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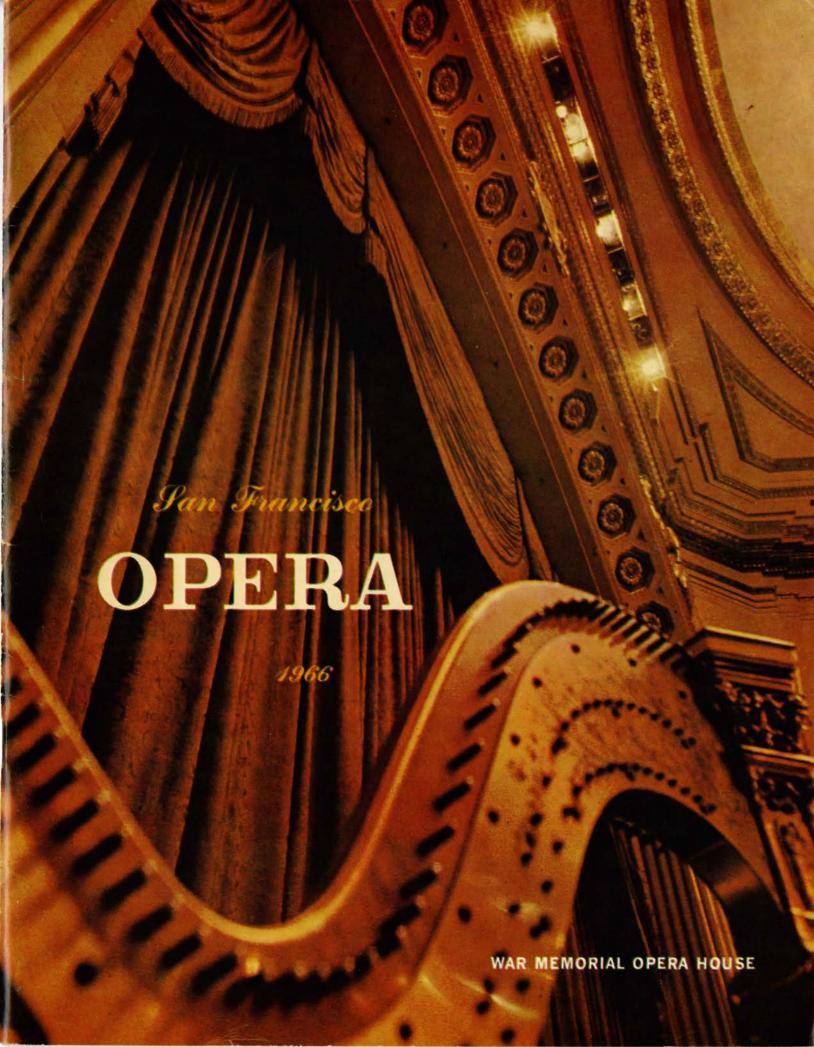
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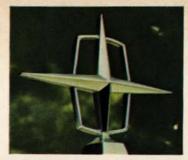
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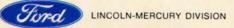
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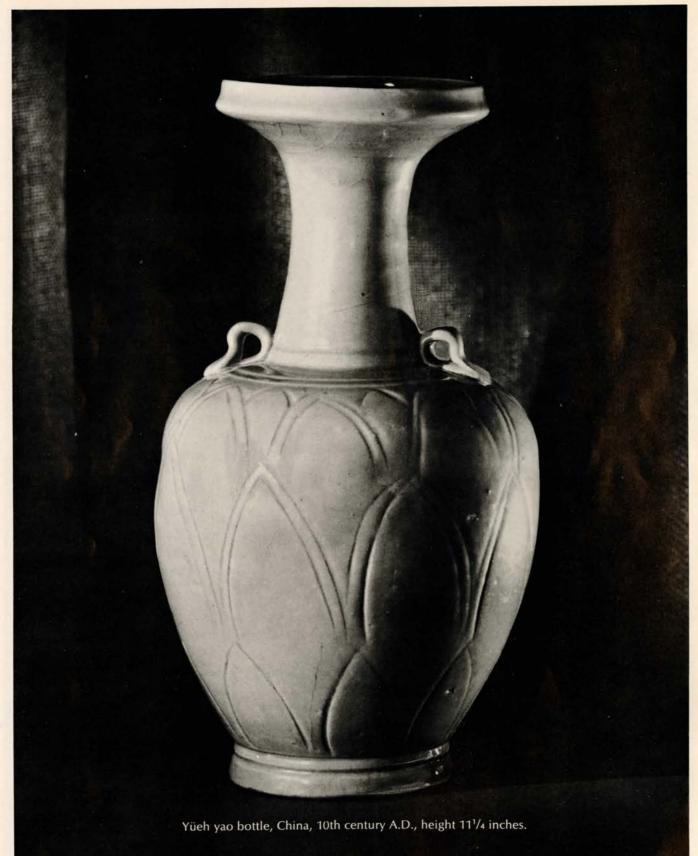
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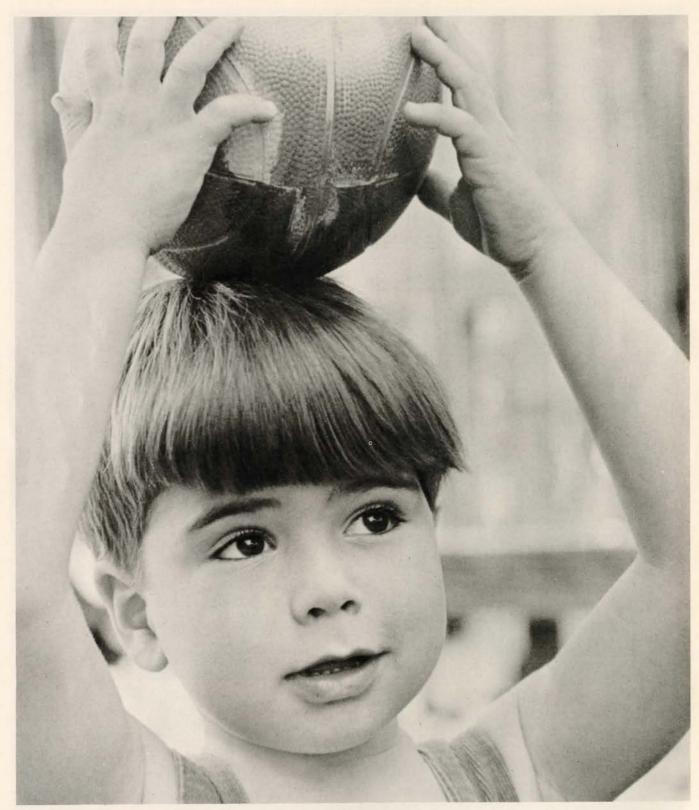


