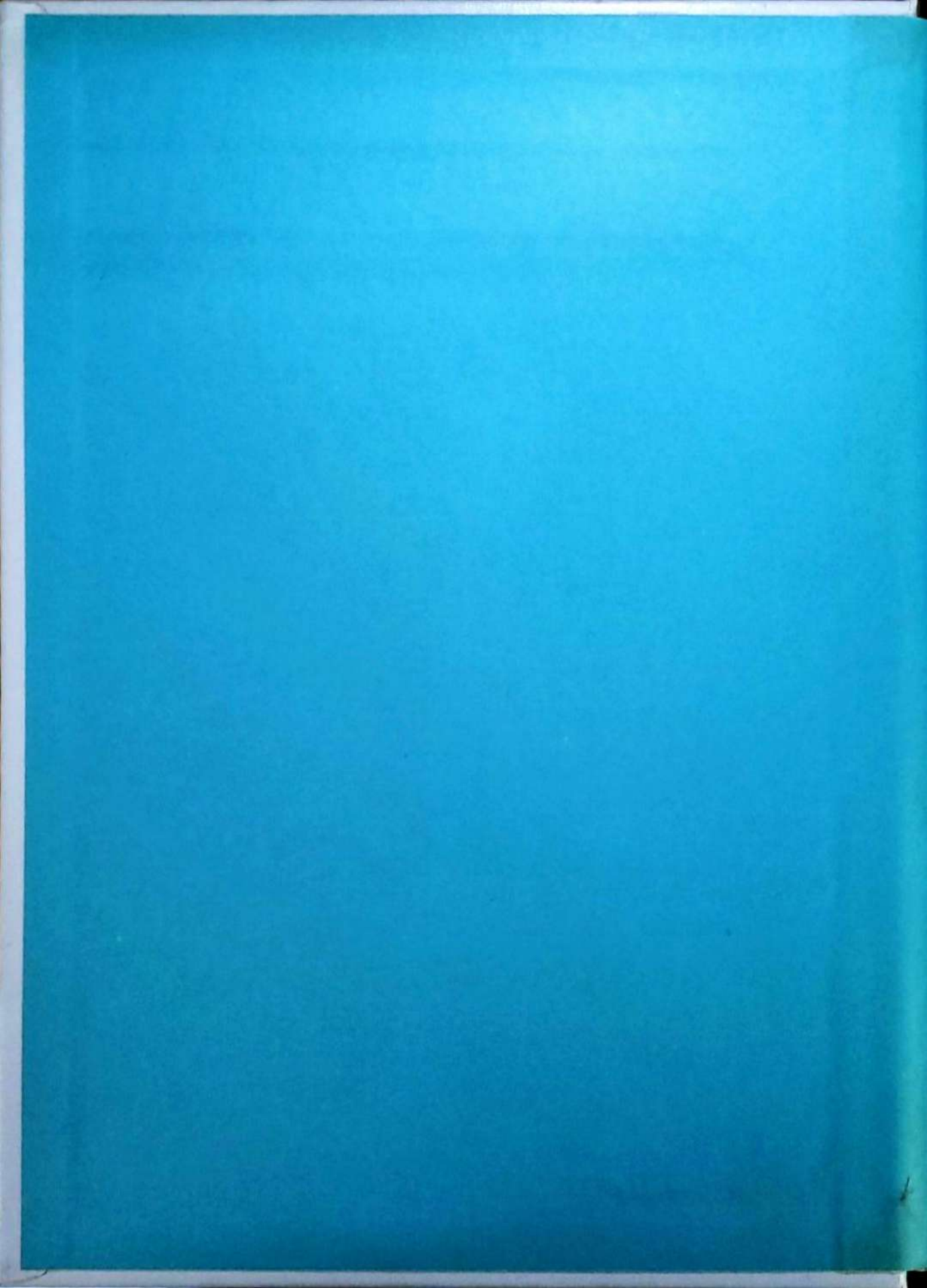
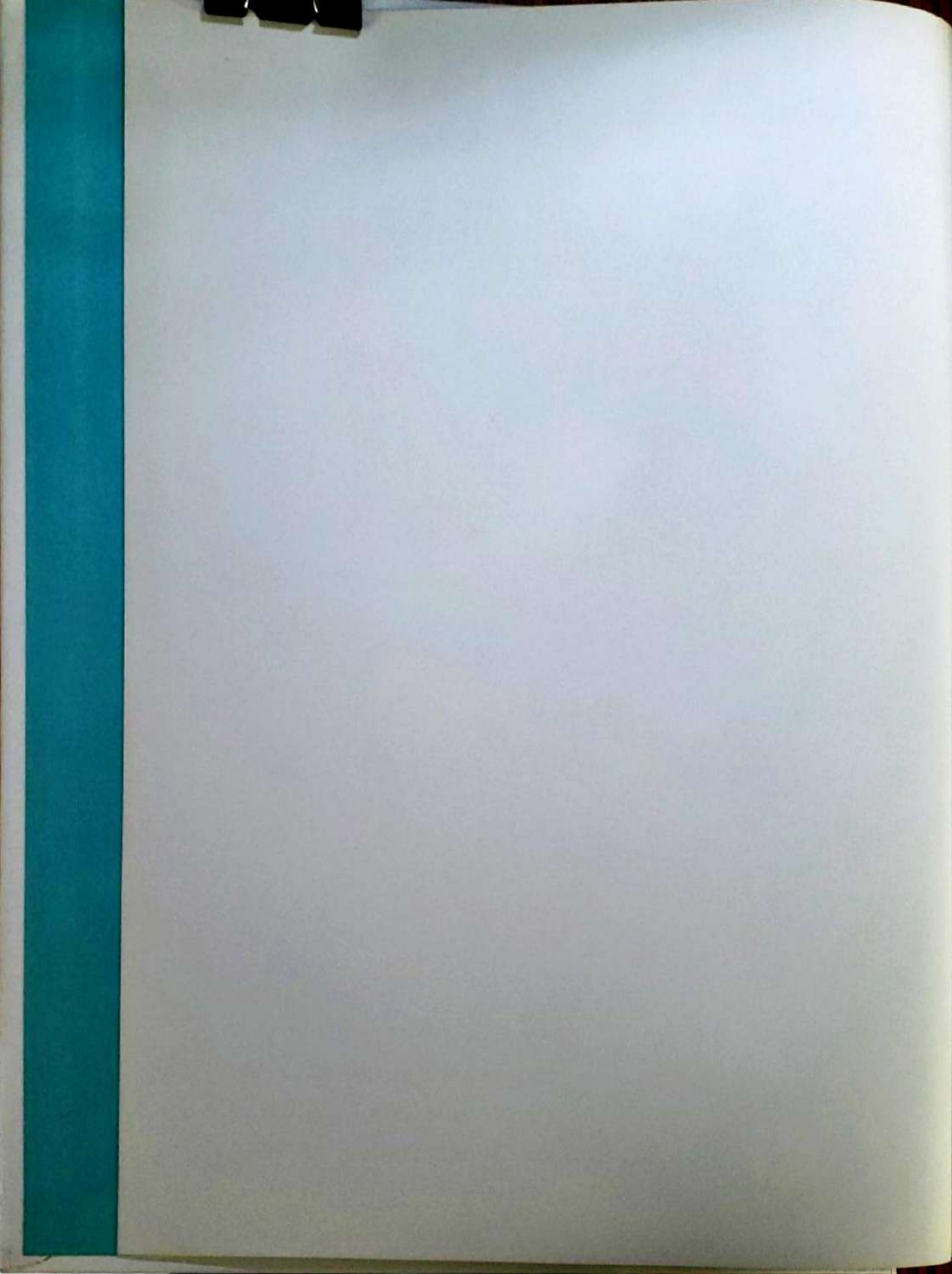


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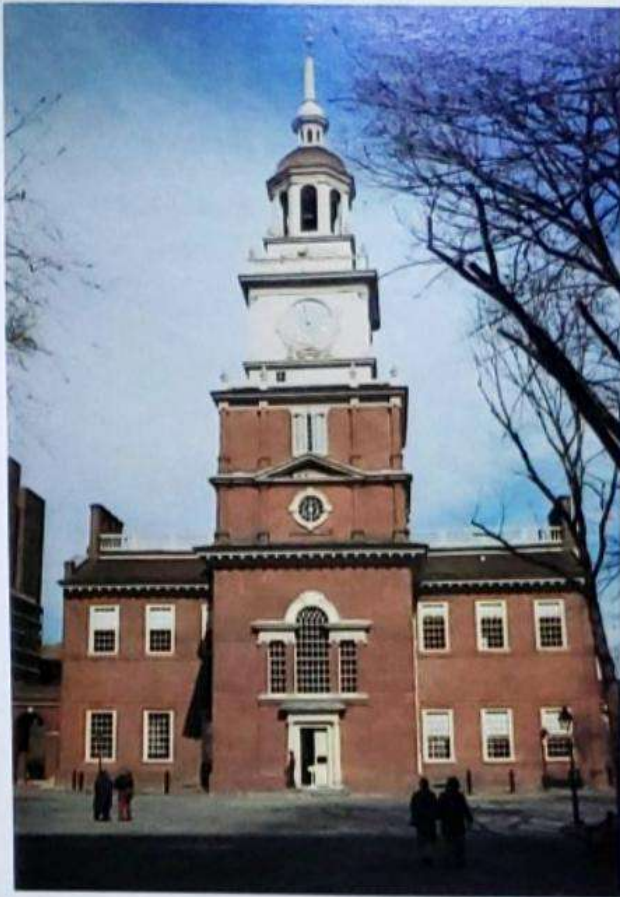




America's Youth in Concert
Sixth Annual European Concert Tour
Unit L: June 29-July 28, 1976
Unit R: June 30-July 29, 1976

America's Youth in Concert™ 1976





The performances in Philadelphia on the 3rd and 4th of July were the unique contribution of nine hundred young musicians to our country's Bicentennial celebration. And they grew in appreciation for the American ideal they had espoused.



A Special Dedication

You, the Youth of America

You are the focus of past and future. In the pages to follow...like America itself...you honor your origins, you celebrate your contributions, and you participate in building a future world.

Narrowing the focus a bit, you find you also have another heritage in the six-year history of "America's Youth in Concert." In the year the program was founded, 1970-1971, there were many highlights in the actualization of a new idea. By drawing upon one of the highest forms of human cooperation and communication - music - an answer came to the special need to demonstrate to the world the high character and quality of American youth. Young musicians in a Symphony Orchestra, Concert Band and Concert Choir received, among many accolades, just the one to confirm their purpose.. "artistically outstanding, delightfully American in the whole-hearted abandon to the music. Your group is bringing the beauty of creation to public attention."

An historical landmark was also experienced in our own country when three members of "America's Youth in Concert" signed the 26th Amendment on July 4th, 1971 at the White House giving 18, 19 and 20 year olds the right to vote. After a performance of "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," the President said... "no group has sung it better."

