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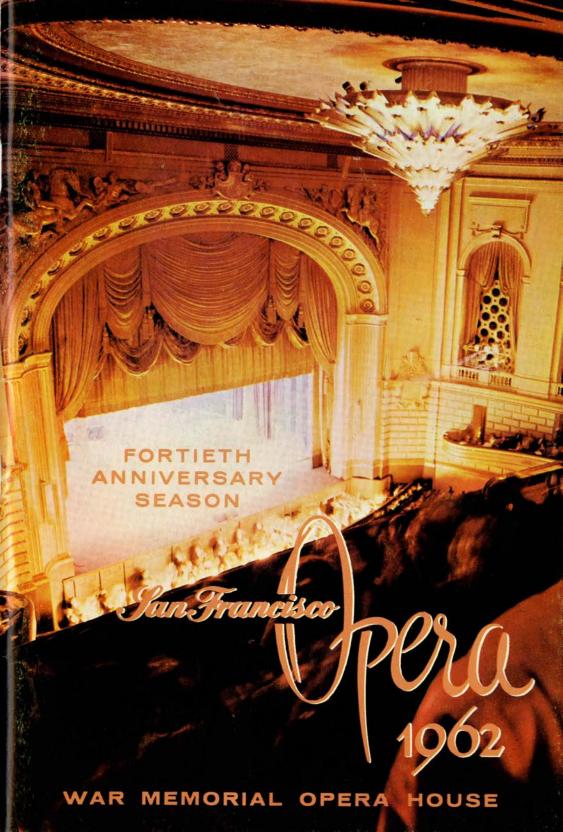
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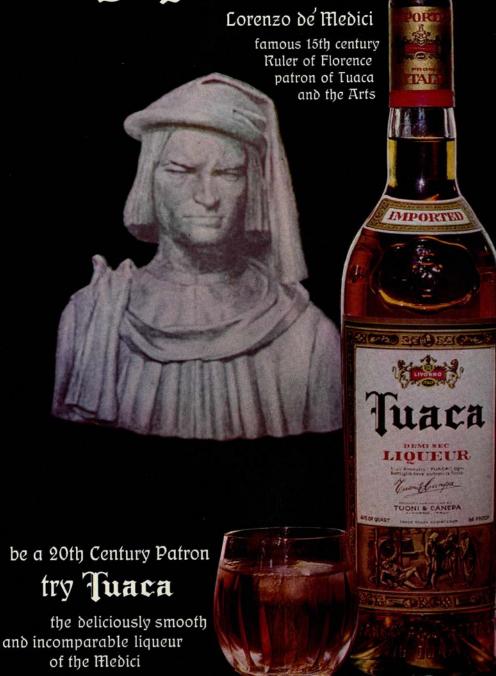
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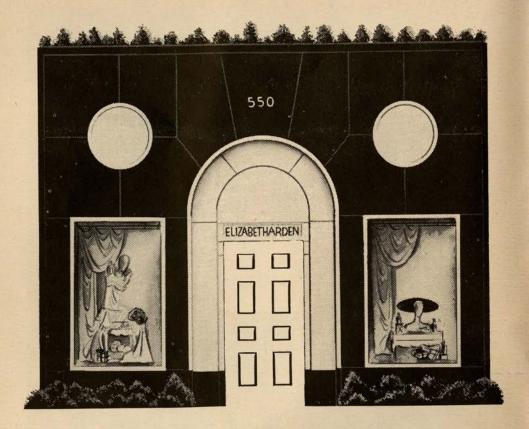
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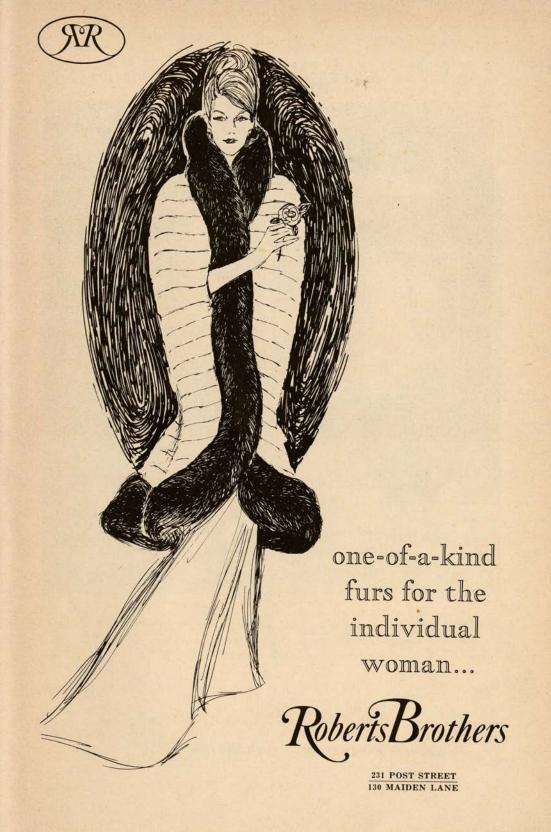
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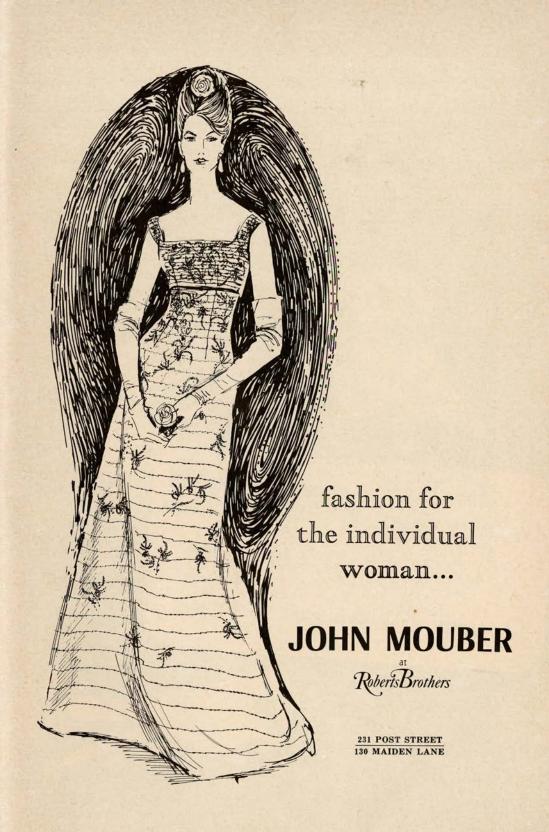
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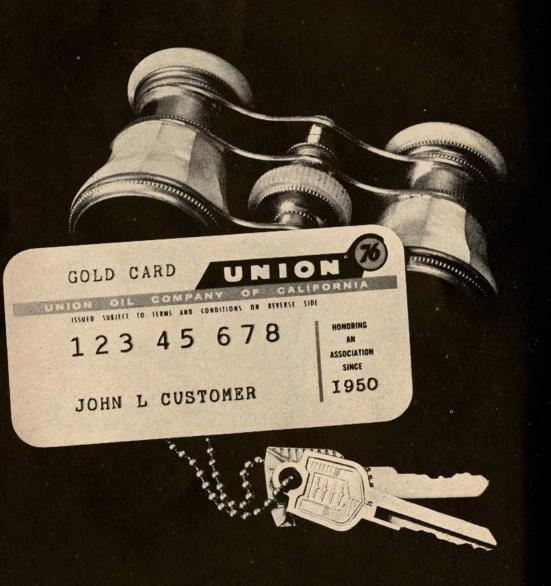
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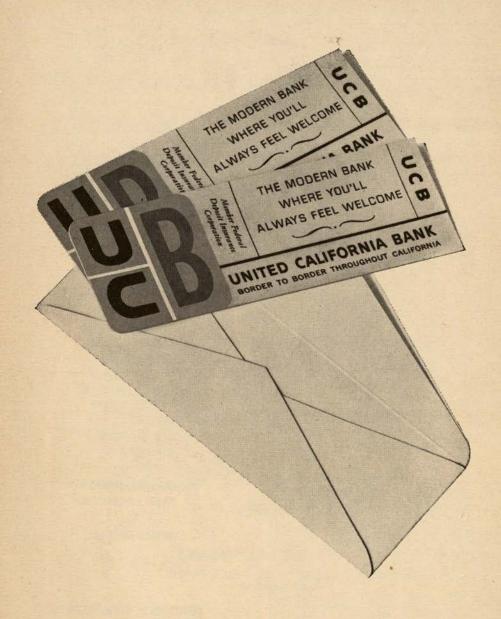
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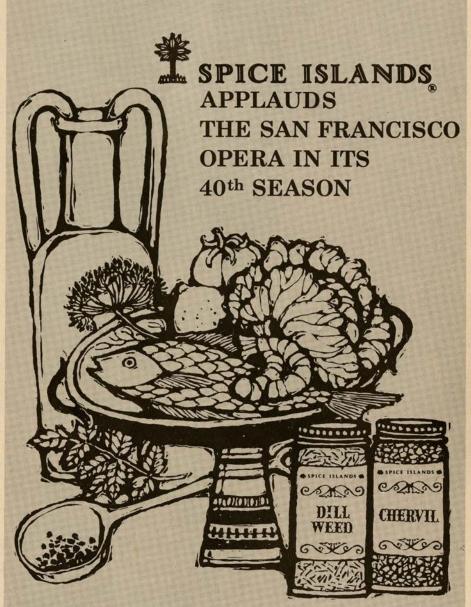
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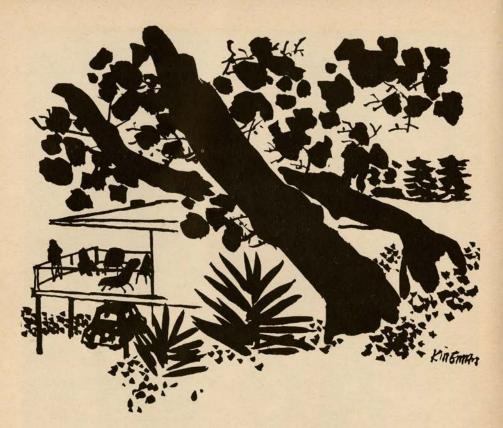