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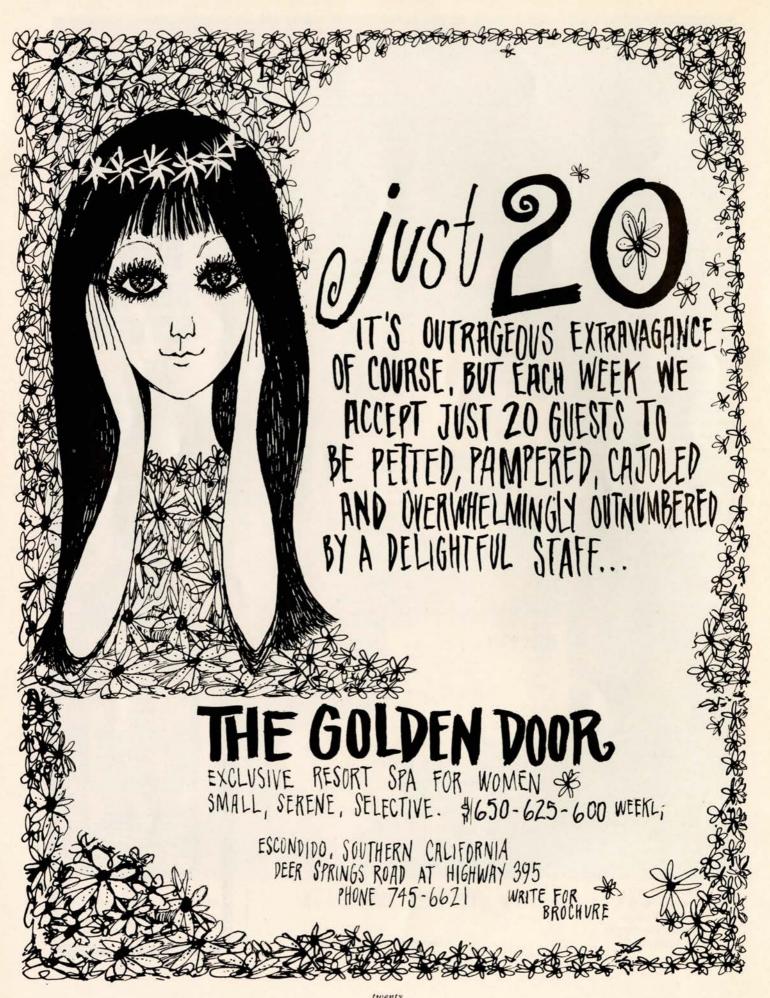
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By S. Dale Harris

Until only a few years before the first world war whole areas of Russian culture that we take for granted today were largely unknown in the West, especially as regards opera, ballet and symphonic music. Our present-day familiarity with this culture, it would not be too strong to say, can be traced back to a specific occasion-the evening of May 19, 1908, when Boris Godunov was heard for the first time outside Russia. On that evening Sergei Diaghilev presented the work at the Paris Opera with a company from Moscow led by Chaliapine as Boris and Dmitri Smirnov as the Pretender. So enormously successful was this production, so powerful and novel the experience, that a further and more ambitious season of Russian lyric art was arranged by Diaghilev for the following year. The operas then were Rimsky-Korsakov's Ivan the Terrible and an act each of Glinka's Russlan and Ludmilla, Bordin's Prince Igor and Serov's Judith. In addition there was the Russian ballet, making its first full-scale appearance in the West, with Pavlova, Karsavina, Nijinsky and Fokine. The season was an even greater triumph than that of 1908 and the result was a veritable craze for Russian art. The music, the performers (both vocal and balletic), the decors, burst upon the West like some unaccountable phenomenon. Chaliapine and Nijinsky in particular seemed like prodigies of nature. The whole provided an exotic revelation, full of gorgeous colors and strange Slavic passions, elemental, disturbing, half-barbaric.

