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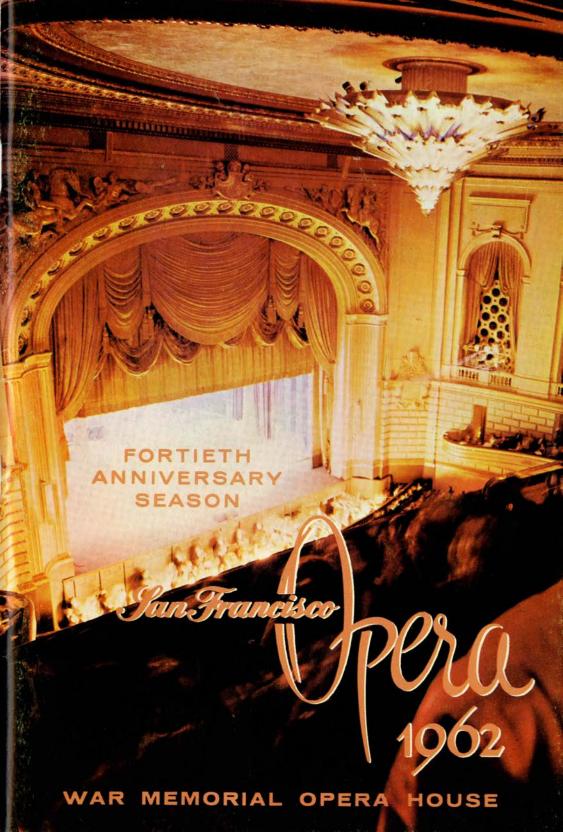
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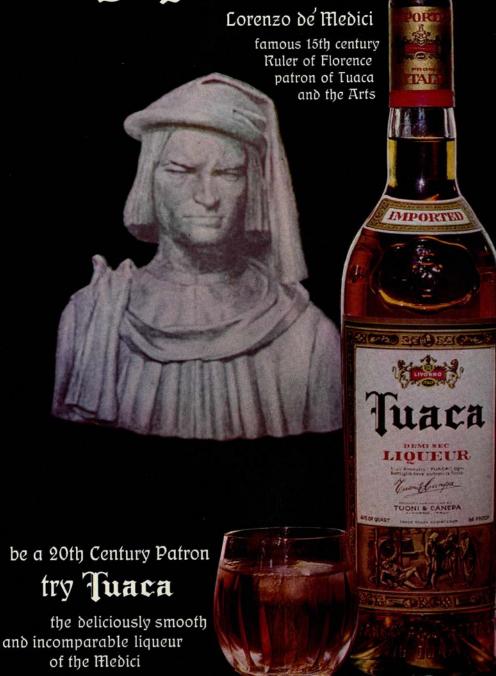
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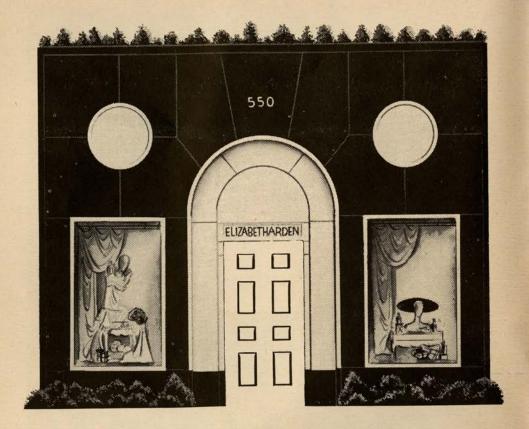
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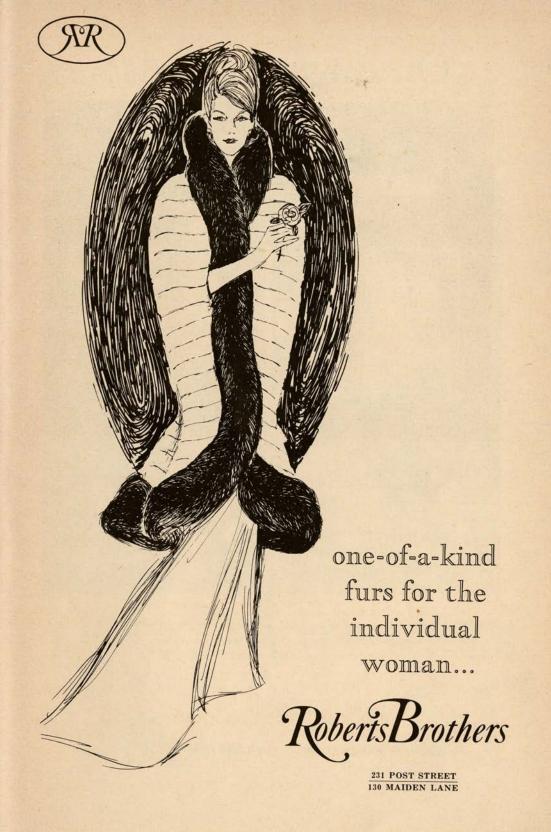
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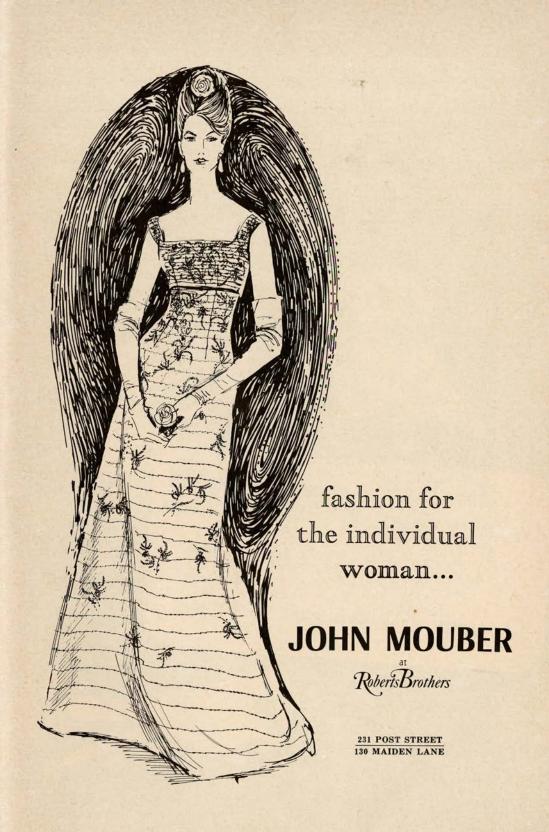
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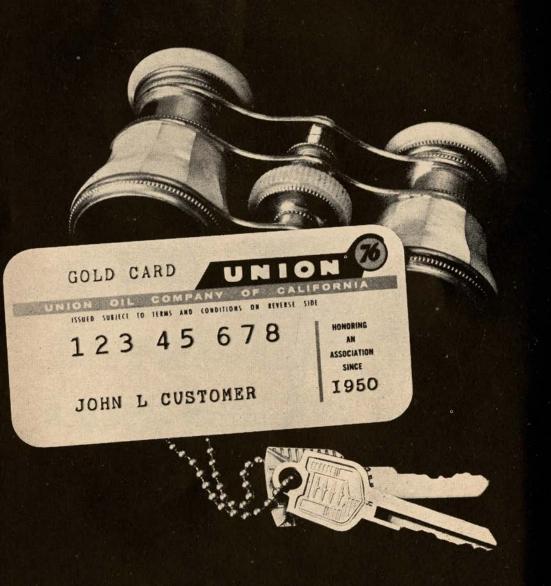
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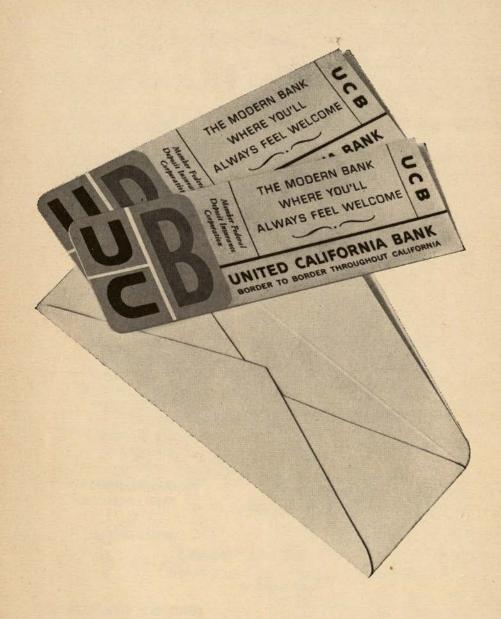