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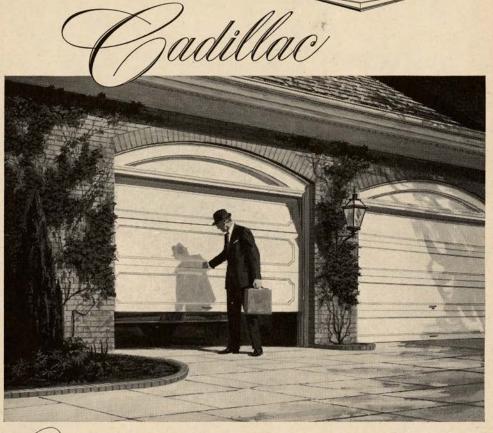
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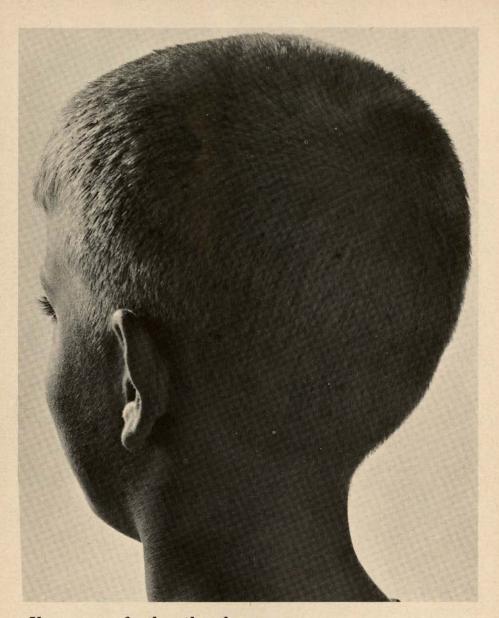
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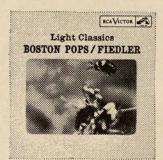
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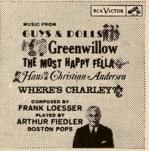