Enrollment doubled in 1972 and youthful musical talents were carried along the eastern seaboard and across five European nations, attracting audiences with their freshness and enthusiasm for life. You proved that American youth justified the high hopes for America and the world. "...this fine group of our young citizens brought great credit to themselves and to our country. It was a decided advantage to the United States to have the group appear in this country..." United States Embassy, Rome, Italy.

In 1973 and 1974 musical-spiritual horizons widened. Symphony movements, stirring overtures and concert band repertoire were offered. The concert choirs expanded even further their palette of Renaissance through Modern literature, folk songs and spirituals to include Masses of Schubert - and then in future years, Haydn, Mozart and Bruckner. Orchestras shared in the beauty of these performances. The magnificent cathedrals which provided so many concerts now espoused their own music through young American musicians.

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London, Paris, Geneva,
Montreux, Innsbruck, Venice,
Florence, Rome

From every state in the nation American youth accepted as a challenge the purpose and objectives of America's Youth in Concert: to dramatize to the world the fine quality and high character of American youth. In this they succeeded. They carried their musical talents from Philadelphia to New York City and across five European nations, thrilling their audiences with their musical finesse, their freshness and their enthusiasm for life.



A shaft of sunlight in St. Peter's . . .

A misty afternoon in Florence . . .

The terra cotta warmth of the
Florentine skyline

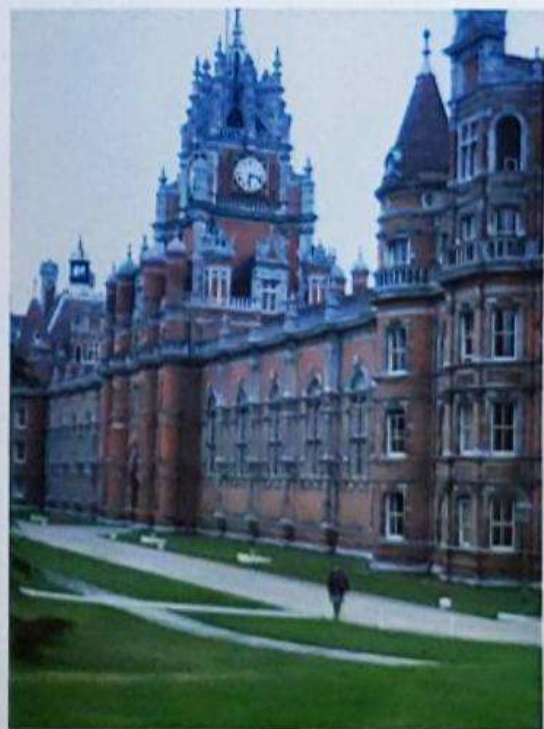




In Italy - the Colosseum

In England - Windsor Castle and Royal Holloway College

In Switzerland - the L Band performs in Montreux



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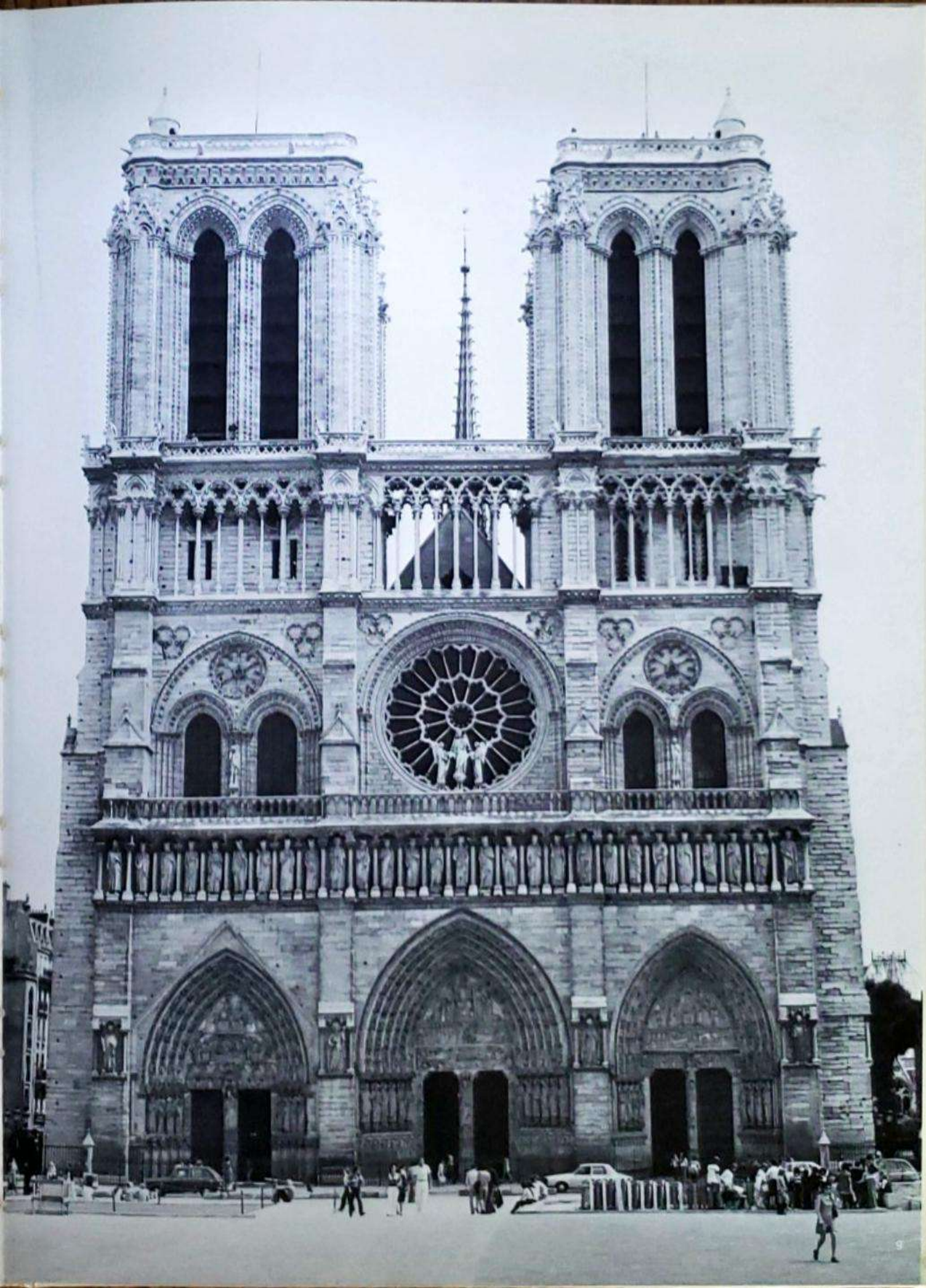
Audiences of 10,000, many members of which are endeared to return, annually fill Notre Dame Cathedral in Paris. The "Wind Symphony" - as Europeans describe the Concert Band - made the world's initial appearance at Notre Dame with specially selected music. "America's Youth in Concert" also performed by invitation of the Pope at the Vatican and at the summer home, Castel Gondolfo.

By 1975 there was an awareness of real alumni - as brothers, sisters and friends of past participants join the program. Letters to the Academy described achievements and future goals. They reaffirmed a meaningful summer and perhaps a direction to their lives through that experience... and the program gained maturity. From Europe we heard "...most favorably impressed with the professionalism, exemplary behavior and personal warmth of these first rate unofficial young American musical Ambassadors...who represent the real image of America."

1976, your year, brought again an honor from our own country. An invitation was received from the President of Music Educators National Conference to perform for a most selective audience from all over the world at the International Society of Music Educators Conference in Montreux, Switzerland. With that invitation were two others, also in Europe but not workable in the itinerary..."The total opportunity for an American group is extraordinary. I know of no previous combination of events that is so challenging..." excerpt from invitation.

And to make full circle, your Bicentennial invitation came - to join in the celebration of Freedom Week in Philadelphia on July 3rd and July 4th. With a heritage of 4000 young musicians and the work of many of America's finest conductors, "America's Youth in Concert" in 1976 celebrated its own achievements.

In our further purpose - to enrich and expand - the lens is widened to recreate your experience in many countries of America's origins. Europe's enduring monuments from the Arc de Triomphe to the Alps to the Pietas embody the great ideals which arise out of pain and confusion. This is your age to grow in the ever-widening world of communication and in the beauty of creation.

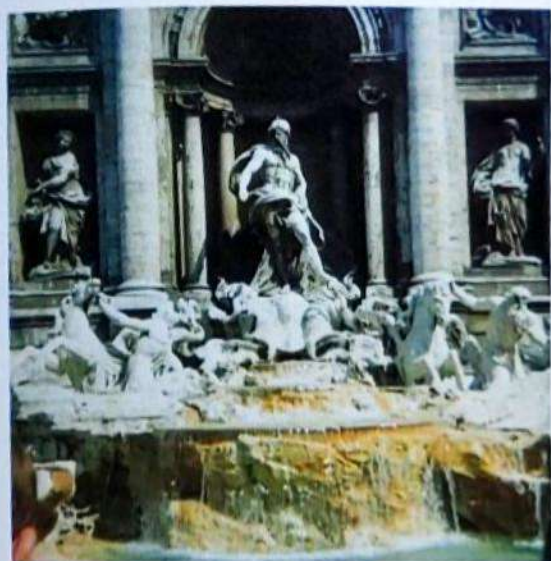




View from the Dover Ferry. . .
Innsbruck in the mountains. . .
St. Mark's Square in Venice

In eight European cities America's Youth in Concert gave of their musical talents - and they gained. They gained a sampling of the culture, the people, the scenery of the Old World.





Geneva Harbor, Switzerland . . .
Trevi Fountain, Rome . . .
The Austrian countryside







The re-emergence of humanistic values in the Renaissance is nowhere better exemplified than in Michelangelo's works. The students will never forget the emotional impact of the magnificent David in Florence, the Creation from the Sistine Chapel and the Pieta and the Moses in Rome.





The students saw for the first time many of the sights they had heard about all their lives. Seeing the real thing brought all they had heard and read about to life.



