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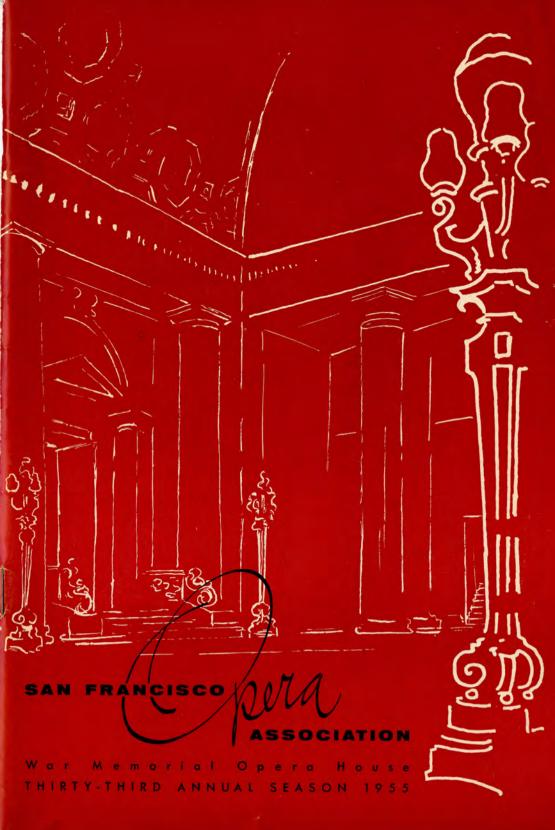
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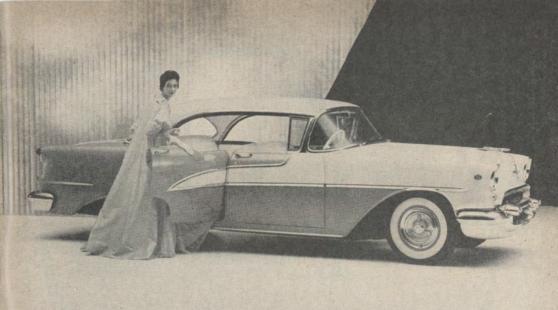
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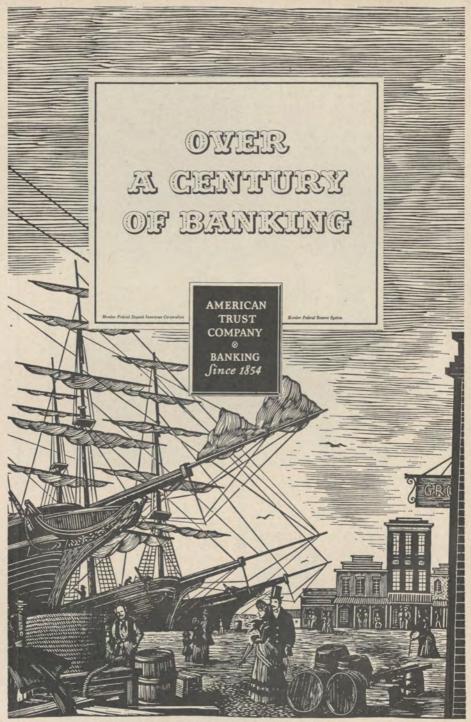




