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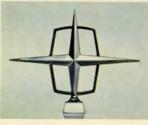
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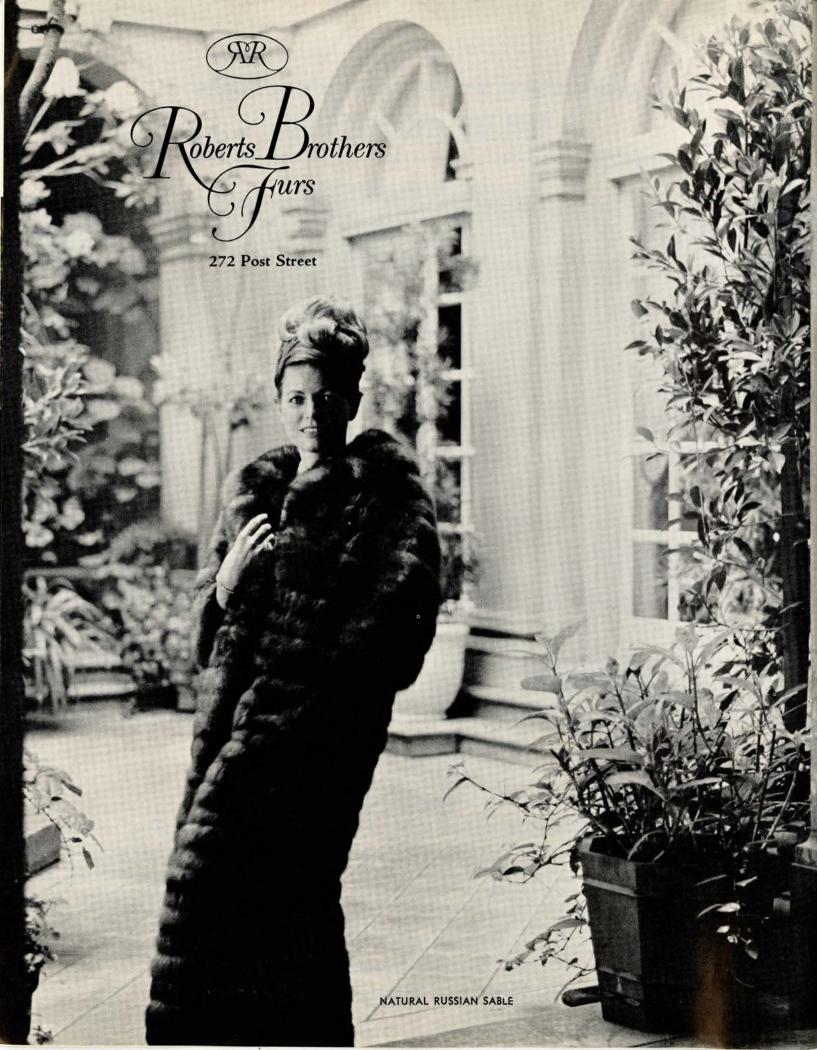
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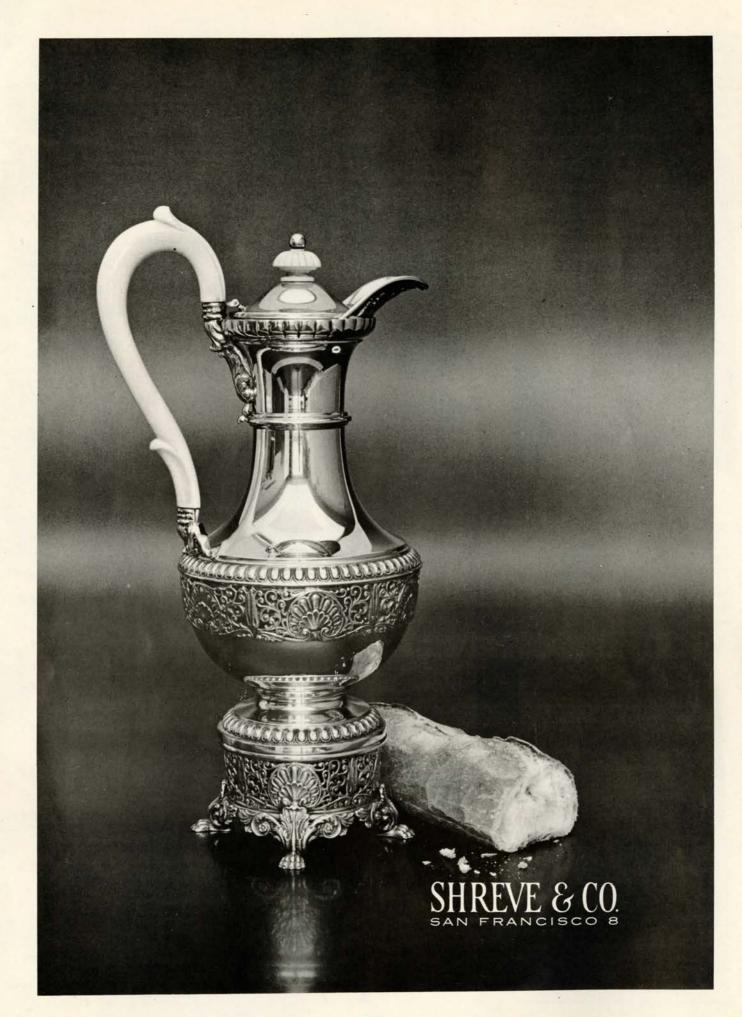
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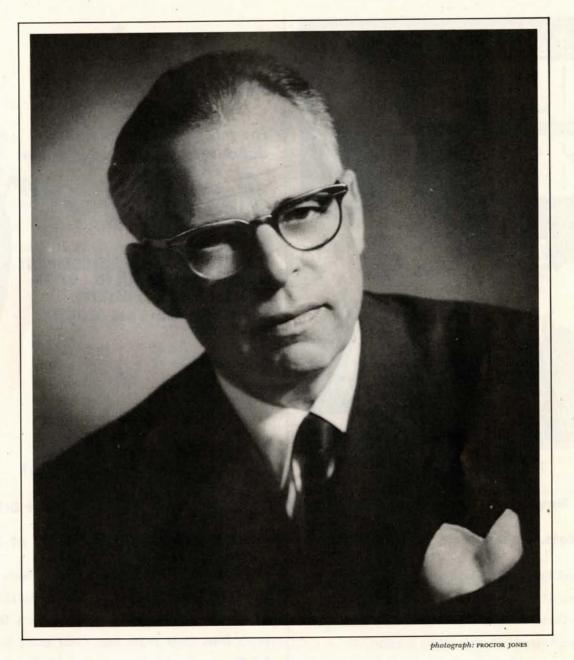
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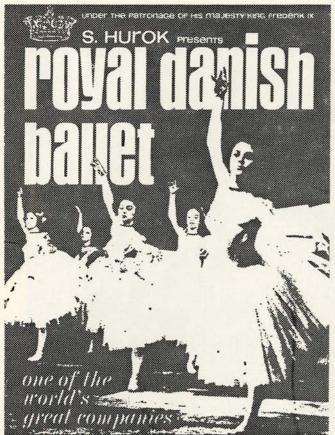


