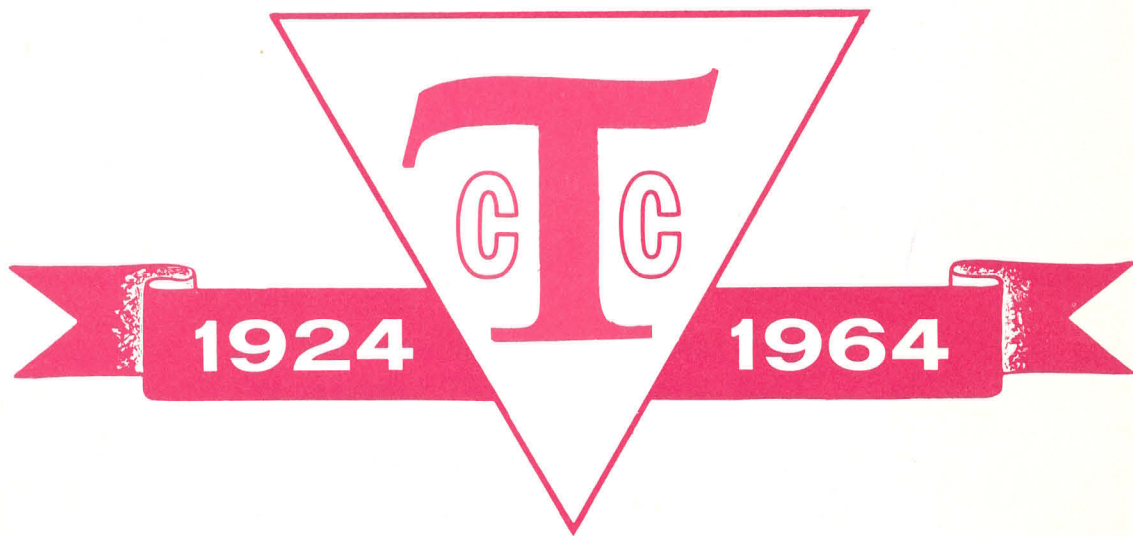


THE TRAVELERS
CHORAL CLUB



SPRING
CONCERT

UNDER THE DIRECTION OF FRANK H. GROFF

HORACE BUSHNELL MEMORIAL

MONDAY, APRIL 13, 1964

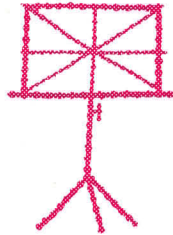
TO EACH MEMBER

1964 marks the 40th anniversary of The Travelers Choral Club. Through the years Travelers employees who have participated, have given of their time and talent to bring us fine choral arrangements for our traditional Spring and Christmas concerts, as well as lending their musical talent to various community projects.

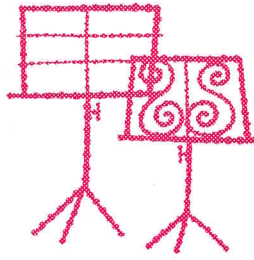
I know that all who have enjoyed their music join me in wishing The Travelers Choral Club a happy anniversary.


President

TO
THE TRAVELERS INSURANCE COMPANY
on its 100th ANNIVERSARY



WE
THE TRAVELERS CHORAL CLUB
dedicate this our
40th ANNIVERSARY PROGRAM



This concert marks the 40th Anniversary of The Travelers Choral Club.

In 1924 Dr. William B. Bailey, then Economist of The Travelers and formerly a professor at Yale, recognized the possibilities that lay in the grouping of many voices among the personnel of The Travelers and with Mr. Lewis M. Robotham started what is now known as The Travelers Choral Club.

The first program, on December 16, 1924, consisting of Christmas carols was presented under the direction of the late Dana S. Merriman with C. Arthur Hackney as accompanist. This concert was a revelation to many and the Club has gone on to present each Spring and Christmas, except during World War II years, appropriate musical programs reflecting the seasons.

Included among the several hundreds of numbers which have since been presented are condensed versions of "Martha", "Faust", "Carmen", "The Death of Minnehaha", and "The Banner of St. George." Commemorative concerts have included the observance of "The Stephen Foster Centenary", "100th Anniversary of Beethoven's Death", and "The Franz Schubert Centennial."

The list of conductors, through the years, has been a distinguished one. The late Dana S. Merriman organist, choir director and well known in both radio (National Broadcasting Co.) and concert fields; the late Ralph L. Baldwin Director of Music in the Hartford School System whose arrangement of "Adeste Fidelis" is still heard during the Christmas Season—his memory is perpetuated through his many music textbooks. The late Christiaan Kriens symphonic and choral director with a musical background both here and abroad, and the

well known Carl Walton Deckelman, pianist and director, who conducted the Club's 25th Anniversary Concert. Among the guest soloists who have gone on to greater heights since their association with the Club are Teresa Stich (Randall) and Raymond Hanson.

Our present director, Frank Groff, has been with us since 1950. He is at present head of the Music Department in the West Hartford School System. He is also a composer and choral arranger and has had several of his works published. Since coming to us in 1950 he has exerted a marked influence on the Club's performance and his interpretation, inspirational direction and skillful arrangements have contributed still further to the Club's success in presenting programs for the enjoyment of The Travelers family.

