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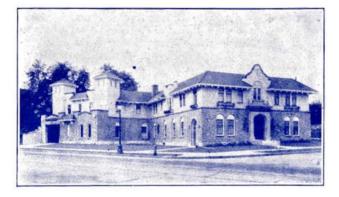
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Vancouver is delighted to welcome the 38th Annual Sangerfest of the Pacific Coast Norwegian Singers' Association, which will be held July 3rd to 6th.

Our citizens are pleased to have these singers here from every section of the Pacific Coast—from California to British Columbia not only because they desire to encourage the cultural arts, but because they have pleasant memories of a similar Sangerfest held under the same auspices here some years previous to the last war.

And, more important than these things, Vancouver is proud to boast among its citizenry many persons of Norwegian origin who have played important roles in the commercial, industrial and cultural development of the City.

Now that the war, so far as the actual fighting is concerned, is finished, we like to remember the valorous part played on the side of the United Nations by the people of Norway, from whence have sprung most of those who will take part in the forthcoming Sangerfest.

The aldermen of our City join with me in extending to this 38th Annual Sangerfest a hearty and happy welcome, and we all hope that it will be another really successful occasion, and we trust that all coming to participate in this event will enjoy their stay in our City By-The-Mountains-On-The-Sea.

(Signed) G. G. McGEER,

Mayor of Vancouver.

History in Song

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One of the most valuable cultural assets intrusted to any nation is its musical life. Music and song is considered indispensable in the mental development of a nation. A singing people is a happy people, and furthermore, song and music is perhaps equally important as a disperser of gloom and sorrow, which was proven during the occupation of Norway.

The Land of the Midnight Sun has always been a singing nation. They sang in harmony from the time of the Vikings, and to this day Norwegian Choruses are known in large parts of the world for their ability to sing without music accompaniment.

With this tradition it is no wonder that the Norsemen are still in the forefront, both as music lovers, composers and performers. Singing, and Male Chorus singing in particular, have a broad place in their daily musical life.

Virtually every little community has its singing societies and great Sangerfests with massed Choruses numbered up to 6000 men are realities.

Immortal composers like Grieg, Reissiger, Borg, Sinding, Kjerulf, Nordraak and many others have given us male chorus compositions that rightfully belong among the finest the world has produced in this form of music.

Such tradition and musical environment have developed in the Norwegian people a high sense of musical appreciation. This musical heritage they have brought with them to America. In this land of their choice, they have contributed ably to America's great musical progress.

Wherever Norwegians have settled in America, Norwegian Male Choruses are to be found, and on the Pacific Coast some have been in existence since pioneer days. To further organize these groups, representatives were sent to Seattle in 1902 chiefly through the effort of Mr. F. A. Tomte of Portland, Oregon, and at that meeting "The Pacific Coast Norwegian Singers' Association" was founded. The first Sangerfest was held in Everett, Washington, in 1903, and since then annual Sangerfests have been held in the cities and towns on the coast. This is the Thirty-eighth Sangerfest of the Association and the third held in the City of Vancouver.

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SANGERFEST SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, JULY 3rd

- 12 Noon and thereafter, Registration of Singers, their Ladies and Visitors at Headquarters, 828 East Hastings (Hastings Auditorium).
- 8:15 p.m.—Reception, Programme, Refreshments and Dancing.

FRIDAY, JULY 4th

9:30 a.m.-Rehearsal at Headquarters.

- 12 Noon—Luncheon served at Headquarters by the Ladies Auxiliary, to Singers, their Ladies and Visitors. Sightseeing trip for the Ladies leaving Headquarters after luncheon.
- 2:00 p.m.—Rehearsal at Exhibition Gardens, Hastings Park.
- 8:15 p.m.—GRAND CONCERT, Exhibition Gardens, Hastings Park.
- 10:00 p.m.-Grand Ball at Headquarters.

SATURDAY, JULY 5th

- 10:00 a.m.—Business Meeting at Headquarters,
 - 6:00 p.m.—Banquet, Stunts and Entertainment at Banquet Room (1st Floor) Hotel Vancouver.

SUNDAY, JULY 6th

9:30 a.m.—Norway Chorus Breakfast at Palm Room, Piccadilly Cafe, 834 Granville St.