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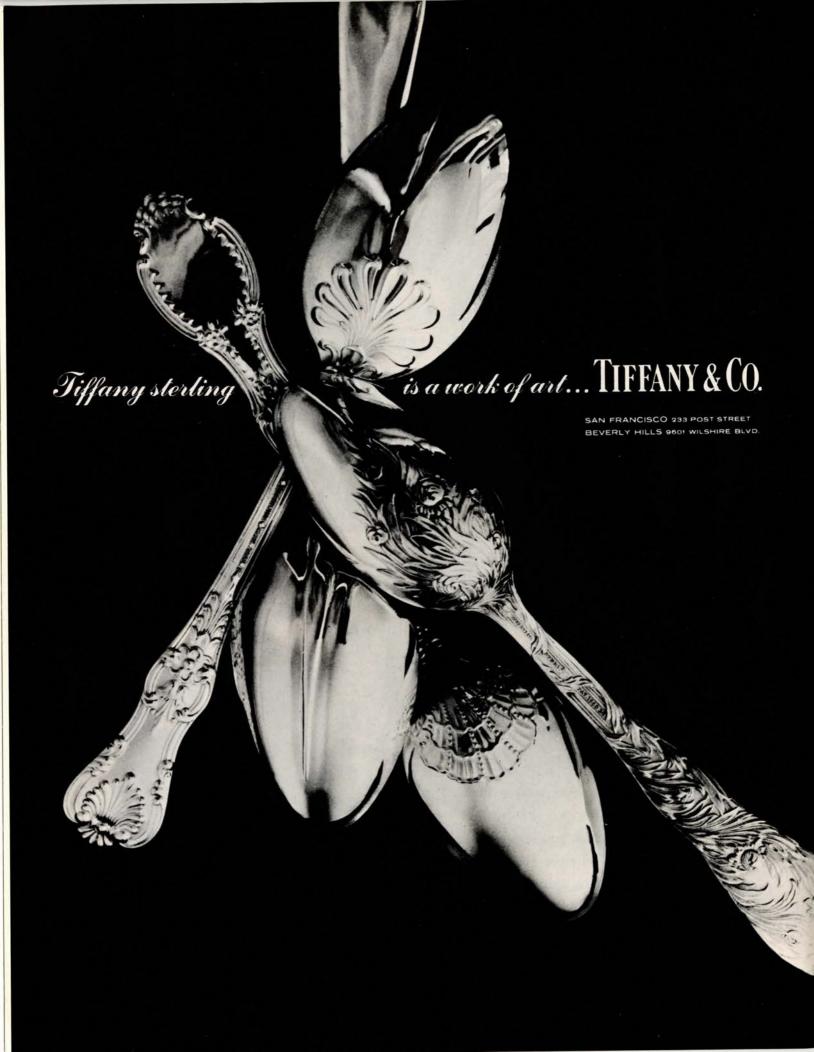
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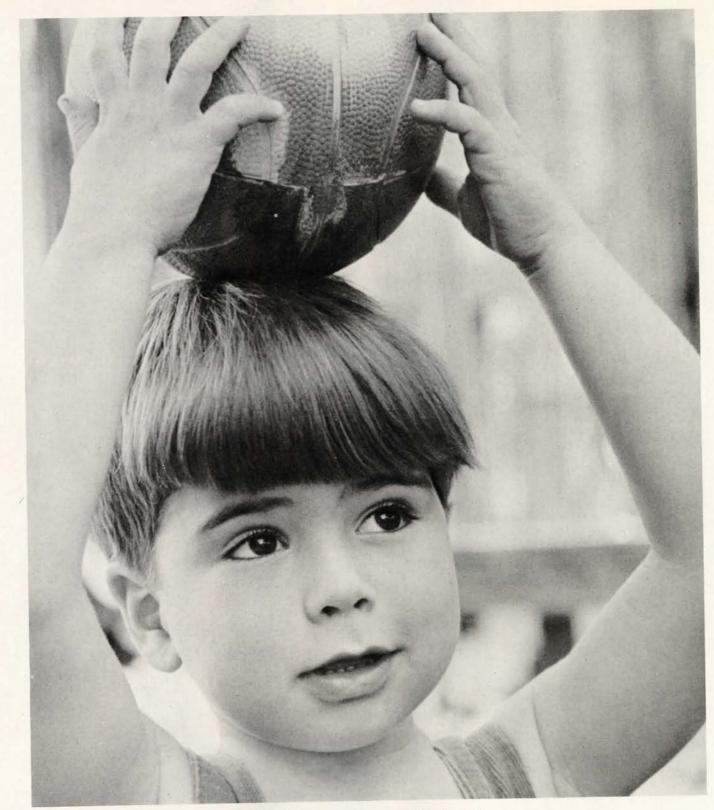
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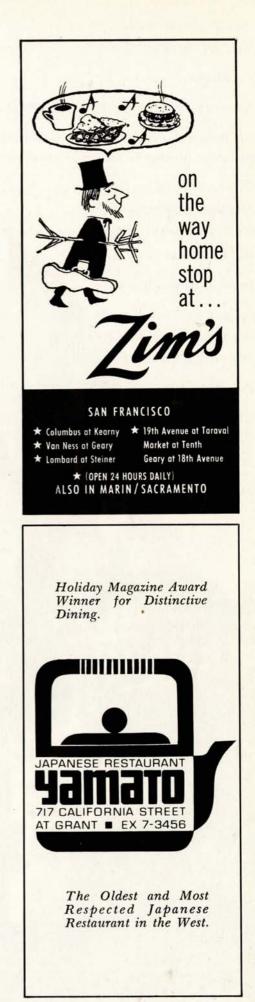
ACT I — On a visit to Antwerp to raise an army, King Henry (Heinrich) of Germany calls on the Brabantian regent, Telramund, to explain why his country is wracked by strife. Telramund claims that his ward Elsa, sister of the heir of Brabant, has murdered her brother. In consequence, Telramund has relinquished his claim to Elsa's hand and married Ortrud. Elsa is summoned to defend herself and responds by recounting a dream she has had of a knight who will be her champion and whom she will marry. The herald summons the would-be champion, and he appears on the river in a boat drawn by a swan. Lohengrin steps before the King and announces that he has come to vindicate Elsa and to be her husband, but that he will depart if ever Elsa should ask him his name or place of origin. Elsa agrees to these conditions. To establish her innocence, Lohengrin engages Telramund in single combat and emerges victorious.