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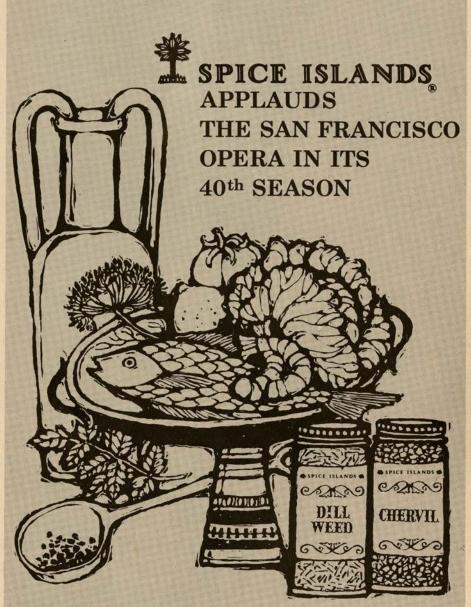
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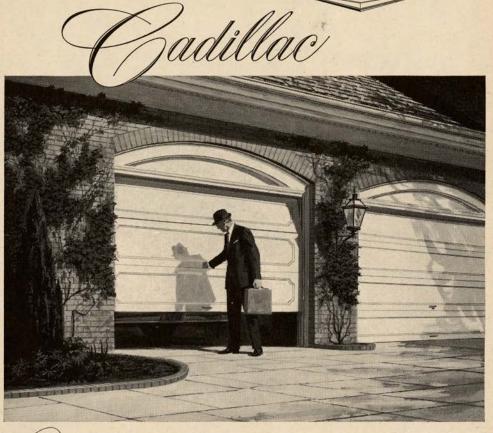
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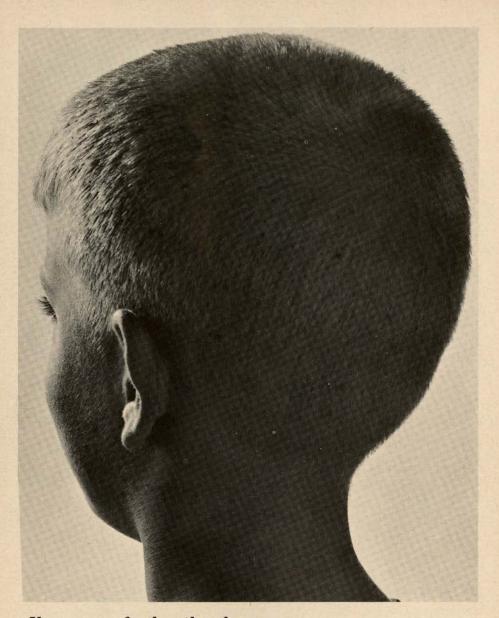
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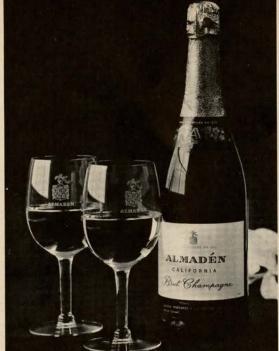
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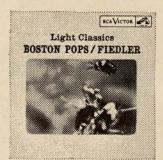
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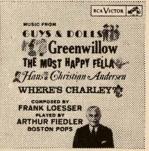