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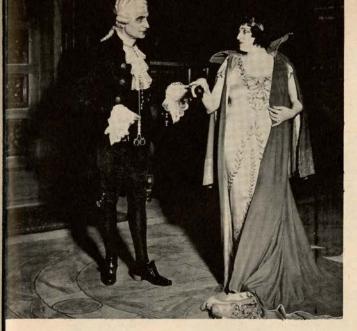
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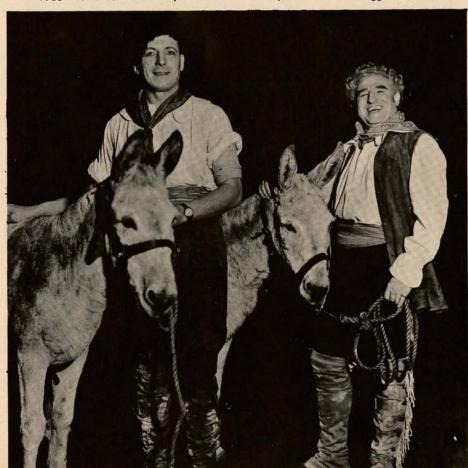
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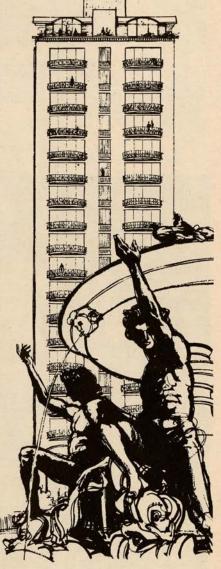


