

The song adapted by Ján Mináč and sang by Leslie Mináč

LE TEMPS DES FLEURS – THOSE WERE THE DAYS

*Once upon a time there was a tavern,
where we used to raise a glass or two.
Remember how we laughed away the hours,
and dreamed of all the great things we would do ...*

*Those were the days my friend,
we thought they'd never end,
we'd chase transcendental numbers forever and a day.
We'd live the life we choose,
we'd fight and never lose,
those were the days,
oh yes, those were the days.*

*La, la, la, la, la, la ... la, la, la, la, la, la ...
Those were the days,
Oh yes, those were the days.*

*Those were the days of mysterious numbers,
many factorials and algebraic groups.
We thought they'd never end,
we'd chase those numbers forever and ever.*

*Just tonight a beautiful formula seemed out of reach,
and perhaps tomorrow we shall prove it on the beach.
Many of the mysteries of transcendental numbers are still locked ...
What to do, what to do, OH what to do?!?*

*Those were the days my friend,
we thought they'd never end,
we'd chase interesting numbers forever and a day.
We'd live the life we choose,
we'd fight and never lose,
for we were young and sure to have our way.*

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*(Original song composed by Boris Fomin (1900-1948). English song lyrics by Gene Raskin. Source:
Wikipedia: http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Le_temps_des_fleurs.)*