Outside Royal Albert Hall in London . . .
 The Doge's Palace in Venice . . .
 Windsor Castle in England



Tivoli Gardens in Rome . . .
A canal in Venice . . .
Royal Albert Hall in London





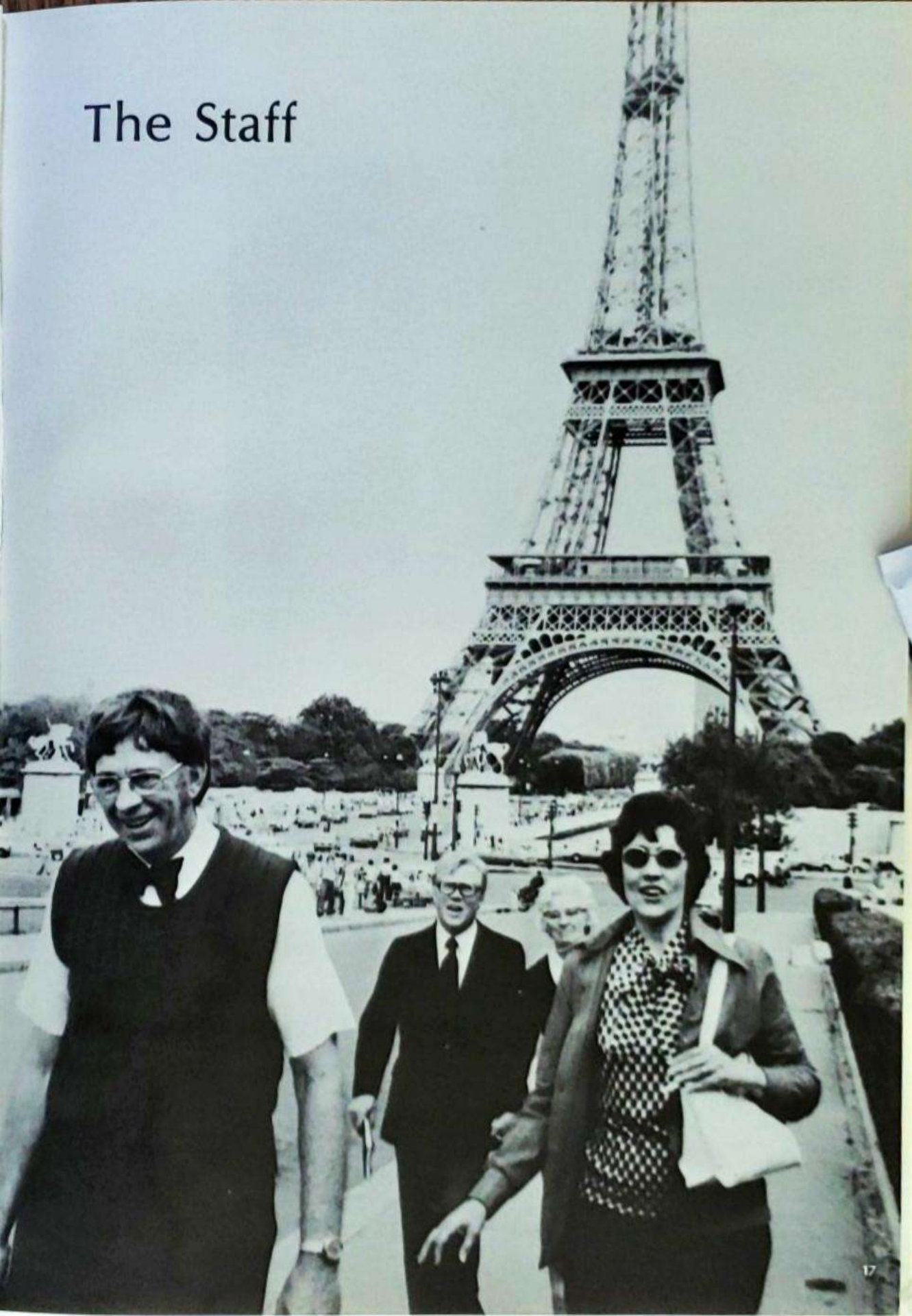
The old and the new: few places on Earth offer greater contrast between antiquity and the modern age than Europe.

Rome - the Forum

Innsbruck - site of the 1976 Winter Olympic Games



The Staff



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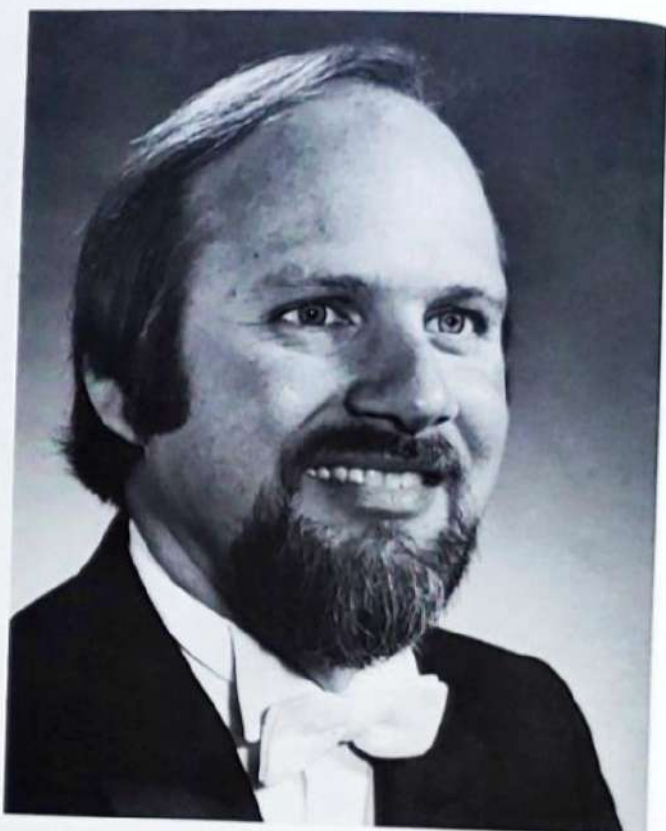
Lynn Stewart Geddes, Founder and President of Universal Academy For Music, conceived the idea of taking young Americans to Europe as ambassadors of music and good will. Together with his wife, Carolyn, he continues to be the motivating force behind America's Youth in Concert. Their genuine warmth and affection for all is reciprocated by the students during their month away from home.



Frank H. Wirig, Vice President of Universal Academy For Music, has the responsibility for the myriad administrative and business tasks necessary to bring America's Youth in Concert into reality. Mrs. Bessie Wirig is his administrative assistant and accompanied her husband on the tour.

Music Faculty

The task of forming nearly 900 musically talented young people into cohesive, balanced performing groups fell to these individuals. They brought to the Academy national reputations as music educators plus outstanding personal musical talent and conducting skill. Their wives added an immeasurable dimension, aiding their husbands in every way and helping with the students as well.



Dr. William Ramsey, Dean of Music and Conductor of the Unit R Concert Choir, coordinated the musical aspects of the concert tour. His guiding expertise, long experience and talent in working with young people ensure the high quality of the musical program. Dr. Ramsey is Director of Choral Activities and Professor of Music at Stanford University, Palo Alto, California.



Dr. Max F. Dalby, a member of the Conducting Staff since 1971, was Conductor of the Unit R Concert Band. He is Professor of Music at Utah State University, Logan, Utah.



Professor Frank Piersol, Conductor of the Unit L Concert Band. He is Professor of Music and Director of Bands at the University of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa.



Dr. Gerald Mack, Conductor of the Unit L Concert Choir. He is Associate Professor of Music Education at the Hartt College of Music, West Hartford, Connecticut.



Dr. Leonard R. Rumery, Conductor of the Symphony Orchestra (Unit R). He is a member of the Music Department of U.C.L.A.

Office Staff

Glenda Heilman, Registrar

Before the tour departs for Europe the one name the students become most familiar with is that of Glenda Heilman. She is responsible for student invitations, auditions, selections, funding efforts and other functions. She devotes long hours to ensure the success of the program.



Secretarial Staff

The amount of mail that Universal Academy For Music's secretaries produce during the year is staggering. These are people behind the scenes whom the students rarely see, yet they provide the backbone for the accomplishment of the administrative detail.



Vera Twitty



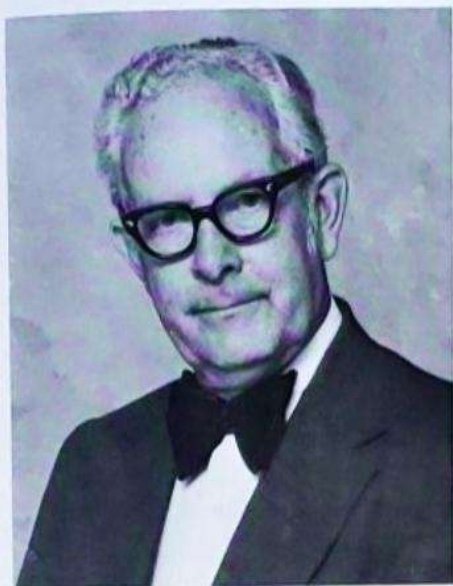
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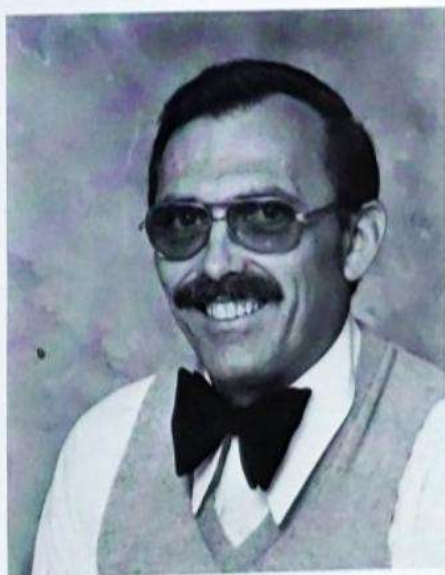
Dorothy Jackson

Tour Directors

Problems to solve, questions to answer. . .countless details, unseen by most, must be handled quickly and efficiently. The tour directors were constantly on the go, seeing to the logistical details of travel and providing for the needs of students.



Unit L - Allen and Ruth West, Maryland



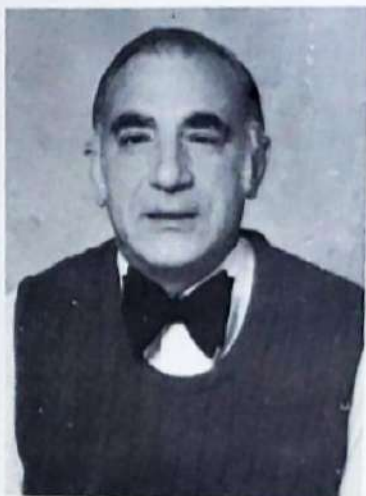
Unit R - Aimé and Laureanne Simoneau, Maine

Chaperones

As surrogate parents, the chaperones guided, counselled and assisted the students. Their cheerfulness, resourcefulness and willingness to go beyond the call of duty in assisting their young charges were a comfort to everyone. The students grew to love their adopted parents and experienced their love returned.

