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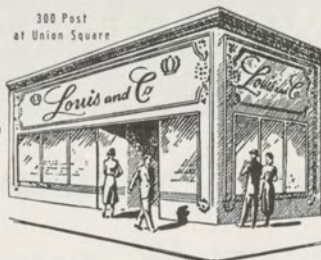


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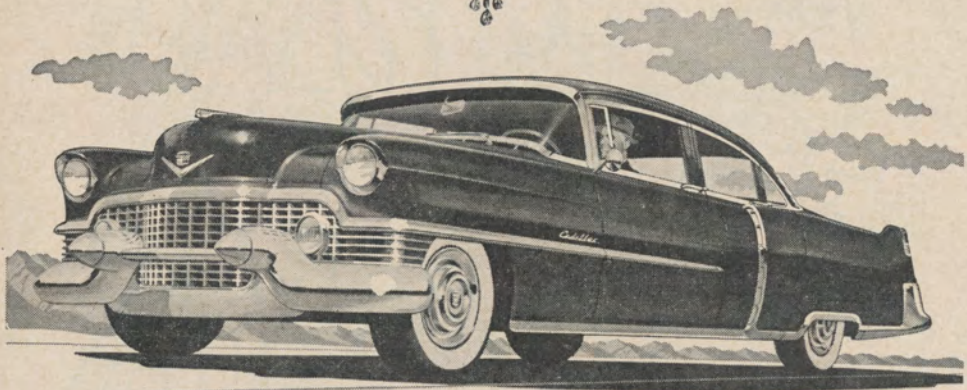
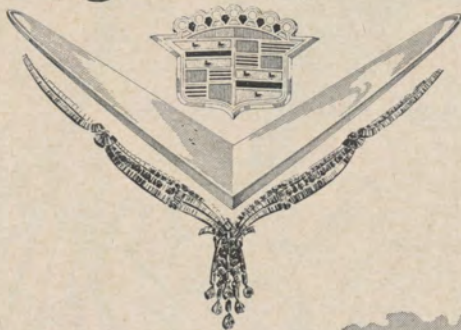
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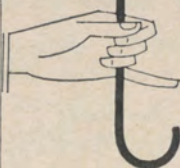
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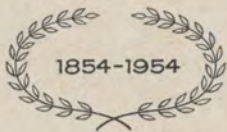
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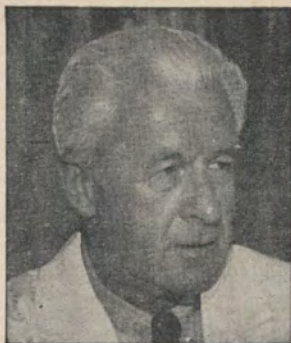
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- FIDELIO (*Beethoven*) *Tuesday Night, October 19, 8:30 p.m.*
 With Mmes. Borkh, Warenskjold; Messrs. Turrini, Hotter, Alvary, Welitsch, Curzi, Millar, Enns
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SUNDAY MATINEE SERIES

- LA BOHEME (*Puccini*) *Sunday Afternoon, September 19, at 2:00*
 With Mmes. Carteri, Duval; Messrs. Peerce, Guarrera, Moscona, Cehanovsky, Baccaloni, Assandri,
 Harvey, Lorenzini
 MUELLER, *Conductor* HAGER, *Stage Director*
- RIGOLETTO (*Verdi*) *Sunday Afternoon, September 26, at 2:00*
 With Mmes. Robin, Nadell, E. Warren, Roehr, Currier; Messrs. L. Warren, Sullivan, Ligeti,
 Palangi, De Paolis, Cehanovsky, Harvey
 KRITZ, *Conductor* PICCINATO, *Stage Director*
- MANON (*Massenet*) *Sunday Afternoon, October 3, at 2:00*
 With Mmes. Carteri, Casselle, E. Warren, Nadell, Pappas; Messrs. Prandelli, Herbert, Moscona,
 De Paolis, Cehanovsky, Harvey
 MONTEUX, *Conductor* PICCINATO, *Stage Director*
- THE FLYING DUTCHMAN (*Wagner*) *Sunday Afternoon, October 10, at 2:00*
 With Mmes. Borkh, E. Warren; Messrs. Hotter, Sullivan, Alvary, Curzi
 SZENKAR, *Conductor* HAGER, *Stage Director*
- THE MARRIAGE OF FIGARO (*Mozart*) *Sunday Afternoon, October 17, at 2:00*
 With Mmes. Albanese, Carteri, Warenskjold, E. Warren, Casselle, Ring, Roehr; Messrs. Siepi,
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THE CAST