Now, almost sixty years later, we take most of this for granted. We have come to terms with the Russianness of Russian music. It has settled into its historical place as merely one of the several kinds of nineteenth-century Nationalism. The colors of Sheherazade have faded, the overwhelming primitive energy early audiences found in the Polovtsian act of Prince Igor has abated. Glazounov, Tcherepnin, Arensky, Serov, are no longer names to conjure with. But the power of Boris Godunov remains undiminished, if not, indeed, greater than ever.

It is in many ways odd that this should be the case. For one thing, Boris is the most Nationalist of operas, more essentially

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Russian than any other comparable work. In addition, although Mussorgsky was never the musically-naive dilettante he was often taken for, there is no gainsaying his lack of technical experience, particularly when he is compared with the dazzling Rimsky-Korsakov. Mussorgsky, destined from his earliest days for a military career, was, after all, a late-comer to the musical profession. He was already serving as a subaltern in the Preobrazhensky regiment and leading a fairly dissolute life as man-about-town when his passion for music took him to Balakirev as a pupil. Shortly afterwards he resigned his commission in order to devote all his energies to composing. But poverty, self-doubts, ill-health and finally, dipsomania undermined his best intentions. He died not long after his forty-second birthday, leaving the two operas he had been working on simultaneously-Khovantchina and The Fair at Sorochinsk-unfinished. Boris Godunov was in fact the only operatic task he ever brought to fruition. Before embarking on this he had abandoned work on both Salammbô (after Flaubert's novel) and on a word-for-word setting of Gogol's The Marriage, one act of which he had actually completed. It is therefore hardly surprising that he earned the reputation of being a dilettante, especially since he sought advice about his compositions so eagerly, was always so willing to delete, amend, and revise them, and showed such deference to the criticisms of those he took to be his betters.

His work on Boris was no less subject to these impediments and hesitancies. But unlike the other operas Mussorgsky worked on, Boris came into existence despite such obstacles. Right from its very inception it proved its durability. It survived Mussorgsky's psychological instability-just as it has since survived all the uncertainties about the nature of its true identity. For the fact of the matter is that this work of genius hardly exists in any definitive shape. It must be the only indubitable masterpiece whose final form is a perpetual cause for argument. The difficulties arise from Mussorgsky's having written what amounts to two operas instead of merely one. The first was finished in 1869 and consisted of seven scenes. This was a relentless and stark account of tyranny in which Boris's imperial career is traced from beginning to end with hardly a single divergence. Mussorgsky adapted the libretto himself from Pushkin's chronicle-play and Karamzin's History of the Russian State, seeking hardly any advice while engaged on the project. In 1871 the committee of the Imperial theatres in St. Petersburg, to whom Mussorgsky had submitted Boris, rejected it decisively, the vote being six to one. The judges must at the very least have been disconcerted to receive an opera without either a leading female role or any provision for romantic tenorizing. On the judges' behalf it ought to be said that there was at that time hardly a precedent for a work without love interest, dances, arias, duets, or formal ensembles, a work, moreover, made up almost entirely of solo declamation alternating with choruses. So far as we can tell, Mussorgsky, though disappointed, was not particularly troubled by the rejection. Even his most enthusiastic supporter, Vladimir Stassov, found the piece unsatisfactory and "lacking in some essentials." At any rate, Mussorgsky set to work on a revised version almost immediately, and this time sought advice at every stage of his labors.

What emerged was in many ways a new opera. The seven scenes were expanded to nine, and divided into a Prologue and four acts. The most obvious change is a new act set in Poland, where the Pretender-who drops out of the original version very earlyreappears and woos the Princess of Sandomir, Marina Mnishek, before setting off to defeat Boris. In this way Mussorgsky took care of providing love interest, making room for a prima donna, and giving the tenor greater lyrical scope. Mussorgsky's other important structural change was to eliminate a scene outside St. Basil's Cathedral, in which Boris is accused by a simpleton of murdering the rightful heir to the throne, and to use some of this material for a new scene in which the people are shown in revolt. The death of Boris, formerly the conclusion of the opera, now came before this revolutionary episode. The effect of these changes is to make the opera less forbidding; attention is less remorselessly fixed on Boris and his dynastic role as usurper of the throne; and there is greater variety of mood, as there is of musical means.

