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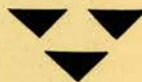
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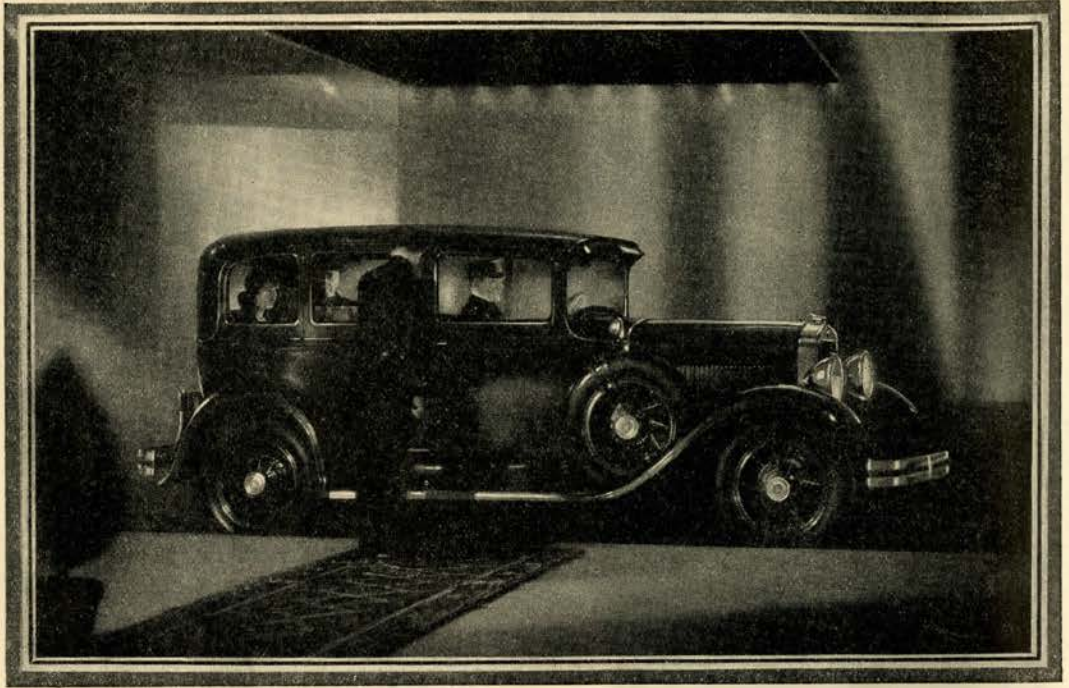
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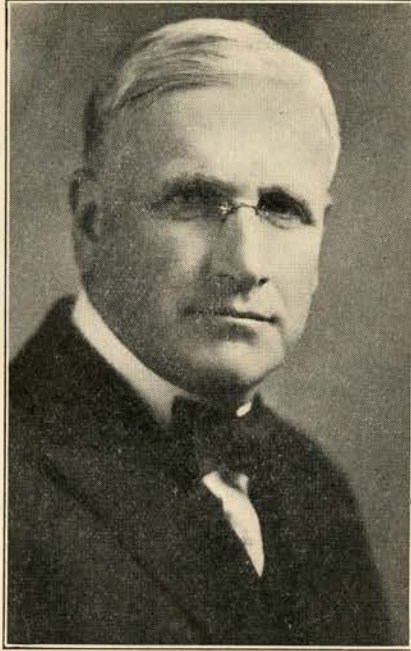
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Thursday Evening, September 12, at 8:15 sharp

Rigoletto

An Opera in Four Acts, by Giuseppe Verdi
Words by Francesco Maria Piave, in Italian

The Duke of Mantua	- - - - -	Giacomo Lauri-Volpi
Rigoletto, his jester	- - - - -	Giuseppe DeLuca
Gilda, daughter of Rigoletto	- - - - -	Queenia Mario
Sparafucile, a hired assassin	- - - - -	Leon Rothier
Maddalena, his sister	- - - - -	Eva Atkinson
Giovanna, Gilda's maid	- - - - -	Edna Smith
Count Monterone, A Noble of Dukedom of Mantua	- - - - -	Louis D'Angelo
Marullo, a cavalier	- - - - -	Millo Picco
Borsa, a domestic of the Duke's	- - - - -	Ludovico Oliviero
Count Ceprano, a Noble of Dukedom of Mantua	- - - - -	Austin W. Sperry
The Countess Ceprano	- - - - -	Lola Perdue
A Page	- - - - -	Maudelene Smith

