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*The Orpheus of Lowell*

Seven Choruses and a Sleepy Afterthought  
for Soprano, Flute, Clarinet, Cello & Piano

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Jack Kerouac (1922-69)

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**Energico**  $\text{♩} = 84$

**Flute**

**Bass Clarinet in B $\flat$**

**Violoncello**

**Piano**

**Soprano**

**Text:** Oh \_\_\_\_\_ Oh \_\_\_\_\_ for an in - stru- ment of le-mon peel and

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Fl.

B. Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

S. Solo

Coro 43.  
fltr.

Coro 43.

steel!

Me - xi-co Ci - ty Bop I got the huck bop

This musical score page shows measures 6 through 7 of a piece. The instrumentation includes Flute, Bassoon, Violin, Piano, and Solo Soprano. Measure 6 begins with the Flute and Bassoon playing eighth-note patterns. The Violin joins in with eighth-note patterns. The Piano has a rhythmic pattern with bass notes. The Solo Soprano enters in measure 7 with the lyrics "Me - xi-co Ci - ty Bop I got the huck bop". The piano part includes dynamic markings like *mf*, *f*, and *fltr.*. The score is in common time, and the key signature changes throughout the measures.

11

Fl.

B. Cl.

Vc. pizz.

Pno.

S. Solo

I got the floo-gle mock I got the thi-ri chi-ri-bim bit-chy bit-chy bit-chy batch batch

Fl.

B. Cl.

Vc. arco

Pno.

S. Solo

chip-pe-ly Bop      Noise      like      that      like      fall      in      off      por-ches      Of      Te -ne-ment

Fl. *mf* *mp*

B. Cl. *mf* *mp*

Vc. *f*

Pno.

S. Solo

Pe-ters-burg Russia Chi - ca-go O Yay. When you see the trum - pet kind, horn

Musical score for orchestra and piano, page 7, measure 26. The score includes parts for Flute (Fl.), Bassoon (B. Cl.), Cello (Vc.), Piano (Pno.), and Solo Singer (S. Solo). The vocal part includes lyrics: shiny in his hand, raise it in smoke among heads he be speaks he e - lu - ci-dates. The piano part features a dynamic marking of *pizz.* (pizzicato) in the first measure of the vocal line. Measure 26 consists of four measures of music, each with a different time signature: 26 (Flute), 5 (Bassoon), 5 (Cello), and 2 (Piano).

Fl.  
B. Cl.  
Vc.  
pizz.  
Pno.  
S. Solo  
shi-ny in his hand      raise it in smoke      a-mong heads      he be speaks he e - lu - ci-dates

Musical score for orchestra and piano solo, page 8. The score includes parts for Flute (Fl.), Bassoon (B. Cl.), Cello (Vc.), Piano (Pno.), and Solo Soprano (S. Solo). The piano part features a melodic line with harmonic support. The vocal part includes lyrics: "explains and drops out end of cho-rus sta-ring at the fi-nal wall where in Af - ri-ca the". Measure 30 starts with a rest followed by a dynamic **f**. The piano part has a sustained note with a fermata. The vocal part enters with the lyrics. The score concludes with a dynamic **mf**.

Fl.

B. Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

S. Solo

30

*f*

*mf*

explains and drops out end of cho-rus sta-ring at the fi-nal wall where in Af - ri-ca the

Fl.

B. Cl.

Vc. arco

Pno.

S. Solo

old men pe-tered out on their own ac-count us - ing their own Im-me-mo - rial Sal

10

A Coro 226.  
Half time  $\text{♩} = 42$

Fl.

B. Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

S. Solo

va - tion      Mind      SLIP-PI-TYBOP      There is no Way

pizz.      arco  
 $\text{ff}$        $mf$        $\bowtie$   $mp$   
 $\text{ff}$        $mf$        $\bowtie$   $mp$

**A** Coro 226.  
Half time  $\text{♩} = 42$

47

A musical score page featuring five staves. From top to bottom: Flute (Fl.), Bassoon (B. Cl.), Violoncello (Vc.), Piano (Pno.), and Soprano Solo (S. Solo). The score is numbered 47. The vocal part includes lyrics: "to lose. If there was a way, then when sun is". The piano part has a dynamic marking of  $f$ .

Fl.

B. Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

S. Solo

— to lose. If there was a way, then when sun is

52

This musical score displays five staves across five measures. The Flute (Fl.) and Bassoon (B. Cl.) play eighth-note patterns. The Cello (Vc.) provides harmonic support with sustained notes and eighth-note chords. The Piano (Pno.) has a simple harmonic foundation with eighth-note chords. The Soloist (S. Solo) sings the lyrics "shin - ing on pond" in measure 52, followed by "and I go West," "Thou," and "East," in measures 53-56. Measure 52 concludes with a fermata over the piano's eighth-note chord.

Fl.

B. Cl.

Vc.

Pno.

S. Solo

shin - ing on pond  
and I go West,  
Thou  
East,