But the greatest change is not structural at all, it is psychological. By means of a hundred small touches the revised version transforms Boris from a despot into a sinner. Recent historical research has tended to prove the real Boris Godunov innocent of murdering the Tsarevitch, but for Mussorgsky (as for Pushkin and Karamzin) Boris was guilty. By the time Mussorgsky had reconceived Boris his guilt weighed heavily upon his conscience. The final Boris is repentant, remorseful, anguished. His imagination makes him relive his crimes endlessly. His suffering is tragic in scope, in depth, and in magnificence. In this respect he is like another regicide, Macbeth, for whose crimes, too, we feel, not abhorrence, but a kind of horrified compassion.

The second version, then, would appear to have every claim upon us as the definitive one, even though several of Mussorgsky's alterations are rather dubious: the St. Basil's scene is a great loss, for example, and the Polish scenes are markedly inferior to the rest of the opera in musical and psychological interest. But even so the case is not that clear. In order to see his work on the boards of the Maryinsky theater in St. Petersburg (where after a further rejection it was finally produced in 1874), Mussorgsky cheerfully made a whole series of further amendments, none major but all tending to weaken the starkness and power of his initial vision. He had no qualms about accepting the conductor's suggestion to cut the chiming clock that adds so much horror to Boris's tortured monologue after his interview with Shuisky. And when the Maryinsky revived the opera two years later Mussorgsky was almost absurdly eager to accommodate criticism by deleting the final revolutionary scene.

The miracle is that Mussorgsky's original musical conception is great enough to survive this sort of treatment. That conception dominates any rearrangement, it would appear, no matter how drastic. Boris Godunov remains a profound experience whether tricked out in the more conventionally gorgeous versions (there were two) prepared by Rimsky-Korsakov, or served up with uncompromising plainness, as in the edition devised by Karol Rathaus from Mussorgsky's various reworkings. What Mussorgsky finally intended is almost impossible to determine except by intuitive means. The edition we are hearing in San Francisco has the virtue of coming from a first-rate composer who is respectful of Mussorgsky's originality and daring, and yet bold enough to restore what Mussorgsky's amenability threw aside too readily.



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BORIS GODUNOV

(in English)

opera in prologue and three acts by MODESTE MUSSORGSKY

(Shostakovich version)

based on a drama by ALEXANDER PUSHKIN

English text by John Gutman

conductor: HORST STEIN

production: DINO YANNOPOULOS

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Shchelkalov ADIB FAZAH
Prince Shuiski HOWARD FRIED
Boris Godunov CHESTER LUDGIN
Brother Pimen ARA BERBERIAN
Brother Grigori, later Dimitri RICHARD CASSILLY
The innkeeper SONA CERVENA
Varlaam RAMON VINAY
Missail RAYMOND MANTON
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Act I: Scene 1: A cell in a monastery

Scene 2: An inn near the Polish border

Intermission

Act II: Scene 1: A palace in Poland

Scene 2: The palace garden

Scene 3: The Tsar's apartment in the Kremlin

Intermission

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Background of "BORIS GODUNOV"

The second half of the 16th century saw the consolidation and expansion of the Russian States around Moscow under the last rulers of the Rurik dynasty. Ivan IV (the Terrible). (1533-1584), felt that his son Feodor, a religious fanatic, was unfit to reign and appointed Boris Godunov, one of the few Boyars he trusted, his guardian. Upon Ivan's death Fyodor became Tsar in name only and Boris, an able administrator, was the power behind the throne. Godunov strengthened his own ties with the crown by marrying his sister to the new Tsar.

Fyodor had a half-brother Dimitri, the son of Ivan and his seventh wife, who was heir apparent despite the fact that Ivan's last marriage was not recognized by the church. During Fyodor's reign the child died suddenly in the town of Ugolitch. Boris sent Prince Shuiski (who became Tsar himself after Boris, Fyodor II, and the false Dimitri) to investigate the child's death. It was declared that the boy was killed when he fell in an epileptic fit. When Tsar Fyodor died childless in 1598, Boris was the logical successor but did not accept the crown until the Assembly of the Land, representing all the people, had elected him, thus making him a true constitutional

masses and not on the aristocracy of the Boyars.

Boris was a contemporary of Queen Elizabeth with whom he had extensive correspondence, and King Philip of Spain.

monarch. Once in office, he was a tyrant. He based his power on the support of the

The story of "BORIS GODUNOV"

PROLOGUE, Scene 1—Inside the courtyard of a monastery, to which Boris has retired after the death of Tsar Fyodor, a crowd is shouting, beseeching him to accept Russia's crown. Shchelkalov, clerk of the Duma—the Tsar's Council of State—informs the people that Boris still refuses to become Tsar and urges them to renew their prayers. Pilgrims arrive with a holy image, in the hopes that this will induce Boris to accept the crown.