BUS L-1

Emil LaCivita
Alice LaCivita
Maryland



BUS L-2

Wendell Middents
Marjorie Middents
Iowa



BUS L-3

Frank Kincaid
Mary Ellen Kincaid
Maryland





BUS L-4
Harold Clark
Shirley Clark
Indiana



BUS L-5
Orrin Bull
Midge Bull
Wisconsin



BUS L-6
Norman Waite
Louise Waite
Connecticut

BUS L-7
Joan Hart
Missouri
Carol Buckley
Wyoming



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Glenda Heilman
Pennsylvania
Ruth Brandon
Tennessee



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Margene Ashby
Utah



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Alvin Wardle
Mary Wardle
Utah



BUS R-3
Thomas Steinkoenig
Shirley Steinkoenig
Colorado



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Leonard Rumery
Laurie Rumery
California

BUS R-5
Akely Miller
Barbara Miller
Utah



BUS R-6
Stanley Searfoss
Fay Searfoss
New Jersey



BUS R-7
Robert Herst
Jeanne Herst
New York





BUS R-8
Wilson Anton
Jo Ann Anton
Florida



BUS R-9
Eugene Lafferty
Wilma Lafferty
California



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Merrill Millett
Shirley Millett
Utah

BUS R-11
Samuel Boda
Lydia Boda
Illinois



BUS R-12
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Deloris Huse
Iowa



BUS R-13
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Nevada
Beverly Bashein
New Jersey





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John Bain CT
Kim Bart IA



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Judy Bell KY
Cody Bennett OK





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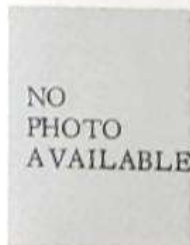


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 Kathy Weddle OK



Ellen Wenderoth OH
 Sara Westmoreland FL
 Bruce White OR
 Connie Whitener WA



Brad Wilcox UT



Carol Wilgus IN
Laura Wilkinson UT



Elaina Williams OK
Charles Wilson CA
Diane Wilson CA
Edmond Wilson CA



Ellen Wilson OK
Joni Wilson NM
Tamara Wise IN
Marilee Wolfe FL



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Gaila Woodall AR
Sharon Woodward NY



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Sammy Young GA

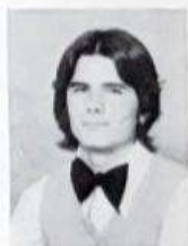


Unit R

Symphony Orchestra



Decker Adams UT
David Ballard CO
Tim Bell MT
Pauline Brown OR



Walter Brown CA
Bridget Canfield MA
Susan Carr WA
Martha Chamberlin NY



Sharon Crowl MD
Elizabeth Dabel WY
Donna Dixon SC
Marc Elliott KS



Celeste Eubank AK



Mark Garnaas MT





Donna Gaudreau NH



Mary Goheen KS



Margery Graham CA
 Mark Guthrie OH
 Margaret Harris MT
 Marjann Harvey UT



Desiree Hayes MT
 Anita Hegele OR
 Calvin Herst NY
 Karin Hoffman GA



George Huffman SC
 Cheri Hunter MD
 Bradley Inouye CA
 Karen Janes WA



Don Johannessen WA
 Jeffrey Johnson WI
 Keith Johnson CA
 Lon Johnson MN





Donald Kenyon NY
Deirdre Kern IN
Nancy Kim DE
Ellen Kjelgaard OR



Jane Leland NY
Diane Luken SD
Brian McKee PA
Janice Martin MD



Laura Mattachione OH
Carolyn Merrow CA
Carolyn Metzenthin KS
Stanley Moe WA



Laura Moldoff NY
Carrill Munnings FL
Kerby Nelson PA
Joseph Nemeth WY



Nils Neubauer TX



Sheryl Newbury MT



Marie Peak ID
 Douglas Peck CA
 Charles Pigg KS
 Robin Pope PA



Robin Prinzing OR
 Cathy Raikes MT
 Judy Randall OK
 Christopher Reidlinger KS



Susan Reinemann WI
 Lee Robinson AR
 Marla Rubinson NY
 Keith Sanders AR



Catherine Scheck NM
 Lisa Scott AK
 Julie Sherman CA
 Kelly Smith MT



Donna Swahlan NY
 Kurt Takamine CA
 Leslie Threlkeld WA



Candi Wagner UT
 Doug White IL
 Sandin Wilson OR



Unit R

Concert Band



Scott Arend WA
Dee Dee Atchley WY
Elizabeth Baltazar CO
Dee Anna Barnes OK



Diane Barrett OK
LaRosa Beamon CA
Curtis Bechtel CA
Michael Bell NV



Lorrie Berkshire AZ
Neal Berntsen WA
Melani Besler OK
Vurl Bland OK



Mona Bledsoe SC
Katy Bryan MT
Rebecca Budny CT
Sandy Buser IA



Ohleen Campbell UT
Wayne Capp MT
Pamela Carrington CA
Amelia Castleberry AL

Jace Cheatham MT
 Bob Coffey MD
 Mark Cooper OK
 Brenda Crosby FL



James Cuthrell NE
 Bruce Dalby UT



Daniel Dall NE
 John Davis NY



Vicki Davis MN
 Ashley Deed AR
 Karen Demmitt CA
 Laura Demory OR



Liz Dickens CA
 Benjamin Doswell NM
 Annette Duit IA
 Kevin Dunn WY



Sharon Dunn NJ
 Eric Dutson OR
 Steve Eaton KS
 John Estrada CA





Phillip Feather CA
 Susan Gattis OK
 Lynnette Gerdes NE
 Robert Gibson OH



Mark Glover NM
 Robert Goldenberg NY
 Kathy Goudy OR
 Diana Green OH



Barbara Gregory OK
 Ron Gromoll PA
 Monty Grow MT
 Joanie Guinn OK



Emily Haase GA
 Lenay Hall WI



Karen Hanlon ID
 Roxanne Hanson SD



Bonnie Hardiman AR
 Mike Hermiller OH
 John Hetrick MA
 Scotty Hofer SD

Wanda Hopkins GA
 Candy Hundley OK
 Bret Hydorn CA
 Lonni Inman OH



Armin Jahr WA
 Jeanne Johnson WA
 Kathy Johnson MN
 Kay C. Jones CA



Tamara Jones WA
 John Joseph MA
 Brian Justin WI
 Darlene Kagey WA



Anne Marie Kemp NV
 Cindy Kilian WA



Sarah Kleinsasser MT
 Laurie Klug WI



Janet Krumm WY
 Rebecca Kunkler OH
 Bruce Lacoppola FL
 Sherry Lais OR





Dean Larson AK
 Avis Levey OH
 David Lidster OR
 Jeanmarie Lifchez SC



Juta Liinar WA
 Jody Livak NY



Paul Lucore CO
 Julie McBride CA



Sherri McCormick NY
 Linda Maki OH
 Tammy Mataya AZ
 Kathy Mays OH



Clarke Miner WA
 Barry Mirrer NJ
 Jean Mixer CA
 Diane Molitor WI



Ann Mondragon CO
 George Morris GA
 Karen Murray CA
 Rob Murray WA



Jackie Nelson MT
 Holly Palmer MT
 Russell Palmer KS



Patti Patefield WI
 Dennis Perry CA
 Chip Peterson WA



Jim Petko MT
 Kathleen Picknell OR
 Lola Purvis OR
 Jack Quinby OR



Terry Randall IA
 Robin Reed WA
 Jean Reinhardt SD
 Nancy Richardson UT



Gary Rives AZ
 Dick Roane WA
 Mark Rohn OH
 Barrie Ryan MT



Jonathan Sampson NJ
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 Robin Scalf KY





Debbie Schrock CA
 Vicki Semlek WY
 Natalie Shape MT
 Darcel Shurin WA



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Cindy Silvestri WA
 Kim Simmons WA
 Victoria Skakel CA
 Bart Smith NY



Roberta Smythe OR
 Kellie Sorkness WA
 Sandy Svatos OR
 Joe Swanson OK



Danie Teter CA
 Lisa Thompson NV
 Laurel Turk OH
 Margaret Wall CA



Don Wampler KS
 Janet Ward OH
 William Webb OK



Linda Wehr OH
 Chad Welling OK
 Wayne Wellman PA





Ray Whalen WA
 Judith Wherritt KS
 Jamie Wintermute OH
 Kent Wolven MO



Christy Woodruff AR
 Debbie Worrell NV
 Zoanne Wynne MT
 Kay Zimmerman CA

Miss Alaska 1976

Kathy Tebow, Miss Alaska 1976, was a 1975 participant in America's Youth in Concert. Because of her violin playing she came away from Atlantic City with one of the eight non-finalist talent awards. Kathy says, "My reign as Miss Alaska is indeed a wonderful experience and it ranks very closely with the experience of traveling with your group in Europe."

Universal Academy For Music extends congratulations to Kathy and best wishes in future endeavors to her and to all the alumni of America's Youth in Concert.





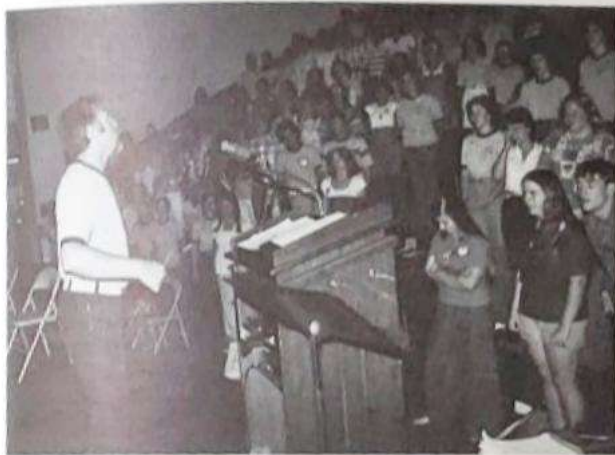
The Concert Tour



Rider College

They came from all over America to make music, to communicate and to learn. Life on their first campus - Rider College, New Jersey - was exhilarating! Arrival, check-in, housing, orientation, getting acquainted...





...rehearsals, rehearsals and more rehearsals. Students discovered talent to the right and to the left equalling their own as conductors inspired and molded them for performance.





The cafeteria, the chaperones, chores and delicious moments of relaxation - getting accustomed to new ways of life and new companions - all were part of the Rider College experience.





Then the day of the first concert arrived. Bag lunches were ready; students were all in uniform as they queued up for a meal at Rider before departing on the bus for Philadelphia.





Philadelphia

It was a privilege and an honor to perform at Independence Mall Pavillion in celebration of the signing of the Declaration of Independence, the 200th birthday of the Nation's founding. And the "City of Brotherly Love" welcomed America's Youth in Concert.





Philadelphia, a center of activity during the Revolution was founded in 1682 by William Penn, an English Quaker out of a desire to create a place where people of all faiths could live together in harmony. Both the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution were signed in Independence Hall. Through this hall echoed the footsteps and words of George Washington, Thomas Jefferson, James Madison, Benjamin Franklin and other famous Americans.

Below, the Piersols and Dr. Mack chat with "William Penn" on Elfreth's Alley, regarded as the oldest continuously inhabited street in the country.





Crescendo or diminuendo,
marcato or sostenuto - from the
podium came every cue to
express the content of the music.