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Elisabeth of Valois, Philip's	second wife	*CONSUELO RUBIO
Philip II, king of Spain		GIORGIO TOZZI
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ACT I, Scene 1—Charles V, Emperor of the Holy Roman Empire, has abdicated and now enters the Orders at San Yuste, divesting himself of the symbols of wordly power. His grandson, Don Carlo, son of the reigning monarch, Philip II of Spain, loves Elisabeth of Valois, who was once betrothed to him but who was forced to marry Philip for purely political reasons. Only to Rodrigo, Marquis di Posa, does Carlo reveal his guilt-ridden love. Carlo and Rodrigo wish to render justice and liberty to the people of Flanders, and so swear allegiance to this cause.

ACT I, Scene 2—In order to forget Elisabeth, Carlo intends to leave Madrid and the court. His father, suspicious of his son, charges Rodrigo to watch over the queen and become his secret councillor. Rodrigo accepts, believing that close to the king he might advance the cause of the Flemish people. The king, however, warns him of the grand inquisitor, even more powerful than the king, who would crush any rebellion against authority.

ACT II, Scene 1—At midnight Eboli, in love with the infante, meets him in the royal park. Carlo had expected Elisabeth, as he had received a note which he believed to have been written by her. When Carlo unwittingly reveals his love for Elisabeth, Eboli swears eternal revenge. Only the appearance of Rodrigo saves Eboli from the murderous rage of Carlo. The two friends re-affirm their friendship and allegiance.

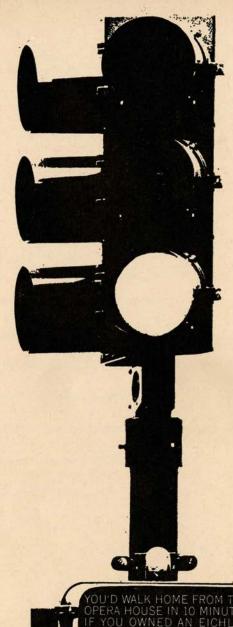
ACT II, Scene 2—In a bold attempt to attain his political ambition to free Flanders, Don Carlo steps before his father as Philip and the court are about to witness the solemn rites of an Auto-da-fé. Carlo leads the ambassadors from Flanders, pleading their cause. As Philip orders them out of his way, Carlo in defiance of the king draws his sword—a capital offense. To Carlo's horror it is Rodrigo who disarms him. The Auto-da-fé proceeds.

ACT III—Philip must decide the fate of his son. Eboli, now the king's mistress, has betrayed the infante's passion for Elisabeth, and the law decrees that Carlo's rebellious action must be punished by death. Philip's fatherly instincts rebel against such action, but the grand inquisitor decides for him: everything must be sacrificed to authority. He also demands the life of Rodrigo who, with the infante, he knows to be a threat to the same authority. Philip bows to this decision. Confronting Elisabeth with his knowledge he accuses her of adultery. Eboli, coming to aid the queen, breaks down and confesses that she had been the one to furnish the king with false proof of Elisabeth's infidelity, and furthermore that she herself was guilty of adultery with the king. She is exiled. Discovering that Carlo is to die, she decides to make a desperate effort to save him.