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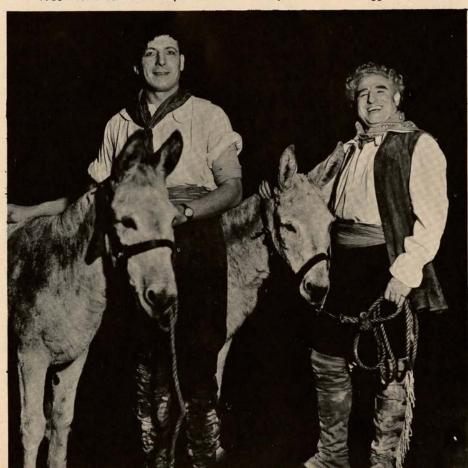
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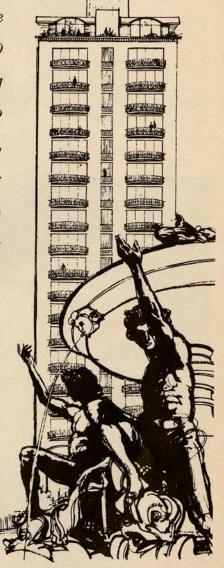


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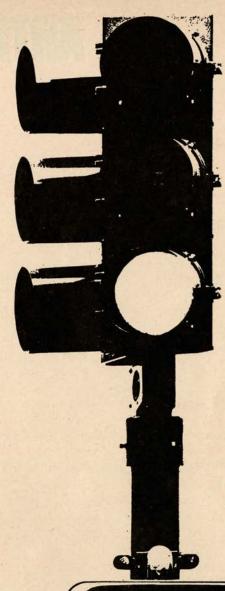
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Acr I—In their dismal, unheated garret, the poet Rodolfo and the painter Marcello are attempting to keep warm. As the stove is devoid of logs, Rodolfo sacrifices the pages of his play to start a fire. Soon they are joined by the philosopher Colline and the musician Schaunard, the latter bringing fuel, food, wine and money. Their Christmas Eve festivities are interrupted by the entrance of the landlord Benoit, demanding payment of the long overdue rent. The four friends ply him with wine and then feigning shock at his tales of indiscretion, push him from the room. When the others depart for the Cafe, Rodolfo remains to work but is interrupted by a knock at the door. It is Mimi, an embroideress, requesting a light for her candle. She is suddenly overcome by a fit of coughing and drops her candle and key. Impressed by her beauty, he pockets the key which he finds in order to prolong her stay. He then tells her about himself and she confides in him. Rodolfo's friends are heard calling for him, and at her suggestion, they leave together for the Cafe.