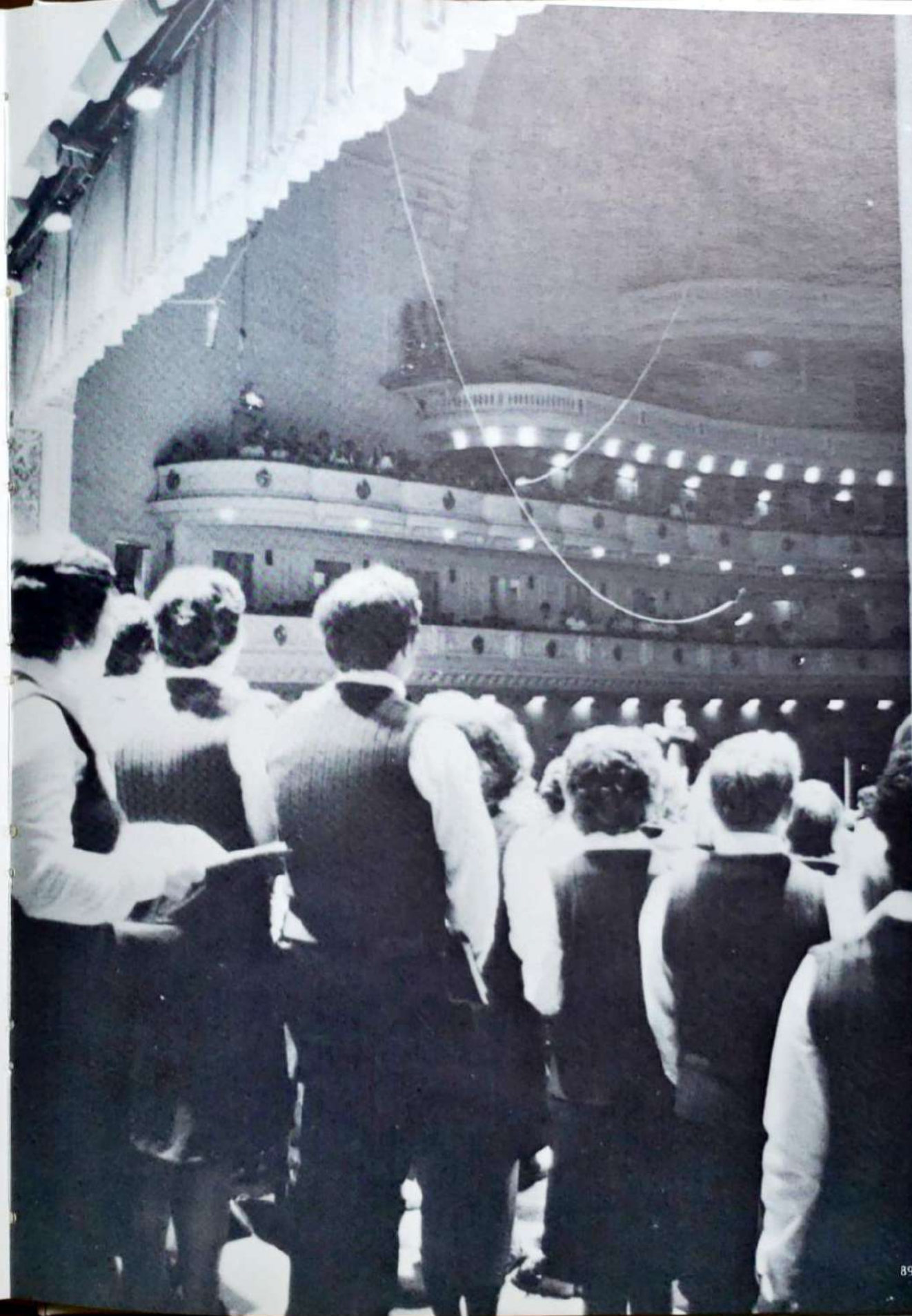




Carnegie Hall

How many had even more than dreamed that they'd be performing in Carnegie Hall? What a thrill it was to use the dressing rooms of the virtuosos, to see in the halls pictures of the music greats of the past - Toscanini, Caruso, Leontyne Price, Pablo Casals - and fragments of original manuscripts of Brahms, Wagner, Mahler and so many more!





CARNEGIE HALL



Program - Mon., July 5th

WORKS TO BE PERFORMED WILL BE ANNOUNCED
(from the repertoire listed below)

a) Choir - Dr. Gerald Mack, conductor

VIADANA	Exultate Justi In Domino
LOTTI	Sanctus
HASSLER	Cantate Domino
NYSTEDT	Cry Out and Shout
BARBER	To Be Sung on the Water
FRACKENPOHL	Hey Ho the Wind and the Rain
Arr. PARKER	Johnny Has Gone for a Soldier (Folksong)
Arr. MARTIN	Great Day (Spiritual)
BRUCKNER	Mass in E minor (8-part chorus and wind orchestra)

b) Band - Frank Piersol, conductor

REED	Punchinello
ROSSINI- FALCONE	Tancredi
LATHAM	Three Chorale Preludes
RHOADS	Song from Early America
COHAN	Star Spangled Spectacular
BARKER	Broadway Show-Stopers
JOPLIN- REED	The Entertainer
HOLST	First Suite in E flat
SOUSA	The Stars and Stripes Forever
BAGLEY	National Emblem
GOLDMAN	On the Mall

Program - Tues., July 6th

WORKS TO BE PERFORMED WILL BE ANNOUNCED
(from the repertoire listed below)

a) Orchestra - Dr. Leonard Rumery, conductor

SCHUBERT	Overture in B flat Major
HAYDN	Sinfonia No. 38 in C Major
	Allegro di molto
	Andante molto
	Minuet & Trio - Allegro
	Finale - Allegro di molto

b) Choir - Dr. William Ramsey, conductor

M. HAYDN	Tenebrae Factae Sunt
BILLINGS	Easter Anthem
BILLINGS	When Jesus Wept
	THREE FOLK HYMNS
A. PSALTER	Psalm 4
Arr. RAMSEY	How Firm a Foundation
ORIGINAL	Warrenton
SACRED HARP	SPIRITUALS
Arr. HAIRSTON	Who'll Be a Witness
Arr. H. JOHNSON	Ain't Got Time to Die

c) Choir and Orchestra

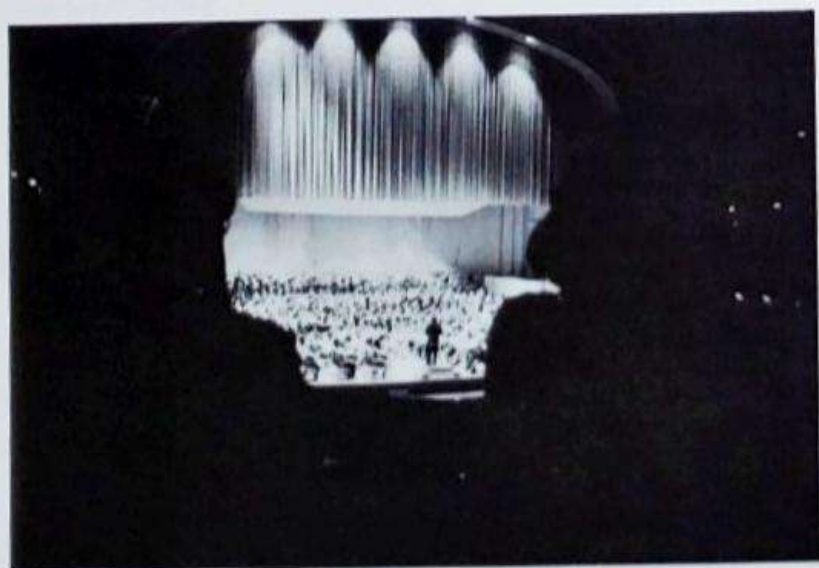
TELEMANN	Laudate Jehovam, Omnes Gentes
MOZART	Missa in C Major (Kronungs-Messe) K.V. 317

d) Band - Dr. Max Dalby, conductor

NIXON	Elegy and Fanfare March
HANSON	Chorale and Alleluia
BERNSTEIN	"West Side Story" selections
GERSHWIN- BENNETT	Gershwin medley
REED	Jubilant Overture
GRUNDMAN	American Folk Rhapsody
CABLE	Brazilian Festival
REED	Slavonic Folk Suite
WHITNEY	River Jordan
J.S. BACH (Trans. Moehlmann)	If Thou Be Near
WARD-CACAVAS	America the Beautiful
FILLMORE	His Honor March
SEITZ-REED	March Grandioso
SOUSA	Stars and Stripes Forever
SOUSA	Semper Fidelis



...and a warm, appreciative audience.





Off to Europe

A last minute passport check...

Our pilots...?

Upward and onward!



London



England's Past

This island kingdom stands as an eternal monument to the countless millions of stubborn Britishers who have loved and defended her through the centuries.

Throughout her history, England has seen such colorful people as Henry VIII with his six wives, Queen Elizabeth I and her glorious reign, William Shakespeare, the tragic figure of Charles I on the executioner's block, and Oliver Cromwell. All Americans are familiar with George III and his role in the American Revolution. Even today we witness the beauty and grandeur of the English Court in the person of Queen Elizabeth II.

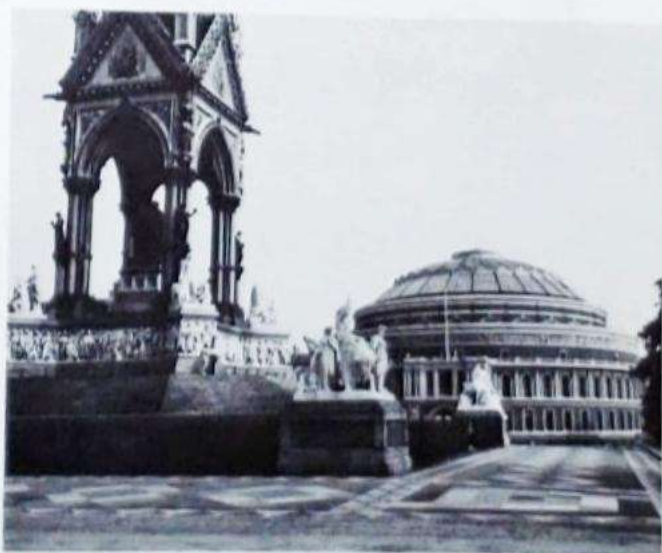
Londoners during the centuries have listened to the finest musicians in the world. England can boast of such musical personalities as Purcell, Weber, Bull, and Vaughn-Williams. Mozart performed here when he was only eight years old. Handel came to England in 1710 and for the next fifty years London listened to his music. The "Messiah" was performed in London in 1743 and Handel last directed it in 1759, a few days prior to his death.

England has so much to offer her foreign visitors and has given so much to the world through the centuries that it isn't difficult to understand why she has so much to be proud of and why her greatness still stands undimmed.



Central Hall is one of London's two oldest and most prestigious concert halls. This final performance of the R Unit provided a brilliant lifetime memory for all ensembles. In close vicinity stands Westminster Abbey, burial place for Britain's honored dead: Chaucer, Dickens, Handel, Darwin, Churchill, as well as many Kings and Queens.

Royal Albert Hall was the concert location for Unit L. Built by Queen Victoria in memory of her beloved husband, Prince Albert, this massive hall was the scene of America's Youth in Concert's very first European performance in 1971. Directly across the avenue is the Albert Memorial, 160 feet high and ornate with gilt and sculpture.



Royal Albert Hall

General Manager: A. J. Charlton

Thursday
8 July 1976 at 7.30 p.m.

