



47th Annual
SANGERFEST

PACIFIC COAST NORWEGIAN SINGERS ASSOCIATION

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BRIEF HISTORICAL SKETCH OF THE PACIFIC COAST NORWEGIAN SINGERS' ASSOCIATION

Vocal utterance in song has always been among the most significant factors in the progress and development of human relationships. History proves that music, through the songs of a people, has had its highest cultivation and development among freedom-loving and progressive nations. It is only natural that Norway should have a musical culture that is among the oldest and richest in the world. From the days of the Vikings, to our present time, singing has been considered a national heritage of the Norwegian people. Virtually every community in Norway has its singing societies, and A Capella male chorus singing has gained an important place in the musical life of the nation. Great Sangerfests are held as a result of choruses joining into associations throughout the country in which as many as five to six thousand men participate.

Immortal composers like Grieg, Sinding, Svendsen, Ole Olsen, Kjerulf and numerous others have given us male chorus compositions of lasting beauty, compositions

that rightfully belong among the finest the world has produced in this form of music.

Due to such traditions and musical environment, the Norwegian people have cultivated a fine sense of appreciation of good music. This heritage they have carried with them to America and here in the land of their choice they have contributed vitally and gloriously to America's great musical progress. Wherever Norwegians have colonized in the United States, Norwegian male choruses are to be found, and on the West Coast many have been in existence since pioneer times.

The first Sangerfest of the Pacific Coast Norwegian Singers Association was held in Everett, Washington, in 1903. Since then, Sangerfests have been held and celebrated in the principal cities of the Pacific Coast.

The Norwegian Male Chorus extends a hearty welcome to all Singers and friends attending this, the 47th Convention of the Association, and the second Sangerfest to be held in Los Angeles.

PACIFIC COAST NORWEGIAN SINGERS ASSOCIATION

Norwegian Male Chorus.....Los Angeles, Calif.
 Norwegian Singing Society.....San Francisco, Calif.
 Normanna Glee Club.....Oakland, Calif.
 Norwegian Male Chorus.....Vancouver, B.C.
 The Norwegian Glee Club.....Portland, Oregon
 Bellingham Male Chorus.....Bellingham, Wash.
 Tordenskjold Glee Club.....Spokane, Wash.
 Normanna Male Chorus.....Tacoma, Wash.
 Norwegian Male Chorus.....Everett, Wash.
 The Norwegian Male Chorus.....Seattle, Wash.

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Emil Enger Everett
 Trygre Lindoe Tacoma
 Martin Heglund Tacoma
 Karl Vik Seattle
 Pete Vikdal Everett

RECORD OF SANGERFESTS

1—Everett1903	24—Astoria1929
2—Seattle1904	25—Grays Harbor..1931
3—Portland1905	26—Everett1933
4—Tacoma1906	27—Vancouver1934
5—Astoria1907	28—Bellingham1935
6—Seattle1909	29—Seattle1936
7—Eureka1910	30—Portland1937
8—Everett1912	31—San Francisco..1939
9—Spokane1913	32—Tacoma1940
10—San Francisco..1915	33—Grays Harbor..1941
11—Bellingham1916	34—Everett1942
12—Seattle1917	35—Seattle1944
13—Portland1918	36—Tacoma1945
14—Tacoma1919	37—Portland1946
15—Grays Harbor..1920	38—Vancouver1947
16—Astoria1921	39—Los Angeles...1948
17—Everett1922	40—Everett1949
18—Edison- Bellingham1923	41—Oakland1950
19—Seattle1924	42—Seattle1951
20—Portland1925	43—Spokane1952
21—Tacoma1926	44—Tacoma1953
22—Vancouver1927	45—Portland1954
23—San Francisco..1928	46—Bellingham1955
	47—Los Angeles...1956

DIRECTORS-IN-CHIEF

Carlo A. Sperati1902-1916
 Rudolph Moller1916-1935
 George S. Johnson1935-1937
 Monrad Malmin1937-1939
 George Johnson1939-1940

August Werner1940-1946
 Henry W. Ringman1947-1950
 Gunnar J. Malmin1950-1955
 Monrad Malmin1956



GREETINGS:

Los Angeles appreciates the distinction of being chosen host city for the 47th Sangerfest of the Pacific Coast Norwegian Singers Association, August 2-4, 1956.