ACT IV, Scene 1—Rodrigo visits Carlo in his royal prison, coming to say farewell to the infante. A shot is heard and Rodrigo falls, mortally wounded. Dying, he urges Carlo to remain faithful to the cause of liberty. Philip enters the prison and gives Carlo his freedom. In the meantime an uprising of the people has begun, and the mob storms the prison demanding the liberation of the infante. Only the appearance of the grand inquisitor crushes the incipient revolt.

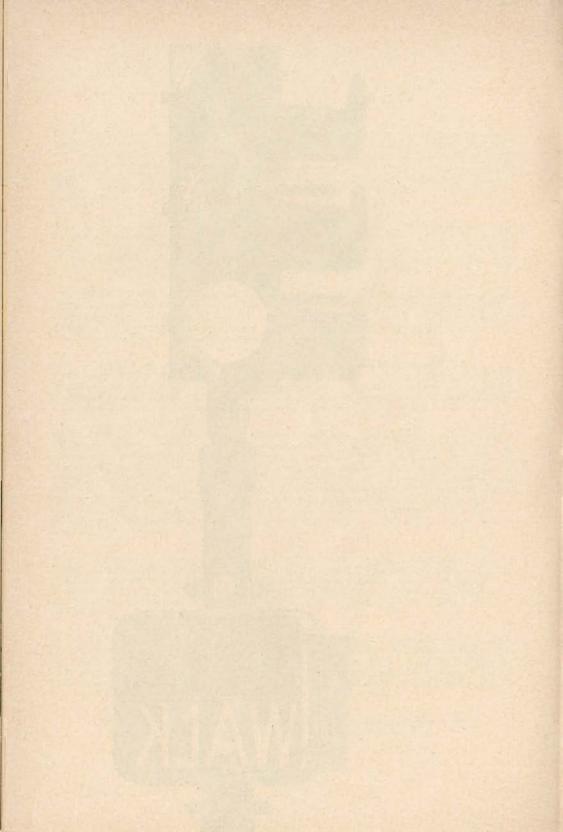
ACT IV, Scene 2—At the monastery of San Yuste Elisabeth and Carlo meet for the last time. He has decided to join the Flemish people. At the moment of their final farewell Philip and the grand inquisitor surprise the pair, and the guards are ordered to arrest the infante. As Carlo defends himself, Charles V, who has donned the imperial vestments, appears followed by the monks. He has come to save his grandson. The wounded infante is carried off as Philip and the court are paralyzed by the sudden appearance of the Emperor.

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Choreographer: LEW CHRISTENSEN

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TIME AND PLACE: About 1820; Sevilla, Spain

Act I: On the outskirts of Sevilla

Act II: A tavern near Sevilla

Act III: The smugglers' stronghold in the mountains

Act IV: Outside the bull-ring

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Act II: Carmen, Frasquita, and Mercedes entertain the customers in a tavern, amongst them Zuniga. Escamillo, a victorious matador, arrives with his retinue. Everyone toasts him while he describes his latest victory. He notices Carmen but, after expecting that she will succumb to his charms, he is gently put off, he leaves, followed by everyone else. Dancairo and Remendado emerge — the tavern camouflaging the operations of a smugglers' band. The two have plans for new expeditions, with which Frasquita and Mercedes agree. Carmen, waiting for Jose, wishes to stay. She is urged to try to make him join the band. Just released from jail, Jose enters and once more succumbs to Carmen's fascinations. Zuniga returns and finds Jose. Both men draw weapons but Zuniga is disarmed by the smugglers. In disgrace, Jose joins their band.

Act III: The smugglers bring their contraband to their mountain fortress. The gypsy girls read their fortunes in the cards — Carmen's destiny is an early death. The band leaves, with Jose remaining behind as a guard. Micaela arrives at the fortress in a last attempt to win Jose away from the smugglers. Escamillo has also penetrated the stronghold. Upon finding that Escamillo is his rival for Carmen's love, Jose challenges him. Escamillo is saved only by the return of Carmen. Micaela is discovered and pleads with Jose. Jose, after nearly killing Carmen in a fit of jealousy, leaves with Micaela.