ACT II — Blamed by Telramund for their downfall, Ortrud plots to gain reinstatement by undermining Elsa's faith in Lohengrin, while Telramund, banned as a traitor, persuades his henchmen to plot with him against Lohengrin, who has been proclaimed Guardian of Brabant. The wedding plans proceed, but as Elsa prepares to enter the cathedral with her bridal procession, Ortrud attempts to halt the festivities. She claims that the "nameless knight" is an impostor, while Telramund asserts that the knight has employed witchcraft to gain power. But the procession continues and Elsa and Lohengrin are united.

ACT III, Scene 1 — In their bridal chamber, Lohengrin and Elsa exchange protestations of their love for each other. But Elsa gives in to her curiosity; she must know her husband's identity. Lohengrin evades her entreaties and suddenly Telramund and his henchmen invade the chamber, intending to kill Lohengrin. But Telramund is slain by Lohengrin instead. Leaving Elsa in the care of her attendants, Lohengrin leaves to tell the King of what has taken place.

Scene 2 — Lohengrin is exonerated by the King, who understands the extent of Telramund's treachery. Compelled by Elsa to reveal his identity, the knight declares that he is Lohengrin, son of Parsifal. As one of the sinless warriors who guard the Holy Grail—the cup from which Jesus drank at the Last Supper —it is his duty to go forth into the world to defend those who are beset by evil. He announces that he was sent to be Elsa's champion and to restore the rightful ruler of Brabant to his throne. Elsa's promise having been broken, he must now return to the guardianship of the Grail. Prophesying victory for the King's forces, Lohengrin bids Elsa a sorrowful farewell, as the swan which brought him again nears the shore. Ortrud rushes in declaring that the swan is in actuality Elsa's brother, Gottfried, on whom she has placed a spell. She rejoices over Elsa's betrayal of Lohengrin, the one man who could have broken the spell. Lohengrin prays and the swan vanishes; in its place stands Gottfried. Elsa takes the boy in her arms as she tearfully watches Lohengrin depart.

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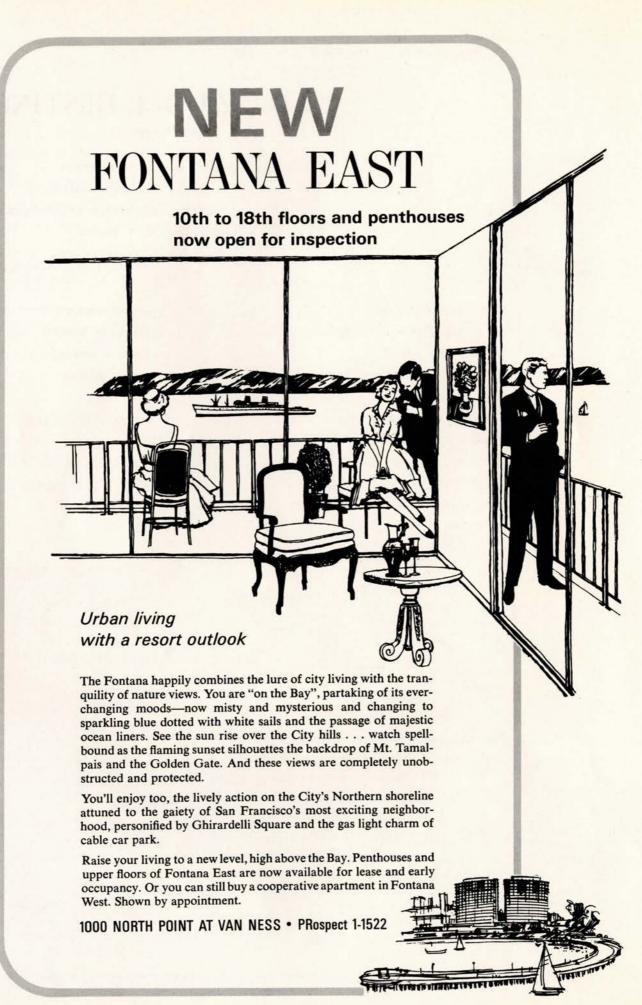
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place and time: Spain and Italy, the eighteenth century

- Act I: Scene 1: A room in the house of the Marchese di Calatrava Scene 2: An inn at Hornachuelos
- Act II: Scene 1: In front of the Monastery of Hornachuelos Scene 2: In the Monastery of Hornachuelos
- Act III: Scene 1: Ruins of a house near Velletri, Italy Scene 2: Soldiers' camp at Velletri
- Act IV: Scene 1: Cloister of the Monastery of Hornachuelos Scene 2: A solitary spot near the Monastery

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The Story of "LA FORZA DEL DESTINO"

ACT I, Scene 1—Leonora, daughter of the Marquis of Calatrava, is in love with Don Alvaro, a young nobleman. The Marquis is opposed to the match because Don Alvaro's mother was an Indian—an Inca princess. Leonora decides to elope with Alvaro. They are discovered by her father who attempts to prevent their leaving. In the ensuing encounter, Don Alvaro, refusing to fight with his elderly adversary, drops his gun and it accidentally discharges, killing the Marquis.