Acr II—Rodolfo and Mimi join their friends at the Cafe Momus. Here Marcello's fickle sweetheart Musetta, in spite of the presence of her rich and elderly admirer Alcindoro, tries to regain the affections of her former lover. Marcello promptly succumbs, and when a parade passes by the cafe he and the other Bohemians fall in behind it, bearing Musetta aloft and leaving their bill to be settled by Alcindoro.

Acr III—At dawn on a wintry morning, Mimi comes to the tavern to get help from Marcello who is living nearby with Musetta. Mimi confesses to him that she wishes to leave Rodolfo because of his jealousy. She hides as Rodolfo appears and tells Marcello his fears for Mimi's health. Mimi overhears and is reassured of her lover's affection. Aware that she has not long to live, she tries to say goodbye but they are temporarily reconciled. Musetta runs from the tavern quarreling with Marcello.

Acr IV—Rodolfo and Marcello, having again separated from their mistresses, are back in their garret studio. They are trying to work but both are lonely and sad. At the entrance of Schaunard and Colline bringing a scant supply of food, their mood brightens. As the four begin to dance and sing, Musetta interrupts with news that the ailing Mimi is outside. The friends help her into the room and leave to buy medicine for her. She and Rodolfo tenderly reaffirm their love. The others return too late, for Mimi, after a fit of coughing, dies leaving Rodolfo heartbroken.



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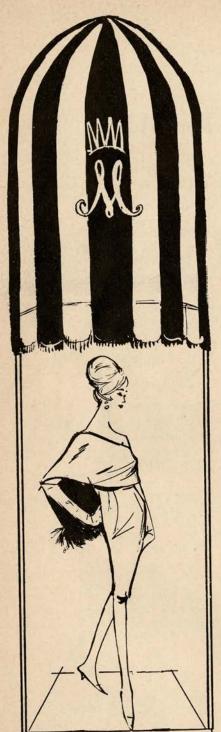


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SATURDAY EVENING, SEPTEMBER 15 at 8:30

(FINAL CURTAIN APPROXIMATELY 10:35)

Wozzeck (In English)

Opera in three acts by Alban Berg

Based on the drama by George Buchner

(Translated by Eric Blackall and Vida Hartford)

Conductor: LEOPOLD LUDWIG

Production: PAUL HAGER

Designed by LENI BAUER-ECSY, RICHARD MASON

Franz Wozzeck, a soldier	GERAINT EVANS
Captain	
	RAYMOND MANTON
	law wifeMARILYN HORNE
	*PETER ROBB
	JANIS MARTIN
Drum major	BRIAN SULLIVAN
Doctor	**MICHAEL LANGDON
	THOMAS TIPTON, RUSSELL CHRISTOPHER
	HOWARD FRIED
Soldier	
	JOHN GOMEZ

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San Francisco Opera Boys' Choristers Madi Bacon, Director

Chorus Director: VINCENZO GIANNINI

Costumers: GOLDSTEIN & CO.