Incidental Dance by Serge Oukrainsky Corps de Ballet
Conductor - - - - - Gaetano Merola
Chorus Master - - - - - Antonio Dell'Orefice
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Mantua and Vicinity, Sixteenth Century

- Act I Ballroom in the Duke's Palace.
Act II Outside of Rigoletto's Home.
Act III A Hall in the Duke's Palace.
Act IV Sparafucile's Inn at a lonely spot.

Founded on Victor Hugo's play "Le Rois' Amuse" (The King's Jester). The tale of the jester whose own daughter was ensnared by the master from whose affairs he derived such wicked pleasure. Planning the Duke's death as revenge he unwittingly brought about his daughter's death instead.

Highlights in the Music

- Act I The Duke: "Questa o quella" (Mid the fair throng; this one or that one, to me 'tis the same).
Rigoletto: Coarsely ridicules Monterone in the flippant "Ch'io le parli" (I will speak to him).
- Act II Rigoletto: Famous monologue, "Monologo—"Pari siamo—" (We are equal) referring to the equal deadliness of his poisonous tongue and Sparafucile's dagger.
Rigoletto and Gilda: Duet, "Deh non parlare al misero" (Recall not the past).
Duke and Gilda: Duet, "E il sol dell' anima" (Love is the sun).
Gilda: The lovely aria "Caro Nome" (Dearest Name).
- Act III Courtiers tormenting Rigoletto: "Povero Rigoletto" (Poor Rigoletto!).
Rigoletto: In one of the most remarkable scenes in any opera, "Cortigiani, vil razza dannata" (Vile Race of Courtiers).
Gilda to Rigoletto: "Tutte le feste al tempio" (On every festal morning).
Rigoletto, comforting Gilda: "Piangi fanciulla" (Weep, my child).
- Act IV Gilda learns Mantua's falseness through his song, "La Donna e mobile" (Woman is fickle).
Duke, Maddalena, Gilda, Rigoletto: "Bella figlia dell' amore" (Fairest daughter of the graces), the great Rigoletto Quartet.
Rigoletto and Gilda: "Lassu in Cielo" (In Heaven Above).

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Nemorino, peasant, in love with Adina	- - - - -	Tito Schipa
Belcore, Sergeant of village garrison	- - - - -	Millo Picco
Doctor Dulcamara, a quack doctor	- - - - -	Pompilio Malatesta
Giannetta, a peasant girl	- - - - -	Bianca Bruni
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Act I	The homestead of Adina's farm.
Act II	The same.
Act III	Scene 1 The Inn.
	Scene 2 As Act I.

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Act I	Whispering Chorus of peasant women. Nemorino, enraptured with Adina: "Quanto e Bella" (Ah, how lovely!).
Act II	Dulcamara, explaining his potion, "Udite, udite, o rustici" (Give ear now, ye rustic ones). Nemorino to Dulcamara: "Obbligato" (Thank you kindly). Adina to Nemorino: "Esalti pur la barbara" (Though now the exulting cruel one).
Act III	Scene 1 Dulcamara and Adina: "Io son ricco" (I have riches). Scene 2 Adina and Dulcamara: "Quanto amore" (What love). Nemorino: "Una furtiva lagrima" (A furtive tear). (One of Schipa's most popular arias.) Adina: "Prendi, per me sei libero" (Take it, through me you're free again).

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Azucena, wandering Biscayan gypsy	- - - - -	Kathryn Meisle
Inez, attendant of Leonora	- - - - -	Hilda Romain
Manrico, young chieftan under the Prince of Biscay, of mysterious birth, and in reality brother of Count di Luna	- - -	Giacomo Lauri-Volpi
Count di Luna, powerful noble of Prince of Aragon	- - -	Giuseppe Danise
Ferrando, Captain of the Guard, under di Luna	- - - -	Leon Rothier
Ruiz, a soldier in Manrico's service	- - - - -	Ludovico Oliviero
A Gypsy	- - - - -	Evaristo Alibertini
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Act I	Scene 1	Vestibule in Aliaferia Palace.
	Scene 2	Garden of the Palace.
Act II	Scene 1	Gypsy Camp in Biscay Mountains.
	Scene 2	A Convent Cloister.
Act III	Scene 1	Encampment of di Luna's soldiers.
	Scene 2	Room in Manrico's Castle.
Act IV	Scene 1	Outside of Aliaferia Palace.
	Scene 2	Prison Cell of Manrico.

