

Nancy Hill Cobb





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## About the composer

Nancy Hill Cobb retired in 2019 from a 44-year career as a university administrator and professor of composition and conducting. Cobb's published choral compositions have been performed throughout the United States and world-wide, including in Denmark, New Zealand, Japan, France, and Germany. Her choral/orchestral work Threnody won the honor of Special Distinction in the 1999 ASCAP Rudolph Nissim Orchestral Competition. In July 2021, her full-length musical entitled The Suffragist (book and lyrics by Cavan Hallman) premiered at the Gallagher Bluedorn Performing Arts Center in Cedar Falls, Iowa. The Suffragist highlights the dramatic stories of the last ten years of the suffrage fight in the United States (1910-1920) and the women who risked everything for the fight. Her orchestral commission, Shades and Illumination, was premiered by Orchestra Iowa in Cedar Rapids, Iowa in May 2023 as a part of their Centennial Celebration.

## The Dawn's Awake!

by Otto Leland Bohanan

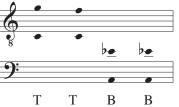
The Dawn's awake!

A flash of smoldering flame and fire Ignites the East. Then, higher, higher, O'er all the sky so gray, forlorn, The torch of gold is borne.

The Dawn's awake!
The dawn of a thousand dreams and thrills.
And music singing in the hills
A pæen of eternal spring
Voices the new awakening.

The Dawn's awake!
Whispers of pent-up harmonies,
With the mingled fragrance of the trees;
Faint snaches of half-forgotten song—
Fathers! Torn and numb,—
The boon of light we craved, awaited long,
Has come, has come!







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