Scene 2—Prince Shuiski announces to the crowd that is assembled before the cathedral that Boris is being crowned according to sacred ritual, and that Russia once again has a Tsar. The new Tsar appears in a solemn procession from the cathedral. He pauses a moment, fearful of the heavy burden of responsibility. Then he turns to his people, assuring them of his unending care and affection.

ACT 1, Scene 1—Six years later in his cell, an old monk, Pimen is recording the history of Russia. Grigori, a novice who has been asleep in the corner, awakes and asks Pimen to recount the story of the crime supposedly perpetrated by Boris—the slaying of young Dimitri. When he discovers that the Tsarevich, had he lived, would be the same age as he, Grigori decides to avenge his death, take his place and conquer the throne of the Tsars.

Scene 2—Two mendicant friars, Varlaam and Missail, arrive at a tavern near the Polish border, accompanied by Grigori who has escaped from the monastery and is trying to cross into Poland. Varlaam entertains the innkeeper with a song and then sinks into a drunken stupor. Suddenly frontier guards enter the tavern looking for the fugitive monk with orders to arrest him. Since none of them can read except Grigori, he reads aloud the warrant, changing the description of the fugitive to fit Varlaam. He then makes his escape from the tavern into Poland.

ACT II, Scene 1—Grigori, proclaimed by the Poles to be the real Dimitri and rightful heir to the Tsar's throne, assembles an army to lead into Russia. However, he has fallen in love with Marina, the Princess of Sandomir castle and would like to stay with her in Poland and forego his ambitions. Marina, though, has ambitions to become the Tsaritsa. In this she is urged on by her mentor Rangoni, a Catholic priest, who wishes to establish the church of Rome in Russia.

Scene 2—At a ball Marina leads her guests in a Polonaise through the Palace and the gardens. She then steals away from the festivities to meet Dimitri. She declares she will not marry him until he has conquered the throne of the Tsar.

Scene 3—Fyodor, Boris' son, and the family nurse try in vain to cheer his sister Xenia, who is mourning the sudden death of the man she was to marry. Boris enters. Here within the confines of his family he tries to find peace and rest, but fate haunts him even now. A Boyar brings news of Dimitri and his advance from Poland. Shuiski enters and Boris threateningly orders that he tell him if the Tsarevich Dimitri really died. Shuiski assures the Tsar that he had seen the dead child with his own eyes, and describes the corpse of the Tsarevich with its gaping wounds. In a fit of madness Boris pushes Shuiski from the room. He sees the figures of a mechanical clock revolving as the hour strikes and believes the dead child is appearing to haunt him. Coming to his senses, he prays for forgiveness.

ACT III, Scene 1—While Boris is attending the service excommunicating the imposter inside St. Basil's cathedral, a restless and starving crowd outside the church debate the claims of Dimitri. A band of urchins tricks a simpleton (considered a holy figure in Russia) out of his last coin. His cries are taken up by the crowd, clamoring for help and food as Boris emerges from the cathedral. The simpleton denounces the boys to Boris, begging him to have them murdered just as he once

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Baritone Meredith makes his debut with the San Francisco Opera as Rangoni, a role he has sung at the Metropolitan, in these four performances of "Boris Godunov."

He is a prime favorite on television and in concerts and co-starred on Broadway with Maureen O'Hara in the musical "Christine." In 1962 Meredith made his debut at the Metropolitan Opera singing the four baritone parts in "The Tales of Hoffmann." Since then he has appeared in New York in such roles as Scarpia in "Tosca," Orestes in "Elektra," and the title character in "Eugene Onegin."

When the American premiere of Menotti's "The Last Savage" was presented, Meredith was in the cast. He has made discs for Columbia and Vanguard records.



DOROTHY KREBILL

This young mezzo-soprano was born in Donnellson, Iowa. She studied at Iowa State University and later with Richard Bonelli and Herbert Graf at the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia.

Miss Krebill made her professional debut in the original Broadway production of Menotti's "The Saint of Bleeker Street" and appeared in other musicals, in concert and oratorio, and with the NBC Opera. She then went to Europe and, after a successful debut in Heidelberg, appeared in various houses in Germany, Switzerland, and Austria and built up her repertoire which now numbers more than forty-five roles.

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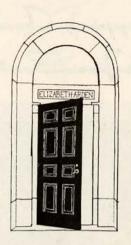
The past year Miss Krebill toured the United States with the Metropolitan Opera National Company including a number of performances as "Carmen" and she appeared this summer in "The Dialogues of the Carmelites" with the Santa Fe Opera. San Franciscans will hear her later in the season in "Les Troyens", "Madama Butterfly", and as Mercedes in "Carmen".

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had Dimitri, the Tsarevich murdered. The crowd falls silent as the Tsar faces his accuser.

Scene 2—Inside the Kremlin the Boyars pass a death sentence on the pretender who by now is marching on Moscow. Shuiski brings news that the Tsar is plagued by hallucinations. Boris enters trying to fend off an apparition of the dead child. He is brought back to reality when Shuiski introduces Pimen. The old monk has been summoned in order to prove the real Dimitri's death. Upon hearing the story Boris collapses, and feeling his end approaching, calls for his son, Fyodor. They are left alone and Boris bids him farewell, charging the future ruler of all the Russias to govern for the good of the people. The Boyars return with the Patriarch to administer the last rites. With his last breath Boris declares Fyodor his heir and successor, and dies.