The gypsy, to avenge her mother's execution, kidnaps as a baby di Luna's brother, whom she rears as Manrico. Later Manrico elopes with Leonora who is loved also by di Luna. Manrico, returning to rescue Azucena from burning, is captured and condemned to the axe. Leonora offers herself to di Luna as ransom for Manrico, but takes poison before di Luna can claim her. Thwarted, he proceeds with execution of Manrico. Azucena takes grisly pleasure in telling di Luna he has killed his long sought brother.

Highlights in the Music

Act I	Scene 1	Ferrando: "Abbietta zingara" (Swarthy and threatening).
	Scene 2	Leonora: "Tacea la notte placida" (Peaceful was the night).
Act II	Scene 1	"La Zingarella", the famous Anvil Chorus. Azucena: "Stride la vampa" (Fierce flames are soaring). Manrico: "Mal reggendo all'aspro assalto" (At my mercy lay the foe).
	Scene 2	Di Luna: "Il balen del suo sorriso" (Tempest of the heart).
Act III	Scene 2	Manrico and Leonora: "Ah, si ben mio" (The vows we fondly plighted). Manrico: "Di quella pira" (Tremble ye tyrants).
Act IV	Scene 1	Leonora: "D'amor sull' ali rosee" (Love, fly on rosy pinions). Manrico and Leonora: "Miserere" (I have sighed to rest me). Leonora to di Luna: "Mira d'acerbe lagrime" (Oh let my tears implore thee).
	Scene 2	Manrico and Azucena: "Ai nostri monti" (Home to our mountains).



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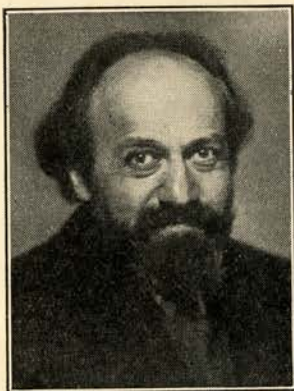
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An Opera in Three Acts, by Gioacchino Rossini
Words by F. Sterbini, in Italian

The Count Almaviva	- - - - -	Tito Schipa
Doctor Bartolo	- - - - -	Pompilio Malatesta
Rosina, his ward	- - - - -	Nina Morgana
Figaro, the Barber of Seville	- - - - -	Giuseppe DeLuca
Don Basilio, music master	- - - - -	Leon Rothier
Berta, Rosina's governess	- - - - -	Lenore Ivey
Fiorello, servant to the Count	- - - - -	Austin W. Sperry
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- Act I A street in Seville, early morning.
Act II A room in Doctor Bartolo's house.
Act III The same.

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Highlights in the Music

- Act I Almaviva: Serenade "Ecco ridente" (Dawn with her rosy mantle).
Figaro: In the gay "Largo al factotum" (Room for the Factotum).
Almaviva: "Il mio nome?" (My name?).
- Act II Rosina: Celebrated coloratura aria "Una voce poco fa" (A little voice I hear).
Basilio: "La Calunnia" (Slander's Whisper).
Rosina and Figaro: "Dunque io son" (What! I?).
Bartolo: "Manca un foglio" (Here's a leaf missing).
Almaviva, Bartolo, Figaro, Rosina: Famous quartet "Guarda Don Bartolo" (Look at Don Bartolo).
- Act III Almaviva and Bartolo: "Pace e gioia" (Heaven send you peace and joy).
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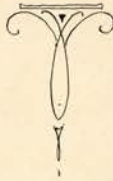
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La Vecchia, Zita's cousin	- - - - -	Eva Atkinson
Rinuccio, Zita's nephew	- - - - -	Gennaro Barra
Gherardo, Buoso's nephew	- - - - -	Ludovico Oliviero
Nella, his wife	- - - - -	Anna Young
Gherardino, their son	- - - - -	Hildegarde Ott
Betto, cousin to Buoso	- - - - -	Millo Picco
Simone, cousin to Buoso	- - - - -	Louis D'Angelo
Marco, his son	- - - - -	Eugenio Sandrini
La Ciesca, Marco's wife	- - - - -	Lenore Ivey
Spinelloccio, physician	- - - - -	Pompilio Malatesta
Ser Amantio de Nicolao, notary	- - - - -	Andre Ferrier
Pinellino, a shoemaker	- - - - -	Evaristo Alibertini
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Conductor	- - - - -	Gaetano Merola
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Pagliacci