BRUCKNER: Mass in E minor
for 8-part chorus and wind ensemble
Motets, folksong arrangements, spirituals,
band and music by American composers

America's Youth In Concert

Choir of 200; Band of 130

Conductors:
Gerald Mack
Frank Piersol

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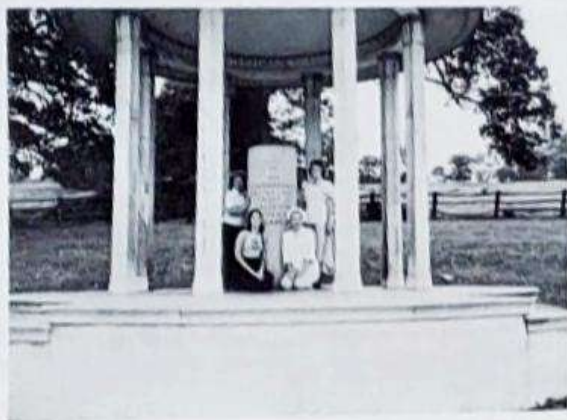
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Our country estate of chimneys, courtyards and good food, Royal Holloway College, a branch of the University of London in Egham, was the English home for many.

In 1215 at nearby Runnymede, King John affixed his seal to the Magna Carta, the first time a Monarch placed himself under the law and recognized rights of others.

And what is England without the Changing of the Guard at Buckingham Palace!





The Tower of London attracted many students to view the dazzling Crown Jewels and the colorful Yeomen of the Guards ("Beefeaters"). The scene of imprisonment, execution and murder, the "Bloody Tower" exhibits the axe which severed so many distinguished heads from their bodies.



Shopping in Knightsbridge: "They speak English! Everyone's driving on the wrong side of the street! The bobbies are so polite! And the double-decker busses - 'Upstairs, love!'"





Paris

Crossing the Channel made students "ocean" travelers for a short time. They walked the decks and had their first glimpse of the fabled white cliffs of Dover.

Several days in Paris provided an opportunity to become acquainted, via the Metropole, with some of the city's attractions: the Champs Elysees and the Arc de Triomphe, Napoleon's tomb at the Invalides, Santa Croce in Montmartre, Place Vendome, and the world famous Louvre, below, with its magnificent art treasures.





France's Past

The mention of France brings to mind such notables of the past as Charlemagne, Joan of Arc, Louis XVI, Marie Antoinette, Napoleon and Charles de Gaulle.

Long held captive by the bonds of feudalism, France struggled for centuries to gain a national unity and identity. She has been a kingdom, an empire, a vassal state and a republic. With her unstable governments of the past, France has suffered much. She fell victim to invading German armies three times within seventy years.

Paris is often called the "Capital of France and the World." The peaceful Seine River and all the beauties of the city are beyond human expression. The Louvre, largest museum in the world, houses the greatest collection of priceless art in the world. Here is the home of the Mona Lisa, the Venus de Milo and many, many other famous pieces.

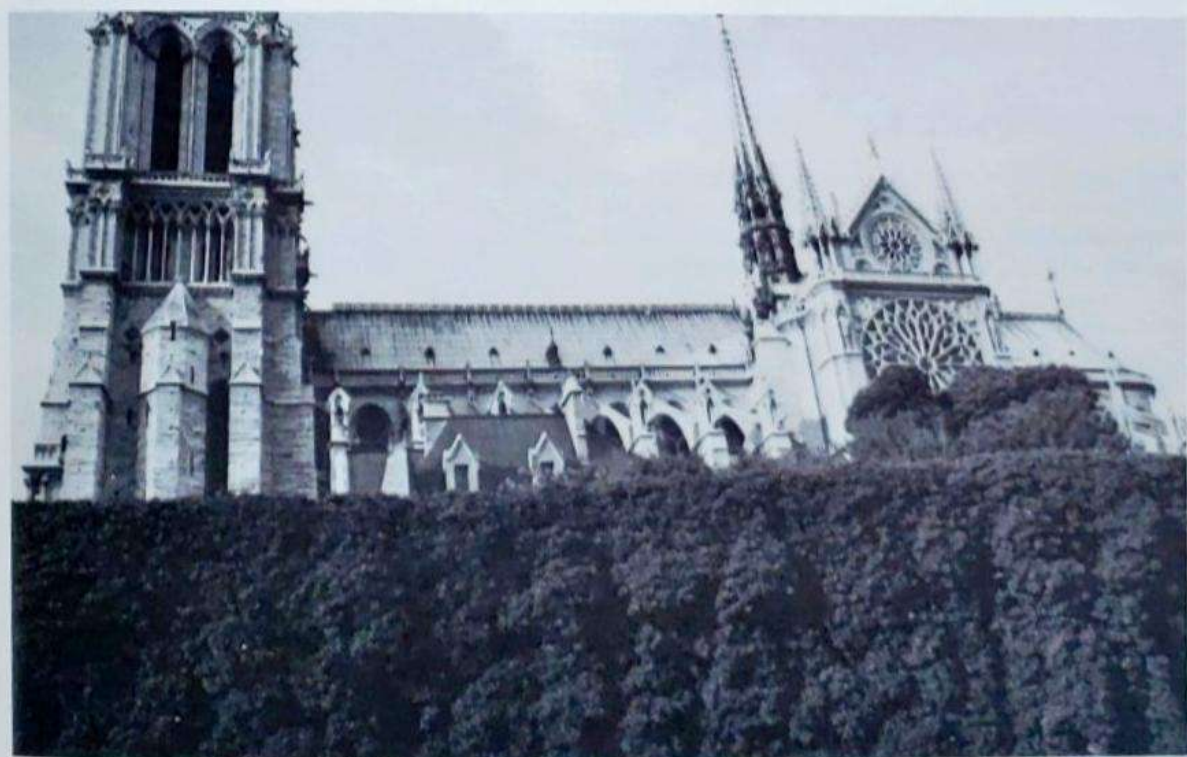
The French Court was a great patron of the arts. Mozart performed regularly for Marie Antoinette. Haydn was brought to Paris and there he wrote his Paris symphonies. Rameau is considered one of the four most important composers of the Baroque period. Berlioz ranks with the greatest of all composers and Claude DeBussy was the foremost composer of the Impressionist Movement. Even today the spirit that is France still breathes and invites the world to partake.



Perhaps the most celebrated symbol of Paris, the Eiffel Tower was an ideal location for the Concert Band performances, and they were warmly received by their enthusiastic audiences.

Rising out of the Seine like a massive gothic ship, Notre Dame guards La Cité, oldest section of Paris. While the cathedral turns down hundreds of requests to perform here each year, America's Youth in Concert has been invited to return annually. Audiences of many thousands come to hear the vibrant and sensitive music of the young people in Masses and Symphony Movements.





Geneva



Switzerland's Past

Switzerland, nestled high in the Alps of Central Europe, is one of the most interesting of European nations. For centuries she was a pawn of the Hapsburg and Holy Roman Empires. She struggled for existence and emerged as an independent nation. The well-known tale of William Tell had its setting in the conflict between Austria and Switzerland.

She has remained one of the few truly neutral European nations for more than three hundred years. This neutrality helped Switzerland escape the carnage and destruction of two World Wars.

Switzerland is one of Europe's most beautiful and picturesque countries. The Swiss Alps rise to over 15,000 feet while the lowest spot in the country is only 650 feet. This marked contrast in natural geography produces a beauty that is unique.

The country is famous for its excellent cheeses, its clocks and watches, and its numbered bank accounts. Its cheeses and precision timepieces are exported all over the world and its banks draw money internationally. Still tourism provides a major input into the national economy and tourists are one thing Switzerland has plenty of.



In French-speaking Geneva, headquarters for many international organizations, America's Youth in Concert performed in beautiful Victoria Hall. Meals at the charming Edelweiss provided fun and entertainment with an introduction to Alpine music ("yo-de-lay-di-ho"), 20 foot horn blowing and the Beer Barrel Polka!

VICTORIA HALL-GENEVE

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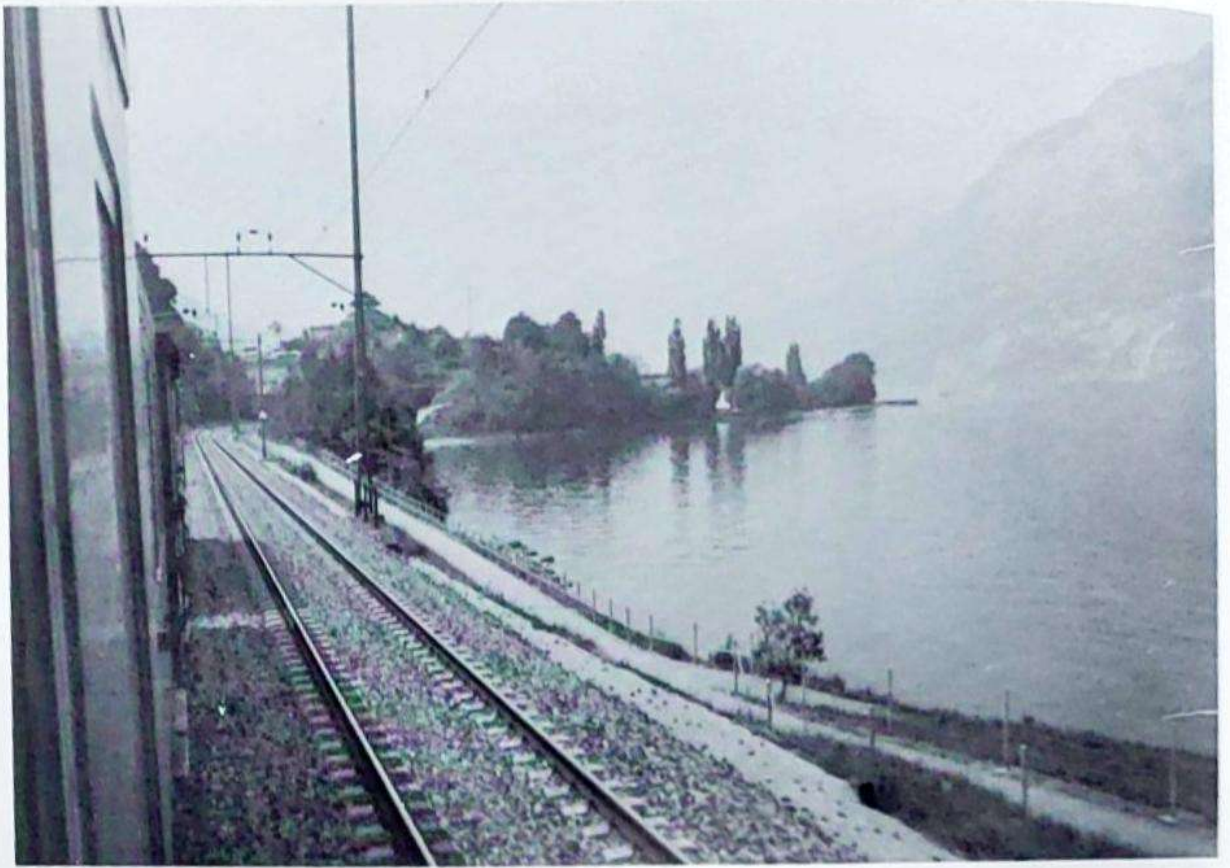
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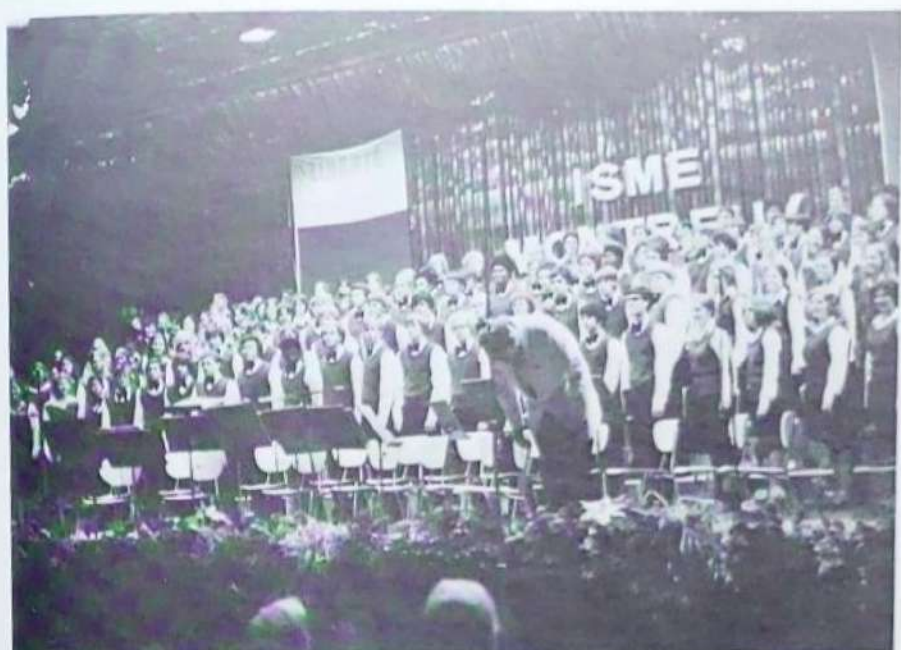
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Montreux