To the scores of singers who will be our guests on this occasion, I extend most cordial greetings on behalf of the citizens of Los Angeles, and I wish every success to the Sangerfest which, I understand, will be featured by a festival concert.

Los Angeles not only is a foremost cultural center, it also has earned a wide reputation for the activities carried on through its municipal government to encourage a better and wider appreciation of music. This is done through our Bureau of Music, which sponsors an annual program of concerts, highlighting both instrumental music and choruses, community sings and other kindred activities. We are proud of our accomplishments along this line.

I sincerely hope that you will enjoy your stay in Los Angeles and take home with you memories of the best Sangerfest of all.

Sincerely yours,

NORRIS POULSON
MAYOR



THE PRESIDENT'S GREETINGS

It is indeed a pleasure and privilege to welcome members and friends of the Pacific Coast Norwegian Singers Association to this, your forty-seventh Sangerfest in Golden California.

We are especially delighted as this occasion marks only the second time in the history of the Association that a Sangerfest has been held in Los Angeles.

As present day singing Norsemen, we are actually intrusted with carrying on and honorably contributing the inborn love of song and the centuries old Scandinavian tradition of male chorus singing to our great America.

The members of the Los Angeles Norwegian Male Chorus and the Ladies Auxiliary join me in expressing our desire that your stay in Southern California will be most enjoyable and your forty-seventh Sangerfest one to be long remembered.

AIMAR E. MOLLER, President
Pacific Coast Norwegian Singers Association

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Ole Johnson
Lars Fedt
John Hagblom
Birger Hopen
John Reppe
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O. Saterdahl

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Ole Hansen
A. Markussen
John Hagblom
John Kvammen
William Morch
John Reppe
Edwin Jorgensen
Aimar Moller
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Rolph Dahl
Iver Linge
Lors Steine
Johnny Anderson
C. Knutson
A. Markussen
M. Sinclair

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John Reppe, Chairman
John Kvammen
Iver Linge
Ole Johnson
Lars Dahl
Lars Fedt
Johnny Anderson
Pete Larsen
Bredo Bruflat

Banquet

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Lars Dahl
Bredo Bruflat
Lars Fedt
William Morch
Edwin Jorgensen
Aimar Moller
Hans Devick
Otto Thompson
Haakon Munkvold

Transportation

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The Norwegian Male Chorus of Los Angeles is very proud to host the 47th Sangerfest under the bright skies and friendly atmosphere of our Southland.

This area is noted for its fine summertime music at such famous locales as the Philharmonic Auditorium, Hollywood Bowl, Greek Theater, and Pasadena Civic Auditorium. The latter is, of course, the setting for our Festival Concert which will be one of the highlights of this season's musicales. As always, this traditional Sangerfest will continue the preservation of Norway's beautiful melodies, and this, year, further their incorporation in Southern California's own heritage of music.

Our chorus here in Los Angeles is then, very happy to have all the Norwegian Singers and their friends visiting us and feel most privileged at this time to extend a hearty welcome.

JOHN KVAMMEN

President,

Norwegian Male Chorus of Los Angeles



MONRAD MALMIN
Director-in-Chief



HENRY W. RINGMAN
Assistant Director-in-Chief



GUNNAR SANDVOLD
Bass Baritone



CLARA PLADSEN SANDVIG
Lyric Soprano



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NORWEGIAN SINGERS ASSOCIATION

on the occasion of its

47th SANGERFEST

from the

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GUNVOLD FOSS
Bellingham Chorus, Director