Act IV: The cuadrillas arrive at the bull ring. Escamillo, who escorts Carmen, is acclaimed by the crowd as he enters the arena. Carmen has been warned that Jose is waiting for her. She waits for him as she wants to settle matters between them. Jose pleads with her to return to him, but the fanfare from the arena reminds her of Escamillo. She tries to pass Jose to enter the ring. In his rage Jose kills Carmen and collapses over her body.

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....LA BOHEME (Puccini)

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Horne, Martin; Evans, Lewis, Sullivan, Langdon, Manton, Fried, Tipton, Christopher, Robb, Budzinski, Gomez Production: HAGER Conductor: LUDWIG Designers: BAUER-ECSY, MASON ..DON CARLO (Verdi) Designer: NOMIKOS .....FAUST (Gounod) Production: CAPOBIANCO Choreographer: CHRISTENSEN ......FAUST (Gounod) Production: CAPOBIANCO Designers: GALLAGHER, LONGARINI Choreographer: CHRISTENSEN .....LA BOHEME (Puccini) Designer: JENKINS .....IL TROVATORE (Verdi) Staged by: YANNOPOULOS Choreographer: CHRISTENSEN Saturday Night, October 6, at 8:30.

Ross, Simionato, Cole; McCracken, Bastianini, Hecht, Riffel, Drain

Conductor: MOLINARI-PRADELLI .....IL TROVATORE (Verdi) Staged by: YANNOPOULOS .OTELLO (Verdi) Choreographer: CHRISTENSEN .. FALSTAFF (Verdi) Designer: NAGY

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Dalis, Martin, Cole; Cioni, Tipton Conductor: DE FABRITIIS

Staged by: CAPOBIANCO

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Thursday Night, October 18, at 8:00...

Kabaiwanska, Martin; McCracken, Gobbi, Petersen, Macurdy, Riffel, Hecht, Drain Conductor: MOLINARI-PRADELLI

Staged by: .....OTELLO (Verdi) Staged by: CAPOBIANCO Choreographer: CHRISTENSEN

(Sets and costumes from the Graz Festival—SKALICKI, COLANGELO)

De Los Angeles, Schwarzkopf, Meneguzzer; Tozzi, Lewis, Evans, Langdon, Hecht

Conductor: LUDWIG Saturday Night, October 20, at 8:00..... (Sets from the Dallas Civic Opera-ZEFFIRELLI)