An Opera in Two Acts
Words and Music by Ruggero Leoncavallo, in Italian

Canio	- - - - -	Giacomo Lauri-Volpi
Nedda, Canio's wife	- - - - -	Nina Morgana
Tonio, the clown	- - - - -	Giuseppe DeLuca
Beppe	- - - - -	Ludovico Oliviero
Silvio	- - - - -	Millo Picco
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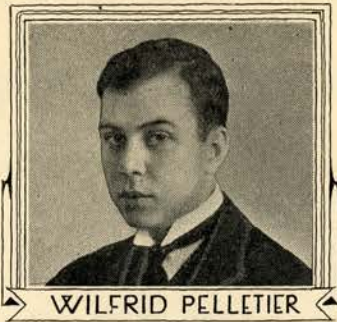
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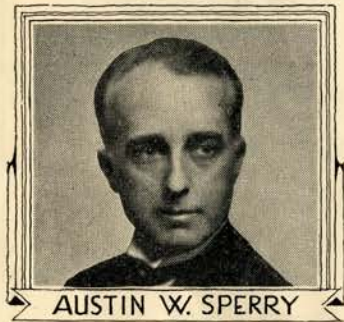
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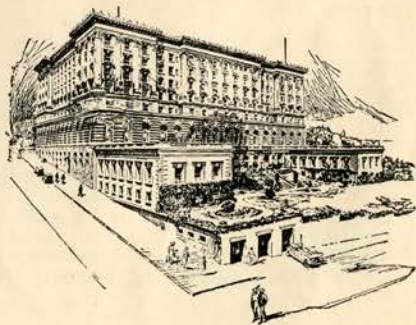
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Martha

An Opera in Three Acts (Five Scenes), by Friedrich von Flotow

Words by St. George and Friedrich, in Italian

Lady Harriet, Maid of Honor to Queen Anne	- - - -	Queena Mario
Nancy, her friend	- - - -	Lenore Ivey
Plunkett, a wealthy farmer	- - - -	Giuseppe DeLuca
Lionel, his foster-brother, afterwards Earl of Derby	- - - -	Tito Schipa
Sir Tristan, Lady Harriet's cousin	- - - -	Pompilio Malatesta
The Sheriff of Richmond	- - - -	Louis D'Angelo
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Act I	Scene 1	Boudoir of Lady Harriet.
	Scene 2	The Fair at Richmond.
Act II		Room in Plunkett's Farmhouse.
Act III	Scene 1	Hunting Park in Richmond Forest.
	Scene 2	Same as Act I, Scene 2.

Lady Harriet and her friend Nancy in a lark hire themselves out as maids to two farmers and find themselves bound to serve. Through his ring it is discovered that Lionel, one of the farmers, is of noble birth. This makes possible his marriage with Lady Harriet, whom he loves.

Highlights in the Music

Overture.

Act I Scene 1 Lady Harriet and Nancy: "Mesta ognor" (Ah, these tears).
Scene 2 Lionel and Plunkett: "Solo, profugo" (Lost, proscribed).

Act II Lionel, Plunkett, Lady Harriet and Nancy:
1st quartet: "Siam Giunti, O Giovinette" (This is your future dwelling).
2nd quartet: "Che vuol dir cio" (Surprised and astounded).
3rd quartet: "Presto, presto" (Spinning Wheel Quartet).
Lady Harriet: "Last Rose of Summer."
4th quartet: "Quartetto notturno" (Good night).