1: Scene 1: The captain's room Scene 2: An open field Act

Scene 3: Marie's room Scene 4: The doctor's study Scene 5: Street outside Marie's house

Act II: Scene 1: Marie's room

Scene 2: The town square Scene 3: Street outside Marie's house

Scene 4: A beer-garden

Scene 5: The barracks

Act III: Scene 1: Marie's room

Scene 2: A pond Scene 3: A tavern Scene 4: A pond

Scene 5: Street outside Marie's house

The first two acts will be played without intermission and all scenes are connected by musical interludes.

Please reserve applause until the end of Acts I and III.

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The season's only other performance of "Wozzeck" will be at 8:30 p.m., Friday, September 21.

THE STORY OF "WOZZECK"

ACT I, Scene 1: (Suite)—As Wozzeck, a soldier in a postwar Germany, shaves his captain, the officer taunts him with riddles about time and morality. The simple Wozzeck replies to an attack on his unblessed union with Marie (which has produced a child) by quoting the Lord: "Suffer the children to come to Me." Unprepared for such an answer, the Captain demands an explanation. The soldier stammers that the poor cannot afford virtue; their lot is drudgery. Disturbed, the officer admonishes him not to think too much.

Scene 2: (Rhapsody)—Cutting sticks in an open field, Wozzeck is seized by weird hallucinations. While his friend Andres sings a song about the huntsman's life, Wozzeck imagines that the

sinking sun has set the world on fire.

Scene 3: (Military March)—Through her window Marie, her child in her arms, watches a military band led by the dashing Drum Major. Her neighbor Margaret notes her intense interest and thereby incurs Marie's wrath. After Marie has sung a lullaby to her child, Wozzeck arrives and tells her of his fearful visions. She tries to calm him, but he only rushes away.

Left alone, Marie runs out in anguish.

Scene 4: (Passacaglia)—To help support his family, Wozzeck visits the study of a doctor who uses him as a guinea pig in unorthodox experiments. The short-tempered Doctor exacts from his patient a tangled explanation of his behavior, at the end of which Wozzeck cries out desperately for Marie. Satisfied with Wozzeck's obedience, the Doctor gloats that he will win immortality through his discoveries.

Scene 5: (Andante affettuoso [quasi Rondo])-Marie admires the Drum Major, who struts

before her in the street. Unable to resist his advances, she leads him into the house.

ACT II, SCENE 1: (Symphony: Sonata Movement)-With her little boy in her lap, Marie tries on a pair of earrings given to her by the Drum Major. When the child disturbs her reveries, she frightens him into silence. Wozzeck enters; the guilty woman tries unsuccessfully to hide the earrings. She lies that she has found them, whereupon the man looks mournfully at the sleeping child and laments their fate. Wozzeck gives Marie his wages; after he has left, she

Scene 2: (Fantasy and Fugue)—In a street, the Captain and the Doctor talk morbidly of sickness and death. Wozzeck, rushing past, is stopped by them and mocked by allusions to his

wife's infidelity. He runs away in confusion.

Scene 3: (Largo)-Standing in front of her house, Marie is accused wildly by Wozzeck. When he starts to strike her, she tells him that she would rather have a knife-blade in her breast than his hand upon her. She goes into the house; Wozzeck staggers away whispering, "Better

Scene 4: (Scherzo)—Two drunken apprentices stumble about the dance floor of a beer garden, muttering foolishly. The band begins to play. Marie and the Drum Major, passionately embracing in a lurid waltz, are seen by Wozzeck, who cries out to heaven for justice. Andres sings a folk song with a group of revelers and then joins Wozzeck, whom he tries to calm. One of the apprentices delivers a sermon, "Wherefore then is Man?," lapsing into a stupor when the band starts up again. An Idiot tells Wozzeck that he smells blood; just then Marie and her new lover whirl past. Wozzeck moans that everything seems to be twisting in a red mist.