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Record of Sangerfests

1.	Everett	1903	14.	Tacoma	1919	26.	Everett	1933
	Seattle	1904		Grays Harbor		27.	Vancouver	1934
3.	Portland	1905	16.	Astoria	1921	28.	Bellingham	1935
4.	Tacoma	1906		Everett		29.	Seattle	1936
5.	Astoria	1907		Edison Bellingham_			Portland	1937
				Seattle			San Francisco	1939
	Eureka		20.	Portland	1925	32.	Tacoma	
	Everett		21.	Tacoma	1926	33.	Grays Harbor	1941
9.	Spokane	1913		Vancouver	1927		Everett	1942
		1915		San Francisco		35.	Seattle	1944
11.	Bellingham	1916		Astoria		36.	Tacoma	1945
12.	Seattle		25.	Grays Harbor	1931	37.	Portland	1946
13.	Portland	1918						

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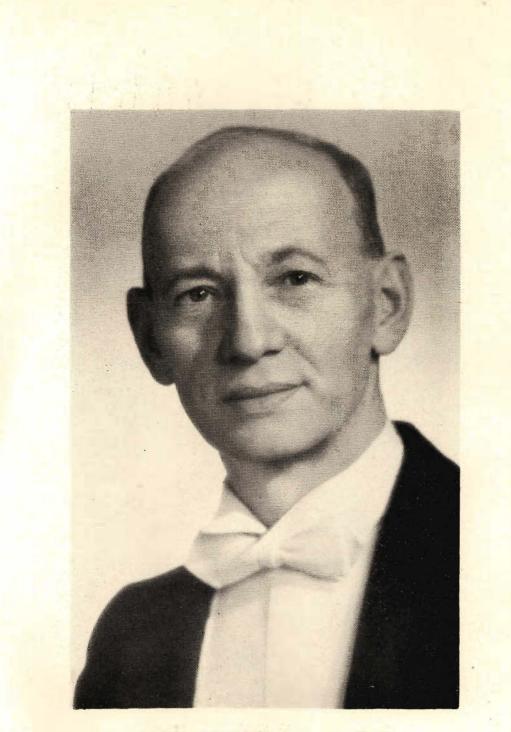
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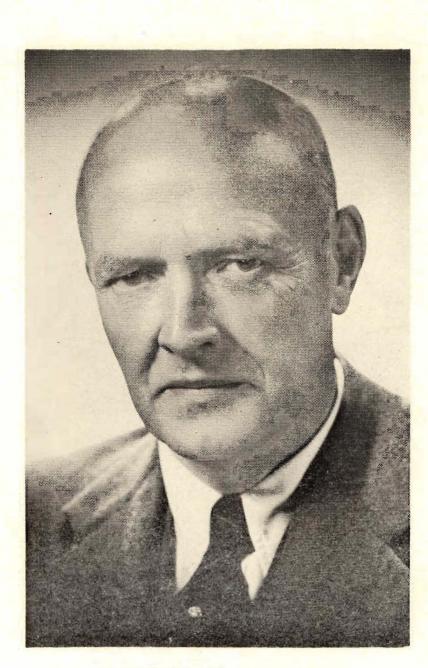
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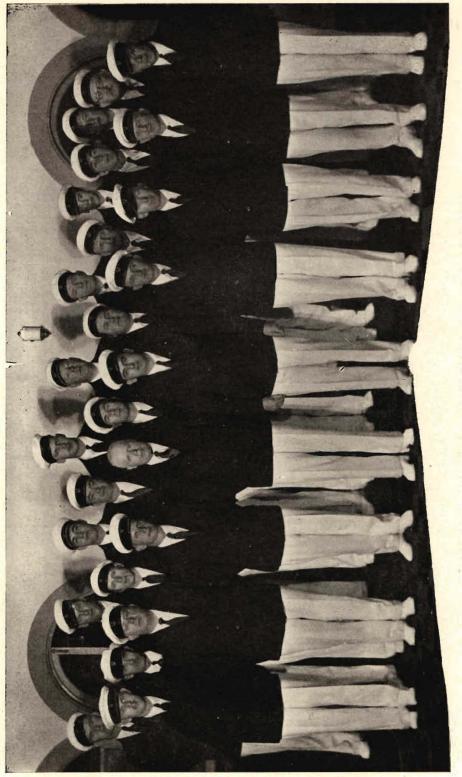