AUGUST WERNER
Seattle Chorus, Director



GORDON HAFSO
Los Angeles Chorus, Director

SANGERFEST SCHEDULE

Sangerfest Headquarters — The Los Angeles Elks Club

THURSDAY, AUGUST 2

- 10:00 a.m.—Registration begins at Sangerfest Headquarters,
The Elks Club
- 8:00 p.m.—Sangerfest Reception, Headquarters Ballroom and
El Venado Room

FRIDAY, AUGUST 3

- 10:00 a.m.—Rehearsal at Headquarters
- 12:00 Noon—Luncheon for Singers, Headquarters, El Venado
Room
- 12:00 Noon—Ladies Reception, Nordic Room
- 1:00 p.m.—Ladies Luncheon, Cadoro Suite, Beverly Hilton
Hotel
- 2:00 p.m.—Rehearsal at Pasadena Civic Auditorium
- 8:15 p.m.—Festival Concert, Pasadena Civic Auditorium
Dancing following Concert at El Venado Room,
Elks Club, for visiting singers and registered
guests

SATURDAY, AUGUST 4

- 10:00 a.m.—Business Meeting at Headquarters, El Venado
Room
- 6:30 p.m.—Banquet and Grand Ball, Ballroom, Elks Club

Festival Concert

PASADENA CIVIC AUDITORIUM, FRIDAY EVENING, AUGUST 3, 1956, 8:15 P.M.

Clara Pladsen Sandvig, Soprano
Ernest St. John Metz, Accompanist

Monrad Malmin, Director-in-chief
Henry W. Ringman, Assistant Director

Gunnar Sandvold, Bass Baritone
Helen Delphey Johnson, Organist

Organ Prelude
Processional March from Sigurd Jorsalfar.....Grieg
Helen Delphey Johnson, Organist
The Star Spangled Banner.....Stafford Smith
O Canada.....Arr. by Monrad Malmin
Ja Vi Elsker Dette Landet.....R. Nordraak
UlabrandWendelborg
Paa Sangertog.....R. Moller

Solo: Gunnar Sandvold
Grand Chorus
Monrad Malmin, Directing

En SommersangH. Kjerulf
Ved RondarneE. Grieg
Gunnar Sandvold
Ernest St. John Metz, Accompanist

The Heavens are Telling.....Beethoven
Beautiful Saviour.....Arr. by Wick
Dear Land of Home.....Sibelius
Lilla StinaWahlin

Grand Chorus
Henry W. Ringman, Directing

Under the Greenwood Tree.....Dunn
Think on MeScott
Nu Brister I Alle De Kloefter.....Alnaes
VaarlaengslerAlnaes

Clara Pladsen Sandvig
Ernest St. John Metz, Accompanist

INTERMISSION

On the Sea.....D. Buck
Brudeferden i Hardanger.....H. Kjerulf
Den Store Hvide Flok.....Arr. by Grieg

Clara Sandvig, Soloist

Sanger Polka.....R. Moller
Grand Chorus, Monrad Malmin, Conducting

I Ormegil.....A. Dorumsgard
Sag Farvel (Aria fram "Marriage of Figaro").....Mozart

Gunnar Sandvold
Ernest St. John Metz, Accompanist

Hor Oss SveaWennerberg
Olaf TrygvasonReissiger
LandkjendingGrieg

Gunnar Sandvold, Soloist
Grand Chorus, Monrad Malmin, Directing

Greetings from

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President

Jane N. Nore
Secretary

Eugene Berke
Treasurer

Greetings —

NORWEGIAN SINGERS ASSOCIATION
ON THE OCCASION OF YOUR 47th SANGERFEST

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Wishing you a gay and happy Sangerfest

