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There's music in the air,
When the infant morn is nigh,
And faint its blush is seen
On the bright and laughing sky.

ANNOUNCER: The Eastern Trust and Banking Company presents the second in a series of weekly programs to be heard each Tuesday at this time featuring the Bangor Male Chorus.

To the music in the air.
Many a harp's ecstatic sound,
Thrill us with a joy profound,
While we list, enchanted there,
To the music in the air.

ANNOUNCER: Opportunity isn’t always opportune. It can knock on your door at the most inconvenient times, just when you’re short of the cash it takes to capitalize on the chance that’s offered you. If that happens, think of the installment loan agency of the Eastern Trust and Banking Company at 87 Central Street in Bangor. The Eastern Trust is a progressive bank, one that considers your reputation and records that primary security for any loan. This means that they minimize red tape and provide more generous terms and arrangements. They are eager to see you get ahead and the community get ahead, so don’t turn opportunity away from your door because you’re short of cash. Talk over your potential plans first with a friendly representative of the installment loan agency of the Eastern Trust and Banking Company at 87 Central Street in Bangor, or one of the branch offices in Old Town or Machias.

ANNOUNCER: [Inaudible] this evening as the Bangor Chorus sings Sieczyński's beautiful Vienna Dreams.

[Piano music begins and performers sing, but most lyrics not audible.]
ANNOUNCER: The Bangor Male Chorus is an organization that believes in keeping alive all types of music, from popular to the classics. Turning now to the music that has become an integral part of Americana, they sing the traditional Kentucky mountain song Sourwood Mountain.

[Piano music begins to play and performers sing, but most lyrics not audible.]

ANNOUNCER: Sir Arthur Sillivan, perhaps better known as the co-composer of the Gilbert and Sullivan operas, also wrote one of the most impressive choral works of our time. The Male Chorus sings this work for us now, the unforgettable Lost Chord.

[Organ music begins to play and performers sing the following lyrics.]

Seated one day at the organ, I was weary and ill at ease,
And my fingers wander'd idly over the noisy keys;
I knew not what I was playing, or what I was dreaming then,
But I struck one chord of music like the sound of a great Amen.

It flooded the crimson twilight like the close of an Angel's Psalm,
And it lay on my fever'd spirit with a touch of infinite calm.
It quieted pain and sorrow like love overcoming strife,
It seem'd the harmonious echo from our discordant life.

It link'd all perplexed meanings into one perfect peace
And trembled away into silence as if it were loth to cease;
I have sought, but I seek it vainly, that one lost chord divine,
Which came from the soul of the organ and enter'd into mine.

It may be that Death's bright Angel will speak in that chord again;
It may be that only in Heav'n I shall hear that grand Amen!

ANNOUNCER: There's nothing complex or complicated about borrowing extra money from the Eastern Trust and Banking Company when you need it. Just go down to the installment loan agency of Eastern Trust at 87 Central Street in Bangor or the branch offices in Old Town or Machias and you will find them ready and willing to help you in any way possible. You'll find that many small loans are made on character and honesty alone. Borrow the extra cash you need on your signature and repay it at your convenience in small weekly or monthly amounts. If you need a loan, do as many successful men do. Go to your bank, the Eastern Trust. Your credit is probably better than you realize. 87 Central Street is the place, or any of the out-of-town branches of the Eastern Trust and Banking Company.

[Performers begin to sing.]

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ANNOUNCER: [interspersing his lines as the singers continue and finish the song.] The Eastern Trust and Banking Company cordially invites you to listen again next Tuesday evening at 7:30 for another program by the Bangor Male Chorus. The Bangor Male Chorus is under the direction of William Cupp. The accompanist is Harold Annis. This is the Maine Broadcasting Company.

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