Scene 5: (Rondo con introduzione)—Tossing fitfully in his bunk in the barracks, Wozzeck prays for deliverance from temptation. The Drum Major stumbles in drunkenly, loudly boasting of his conquest of Marie; Wozzeck whistles and turns away. Infuriated, the Drum Major

ACT III, Scene 1: (Invention on a theme)—In her room the guilt-ridden Marie reads aloud from the Bible. Tenderly she takes her child into her arms and comforts him. Resuming her reading, she finds a passage about Mary Magdalene and sobs, "Savior! As Thou hadst mercy

on her, have mercy now on me, Lord!"

Scene 2: (Invention on one note)—Wozzeck leads Marie at dusk along a forest path beside a pond. They sit down to rest, and Wozzeck gently kisses her. As a red moon rises, he exclaims that it is the color of blood. Before Marie can escape, he draws his knife, murders her and

Scene 3: (Invention on a rhythm)—Seated upon a table in a tavern, Wozzeck urges on the dancing apprentices and their sweethearts. Margret begins a lusty refrain that enrages the soldier. Seeing blood on Wozzeck's hands, the apprentices question him but receive incoherent

Scene 4: (Invention on a chord of six notes)—Back at the pond, the soldier searches desperately for the bloody knife. He finds it and wades into the water, throwing the blade farther and farther into the depths. The Doctor and Captain, passing by, hear him drown; they hurry

Scene 5: (Invention on a quaver figure)—In front of Marie's house, children play "Ring-a-ringa-roses"; Marie's child rides his hobbyhorse. Other children run in to tell him that his mother is dead, but he does not understand. When they all rush off to see her body, he continues to play, notices that he is alone, and gallops after his friends.

A warning gong will be sounded in the foyer six minutes before the end of each intermission. A buzzer will signal the end of the intermission.

Repertoire

Friday Night, September 14, at 8:30	LA BOHEME (Puccini)
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Saturday Night, September 15, at 8:30	WOZZECK (Berg)
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Budzinski Gomez	
Conductor: LUDWIG	Production: HAGER
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Thursday Night, September 20, at 8:00	CARMEN (Bizet)
Cervena, Lipp, Todd, Martin; Del Monaco, Stewart, Hecht, Christopl	ner, Manton, Fried
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(Sets from the Dallas Civic Opera—ZEFFIRELLI)

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
Lipp, Meneguzzer, Simionato, Meyer; Evans, Peterson, Stewart, Manton, Langdon, Fried
Conductor: FERENCSIK Staged by: HAG ...FALSTAFF (Verdi) Staged by: HAGER Designer: NAGY

Staged by: CAPOBIANCO

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Simionato, Martin, Cole; Sullivan, Tipton Conductor: DE FABRITIIS