Rigoletto, jester to the Duke.....	ROBERT WEEDE
Gilda, his daughter.....	MADO ROBIN
Duke of Mantua.....	GIACINTO PRANDELLI
Sparafucile	NICOLA MOSCONA
Maddalena, his sister.....	ROSALIND NADELL
Count Monterone.....	CARL PALANGI
Count Ceprano.....	COLIN HARVEY
Countess Ceprano	RUTH ROEHR
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Act II: A Street Outside Rigoletto's House.
Act III: Hall in the Duke's Palace.
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The Story of "Rigoletto"

ACT I—The court of the Duke of Mantua is a place of debauchery. Rigoletto, a hunchback jester, whose biting wit has made him many enemies among the courtiers, panders to the Duke's depravity. The jester has a daughter, Gilda. But knowing so intimately the follies of his time he has kept her in a far quarter of the city to conceal her existence from his profligate associates. The Duke, however, has seen her several times in church and, disguised as a student, has won her love. The curtain rises on a fete in the palace of the Duke who tells his confidant, Borsa, of the unknown beauty. But charms at hand are not to be overlooked and he courts the Countess Ceprano under the very eyes of her husband. Marullo has discovered Rigoletto's secret but believes Gilda to be his mistress. He plans with the courtiers for her abduction to avenge themselves on the jester. Monterone, who has lost his wife and daughter to the Duke, comes to the fete and pronounces a father's curse on Rigoletto and his master much to the terror of the hunchback.

ACT II—Rigoletto hurriedly steals to the house where Gilda is kept secluded. He meets Sparafucile, a professional killer, and promises to bear him in mind should he wish to make away with any enemies. Entering the courtyard of his home, Rigoletto embraces Gilda tenderly and, remembering the curse, commands her never to leave the house. As they talk, the Duke, in student's guise, slips into the yard through connivance with Gilda's maid. The Duke and Gilda are exchanging vows following the departure of Rigoletto, when they hear approaching voices and the Duke hurries away. Rigoletto meets the party of courtiers who have come to carry out their plan for the abduction of Gilda. To mislead him they ask his aid in abducting the Countess Ceprano. Rigoletto submits to blindfolding and holds the ladder, down which they carry Gilda. Left alone he removes the blindfold and realizes that he has been duped.

ACT III—The Duke, having returned to the hunchback's home to find his bird flown, is now back at the palace disconsolate. Informed that Rigoletto's "mistress" has been captured and is in the next room he hastens to her side. Rigoletto enters and, despite pitiable jocular attempts at concealment, breaks down and heartbrokenly admits the abducted girl to be his daughter. The door opens and Gilda rushes into his arms as he vows vengeance on the Duke.

ACT IV—To prove the Duke's falseness to Gilda, who still loves him, Rigoletto takes her to Sparafucile's inn where she hears her lover with Maddalena, the inn-keeper's sister. Heartbroken, she goes away with her father to prepare for flight from the city. Rigoletto returns and bargains with Sparafucile for the murder of the Duke. Gilda, beaten back to the inn for shelter from a storm which has arisen, hears Sparafucile promise Maddalena to spare the Duke's life if another person comes to the inn who might be murdered in his stead. Gilda enters, is killed and her body, in a sack, is delivered to Rigoletto.

