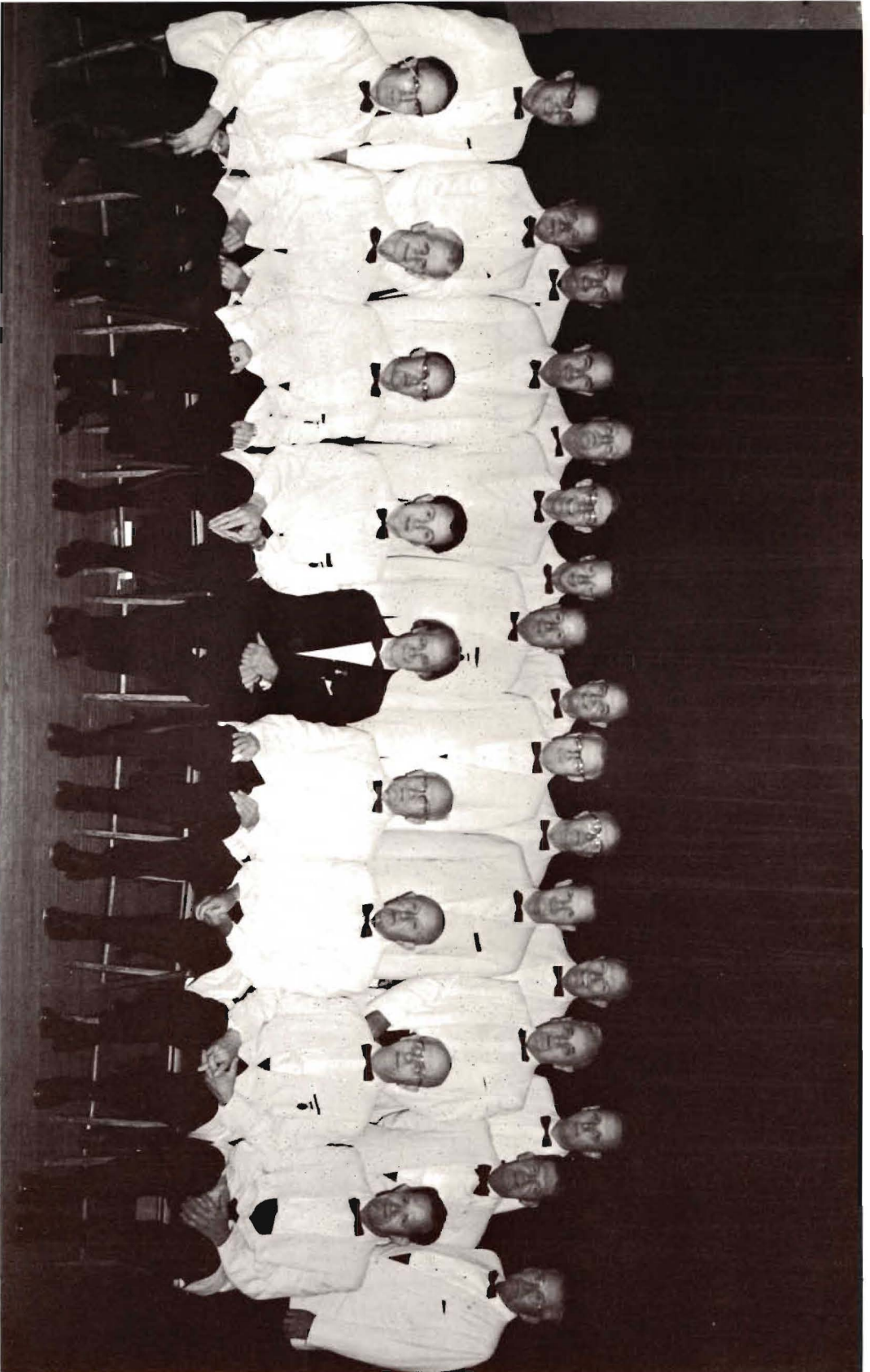
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<i>Place</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Singers</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Year</i>	<i>Singers</i>
1. Everett	1903		29. Seattle	1936	
2. Seattle	1904		30. Portland	1937	139
3. Portland	1905		Not held	1938	
4. Tacoma	1906		31. San Francisco	1939	195
5. Astoria	1907		32. Tacoma	1940	
Not held	1908		33. Grays Harbor	1941	
6. Seattle	1909		34. Everett	1942	150
7. Eureka	1910		Not held	1943	
Not held	1911		35. Seattle	1944	139
8. Everett	1912		36. Tacoma	1945	141
9. Spokane	1913		37. Portland	1946	155
Not held	1914		38. Vancouver, B.C.	1947	153
10. San Francisco	1915		39. Los Angeles	1948	139
11. Bellingham	1916		40. Everett	1949	167
12. Seattle	1917		41. Oakland	1950	154
13. Portland	1918		42. Seattle	1951	257
14. Tacoma	1919		43. Spokane	1952	159
15. Grays Harbor	1920		44. Tacoma	1953	174
16. Astoria	1921		45. Portland	1954	147
17. Everett	1922		46. Bellingham	1955	187
18. Edison-Bellingham	1923		47. Los Angeles	1956	125
19. Seattle	1924	256	48. Vancouver, B.C.	1957	146
20. Portland	1925		49. Everett	1958	178
21. Tacoma	1926		50. Eugene	1959	197
22. Vancouver	1927	100	51. Seattle	1960	173
23. San Francisco	1928	132	52. San Francisco	1961	199
24. Astoria	1929		53. Salt Lake City	1962	182
Not held	1930		54. Tacoma	1963	196
25. Grays Harbor	1931		55. Portland	1964	214
Not held	1932		56. Oakland	1965	174
26. Everett	1933		57. Bellingham	1966	210
27. Vancouver	1934	185	58. Eugene <i>Gold Badge</i>	1967	?
28. Bellingham	1935				



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