

COMBINED CHORUSES of the AMERICAN UNION  
of SWEDISH SINGERS (Chicago Area)

DR. ROBERT C. EKSTROM, *Director in Chief*

NORWEGIAN SINGERS of AMERICA (Chicago Area)

KNUTE HANSEN, *Director in Chief*

#### PARTICIPATING CHORUSES

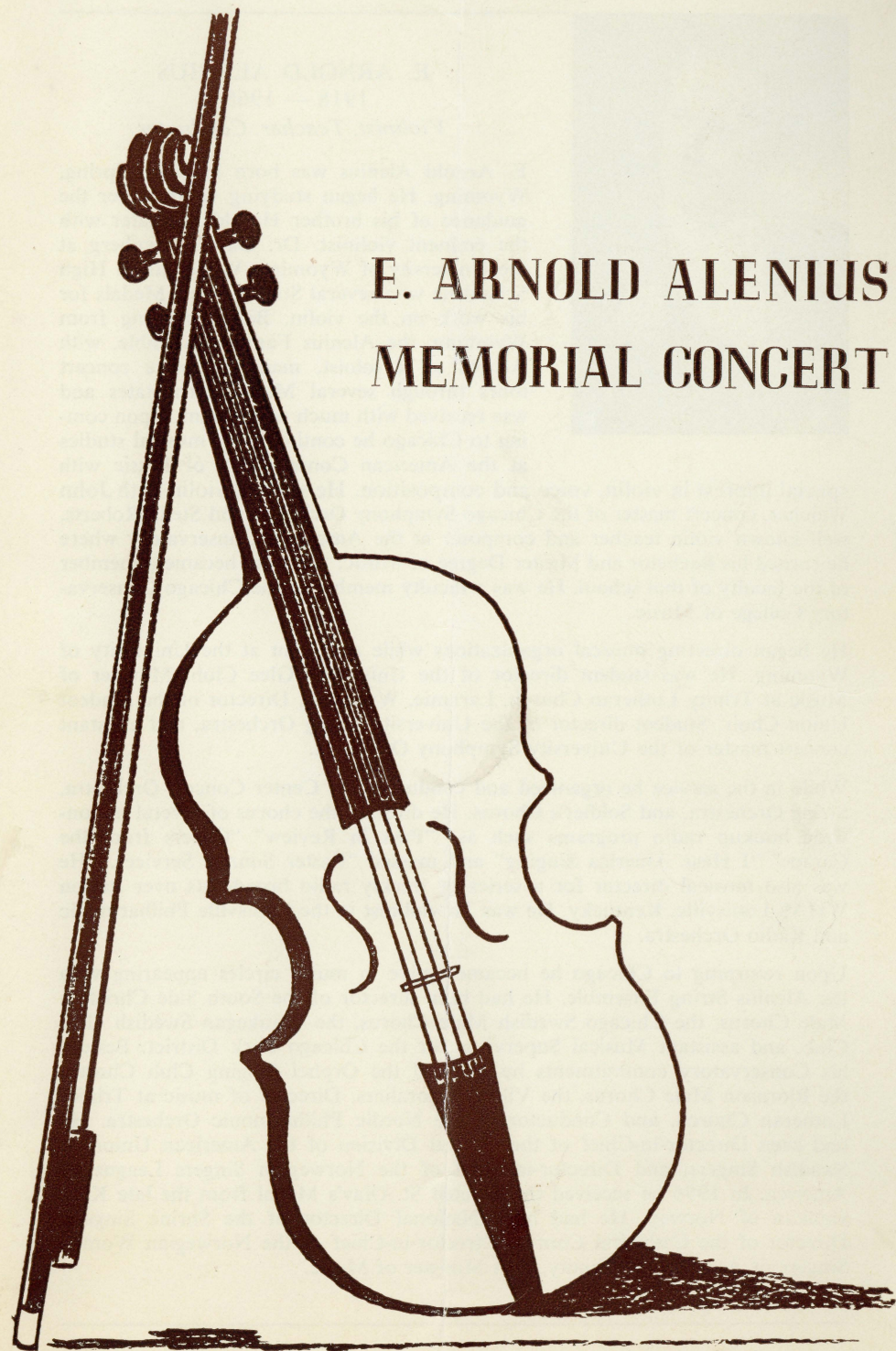
Bjorgvin Singing Society  
Bjornson Male Chorus  
Chicago Swedish Glee Club  
Chicago Swedish Male Chorus  
Grieg Singing Society  
Harmonien Singing Society  
Harmony Singing Society of Rockford  
Lyrar Singing Society  
Normennenes Singing Society  
Orphei Male Chorus  
Oselio Singing Society  
Sveas Soner  
Svithiod Male Chorus  
Svithiod Singing Club  
Swedish Glee Club of Waukegan  
Viking Male Chorus

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SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19th, 3:30 P.M.