Scene 2—Leonora, who in the confusion of the night of her father's death has become separated from Alvaro, searches for him, dressed in male attire. She stops at the inn where she recognizes her brother, Don Carlo, among the crowd and overhears his threats of vengeance against Alvaro. She leaves during the confusion which follows the anouncement that war has been declared. Don Carlo is now moody and aloof from the crowd, who cheer the gypsy Preziosilla as she urges the men to join the Italian army. She reads their palms, predicting bad luck for Don Carlo. There is a sudden silence as the chanting of a group of passing pilgrims is heard. They kneel to pray, and Leonora appears in her male disguise to join in the prayers.

ACT II, Scene 1—Leonora, thinking Alvaro has deserted her, seeks aid from Padre Guardiano. He gives her the habit of a friar and offers her sanctuary in a cave near the monastery, where, as a hermit, she can spend her life in solitude and penitence.

Scene 2-Priests and monks assemble in the chapel where Leonora takes her vows. The priests promise to keep her sanctuary a secret.

ACT III, Scene 1—Believing Leonora to be dead, Alvaro has joined the Spanish army under an assumed name. When a quarrel develops among a group of soldiers he intervenes, protecting an officer, Don Carlo. Each is unaware of the other's identity, and they pledge eternal friendship. In the ensuing battle, Alvaro is wounded and, fearing death, asks Carlo to burn a packet of letters without opening it. After Alvaro is carried away, Carlo discovers a picture of Leonora among the wounded man's effects and again swears vengeance.

Scene 2—Recovered from his wounds, Alvaro is challenged to a duel by Carlo, but they are separated. As gypsies and beggars invade the camp, Preziosilla leads the assemblage in mocking a lecture by Fra Melitone.

ACT IV, Scene 1—Alvaro has entered the Monastery of Hornacheuelos. After a long search, Don Carlo finds him and attempts to taunt him into a duel. Alvaro, who is now known as Father Raphael, tries to persuade Carlo that vengeance lies with God; but Carlo will not relent. Goaded by insults, Alvaro grasps a sword and the two rush from the grounds.

Scene 2—Alvaro wins the contest. Leonora is aroused from her nearby hermitage and summons Padre Guardiano. Recognizing her brother, she hurries to embrace Carlo, who, still unforgiving, stabs her. Leonora falls into the arms of Alvaro who curses the destiny which leaves him, the guilty one, unpunished.

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The Story of "DIE FLEDERMAUS"

Some time prior to the action of this opera, a dastardly trick was played on Dr. Falke by his friend, Eisenstein. While returning home from a masquerade with his friend, Falke, who was in the costume of a bat (*Fledermaus*) and asleep after a good deal of the juice of the grape, was left in a public square by Eisenstein. Awakening to the mocking laughter of a large crowd, Falke was promptly and permanently dubbed "Dr. Fledermaus." The story of this opera is the story of Falke's revenge on Eisenstein.

ACT I: The voice of Alfred, a latter-day minstrel (tenor variety), floats through the windows of the Eisenstein villa. Alfred is a former suitor of Rosalinda, Mrs. Eisenstein now. The chambermaid, Adele, is reading a letter from her sister inviting her to a masked ball that night at the home of the wealthy Prince Orlofsky. Rosalinda enters, thinking that Alfred is there. Adele asks for the evening off, but her mistress rejects her tearful plea. Exit Adele; enter Alfred. Rosalinda resists his wooing, but melts at the sound of his high A, with a promise that he can return later. Alfred leaves as Eisenstein enters with his bumbling lawyer, Dr. Blind. Eisenstein is to be imprisoned for a short spell that very night for committing a minor offense; but the sentence has been increased through Blind's incompetence. Blind is fired on the spot and Falke enters, enticing Eisenstein with an invitation to a masked ball that night. Falke succeeds by promising his friend that this would be the perfect pre-prison entertainment. Eisenstein leaves for "prison." Rosalinda gives Adele the evening off, and Alfred enters. Their little rendezvous is interrupted by prison warden Frank, who has come to escort Eisenstein to his confinement. With some nudging from Rosalinda, Alfred poses as Eisenstein and is led off.

ACT II: A crowd of richly attired guests, including the disguised Adele and her sister, Ida, are assembled at Orlofsky's house. The young and very jaded host enters. Falke announces to the Prince a delightful comedy he has planned for the evening called "The Bat's Revenge"; but the Prince remains royally bored. Eisenstein thinks he recognizes a certain young lady (Adele, wearing one of Rosalinda's most opulent gowns) as his chambermaid. She laughs him off. Rosalinda, who has also been invited by Frank, appears as a Hungarian countess. Eisenstein, already deeply immersed in his cups, woos the mysterious lady, who pilfers his watch to keep as a "memento" of the evening's activities. To the accompaniment of cascades of champagne entering the throats of the guests, the clock strikes six and Eisenstein is escorted out by the hardly more sober Frank, neither knowing the other's true identity.

ACT III: Frosch, the drunken jailer, is unsuccessfully trying to placate his wards, who have been kept from their beauty sleep by Alfred's unceasing operatic recital. Frank reels in, and after him Adele, whom he promised a great theatrical career, and Ida. Hearing a knock at the door, Frank hides the girls in a cell. The latest visitor is Eisenstein, prepared to fulfill his obligation. He is led to his cell, but finds it occupied by a man claiming to be Eisenstein, and who was reported to have been dining with Rosalinda. Eisenstein grabs a robe and wig from Dr. Blind, who has also appeared on the scene, to extract an explanation from Alfred. Rosalinda now enters to secure Alfred's release and begin divorce proceedings against Eisenstein. She tells the story of her little byplay with Alfred to the lawyer (Eisenstein in disguise), who reveals his true identity and rages against his wife, accusing her of gross immorality. At this Rosalinda produces the watch taken from Eisenstein by the "Hungarian countess," and he sheepishly ceases his protestations. Soon the assemblage is joined by Adele, Ida, the Prince and his guests. The jail is filled with a happy company, rejoicing at the reconciliation of Eisenstein and Rosalinda and toasting Dr. Fledermaus and King Champagne, the heroes of our little farce.