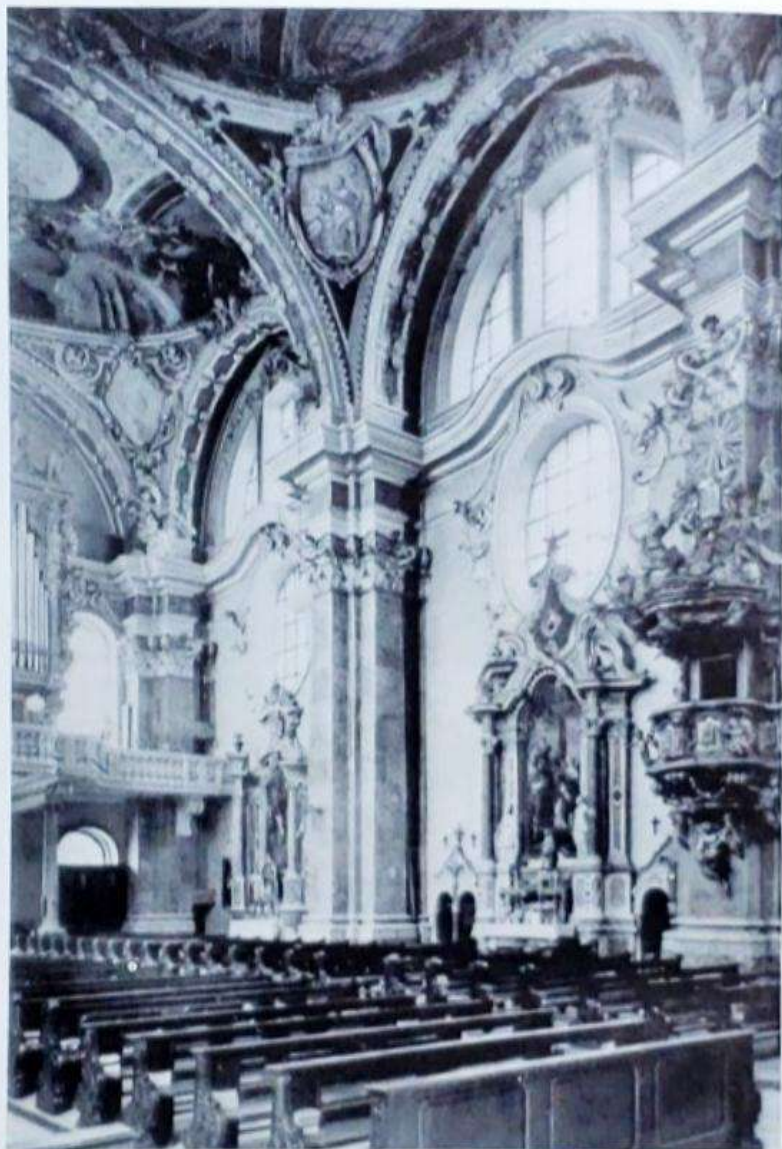




America's Youth in Concert was greatly honored to receive a special invitation from the Music Educators National Conference to represent the United States at the 1976 International Society of Music Educators Conference in Montreux, Switzerland. The high point of the program presented by the L Choir was movements from Anton Bruckner's "Mass in E minor," which was accompanied by a special wind orchestra selected from the Concert Band. Their musical precision and artistic subtlety provided an exciting and inspiring climax to the Conference's week long festivities.



Innsbruck



Austria's Past

Austria as it is today is a new nation; she became a sovereign state in 1955. About the size of the state of Maine, Austria is the remnant of an empire that once stretched from Naples to the North Sea, from Hungary to Portugal and across the Atlantic to include the Spanish possessions in the Americas. The Hapsburg family ruled this empire from 1275 until 1918.

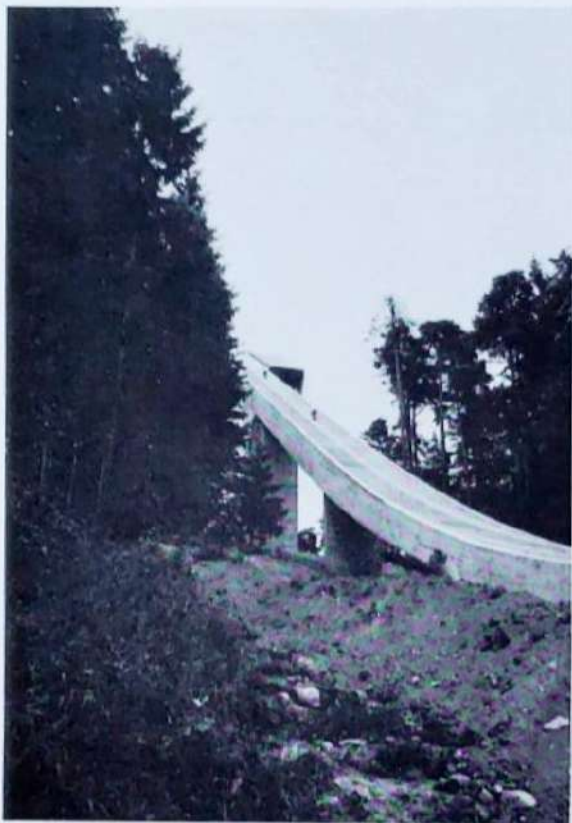
One cannot think of Austria without thinking of music. Many of the world's greatest composers were born here. Vienna was said to be the musical capital of the world. It was the home of Beethoven, Schubert, Brahms, Strauss and many others. From other parts of Austria came Josef and Michael Haydn and Mozart.

Austria gave us the waltz and "The Sound of Music." The beautiful Austrian Alps, the quaint villages, friendly people and excellent food always provide a quiet stopover away from the large European metropolitan areas.



The Old City became the point of focus for performances and sightseeing: St. Jakob's Cathedral, which was filled to capacity for the L Unit's concert, the shops and restaurants, the balcony from which Maria Theresa addressed her subjects in the mid 1700's. The little balconies on the houses up in the mountains where the students stayed were representative of the true Austrian ambiance.





Innsbruck was the location for the 1976 Winter Olympics in February, a guided tour of which provided a spectacular view of the city. Three of our hardier students began a mountain climbing trek at 4 o'clock one morning, proving their talents in the field of athletics as well as music.





At Innsbruck the R Unit and the L Unit came together for the first time since Rider College. The R Unit performed at the pavillion in the center of the Hofgarten, garden of the palace, over 250 years old. Dinner for 900 people at one time at the Weinerwald was a high point of the tour: music, dancing and half a chicken for everyone. Our bus drivers (Below) surely enjoyed themselves!



Venice

The romantic reputation of Venice is expressed in the canal travel (gondola for fun, motor launch for really getting around) and the beautiful buildings around St. Mark's Square. For hundreds of years Venetians have walked the same pathways and plied the same waterways. Marco Polo grew up here and from here sailed forth to discover the Orient for the western world.





Sightseeing, shopping and concertizing in regal St. Mark's Square created memories for one and all. Visiting the glass blowing factories, thinking of home with every piece of glass bought, and, of course, the pigeons were not soon to be forgotten.

St. Mark's Basilica, in its Byzantine splendor, rivals anything in Constantinople. The colossal bronze horses which prance just above the central arch of the Basilica date from the third century B. C.



In Venice the Choirs and the Orchestra performed in the beautiful Basilica dei Frari. On the walk to the Basilica, the students discovered that Venice is not all canals.



Florence



Home of some of the greatest treasures of art, Florence, with its many museums, churches and villas, is a mecca for art lovers from all over the world. The pre-eminent city of Italy during the Renaissance, Florence brought forth masters like Michelangelo, Dante, Leonardo da Vinci, Boccaccio and Petrarch.