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Conductor: MOLINARI-PRADELLI
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Tuesday Night, October 23, at 8:30 FA
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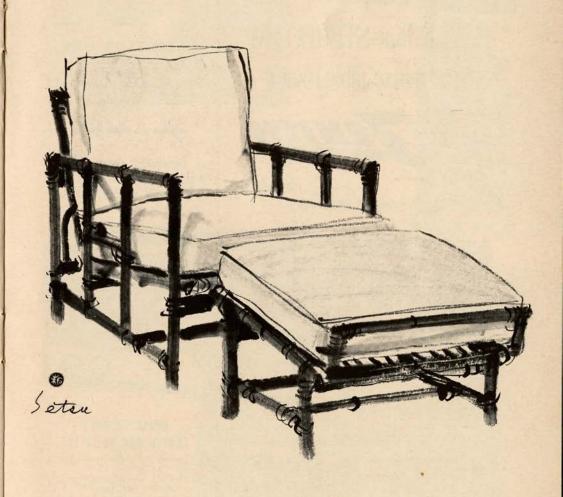
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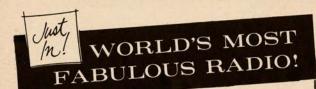
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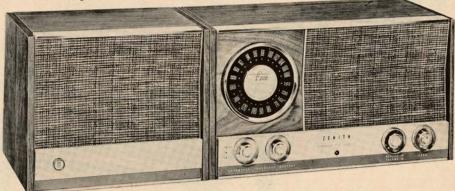
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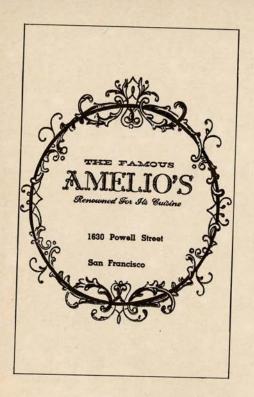
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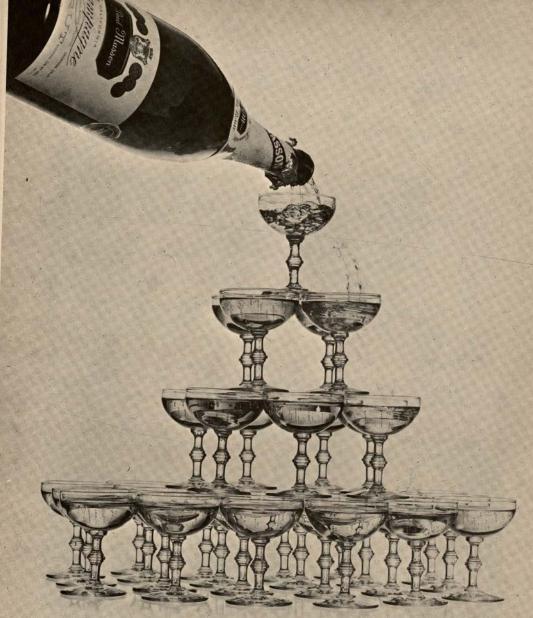
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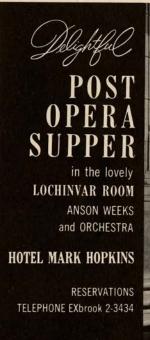
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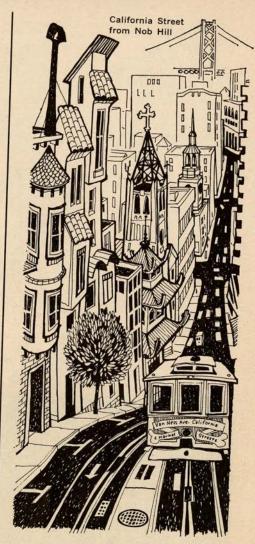