Act III Scene 1 Plunkett: "Canzone del Porter" (Porter Song).
Lionel: "M'appari" (Like a dream).
Scene 2 Plunkett: "Il mio Lionel perira" (Soon will my Lionel die).



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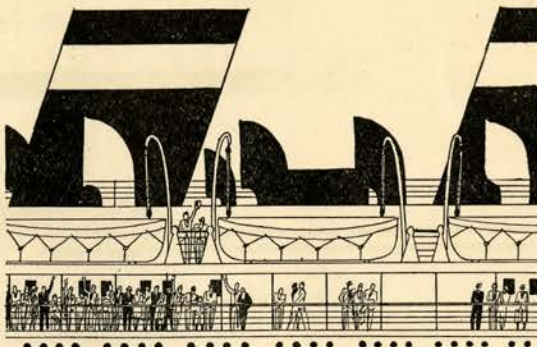
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Aida

An Opera in Four Acts (Seven Scenes), by Giuseppe Verdi
Words by Antonio Ghislanzoni, in Italian

Aida, an Ethiopian Slave	- - - - -	Elisabeth Rethberg
The King of Egypt	- - - - -	Eugenio Sandrini
Amneris, his daughter	- - - - -	Kathryn Meisle
Radames, Captain of the Guard	- - - - -	Giacomo Lauri-Volpi
Ramfis, High Priest	- - - - -	Leon Rothier
Amonasro, King of Ethiopia and Aida's father	- - - - -	Giuseppe Danise
A Messenger	- - - - -	Ludovico Oliviero
A Priestess	- - - - -	Valeria Post

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In Memphis and Thebes in the time of the Pharaoh's Power.

Act I	Scene 1	Hall in King's Palace at Memphis.
	Scene 2	Temple of Isis.
Act II	Scene 1	A Hall in Amneris' Apartment.
	Scene 2	The Gate of Thebes.
Act III		Shores of Nile, near Temple of Isis.
Act IV	Scene 1	Outside the Judgment Hall.
	Scene 2	Above—in Temple of Vulcan. Below—Vault beneath the Temple.

Amneris, daughter of the King of Egypt loves Radames, who loves her slave Aida, an Ethiopian Princess. For Aida, Radames turns traitor to Egypt. Condemned to burial alive, he finds Aida waiting in his tomb, and together they die.

Highlights in the Music

Prelude of delicate beauty.

Act I	Scene 1	Radames: "Celeste Aida" (Heavenly Aida). Aida: "Ritorna vincitor" (Return victorious).
	Scene 2	Ramfis and Radames: "Nume, custode e vindice" (God, Guardian and Avenger).
Act II	Scene 1	Aida and Amneris: 1st duet, "Fu la sorte dell'armi" (Neath chances of battle); 2nd duet, "Alla pompa, che s'appreste" (In the Pageant now preparing).
	Scene 2	Grand Triumphal March. Amonasro: "Quest'assisa ch'io vesto" (This dress has told you).
Act III		Aida: "O patria mia" (My native land). Aida and Radames: "Fuggiam gli ardori" (Fly with me).
Act IV	Scene 1	Amneris and Radames: "Gia i sacerdote" (The Priests assemble). Amneris: "Ohime! Morir mi sento!" (Ah me, Death approaches).
	Scene 2	Radames: "La Fatal Pietra" (The Fatal Stone). Radames and Aida: "O terra addio" (Farewell, O Earth).

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Don Pasquale

Comic Opera in Three Acts

Words and Music by Gaetano Donizetti, in Italian

Don Pasquale, an old bachelor - - - - - Pompilio Malatesta
Doctor Malatesta, his friend, a physician - - - - - Giuseppe DeLuca
Ernesto, nephew of Don Pasquale - - - - - Tito Schipa
Norina, beloved of Ernesto - - - - - Nina Morgana
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Rome, the beginning of the Nineteenth Century.

Act I Scene 1 A room in Don Pasquale's house.
Scene 2 Garden of Norina's house.

Act II Hall in Don Pasquale's house.

Act III Scene 1 Same as Act II.
Scene 2 A Garden.