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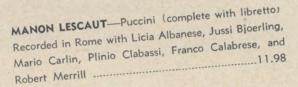
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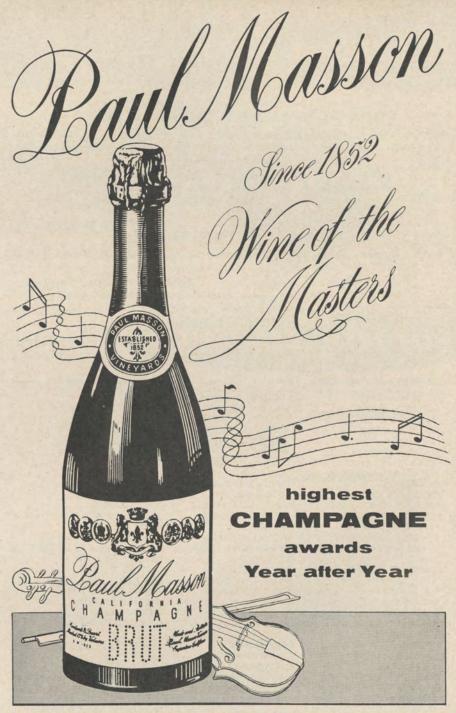
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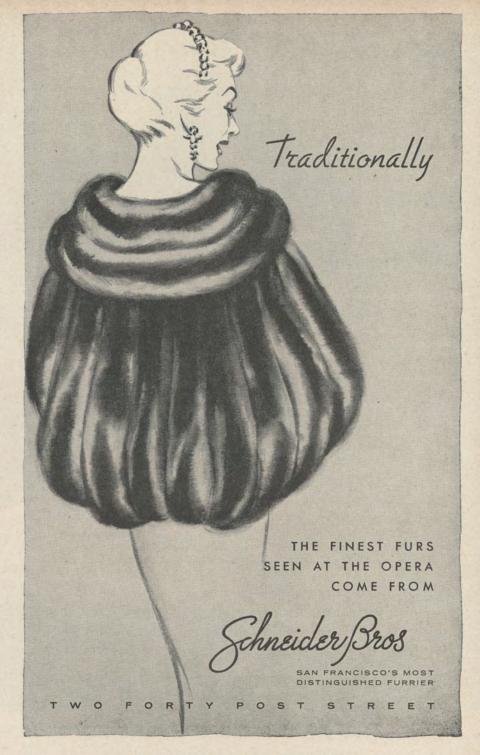
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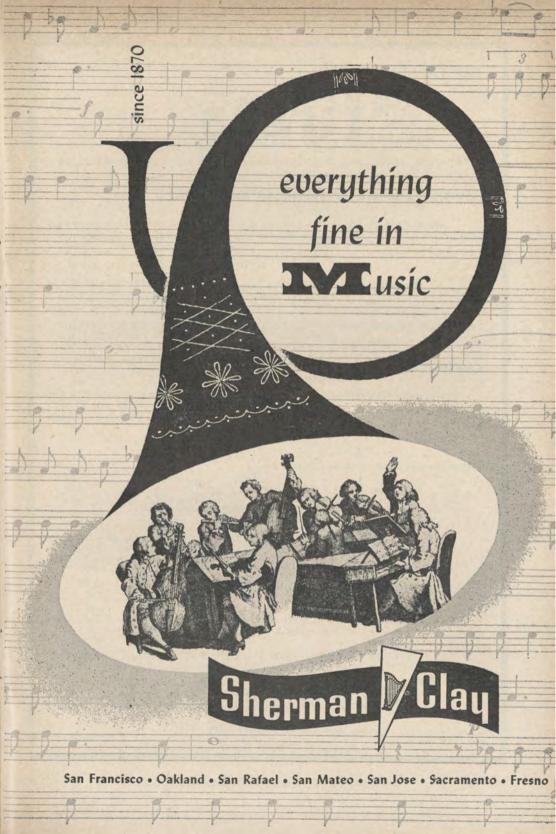
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Act II—Silvio, attending the comedy, is warned by Nedda before she takes her place on stage. There the distracted Canio, stumbling through his lines, again demands the name of Nedda's lover. When she refuses, attempting to put him off lightly as in the play, he seizes a knife and stabs her. Silvio, in an effort to save her, is also slain by Canio who then closes the play and opera with "The comedy is ended."



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Text by Christopher Hassall after Geoffrey Chaucer

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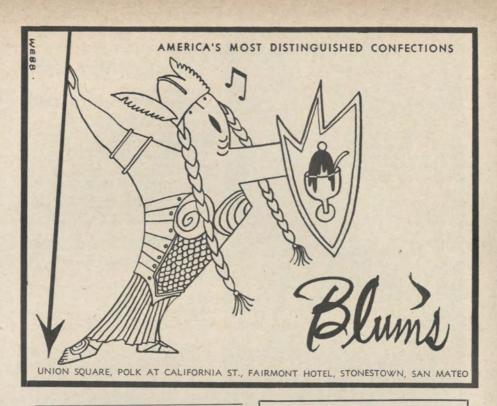
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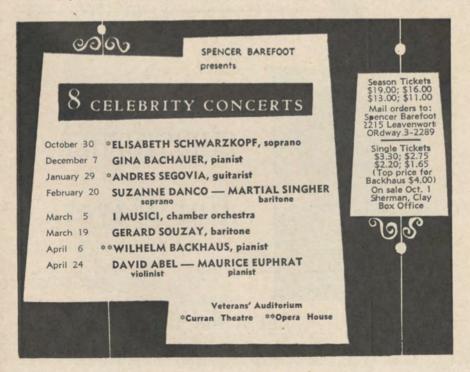
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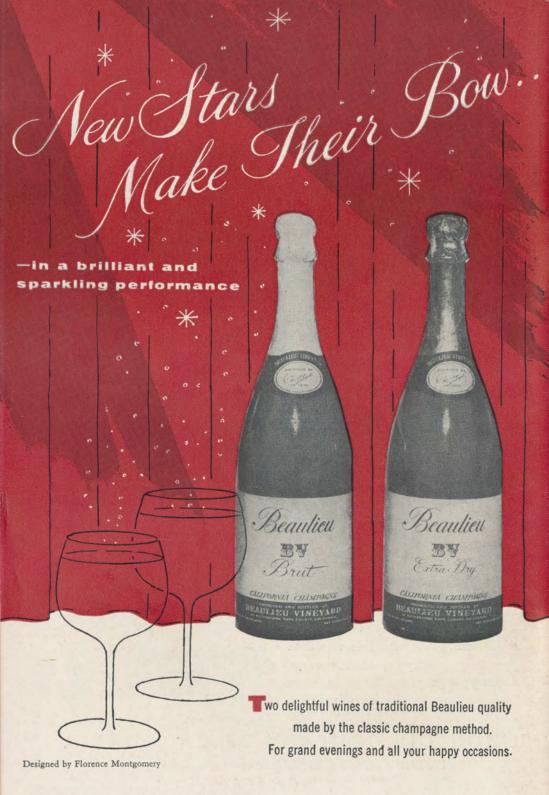
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