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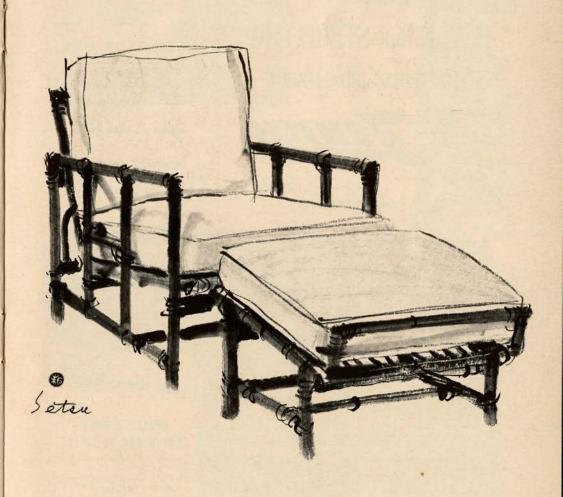
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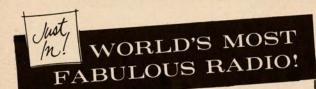
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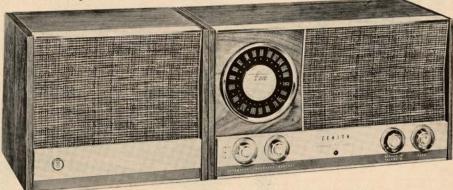
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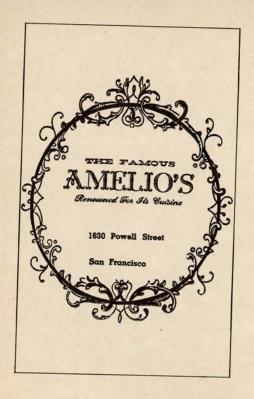
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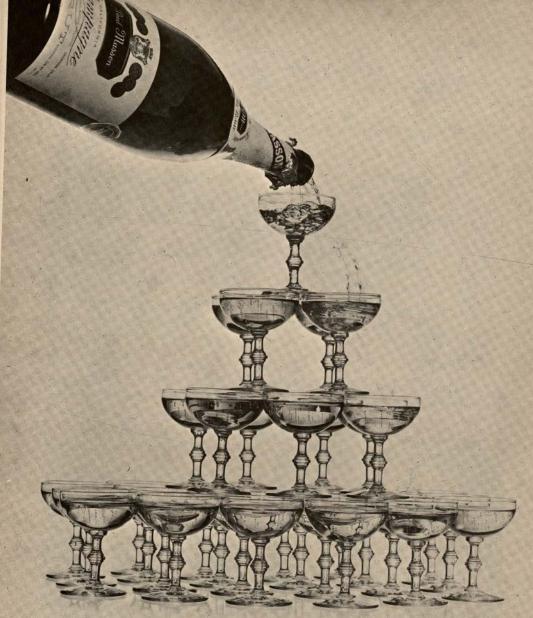
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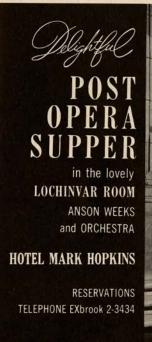
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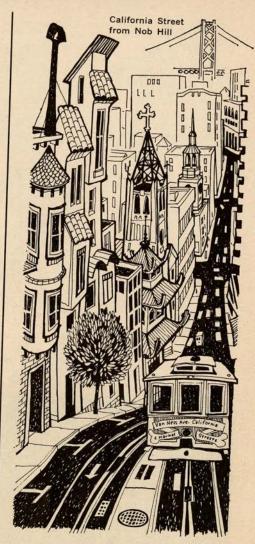