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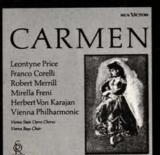
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IL BARBIERE DI SIVIGLIA

(in Italian)

opera in two acts by GIOACCHINO ROSSINI

text by	CESARE STERBINI
after a comedy by	BEAUMARCHAIS
conductor:	PIERO BELLUGI
production:	GUNTHER RENNERT
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Don Basilio, a music teacher	JGO TRAMA
Berta, Doctor Bartolo's housekeeper	SONA CERVENA
First Officer	ROBERT GLOVER
Ambrosio, Doctor Bartolo's servant	COLIN HARVEY
Notary]	AMES WAGNER
Second Officer	

Musicians, soldiers

chorus director: VINCENZO GIANNINI recitative accompaniment: PHILIP EISENBERG costumers: GOLDSTEIN & CO.

place and time: Dr. Bartolo's house in Seville, 1840

The production of "Il Barbiere di Siviglia" was donated to the San Francisco Opera Association by the San Francisco Opera Guild in 1963.

Next regular subscription performance: Friday, October 15, at 8:00 p.m. DON GIOVANNI (Mozart) in Italian

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The Story of "IL BARBIERE DI SIVIGLIA"

ACT I-With his band of hired musicians, Count Almaviva comes at dawn to serenade Rosina outside the house of her guardian, Dr. Bartolo, who keeps her a virtual prisoner in the hope of marrying her himself. Almaviva dismisses the musicians when Rosina does not appear, but lingers near the house. The barber Figaro arrives and describes his busy life. The count asks him to arrange a meeting with Rosina, adding that his identity must not be known, for he does not wish her to be influenced by his rank. Suddenly Rosina appears on her balcony, joined by Dr. Bartolo. The Count and Figaro hide under the balcony and, in front of Dr. Bartolo's eyes, Rosina manages to drop a note to the Count. Almaviva sings a second serenade telling Rosina that he is Lindoro, a poor creature who can offer her nothing but love. The Count and Figaro continue their planning. Troops are coming to the city, and it is decided that Almaviva, disguised as a drunken officer, must arrange to be billeted with Bartolo. Dr. Bartolo leaves, while Rosina, alone in the house, expresses her spirited nature. Bartolo returns and is soon visited by Don Basilio, the music teacher, who informs him that Count Almaviva has been haunting the neighborhood, and both presume that he is the mysterious serenader. Basilio suggests that they start a campaign of slander which will make Rosina reject the Count. Figaro overhears their plan and returns to warn Rosina of the doctor's intention to marry her, and leaves with a note from her to Lindoro. Dr. Bartolo suspects that Figaro may be carrying messages between his ward and her admirer, but is frustrated by Rosina in his attempts to learn the truth. Later the Count enters in his disguise. The old doctor suspiciously resists the order for the quartering of soldiers. During the confusion which the Count creates in the Bartolo household, he manages to slip a note to Rosina. Soon soldiers arrive to arrest the offender, but immediately release him when the Count secretly reveals his identity to the officer.

ACT II-The doctor, wondering if the drunken soldier may not be an emissary of Count Almaviva, is interrupted by a stranger, none other than the Count himself disguised as a music teacher. He explains that Basilio is ill and that he has come in his place to give Rosina a music lesson. Figaro arrives, and to assure the young people a moment together, insists on shaving the doctor, who will not leave the room. His face is covered with lather when Basilio appearsin perfect health. He is convinced by the disguised Count that he is really not well and is rushed out of the house. Bartolo's suspicions are once again aroused and he tells Rosina that Lindoro intends to arrange a marriage between her and Count Almaviva. As night falls, the Count (Lindoro), accompanied by Figaro, places a ladder against Rosina's balcony as they had earlier planned for their elopement. Rosina, believing the slanderous tales about her suitor, refuses to go with them. The Count then reveals his identity and they make ready to depart. They suddenly discover that Ambrosio, Bartolo's servant, has taken the ladder away. At the same moment, Don Basilio and the Notary arrive prepared to marry Dr. Bartolo to his ward. Instead, Figaro and the Count persuade him to be a witness to the marriage of the Count and Rosina. Arriving too late to stop the wedding, Dr. Bartolo decides to accept his misfortunte gracefully. The Count and the new Countess joyfully depart for the wedding feast.

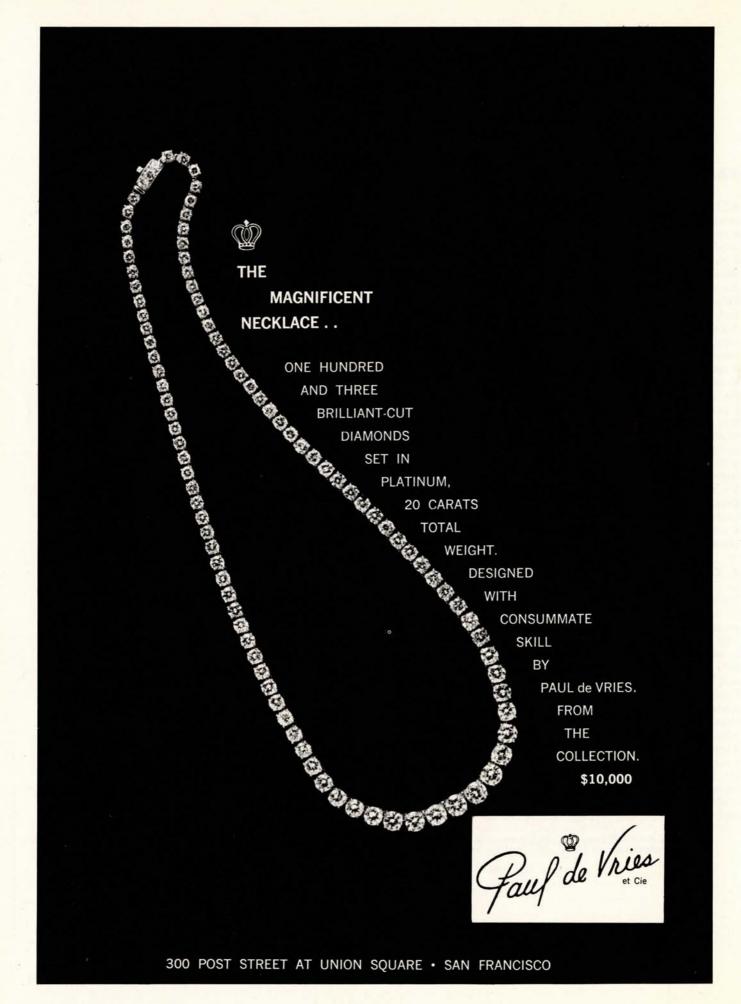
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chorus director: VINCENZO GIANNINI costumers: GOLDSTEIN & CO.