## E. ARNOLD ALENIUS MEMORIAL CONCERT



E. ARNOLD ALENIOUS  
1918 — 1968  
*Violinist, Teacher, Conductor*

E. Arnold Alenius was born in Rock Spring, Wyoming. He began studying violin under the guidance of his brother Harold and later with the eminent violinist, Dr. David Eisenberg at the University of Wyoming. While still in High School he won several State Contest Medals for his work on the violin. Before moving from Wyoming, the Alenius Family Ensemble, with Arnold as a soloist, made extensive concert tours through several Mid-western states and was received with much enthusiasm. Upon coming to Chicago he continued his musical studies at the American Conservatory of Music with

special interest in violin, voice and composition. He studied violin with John Weicher, concert master of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra and Stella Roberts, well known violin teacher and composer at the American Conservatory where he earned his Bachelor and Master Degree of Music, and later became a member of the faculty of that school. He was a faculty member at the Chicago Conservatory College of Music.

He began directing musical organizations while a student at the University of Wyoming. He was student director of the University Glee Club, Minister of Music at Trinity Lutheran Church, Laramie, Wyoming; Director of the Student Union Choir, Student director of the University String Orchestra, and assistant concert master of the University Symphony Orchestra.

While in the service he organized and conducted the Center Concert Orchestra, String Orchestra, and Soldier's Chorus. He directed the chorus of several nationwide hookup radio programs such as: "Pass in Review" "Cheers from the Camps" "I Hear America Singing" and massed "Easter Sunrise Services." He was also musical director for a series of weekly radio broadcasts over station WHAS Louisville, Kentucky. He was 1st violinist in the Louisville Philharmonic and Radio Orchestra.

Upon returning to Chicago he became active in music circles appearing with the Alenius String Ensemble. He had been director of the South Side Christian Male Chorus, the Chicago Swedish Male Chorus, the Waukegan Swedish Glee Club, and assistant Musical Supervisor for the Chicago Park District. Besides his Conservatory commitments he directed the Orpheus Singing Club Chorus, the Bjornson Male Chorus, the Viking Choraliers, Director of music at Trinity Lutheran Church, and Conductor of the Nordic Philharmonic Orchestra. He had been Director-in-Chief of the Central Division of the American Union of Swedish Singers, and Director-in-Chief of the Norwegian Singers League of America. In 1956 he received the coveted St. Olav's Medal from the late King Haakan of Norway. He had been National Director of the Shrine Singers, Director of the Cathedral Chorus, Director-in-Chief of the Norwegian Women Singers of America. At Trinity, Past Minister of Music.

## Program

Combined Norwegian and Danish Singers . . . . . KNUTE HANSEN, *Director*

NORRONAKVAD—KONGEKVAD, *Solo* .. { KAI HENRIKSEN  
NAAR FJORDENE BLAANER { JACK SIMONSEN  
OLAV TRYGGVASON

Bjorgvin Singing Society, (Mixed Chorus) . . . . . NEIL KJOS, JR., *Director*

VED TJERNET  
SOMEWHERE, MY LOVE

Oselio and Grieg Singing Societies . . . . . DR. ROBERT EKSTROM, *Director*

GLORY AND HONOR  
SKUMRINGEN  
KJAERRINGA ME STAVEN

Speaker . . . . . *The Honorable* HERBERT J. FRIEDLUND

United Swedish Male Choruses . . . . . DR. ROBERT EKSTROM, *Director*

LET THERE BE MUSIC . . . . . RAY HELGESON, *Accompanist*  
VIKINGARNA . . . . . { WAYNE SPIESS, *Accompanist*  
TONERNA { RALPH ANDERSON, *Soloist*

Combined Male Choruses . . . . . { DR. ROBERT EKSTROM, *Director*  
KNUTE HANSEN, *Director*

DEAR LAND OF HOME  
THE LOST CHORD

GRAND FINALE *All Choruses* . . . . . { KNUTE HANSEN, *Director*  
DR. ROBERT EKSTROM, *Director*

DEN STORE, HVIDE FLOK {  
AMERICA THE BEAUTIFUL . . . { RAYMOND OLSON, *Solo*  
CARL CARLSON, *Obligato*  
WILLIAM JONES, *Obligato*