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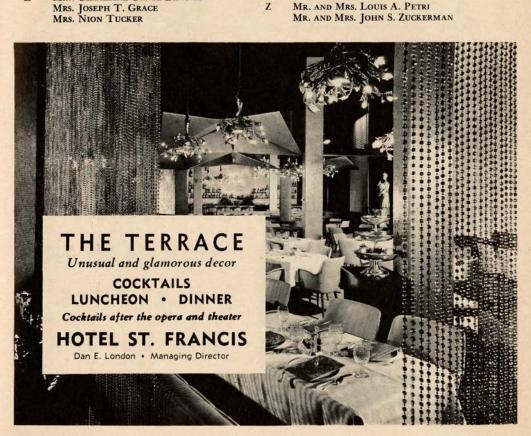
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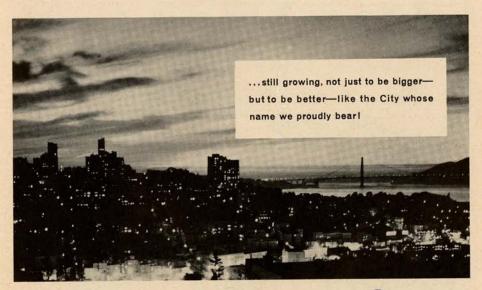
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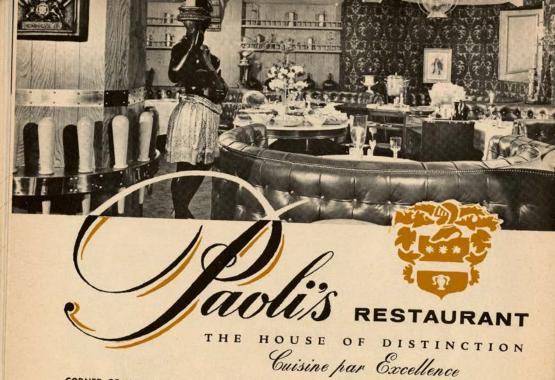
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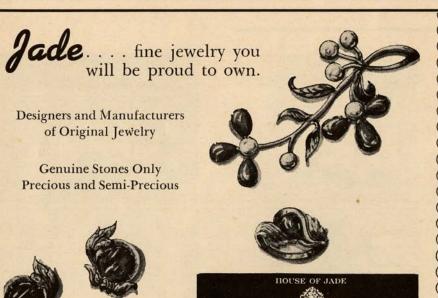
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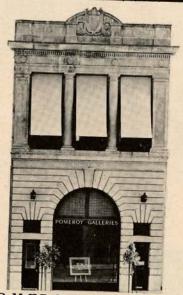
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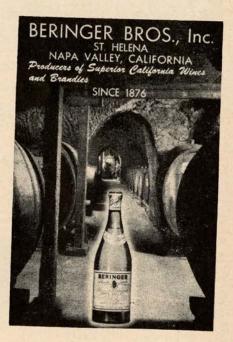
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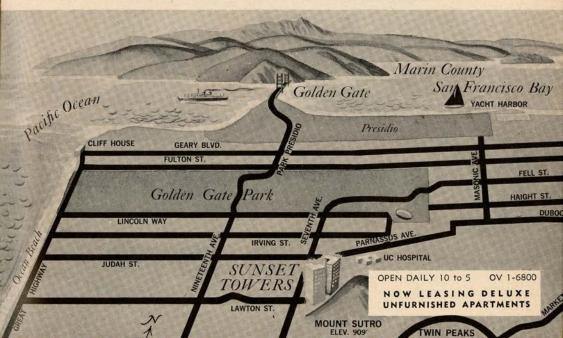
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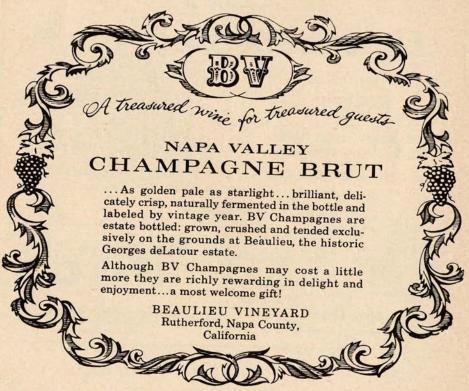
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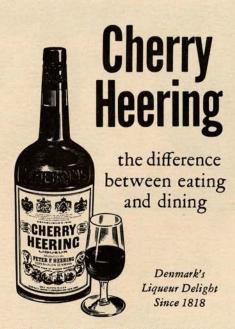
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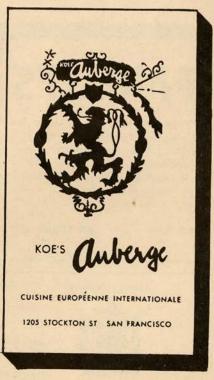


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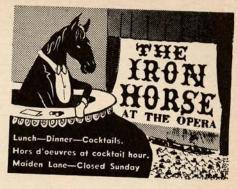
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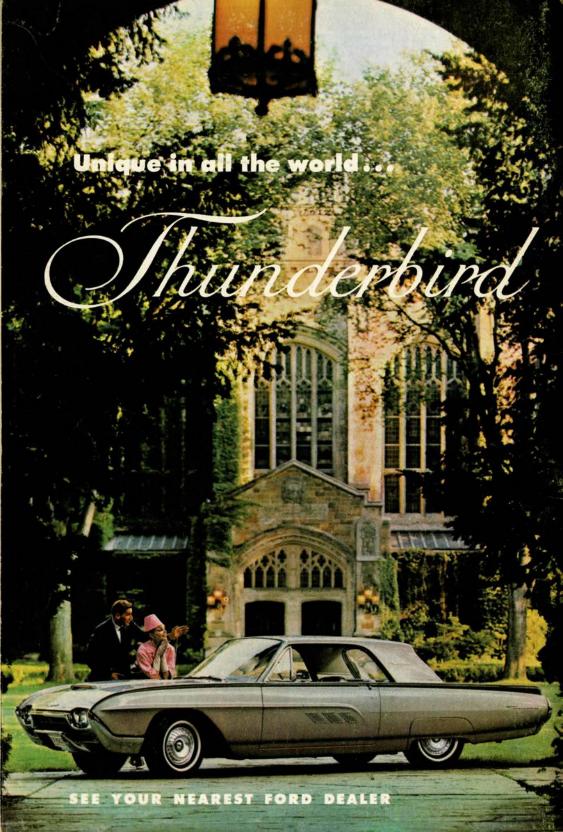
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