Scene 3—In the Kromy woods the people are in open rebellion. They have captured a Boyar and prepare his execution. Varlaam and Missail, roaming the countryside kindling the peasants to vengeance against anyone who had supported Boris, arrive and stir the crowd to a frenzy. Trumpets announce the approach of the pretender at the head of his army which has swept across the country destroying everything in its path. The pretender pardons the doomed Boyar, all hail him as the new Tsar and join him in his march on Moscow. As the army disappears in the distance the simpleton rises from the ground, crying and moaning in a prophetic vision of the years ahead. He sees the Russian land laid bare by countless invaders, burnt and bleeding.



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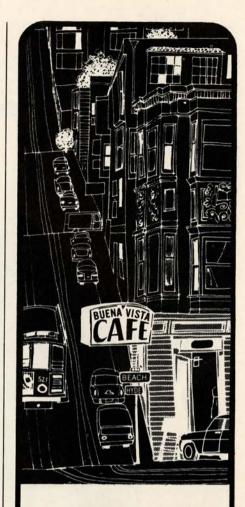
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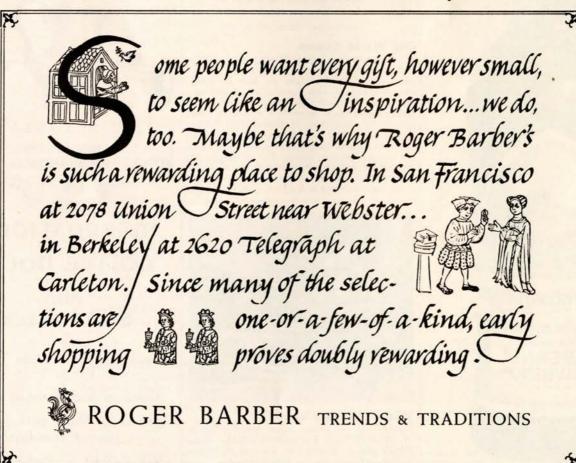
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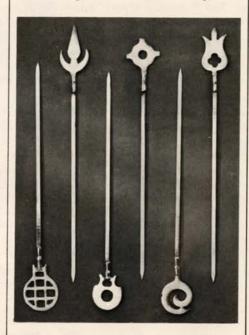
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CONDUCTOR: Bonynge STAGE DIRECTOR: Frusca CHOREOGRAPHER: Solov

Thursday evening, September 22, at 8:00 - first performance this season

DON CARLO (Verdi)

Watson, Horne, Stevenson, Curatilo; Vickers, Glossop, Tozzi, Ludgin, Berberian, Clements CONDUCTOR: Molinari-Pradelli PRODUCTION: Yannopoulos DESIGNER: Nomikos

Friday evening, September 23, at 8:00

I PURITANI (Bellini)

Same cast as September 20

Saturday evening, September 24, at 8:00 - first performance this season

ELEKTRA (Strauss)

Shuard, Tarres, Resnik, Cole, Petersen, Wiench, Kirkpatrick, Curatilo, Stevenson, Davis, Corsale; Stewart, Cassilly,

Thaw, Berberian, Grant

CONDUCTOR: Stein PRODUCTION: Hager DESIGNER: Siercke

Tuesday evening, September 27, at 8:00

DON CARLO (Verdi)

Same cast as September 22

Thursday evening, September 29, at 8:00

I PURITANI (Bellini)

Same cast as September 20

Friday evening, September 30, at 9:00

ELEKTRA (Strauss)

Same cast as September 24

Saturday evening, October 1, at 8:00

DON CARLO (Verdi) - last performance this season

Same cast as September 22

Sunday afternoon, October 2, at 2:00

I PURITANI (Bellini)

Same cast as September 20

Tuesday evening, October 4, at 8:30 - first performance this season

L'AMORE DEI TRE RE (Montemezzi)

Kirsten, Cole, Stevenson, Kirkpatrick; Campora, Wolansky, Ghiuselev, Thaw, Clements

CONDUCTOR: Molinari-Pradelli STAGE DIRECTOR: Yannopoulos

Thursday evening, October 6, at 8:00

ELEKTRA (Strauss) - last performance this season

Same cast as September 24

Friday evening, October 7, at 8:00

L'AMORE DEI TRE RE (Montemezzi)

Same cast as October 4

Saturday evening, October 8, at 8:00

I PURITANI (Bellini) - last performance this season

Same cast as September 20

Tuesday evening, October 11, at 8:00

BORIS GODUNOV (Mussorgsky) - first performance this season

Martin, Cervena, Cole, Krebill, Curatilo; London, Cassilly, Berberian, Vinay, Ludgin, Fried, Thaw, Fazah, Manton,