place and time: Antwerp, during the first half of the Tenth Century

- Act I: On the banks of the River Schelde
- Act II: Court of the palace
- Act III: Scene 1: Bridal chamber of the palace Scene 2: On the banks of the River Schelde

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Wagner at Mid-Point

by S. DALE HARRIS*

Upon the completion of Lohengrin in 1848 Wagner found himself on the threshold of his full creative maturity. For a time, however, he did not recognize the true nature of the development taking place within him and he hardly knew what his next artistic task should be. While mulling over his previous plans for a drama on Friedrich Barbarossa, the Holy Roman Emperor of the Twelfth Century, he started work on something very different, a poem on the death of Siegfried, the mythological hero of the old Nibelungen Saga. At the same time, moreover, he began turning out a series of pólemical works in prose, mainly on the subject of music and the theater. Their titles included Art and Revolution, The Art-Work of the Future, A Communication to My Friends, and Opera and Drama. It was through these that he first gave expression to the new ideas fermenting in him. By means of such tracts he came to realize after Lohengrin that he needed to change direction in some quite radical way.

Wagner's method of discovering himself, of discovering his own needs, was, at best, an oblique one; quite simply, his usual method was to advance a set of new principles and then proclaim their universality and irrefutability in as dogmatic a manner as possible. But the process of clarifying his intuitions in polemical prose was obviously of great assistance to him. In Opera and Drama he formulated to his own satisfaction his restless urge to move forward, to extend his stylistic scope; in it he found good reasons for amending his old ideas on the relationship between poetry and music, for reconceiving the nature of melody, and, especially, for making use of a whole new range of subject matter. In Opera and Drama he discovered, for example, that the proper subject for opera-despite his success with Rienzi and Tannhäuser-was not history at all, but myth, by which alone is revealed the essential nature of mannow, according to Wagner, the chief task a dramatic composer should set himself to express in his work. The practical result of all this was that Wagner put Barbarossa away forever, took up Siegfried's Death, and set out on the long, revolutionary task of forging the Ring. Or, as it might also be put, the result was that he abandoned opera and created music drama.

In this light Lohengrin is the last of the Wagner operas, the crown of his early career, the summation of Heroic-Romantic opera as created for the German stage by Weber in Euryanthe. But for all the truth of this, Lohengrin looks forward, too. For one thing, the music is very nearly continuous; the web of sound is only rarely disrupted to make way for separate "numbers." And even the famous set-pieces (Lohengrin's Narration in the final scene, Elsa's Dream and her Song to the Breezes, the duet in the Bridal Chamber) are rather different from the formal recitative-andaria of Wolfram's Address to the Evening Star in Tannhäuser. In Lohengrin such extended lyrical passages are more fluid in design. They are not far removed from the continuous melodic declamation in which the work as a whole is conceived.

Another way in which Lohengrin points to Wagner's future accomplishments is its use of leading motives. The recurrence of melodic themes throughout the opera has a symbolic as well as dramatic function: through them the central meanings of Lohengrin are adumbrated as well as the dramatic action made clear. For example, when Elsa heedlessly questions Lohengrin about his origins, a theme associated with Ortrud reminds us of the evil creature responsible for sowing doubt in Elsa's mind that much is a dramatic reminder. But in Act I when Elsa, falsely accused by Telramund, describes her vision of a shining knight we hear the theme of the Holy Grail (first announced in the Prelude) and we are thereby given not merely advance information about Lohengrin's origins, but insight into the opera's central thematic concern: the inevitable conflict between divine love, "yearning (as Wagner put it) to descend to men," and human unwillingness to accept it without questioning.

In addition, we can now see that *Lohengrin* stands midway between the realms of history and myth. Wagner set his action in a specific place at a specific historical time. When the curtain rises on Act I we are near Antwerp, in a meadow on the banks of the Scheldt, during the reign of King Henry I of Saxony (or Henry the

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HILDEGARD HILLEBRECHT

Soprano Hildegard Hillebrecht, who appears this season as Elsa in Lohengrin and Ariadne in Ariadne auf Naxos, is a native of Hanover, Germany. After her debut with the Freiburg Opera in 1951, she was engaged for two years by the Zurich Opera. After Zurich came contracts with the Cologne and Duesseldorf Operas and then, in 1961, with the Munich Opera, of which she is now a leading member. In recent years she has also been a guest artist with the Vienna State Opera, the Hamburg Opera, the Berlin Opera, and the Teatro Colon in Buenos Aires. She has also appeared at the music festivals of Berlin, Athens, Helsinki and Salzburg. At last summer's Salzburg Festival she sang the role of Ariadne with Jess Thomas and Reri Grist, her co-principals in this season's San Francisco Opera

performances of Ariadne auf Naxos. Miss Hillebrecht made her United States debut in Los Angeles in November of 1964, singing the Marschallin in the San Francisco Opera's production of Der Rosenkavalier.



HORST STEIN

Horst Stein, Generalmusikdirektor of the Mannheim (Germany) National Theater, will be making his American debut this season conducting San Francisco Opera performances of Lohengrin, Ariadne auf Naxos and Die Fledermaus. Born in Wuppertal, he studied piano, oboe, percussion and voice in Frankfurt and conducting in Cologne. From 1947 to 1951 he was assistant conductor at the Wuppertal Opera and in 1951 joined the Hamburg Opera.