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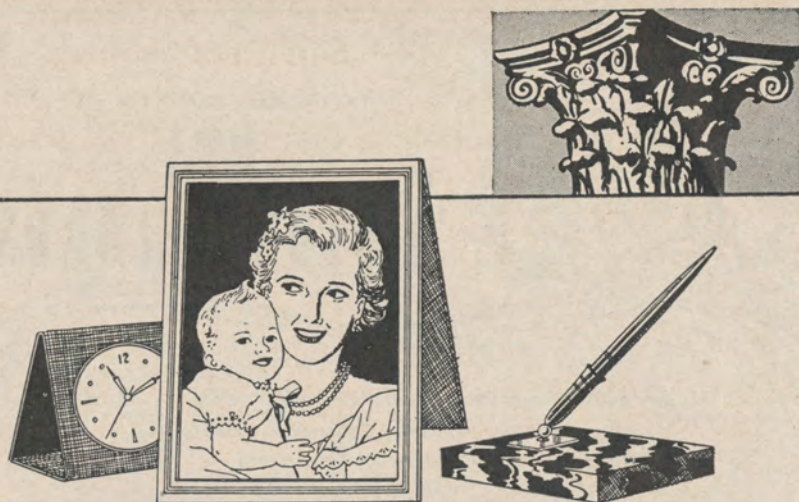
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 With Mmes. Borkh, Turner, Nadell, E. Scott; Messrs. Kullman, Welitsch, Sullivan, Ligeti, Curzi,
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 SZENKAR, Conductor HAGER, Stage Director
- TURANDOT (*Puccini*) *Thursday Night*, October 14, at 8:30
 With Mmes. Borkh, Warenskjold; Messrs. Turrini, Moscona, De Paolis, Guarrera, Assandri,
 Curzi, Palangi, Bruce
 CLEVA, Conductor PICCINATO, Stage Director
- IL TABARRO (*Puccini*) *Thursday Night*, October 21, at 8:00
 With Mmes. Martinis, Turner, Currier, Ring; Messrs. Sullivan, Weede, Moscona, Assandri,
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 CURIEL, Conductor PICCINATO, Stage Director
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- TOSCA (*Puccini*) *Wednesday Night*, October 20, at 8:30
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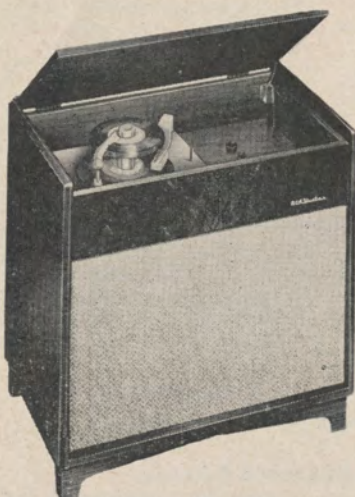


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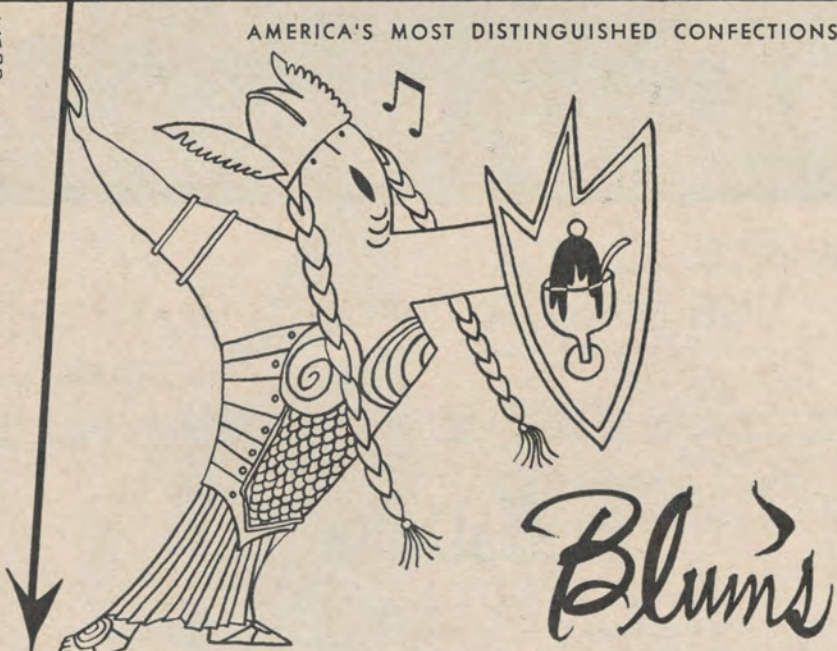
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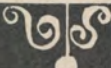
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(FINAL CURTAIN APPROXIMATELY 3:45)

Rigoletto

(In Italian)

Opera in four acts by Giuseppe Verdi.

Text by Francesco Maria Piave, founded on Victor Hugo's drama
"Le Roi s'Amuse."

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Rigoletto, jester to the Duke.....	ROBERT WEEDE
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Duke of Mantua.....	GIACINTO PRANDELLI
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Act I: Ballroom in the Duke's Palace.
Act II: A Street Outside Rigoletto's House.
Act III: Hall in the Duke's Palace.
Act IV: A Desolate Inn—Sparafucile's Home.

Encores not permitted—No one will be seated during the performance

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