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CONDUCTOR: Stein PRODUCTION: Yannopoulos CHOREOGRAPHER: Solov

Thursday evening, October 13, at 8:00

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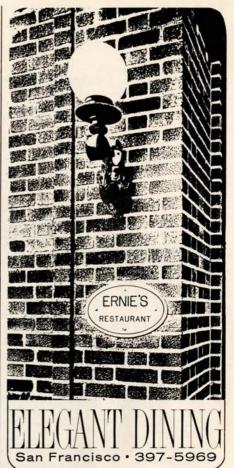
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Saturday evening, October 15, at 8:00

L'AMORE DEI TRE RE (Montemezzi) — last performance this season

Same cast as October 4

Sunday afternoon, October 16, at 2:00

RIGOLETTO (Verdi)

Same cast as October 13

Tuesday evening, October 18, at 8:00

TANNHAUSER (Wagner) - first performance this season

Crespin, Martin, Christensen; Thomas, Stewart, Kreppel, Thaw, Berberian, Clements, Grant CONDUCTOR: Stein PRODUCTION: Hager DESIGNERS: Skalicki, West

BORIS GODUNOV (Mussorgsky)

Thursday evening, October 20, at 8:00 Same cast as October 11

Friday evening, October 21, at 8:00

RIGOLETTO (Verdi)

Same cast as October 13

Saturday evening, October 22, at 8:00

TANNHÄUSER (Wagner)

Same cast as October 18

Sunday afternoon, October 23, at 2:00

BORIS GODUNOV (Mussorgsky) — last performance this season

Same cast as October 11

Tuesday evening, October 25, at 8:30

MADAMA BUTTERFLY (Puccini) - first performance this season

Stratas, Krebill, Kirkpatrick; Garaventa, Ludgin, Fried, Davia, Fazah, Glover, Harvey

CONDUCTOR: Molinari-Pradelli PRODUCTION: Merrill DESIGNERS: Businger, West

Thursday evening, October 27, at 8:00

TANNHÄUSER (Wagner)

Same cast as October 18

Friday evening, October 28, at 8:00

MADAMA BUTTERFLY (Puccini)

Same cast as October 25

Saturday evening, October 29, at 8:00

LE NOZZE DI FIGARO (Mozart) — first performance this season

Watson, Grist, Venora, Cervena, Curatilo, Christensen, Kirkpatrick; Evans, Stewart, Vinay, Thaw, Davia, Manton

CONDUCTOR: Horenstein

PRODUCTION: Hager

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Sunday afternoon, October 30, at 2:00

TANNHAUSER (Wagner) - last performance this season

Same cast as October 18

Tuesday evening, November 1, at 8:00

LE NOZZE DI FIGARO (Mozart)

Same cast as October 29

Thursday evening, November 3, at 8:00

MADAMA BUTTERFLY (Puccini)

Same cast as October 25

Friday evening, November 4, at 8:00

LES TROYENS (Berlioz) — American professional stage premiere

Crespin, Cervena, Krebill, Kirkpatrick; Vickers, Thaw, Clements, Berberian, Grant, Fazah, Giosso STAGE DIRECTOR: Erlo DESIGNERS: Skalicki, West CHOREOGRAPHER: Solov CONDUCTOR: Perisson



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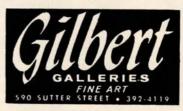
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RIGOLETTO (Verdi) - last performance this season

Venora, Martin, Petersen, Kirkpatrick, Graber; Ludgin, Garaventa, Davia, Grant, Clements, Fazah, Giosso, Harvey CONDUCTOR: Molinari-Pradelli STAGE DIRECTOR: Farruggio CHOREOGRAPHER: Solov

Sunday afternoon, November 6, at 2:00

LE NOZZE DI FIGARO (Mozart)

Same cast as October 29

Tuesday evening, November 8, at 8:00

LES TROYENS (Berlioz)

Same cast as November 4

Thursday evening, November 10, at 8:00

LE NOZZE DI FIGARO (Mozart) — last performance this season

Same cast as October 29

Friday evening, November 11, at 8:30

FALSTAFF (Verdi)

Kabaiyanska, Venora, Cervena, Martin; Vinay, Guarrera, Garaventa, Fried, Davia, Manton, Harvey

CONDUCTOR: Molinari-Pradelli PRODUCTION: Hager ASSISTANT: G. Hager

Saturday evening, November 12, at 8:00

LES TROYENS (Berlioz) - last performance this season

Same cast as November 4

Sunday afternoon, November 13, at 2:00

MADAMA BUTTERFLY (Puccini)

Kirsten, Martin, Kirkpatrick; Garaventa, Ludgin, Fried, Davia, Fazah, Glover, Harvey

CONDUCTOR: Molinari-Pradelli PRODUCTION: Merrill DESIGNERS: Businger, West

Tuesday evening, November 15, at 8:00

CARMEN (Bizet) — first performance this season

Bumbry, Todd, Christensen, Krebill; Vickers, Guarrera, Davia, Fazah, Manton, Fried