The list of accompanists is also a noted one. C. Arthur Hackney, Helen (Cahill) Hodgdon, Gertrude Hagner, Elinor J. Pond, Julie (Varjenska) Winis, Saturn (Hagopian) Mueller, Lorna (Prentice) Hooker, Estaloe Ford, Helen C. Bailey and Laura C. Gaudet.

Miss Gaudet, a well-known teacher, coach and concert pianist succeeded Mr. Hackney and stayed with us until 1936. She returned in 1956 and has been a great help to our director in maintaining the high musical standards of the Club.

Now in 1964 The Travelers Choral Club has realized the dreams of Dr. Bailey and Mr. Robotham who anticipated that out of the initial experiment in 1924 would grow a desire on the part of all concerned to make this club a permanent project—a musical organization that should be worthy of The Travelers. We believe ours is one of the oldest, if not the oldest, company sponsored mixed choral group in the country.

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CHARM ME ASLEEP—Suabian Folk Song *Harmonized by Brahms*
Soprano Solo by Gladys A. Vennart
 INTROIT AND KYRIE—From the Requiem *Faure*
 ONCE TO EVERY MAN AND NATION *York-Lowell*

SOLOISTS

Lillian Saunders Schulze, *Soprano*
 ARIA DI POLISSENA—From Radamisto *Handel*
 LET MY SONG FILL YOUR HEART—A Viennese Waltz *Charles*
 Carol F. Joslyn, *Soprano*
 O MIO BABBINO CARO—From Gianna Schicchi *Puccini*
 MAKE BELIEVE—From Show Boat *Kern*

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SHENANDOAH—Capstan Chantey *Arr. Hartley*
 JOHN HENRY—Tennessee Mountain Song *Arr. Groff*
Tenor Solo by Elwood D. Hudson
 ALL THE THINGS YOU ARE *Kern-Groff*
 INCH WORM *Loesser-Simeone*
 DRY BONES—Rhythmic Spiritual *Arr. Gearhart*

— INTERMISSION —

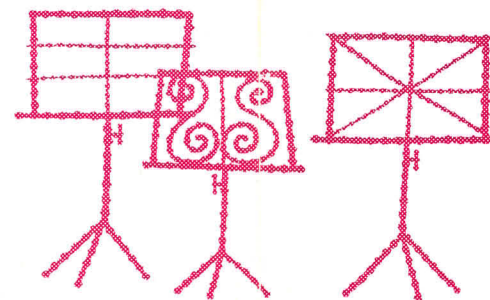
The alumni of The Travelers Choral Club are cordially invited to join the Club backstage directly after intermission.

SOLOISTS

Martha Buresh, *Contralto*
 HABANERA—From Carmen *Bizet*
 John R. Anderson, *Tenor*
 I'LL WALK WITH GOD—From Student Prince *Brodzsky*
 Janet E. Rowe, *Soprano*
 ONE KISS—From New Moon *Romburg*

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CREDO *Groff*
 Dedicated to The Travelers Choral Club on its 40th Anniversary
 GOD BLESS AMERICA *Berlin-Ringwald*
 BATTLE HYMN OF THE REPUBLIC—Words by Julia Ward Howe *Arr. Wilhousky*



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Annons, Ruth O.
Bantle, Lillian M.
Beisel, Albertina
Berry, Paul E.
Bertram, June I.
Brigham, Myrtle E.
Broderick, Kenneth F.
Buckley, M. Katherine
Caffrey, Alice M.
Carlson, Beda A.
Clinton, Frederick A.
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Flamion, Mrs. Dora C.
Golden, Gertrude D.
Grody, Rebecca W.
Harris, Joseph E.
Herrick, Nettie M.
Higginson, Lucy
Horan, Eleanor M.

Hudson, Elwood D.
Kempin, Walter T.
Kenefick, Florence C.
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Korder, Paul R.
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Lester, Mabel P.
Liegeot, Anna J.
Liegeot, Nora G.
Ljongquist, Irene W.
Lyon, F. Murray
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Manning, David G.
Mathers, Helen J.
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McKenzie, John A.
Mercer, Robert A.
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Nash, Henry T.

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Robotham, Lewis M.
Saunders, Lillian G.
Spaulding, Ruth E.
Sullivan, John C.
Sullivan, Thomas D.
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Talcott, Anna L.
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Tompkins, Mrs. E. C.
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Tufveson, Pearl A.
Waite, Clifford L.
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Anderson, John R.
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Anderson, Venna
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Ball, Robert J.
Bates, John T.
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Bergere, Janet
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Breck, Winston R.
Buresh, Martha
Burkhardt, Arline
Burnham, Dixwell T.
Carter, Daisy
Chemistruck, Virginia A.
Clapp, M. Carol
Collier, Carole A.
Collins, Everett
Domler, Margaret A.
Doutt, Sandra
Edmonds, Norman
Ericson, Edward L.
Face, C. Louise
Fay, Ella
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Hudson, Elwood D.
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Kemp, Arthur L.
Lambert, Marie L.
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Linton, Barbara Anne
Ljongquist, Irene
Longey, Margaret V.
Luby, Ann F.
Maddaluno, Lillian
Mangan, Marie
Mantie, Frances M.
McAvoy, Alicia
Meaker, Clifford N.
Mebane, Edith H.
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Morris, Jane
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