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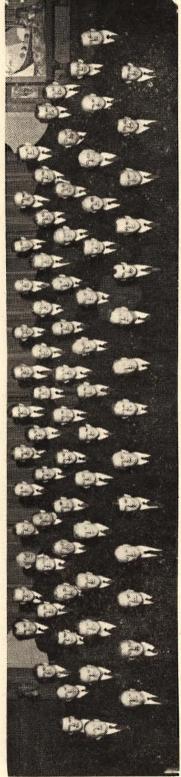
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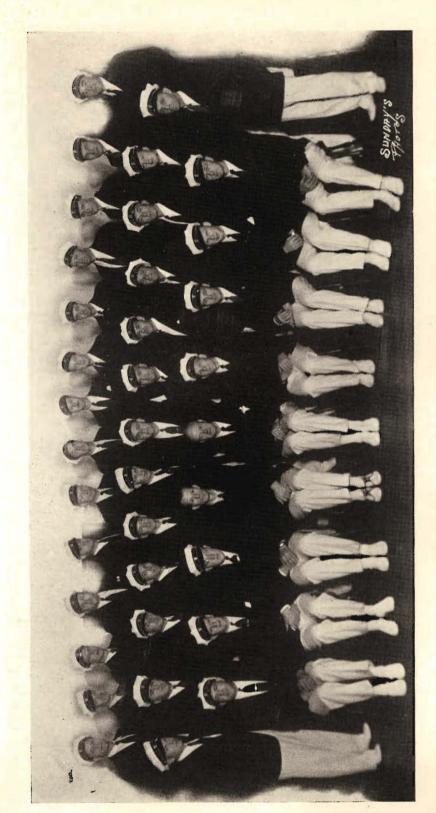
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Friday, July 4th, 8:15

O Canada . . . Arr. by Malmin Star Spangled Banner Smith . . Nordraak Ja Vi Elsker . . . Sangerhilsen Grieg

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Orpheus With His Lute R. Vaughan Williams Three Folk Songs of the British Isles Arr. Benjamin-Britten O Can Ye Sew Cushions Oliver Cromwell The Ash Grove Aria, "Voi lo sapete" from Cavelleria Rusticana . . Mascagni .

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Bullard Winter Song . Finnish Folk Song Summer Evening . . .

Jens Hansen-Soloist

Alfven Uti Vaar Hage . Vestanveir . Paulus . .

> John Christensen-Soloist Grand Chorus

Prelude A Minor	2			Debussy
Romance	-			Sibelius
The Scissors-Grinder				David Guion

Norma Abernethy-Piano Soloist

Song of the Jolly Rodger			Candish
Sweet and Low			Barnby
Morgon Sang	•	•	Gade
Norronna Kvadet			Grieg

Jens Hansen-Soloist

Grand Chorus

Til Norge	-			Grieg
God Morgen				Grieg
Ved Rundarne	-	11	12	Grieg
En Drom				Grieg

Norma Ringman—Soloist

Kentucky Babe

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Min Deiligste	Tanke						Grieg
Baadn Laat .		•		•.	•	•	Grieg
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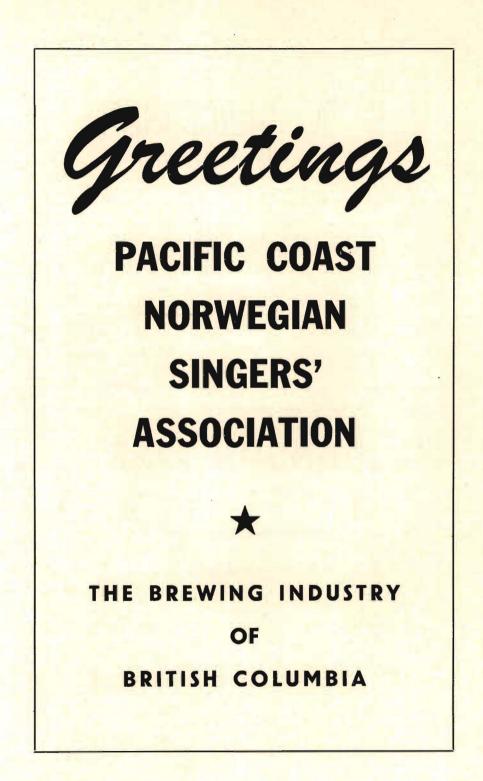
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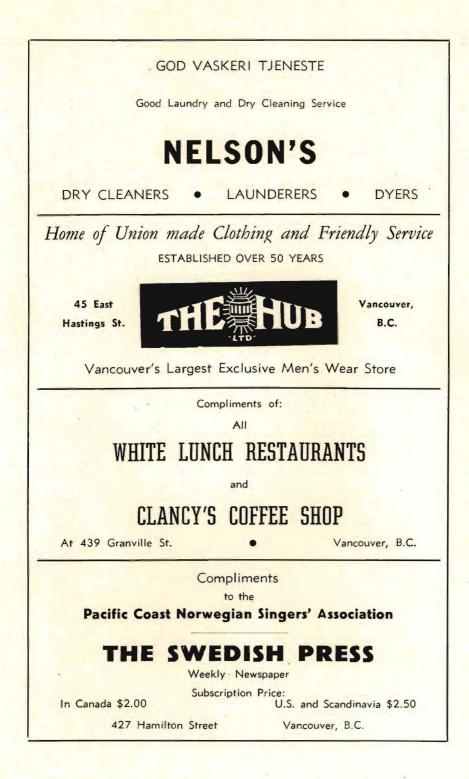
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