

2. Hephaestus of Centre Hall

For SATB Solo Quartet, Violin, Violoncello, String Bass, Percussion and Piano

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In Greece they call the blacksmith god Hephaestus;
In Rome they call him Vulcan, crippled god
of motion, volcanos, and machines.

Maker of Hermes's winged helmet,
Achille's shield, Athena's sword,
thunder bolts for Zeus to throw,
thrones to seat the gods, Apollo's
chariot, gliding above like the sun.

In Centre Hall, a welder on the ridge
made a whistle for our fire hall,
thawed frozen pipes with his torch.

Made his darling Shirley a darling car
to drive Brush Valley Road to grandma's farm.
Domer Ishler commissioned a kiddie train;
the rest was Vern's: air planes, carnival rides.

A lost finger kept him home; but Lewis
and he worked metal for here and the war:
cement mixers, trailers, sawbucks.

From one wooden horse, he cast a carousel
herd from aluminum scraps
found with kids picking the dump –
tea pots, pie plates, sauce pans, old cups.

Forgetting horrors in the Pacific or Europe,
boys who made it home returned
to ride the bright "toys of summer"
with sweethearts on carnival nights.

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Largo maestoso $\text{♩} = 54$

Soprano *mp cresc.*
In Greece they call the

Alto *mp cresc.*
In Greece they call the

Tenor *mp cresc.*
In Greece they call the

Bass *mp cresc.*
In Greece they call the

Piano *f - sonore* *mp cresc.*

S. *f* *mp cresc. poco a poco*
black-smith god He - phaes - tus; In Rome they call him Vul - can,

A. *f* *mp cresc. poco a poco*
black-smith god He - phaes - tus; In Rome they call him Vul - can,

T. *f* *mp cresc. poco a poco*
black-smith god He - phaes - tus; In Rome they call him Vul - can,

B. *f* *mp cresc. poco a poco*
black-smith god He - phaes - tus; In Rome they call him Vul - can,

Piano *f* *mp cresc. poco a poco*

11 *f* *dim. poco a poco*

S. *f* *dim. poco a poco*
crip-pled god of mo - tion, vol - ca - nos, vol -

A. *f* *dim. poco a poco*
crip-pled god of mo - tion, vol - ca - nos, vol -

T. *f* *dim. poco a poco*
crip-pled god of mo - tion, vol - ca - nos, vol -

B. *f* *dim. poco a poco*
crip-pled god of mo - tion, vol - ca - nos, vol -

11 *f* *dim. poco a poco*

16 *allargando*

S. *allargando*
ca - nos, and ma - chines.

A. *allargando*
ca - nos, and ma - chines.

T. *allargando*
ca - nos, and ma - chines.

B. *allargando*
ca - nos, and ma - chines.

16 *allargando*

16

Larghetto "The Forge" $\text{♩} = 66$

S. *p* Mak-er of Her-mes's winged hel-met, *mp cresc.* A -

A. *p* Mak-er of Her-mes's winged hel-met, *cresc.* A - chil-le's shield,

T. 8

B. 8

20 *mf* *mp* *p* *cresc.*

S. 25 *f* joyously the-na's sword, A -

A.

T. 8 *f* dramatically thun-der bolts for Zeus to throw, *f* joyously A -

B. 8 *f* nobly thrones to seat the gods, _____

25 *f* like thunder and lightning

30 *molto allarg.*

S. *mp* *ff*
 pol - lo's char - i - ot, glid - ing a - bove like the sun.

A. *mp* *ff*
 glid - ing a - bove like the sun, the sun.

T. *mp* *ff*
 pol - lo's char - i - ot, glid - ing a - bove like the sun.

B. *mp* *ff*
 glid - ing a - bove like the sun, the sun.

molto allarg.

34 **Jaunty** ♩ = 112 *mp*

S. *mp*
 In Cen - tre Hall, a weld - er on the ridge made a whis - tle for our fire hall,

A. *mp*
 In Cen - tre Hall, a weld - er on the ridge made a whis - tle for our fire hall,

T. *mp*

B. *mp*

mp poco marcato

39

S.