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Spokane, Washington

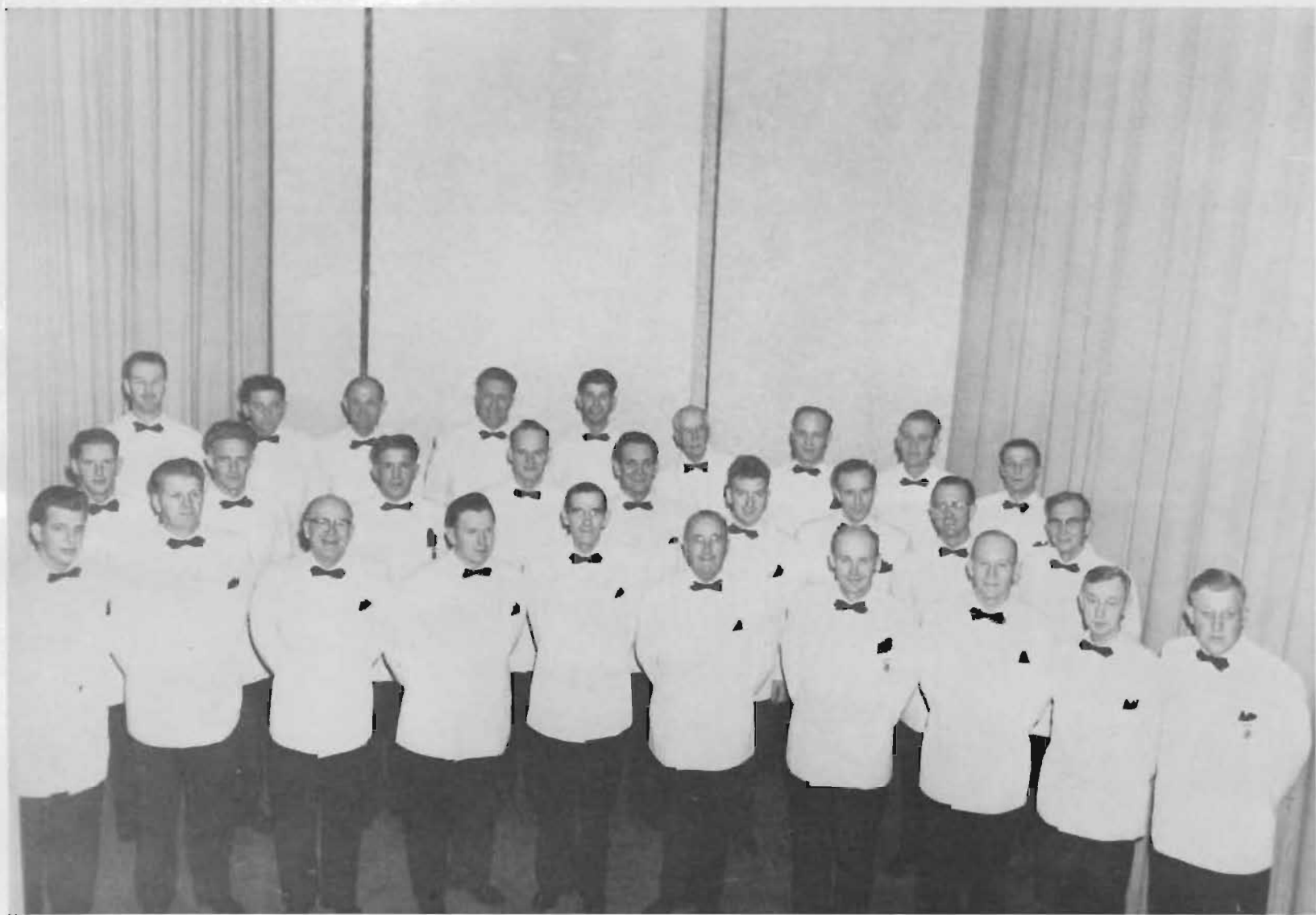
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The Swedish Male Chorus of Los Angeles