CONDUCTOR: Perisson STAGE DIRECTOR: Erlo DESIGNER: Bay CHOREOGRAPHER: Solov

Thursday evening, November 17, at 8:00

FALSTAFF (Verdi)

Same cast as November 11

Friday evening, November 18, at 8:00

CARMEN (Bizet)

Same cast as November 15

Saturday evening, November 19, at 8:00

THE MAKROPULOS CASE (Janacek) - American premiere

Collier, Todd, Curatilo, Kirkpatrick; Dempsey, Ludgin, Lishner, Thaw, Fried, Glover, Giosso

CONDUCTOR: Horenstein PRODUCTION: Hager DESIGNERS: Bauer-Ecsy, West

Sunday afternoon, November 20, at 2:00

FALSTAFF (Verdi) - last performance this season

Same cast as November 11

Tuesday evening, November 22, at 8:30

THE MAKROPULOS CASE (Janacek)

Same cast as November 19

Thursday evening, November 24, at 8:00

CARMEN (Bizet)

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THE MAKROPULOS CASE (Janacek) — last performance this season

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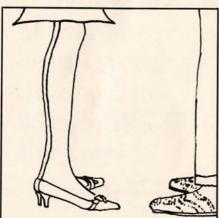
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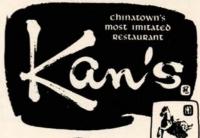
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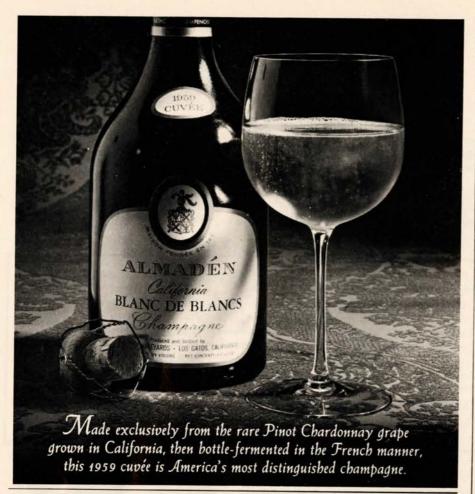
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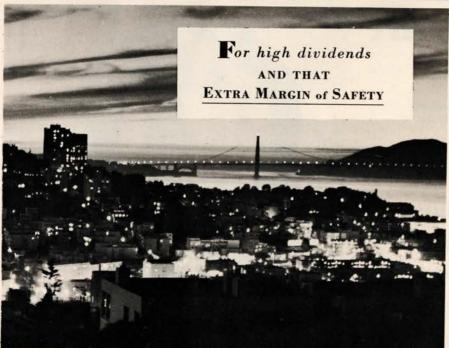


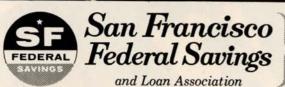
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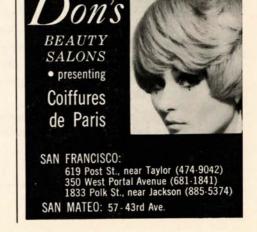
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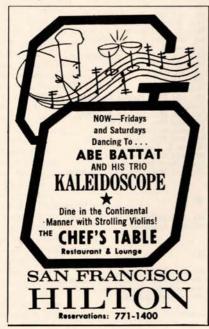
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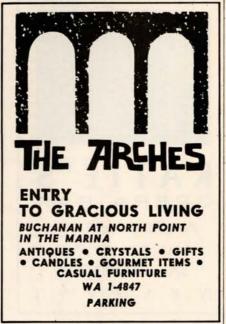
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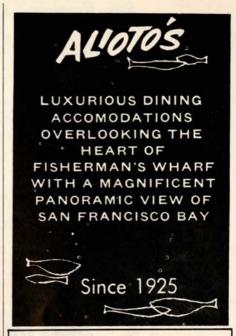
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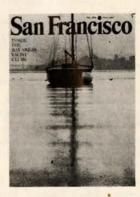
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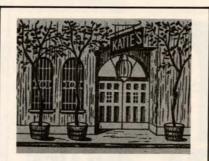
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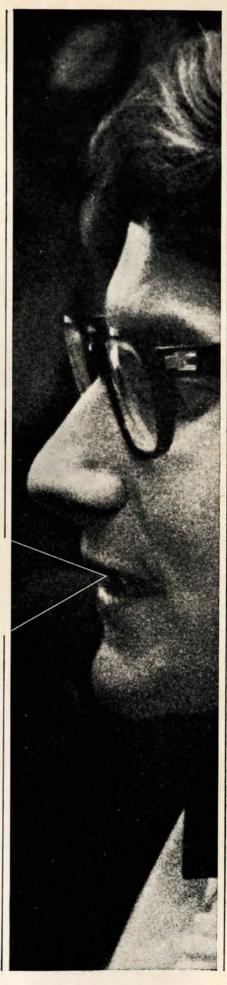
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