A.

T. *mf*

B. *mf*

fire whistle

ff

mf

43 **Larghetto** $\text{♩} = 66$

S. *mp* *cresc.*

A. *mp* *cresc.*

T. *mp*

B.

43

mp

cresc.

con pedale

47

S. *mf* Road _____ to grand - ma's farm.

A. *mf* drive the Road to grand - ma's farm. *p* *cresc. poco a poco* Do - mer Ish - ler com -

T. *mf* to grand - ma's farm.

B. *mf* to grand - ma's farm.

47

mf *mp* *p* *cresc. poco a poco*

51

S. *mf* the rest was Vern's:

A. *mf* mis-sioned a kid - die train; _____ the rest was Vern's:

T. *mf* the rest was Vern's:

B. *mf* the rest was Vern's:

51

mf

55 *f* *molto ritardando*

S. air planes, car-ni-val rides.

A. air planes, car-ni-val rides.

T. air planes, car-ni-val rides.

B. air planes, car-ni-val rides.

55 *f* *dim.* *mf* *molto ritardando*

58 **Andante pesante** ♩ = 88 *mp*

S. but Lew-is and he worked

A. but Lew-is and he worked

T. *mp* A lost fin - ger kept him home; but Lew-is and he worked

B. *mp* A lost fin - ger kept him home;

58 *mp*

62 *poco accelerando* *mf*

S. met - al for here and the war: From

A. met - al for here and the war: From

T. 8 met - al for here and the war:

B. *mf cresc.* *f*
ce-ment mix - ers, trail - ers, saw - bucks.____

62 *poco accelerando* *cresc.* *mf*

66 **Andante con moto** ♩ = 96 *cantando* *holding back*

S. one wood-en horse, he cast a car-ou-sel herd from a - lu-mi-num scraps

A. *cantando*
one wood-en horse, he cast a car-ou-sel herd from a - lu-mi-num scraps

T. 8 *mf*
found with kids

B. *mf*
found with kids

66 *holding back*

70 *a tempo* *f* *rit.*

S. ——— sauce pans, ———

A. ——— *f* pie plates, ———

T. *mf* *3* pick - ing the dump: ——— *f* tea pots, ———

B. ——— *f* old cups.

70 *a tempo* *mf* *cresc.* *rit.* *f*

74 **Poco meno mosso** ♩ = 76

S. *p* For - get - ting hor - rors in the Pa - cif - ic or Eur - ope,

A. *p* For - get - ting hor - rors in the Pa - cif - ic or Eur - ope,

T. *p* For - get - ting hor - rors in the Pa - cif - ic or Eur - ope,

B. *p* For - get - ting hor - rors in the Pa - cif - ic or Eur - ope,

74 *p* *pesante*

79 **Andante semplice** ♩ = 100

pp molto legato

83 *p*

87 *p molto legato* *cresc.* *mf*

S. boys who made it home re - turned to ride his bright "toys of sum-mer"

A. *p molto legato* *cresc.* *mf*

boys who made it home re - turned to ride his bright "toys of sum-mer"

T. *p molto legato* *cresc.* *mf*

re - turned to ride his bright "toys of sum-mer"

B. *p molto legato* *cresc.* *mf*

his bright "toys of sum-mer"

87 *p cresc. poco a poco* *mf* *p*

92

mp *holding back* *a tempo* *p*

S. with sweet-hearts on car - ni - val nights. with *p*

A. with sweet-hearts on car - ni - val nights. with *p*

T. with sweet-hearts on car - ni - val nights. with *p*

B. with sweet-hearts on car - ni - val nights. with *p*

cresc. *mp* *mf*

holding back *a tempo*

97 **Allargando espressivo** ♩ = 84

S. sweet - hearts on car - ni - val nights.

A. sweet - hearts on car - ni - val nights.

T. sweet - hearts on car - ni - val nights.

B. sweet - hearts on car - ni - val nights.

p *sonore*