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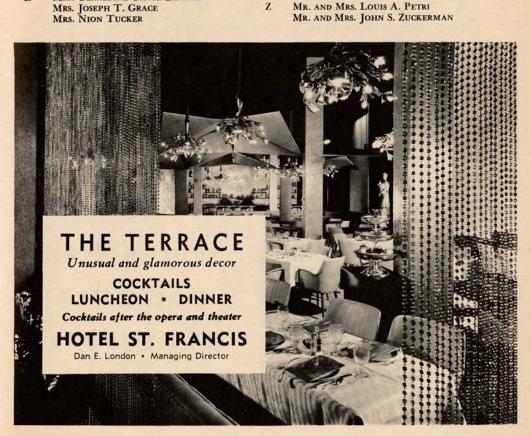
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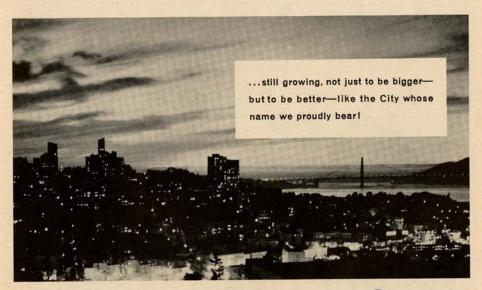
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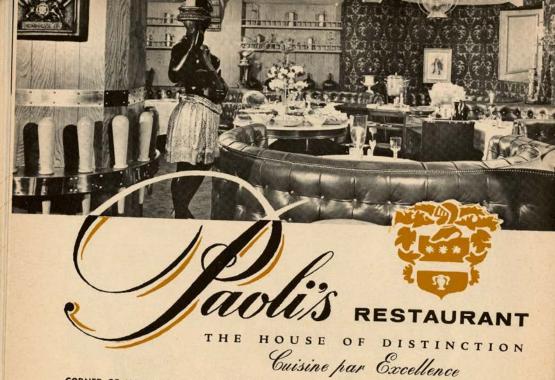
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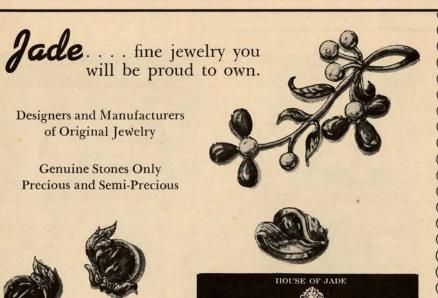
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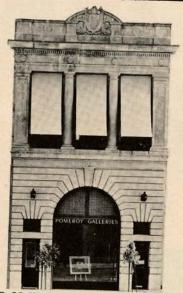
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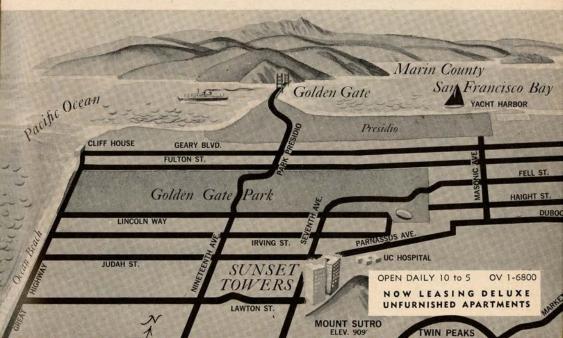
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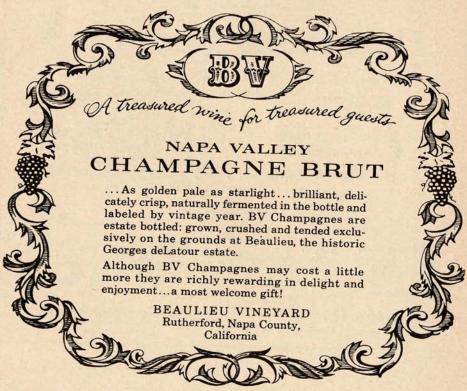
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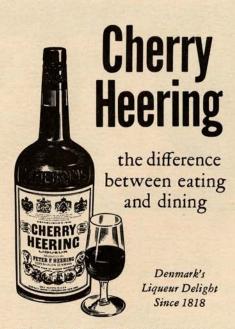
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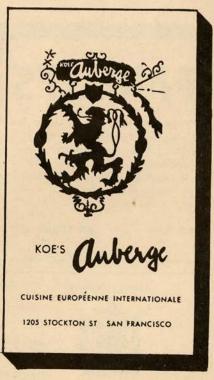


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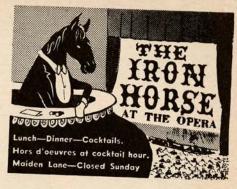
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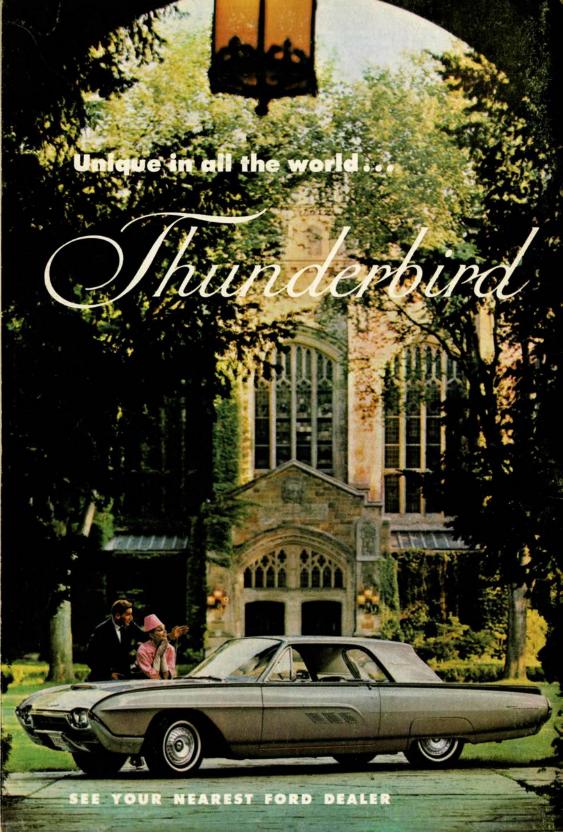
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