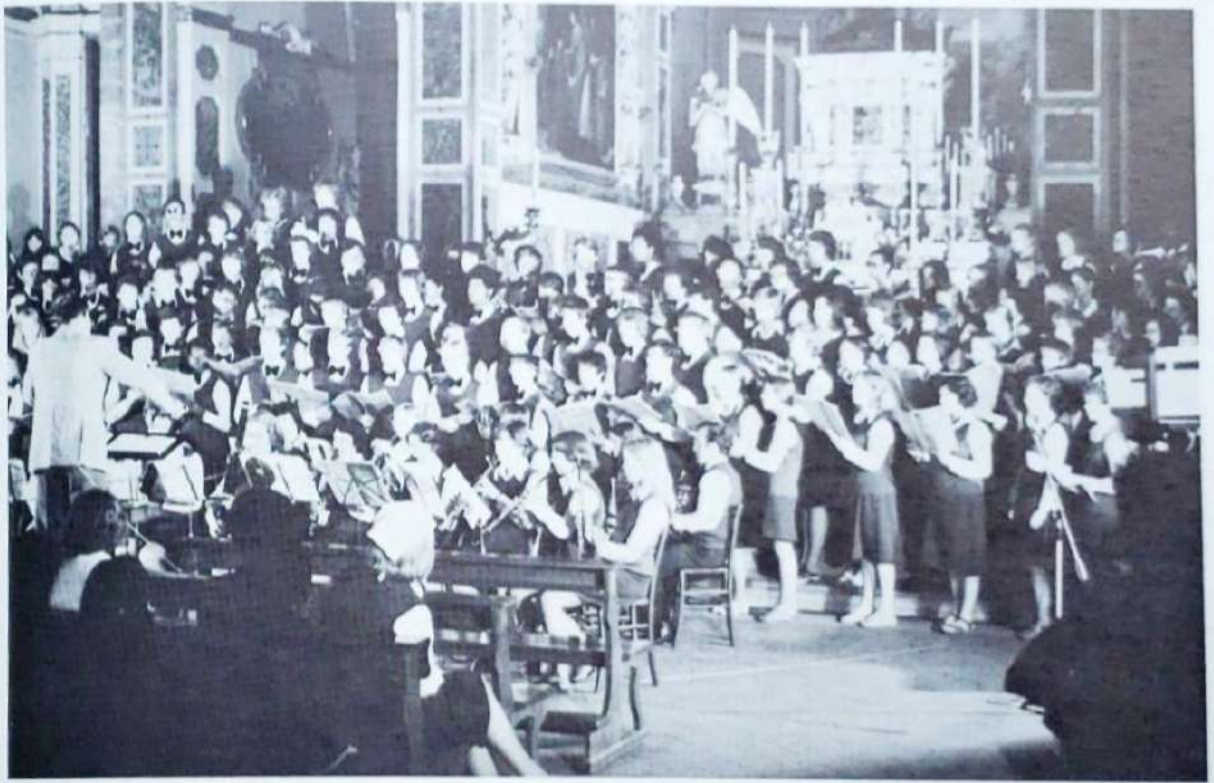
The Piazza el Duomo was where many students began their survey of the staggering riches of Florence. Here are found the magnificent Santa Maria del Fiore with its white, green and red marble exterior; the Campanile, Giotto's 14th century bell tower, and the Baptistry of San Giovanni. Close by are the Medici Chapel with Michelangelo sculpture and the Uffizi Gallery containing paintings by Botticelli, Raphael, Titian and countless other great artists.



The Ponte Vecchio, oldest bridge in Florence, last rebuilt in 1345, is lined with small, elegant jewelry shops that sell exquisitely wrought gold and silver.



Florence is justly famed for its bargains: the fine silks and linens in the stalls of the Piazza San Lorenzo and the Straw Market, and the Leather School and shops where students bought gifts for family and friends back home.



The L Unit's performance in the Chiesa di Ognissanti was taped for broadcast on Italian National Television.

The Ghiberti doors of the Baptistery of San Giovanni with matchless 15th century bronze sculpture representing Old Testament stories is one of Florence's most impressive scenes.

Rome



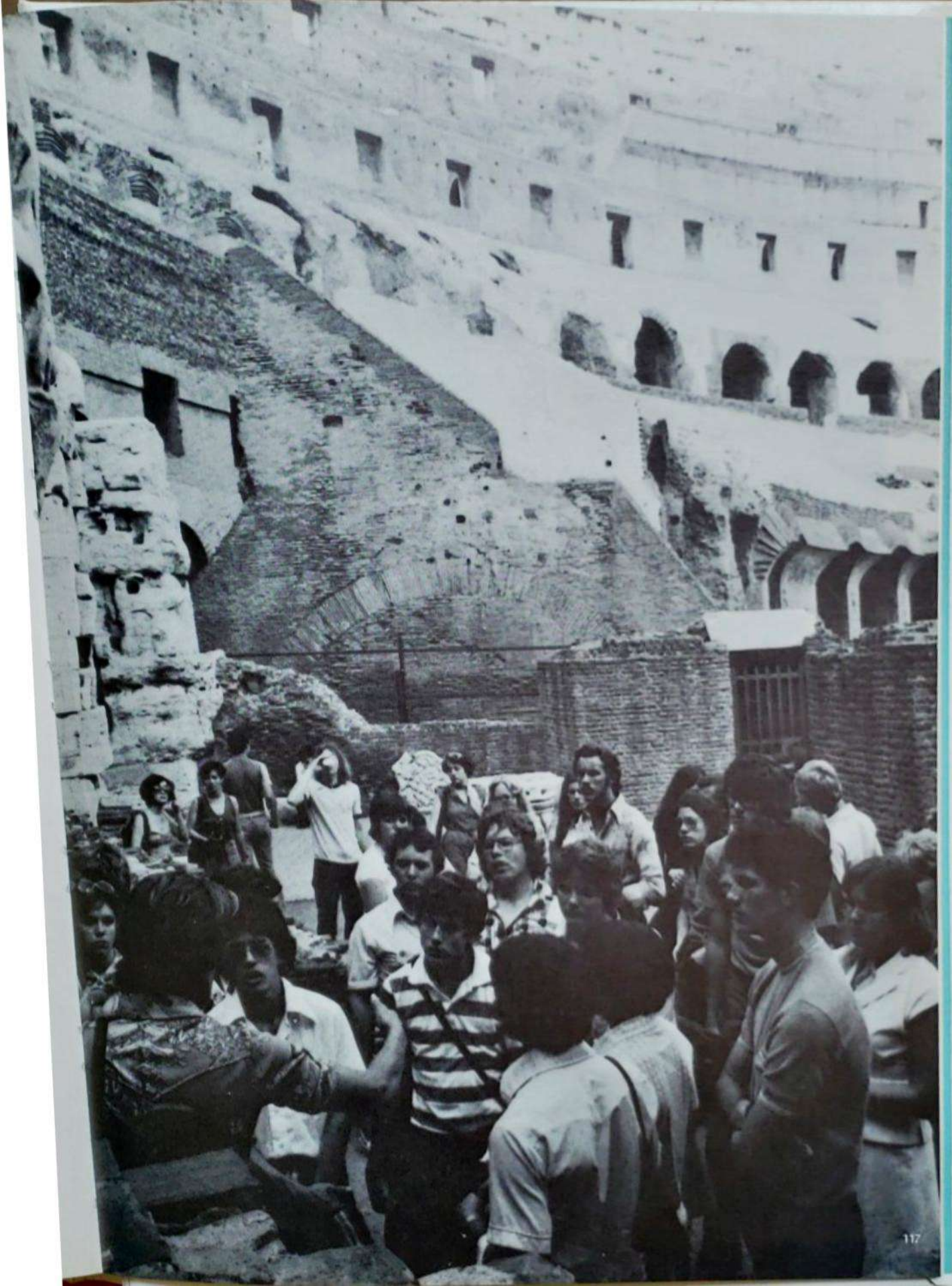
Italy's Past

Western civilization had its beginnings in this boot-shaped country of southern Europe. From the beautiful Alps in the north to the sunny beaches in the south, Italy is packed with the greatness of yesterday: the ancient Roman ruins; the art masterpieces in Rome, Florence and Venice; the Venician canals; the Vatican, spiritual home for the world's 800 million Catholics. Here the Renaissance flourished—advances in art, music and law during that period have left their marks on us today.

Many overlapping cultures are in evidence in Italy. Tourists from all points of the globe come to absorb the combination of Latin, European, American and Eastern atmospheres.

Italy could be called the birthplace of Western music. The most important influence in the development of Western music was the early Christian church, which was centered in Rome.

The first opera was written and performed in Italy in 1660 and today the world's most famous opera houses are in Italy. Since Italians place such emphasis on the senses and bear such a passionate love for color, emotion and splendor, it is easy to see why opera flourished here. Bellini, Donizetti, Leoncavelo, Rossini, Verdi and Puccini are as popular here as Rogers and Hammerstein in America. The high regard Italians have for their musicians is exemplified in their 1,000 lire note, which bears Verdi's portrait.



Performances in Rome were held in two beautiful cathedrals, San Lorenzo and St. Paul's, and in the round in the Pantheon, completed in 27 B.C. as a temple to all the ancient Roman Gods. The outdoor band concerts, pictured on page 5, were on the Spanish Steps, gathering place for artists, writers and composers for centuries.





From the top of St. Peter's Basilica, last monumental work of Michelangelo and containing his inspiring Pieta, the view is spectacular of the square designed by Bernini, and beyond to the city of Rome. The adjacent Vatican City, home of Catholicism, includes the Sistine Chapel and renowned museums.



All visitors to the Eternal City toss a coin in the green waters of Trevi Fountain to guarantee their return to Rome.

The outdoor cafe-lounge, landscaped terraces, palms and balconies (remember the laundry!) are fun memories of the Villa Radieuse, our exotic home in Rome.



The End Drew Near

Remember...wheels touching down on American soil!...the joyous meaning of home, family and country...your opportunity to give...and gratitude for all that Europe gave us.

You came from all over America and your talents, your smiles, your enthusiasm and zest for life came with you. Yet more important than that, you brought yourselves and shared that with the world. That is the greatest talent.

In 1976 you added an impressive musical dimension in your performances to make Universal Academy For Music's "America's Youth in Concert" a symbol of American strength and goodness to thousands of European people. For that accomplishment you can take pride. We salute you as the greatest of America's youth and as the source of her strength in the future.



Far Away Friends

By Beverly Hitchcock

We've been together for so many days
And we've loved each other in so many ways;
We've talked of our troubles and walked
hand in hand,
Being with people from far away lands.

CHORUS

We are friends always,
We are friends to stay,
Even though we all live far away.
We are friends forever,
We are friends till never,
Even though we all live oh, so far away.

Walking the streets of far away places
With all kinds of people and all different faces,
We've talked with laughter
And we've talked with cries,
Telling our stories without any lies.

CHORUS: We are friends always...

So now that it's over
We'll all pick a clover
And wish that we'll all meet again someday;
So now that it's ended
We've all had our fun,
All filled with pride to've accomplished what's done.

CHORUS: We are friends always...



Beverly Hitchcock

FAR AWAY FRIENDS was written and set to music by Beverly Hitchcock in London while on tour with the R Unit of America's Youth in Concert. In August, Beverly left her Pennsylvania home to spend a year in New Zealand on a Rotary Club student exchange program.

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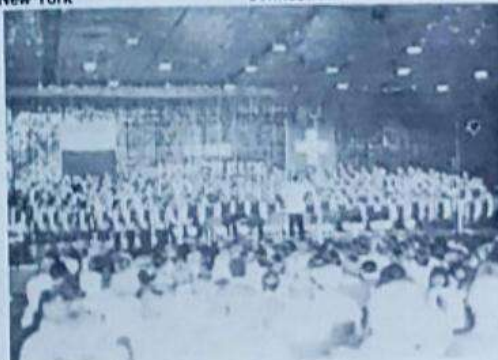
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