When Ernesto refuses to marry his uncle's choice, the latter decides to punish him by disinheriting him and himself marrying. Ernesto's sweetheart enters a plot to win the uncle, who has never seen her. A mock marriage consummated with the uncle, Norina proceeds to show herself such an accomplished shrew that the uncle is delighted when he learns that she is not really his wife, and is so glad to be rid of her that he sanctions a marriage between her and Ernesto.

Highlights in the Music

A jolly Overture.

Act I Scene 1 Malatesta: "Son nov'ore" ('Tis nine o'clock).
Pasquale: "Un fece insolite" (A fire all unfelt).
Ernesto: "Sogno soave e caste" (Fond dream of love).
Scene 2 Norina: "So anch'io la virtu magica" (Thy virtues know).
Norina: "Pronta io son" (My part I'll play).
Norina and Malatesta: "Vado Corro" (Haste we).

Act II Pasquale: "Son Tradito!" (I am ruined).

Act III Scene 1 Pasquale: "Signorina in tanta fretta" (Why this haste?).
Pasquale: "Aspetta, aspetta, cara esposina" (Wait, wait, dear little wife).
Scene 2 Ernesto: In the exquisite serenade, "Com e' gentil" (Soft beams the light).
Ernesto and Norina: "Tornami a dir" (Tell me again).
Norina: "La morale in tutto questo" (Thus the moral).



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Words by Barbier and Carre, in French

Faust	- - - - -	Giacomo Lauri-Volpi
Mephistopheles	- - - - -	Leon Rothier
Marguerite	- - - - -	Elisabeth Rethberg
Valentin, her soldier brother	- - - - -	Giuseppe Danise
Wagner, Valentin's friend	- - - - -	Eugenio Sandrini
Siebel, who loves Marguerite	- - - - -	Suzanne Torres
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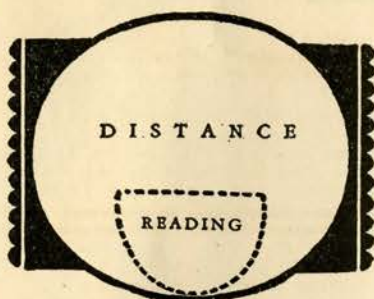
Action takes place in Germany.

Act I	Scene 1	Faust's studio.
	Scene 2	Public square.
Act II		Marguerite's garden.
Act III		Outside of Marguerite's house.
Act IV		The Prison.

Faust the philosopher sells his soul to Mephistopheles in return for his lost youth. Guided by Mephistopheles, he meets Marguerite, who is also brought under the evil spell. When Faust's love for her wanes, Marguerite is driven to madness. Salvation comes to her through death, but Faust remains in the clutches of the evil spirit.

Highlights in the Music

Act I	Scene 1	Faust: "Mais ce Dieu, que peut-il pour moi" (But this God, what will he do for me?). Faust and Mephistopheles: "A moi les plaisirs" (The pleasures of youth). Faust: "O merveille" (O Heavenly Vision).
	Scene 2	Kermesse Scene. Valentin: "Dio Possente" (Even Bravest Heart). Mephistopheles: "Le Veau d'Or" (The Calf of Gold). The Waltz.
Act II		Siebel: The Flower-song, "Le parlate d'amor" (In the language of love). Faust: "Salut demeure" (All hail, thou dwelling). Marguerite: "Air des bijoux" (Jewel Song). Marguerite and Faust: "Eh quoi toujours seule?" (But why so lonely?). Mephistopheles: "Invocation" (Oh Night, draw thy curtain). Marguerite and Faust: "Tardi si fa" (The hour is late). Marguerite and Faust: "Eternelle" (Forever Thine).
Act III		Soldiers' Chorus. Mephistopheles: "Catherine que j'adore" (Catarina).
Act IV		Faust: "Mon coeur est penetre d'epouvante" (My heart is torn with grief). Marguerite: "Attends! Voici la rue" (This is the Fair). Mephistopheles: "Alerte" (Then leave her). Marguerite: "Anges Pures" (Holy Angels).



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Manon: "Adieu notre petite table" (Farewell, our little table).
Des Grieux: "La Reve" (The Dream).
Act III Manon: "Obeissons quand leur" (Hear the voice of youth).
Des Grieux: "Ah! fuyez, douce image!—Dispar, vision" (Depart, Fair Vision!).
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