In 1955 Maestro Stein was engaged by the late Erich Kleiber for the State Opera in Berlin and eventually became that company's *Generalmusikdirektor*. He later returned to the Hamburg Opera and fulfilled guest engagements with the Hamburg and Berlin Philharmonic Orchestras. Maestro Stein has also led operatic performances in Sofia (Bulgaria), Prague, and Buenos Aires.



HENRY BUTLER

Kansas-born Henry Butler, who directs this season's productions of Lohengrin and Un Ballo in Maschera, began his theatrical career as an actor after graduating from UCLA. Although he is well known for his work in the Broadway and London theater and television, Mr. Butler has become particularly renowned in recent years as a director of opera. Since entering this field he has staged numerous productions for the Santa Fe Opera, the New York City Opera, and the Metropolitan Opera. Mr. Butler held a Guggenheim Fellowship in 1963-64 to write the libretto for Marvin David Levy's Mourning Becomes Electra, commissioned by the Metropolitan Opera for its 1966-67 season.

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Wagner at Mid-Point

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Fowler, as he was known), 919-936. The details were of great importance to Wagner; he once suggested cutting an entire scene from a Munich production because its presentation did an injustice to the historical verisimilitude of the text. Indeed, the opera begins with a summary by the King of the precarious political situation. But compared to *Tannhäuser* (completed three years before) *Lohengrin* has an extra dimension of significance. As Wagner said in *A Communication to My Friends*: "I learned to know the myth of Lohengrin in its simpler traits, and alike its deeper meaning...as a noble poem of man's yearning and his longing." Lohengrin and Elsa are to be understood in traditional terms as Medieval Knight and Maiden, the former ready to come to the rescue of the latter at a moment's notice, but at the same time they are clearly also actors in a timeless drama about the commingling of divine and human love.

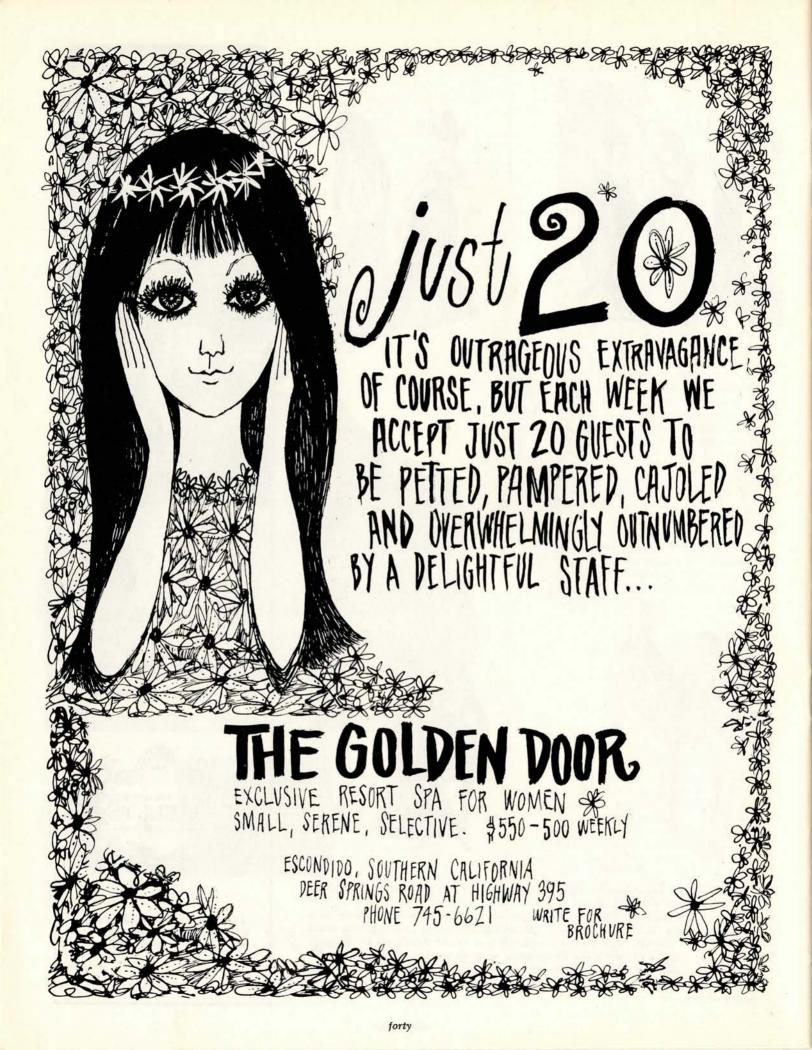
For this reason, to ask, as Eduard Hanslick did in 1858, "Can (Lohengrin's) insistence that Elsa, his 'beloved wife,' may never ask his name or his origin strike us as other than inhuman?" is to miss the point. In *Lohengrin* Wagner was moving steadily toward the region of completely universalized, mythic action which he created in the *Ring*. Psychological realism is hardly more relevant a standard by which to judge these works than it would be for *Moby Dick*. In any case, we know from Wagner's writings that there was no confusion of aims on his part during the creation of *Lohengrin*. He was aware that behind it there lay such material as the myth of Semele and Zeus, the story of a mortal loved by the Lord of Heaven and consumed by his radiance when, as a result of her importunities, he at last reveals himself to her in his true form. The knowledge which Elsa seeks is, in other words, unattainable by mortal beings; those who presume to come by it are destroyed. The essential nature of the divine must always remain hidden from ordinary man.