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Greetings from

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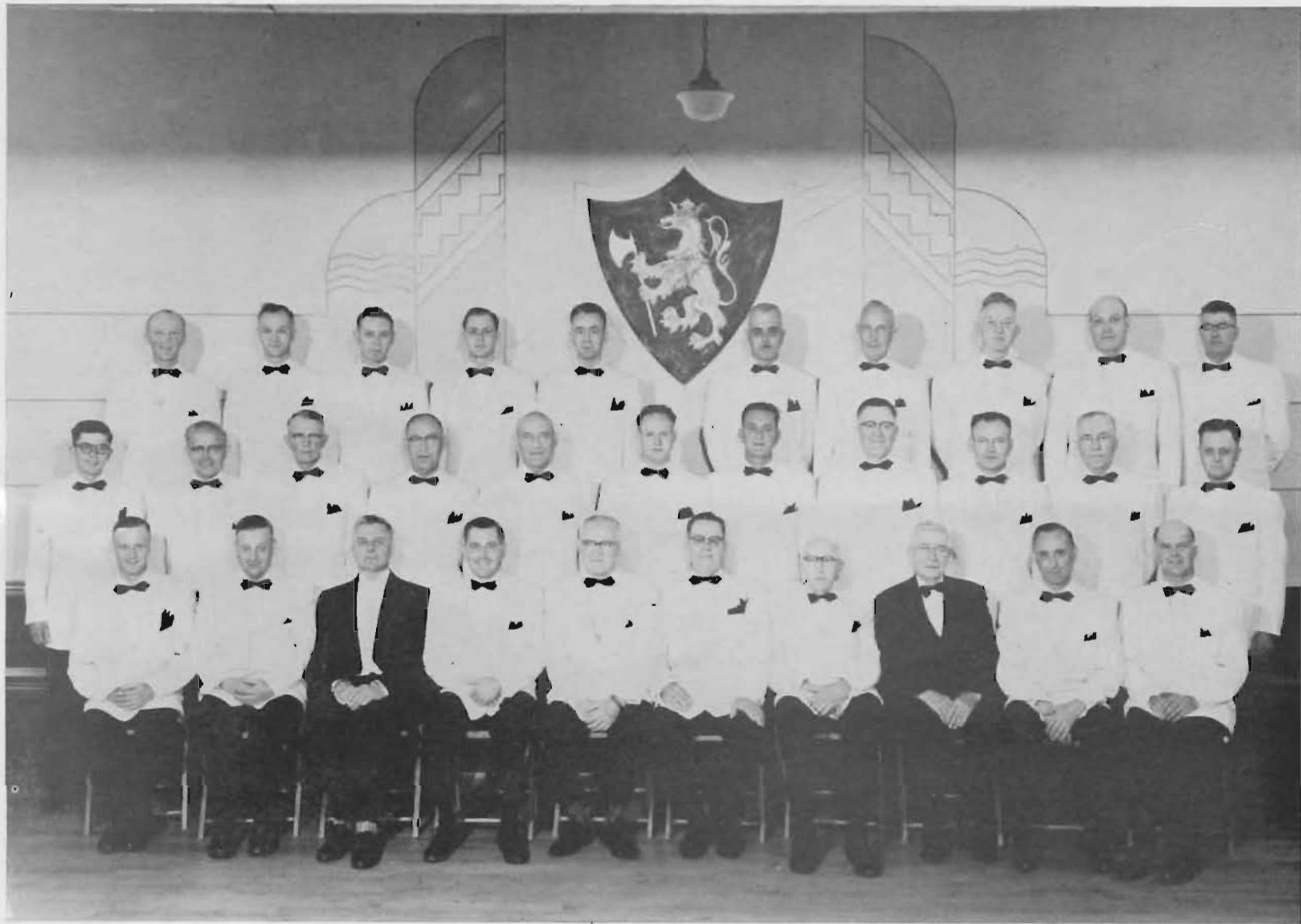
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OF OUR DEPARTED SINGERS**

Lad min Sangerkrans da slynges
Hen i Stov paa Glemsels Kyst,
Naar kun hist, hvor alt forynges
Sjaelens Dyb har lutret Rost,
Naar kun der jeg griber Tonen
I det store Kvad for Tronen,
Som til Himlens Harper synges.

— J. S. Welhaven