It is in keeping with this notion of the mystery of divine power that Lohengrin should begin and end with musical references to the Holy Grail. This, a precious vessel brought down to earth by angels, is served by a company of supernaturallyendowed knights who, led by Lohengrin's father, Parsifal, go forth to champion the cause of virtue and innocence whenever the Grail so bids them. Its influence is felt throughout the opera because of the singular importance of the prelude to Act I. Unlike the Overture to Tannhäuser (or, for that matter, to The Flying Dutchman and the later Mastersingers of Nuremberg), a brilliant though familiarly-conceived synopsis of the work that follows, the prelude to Lohengrin is original in design and purpose. Wagner himself described its intentions:

> Out of the clear blue ether of the sky there seems to condense a wonderful yet at first hardly perceptible vision; and out of this there gradually emerges, ever more and more clearly, an angel host bearing in its midst the sacred Grail. As it approaches earth it pours out exquisite odors, like streams of gold, ravishing the senses of the beholder. The glory of this vision grows and grows until it seems as if the rapture must be shattered and dispersed by the very vehemence of its own expansion. The vision draws nearer, and the climax is reached when at last the Grail is revealed in all its glorious reality, radiating fiery beams and shaking the soul with emotion. The beholder sinks on his knees in adoring selfannihilation. The Grail pours out its light on him like a benediction and consecrates him to its service; then the flames gradually die away, and the angel host soars up again to the ethereal heights in tender joy, having made pure once more the hearts of men by the sacred blessing of the Grail.

In this prelude the aspirational nature of the entire work is thus bodied forth, and it is in many ways the dramatic as well as the musical key to the opera. We have in it a representation of the glorious, and yet hopeless, vision of perfection which lies beneath the simple-looking romance of hapless maiden and shining knight. Lohengrin himself is the dramatic representation of the vision we meet first in the prelude, but with enough mortality about him to desire the imperfect and suffer pain as a result. Wagner composed this music only when the rest of the opera had already been completed. He needed to find in the body of the work not just thematic material, but also the true import of what he had created there. In the light of the works that followed, it is significant that the key to *Lohengrin* should be an orchestral rather than a vocal passage. This music more than anything else in *Lohengrin* foreshadows the mature masterpieces of Wagner.





Special Events

Opera Previews

Presented by The Junior League of San Francisco, Inc.

Friday, September 10 DIE FLEDERMAUS (J. Strauss) Speaker: Anthony Boucher

Thursday, September 23 LULU (Berg) Speaker: Dr. Walter Ducloux

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Opera Discussions on Radio KPFA

Tuesday, September 21, at 7:45 p.m. Broadcast of The Junior League Opera Preview of DIE FLEDERMAUS.

Monday, September 27, at 2:15 p.m. Broadcast of The Junior League Opera Preview of LULU.

Friday, September 24, at 7:30 p.m. PREVIEW OF LULU Interview with stage director Paul Hager.

Saturday, September 25, at 3:30 p.m. DISCUSSION OF LULU by George Perle, composer and musicologist.

A panel of KPFA critics will review performances of the San Francisco Opera Season.

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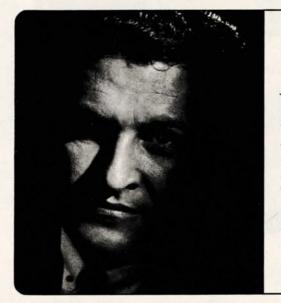


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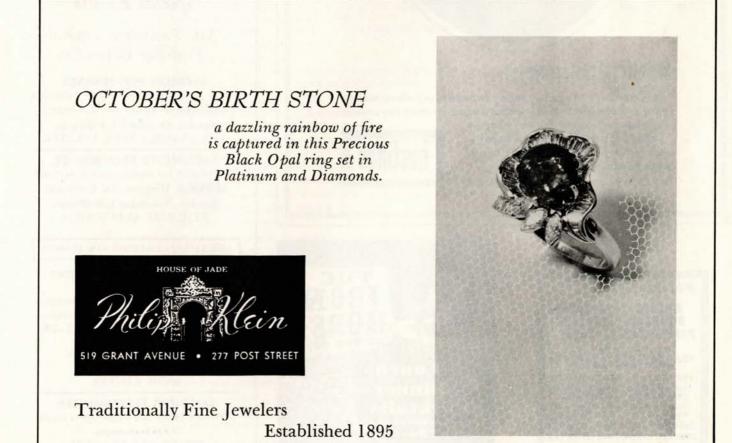
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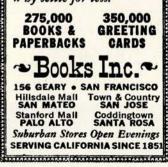
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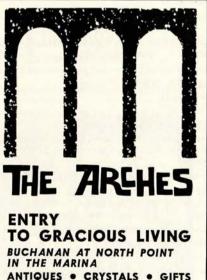
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Friday evening, October 29, at 8:30 — first performance this season †PELLEAS ET MELISANDE (Debussy) Lorengar, Kailer, Turner; Jobin, Stewart, O'Leary, West, Fazah CONDUCTOR: Martinon PRODUCTION: Hager DESIGNERS: Skalicki/D. West

Saturday evening, October 30, at 8:00 — last performance this season **†DON GIOVANNI** (Mozart)

Lorengar, Amara, Meneguzzer; Stewart, Lewis, Blankenburg, O'Leary, West CONDUCTOR: Molinari-Pradelli PRODUCTION: Hager DESIGNER: Smith

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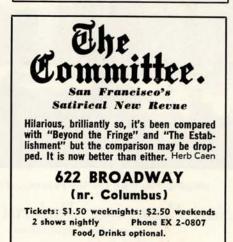
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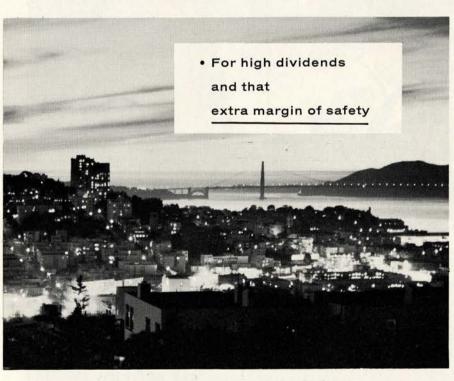
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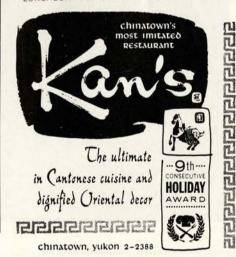


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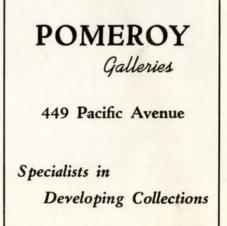
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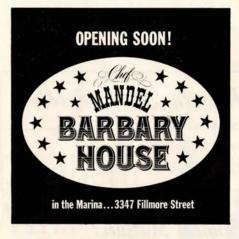




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