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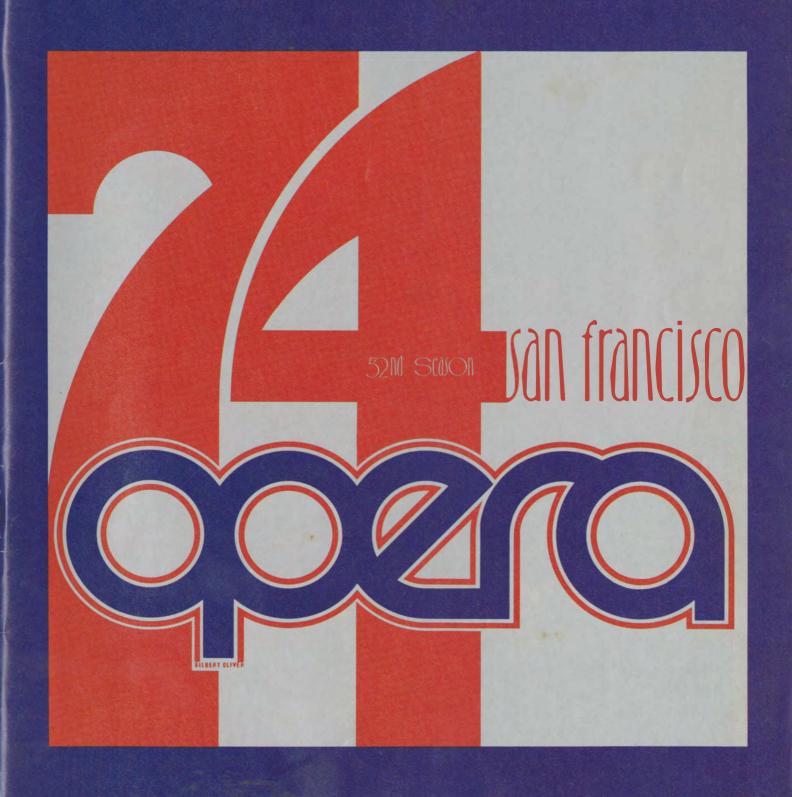
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# A Monument to Immortality

by GEORGE J. ZAFFERANO

We all will be hurt by death, but with faith, we learn to live with grief.

Within two short years of marriage, death was to cast its grim shadow, by claiming Giuseppe Verdi's two infant children. Tragic fate was to mercilessly strike the fatal blow. Two years later, (1840), Verdi's young wife died, making him a widower at the age of twenty seven. In sadness and despair, he lived in semi-isolation from the world.

Who was this man endowed with the spark of genius? What is the secret of mortals who resemble Gods? What events occurred in Verdi's life that inspired him to greatness?

We know that tragedy and sorrow is a double-edged sword that strikes cruelly and indiscriminately, leaving deep emotional scars. Adversity can cause men and women to retreat within themselves into a life of bitterness and despair. Or it can fortify the human spirit through faith which brings out that which is noble and compassionate in men and women.

A significant event was to have a major impact on the life of the young composer's future. Verdi became intrigued by an opera libretto, given to him by a colleague, having a biblical theme based on the story of Nebuchadrezzar. Some say that it was divine providence. Others attribute it to pre-destiny or perhaps a supreme faith in his own powers. Nevertheless, he became imbued with indomitable inspiration. Verdi was drawn like a magnet to this biblical subject. Slowly but surely, as if by divine guidance, he set the story to music. The opera, Nabucco, was produced in 1842 and was immediately followed by I Lombardi, (1843) and Ernani, (1844). This launched the first period of his operatic compositions. Although he composed nine more operas between 1844 and 1849, Macbeth, (1847) and Luisa Miller, (1849) were important milestones in his approaching maturity. Rigoletto, (1851), La Traviata and Il Trovatore, both composed in 1853, reflect the second period of his illustrious career. The third and greatest period of his life work represents his full maturity. Verdi wrote ten operas between 1855 and 1893, however, the operas Aida, (1871), Otello, (1887) and Falstaff, (1893) are most representative.

Through the ages, few men have been gifted with the spark of immortal genius. God draws us together by the power of His love. That love is the little spark from which bursts a mighty flame. Thus, we witness how a man's personal tragedies were used as stepping stones to greatness in spite of, rather than because of personal sorrows.

Verdi's musical powers of communication transcend the spoken word. He possessed a genius for expressing all the human emotions, the innermost feelings of the human heart, through music. The development of characterization using musical themes, are blended and repeated with brilliant melodies throughout his works, thus setting the mood for the opera. For more than half a century, his musical dramas uplifted and ennobled the spiritual nature of man. His music also championed the voice of liberty and freedom. As a composer and patriot, he poured his hopes and aspirations for Italian unity and liberation into the themes and melodies of his operas, always maintaining a passion for creativity in his works.

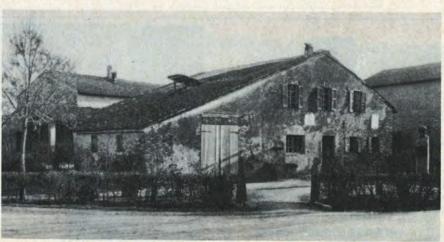
The son of a poor innkeeper, Giuseppe Fortunio Francesco Verdi was born in Le Roncole, on the Parma plain in Italy, October 10, 1813. He studied at the nearby town of Busseto and tried to enter the Milan Conservatory but was rejected. Undismayed, he composed and studied privately. A local benefactor provided financial assistance. Verdi began his operatic career in Milan in 1836 at



Verdi Monument in Golden Gate Park, presented by the local Italian community in 1914. (Permission to reproduce the photograph was granted by the courtesy of Mrs. Inez Bray Reed, in memory of her late husband. The book, "Monuments and Statues of California," was published in 1956 by Merrill A. Reed.)

the age of twenty three. In his lifetime, he composed twenty six operas. Four of these were translated into another language, one was revised and another rewritten. His last opera, Falstaff, was written at the age of eighty and is regarded by many as his greatest work. In form, harmonization and orchestration, it is considered a masterpiece. Displaying great musical versatility, his works also include many songs and several beautiful sacred choral pieces. The most notable are: Requiem for Manzoni, Pater noster (Dante), the Ave Maria, Laudi alla Virgine (Dante), the Stabat Mater and the Te Deum. He died in Milan on January 27, 1901 at the age of eighty-eight.

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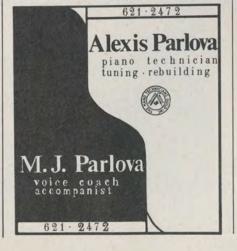




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Verdi's last photograph (1900.)

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In 1914, thirteen years after the composer's death, thousands of San Francisco citizens met on the Music Concourse in Golden Gate Park to pay tribute to Verdi by dedicating a statue in his memory. On that memorable occasion, Luisa Tetrazzini sang a selection from Aida.

The monument in San Francisco was a gift of the local Italian community. Funds were raised by private subscriptions as well as from special performances of Verdi's operas. The statue is located opposite the south Music Concourse. It is the work of Orazio Grossoni of Milan, Italy where it was created and is most representative of Verdi's life and times. At the base, two youths, representing the new generation, are shown carrying the Banner of Victory and is symbolic of the ultra-nationalism of the Italian Youth Movement during that period. The figure of the Italian patriot holding aloft a wreath in his outstretched hand denotes the fulfillment of Italian Liberation. Verdi used the operatic stage as a forum to express his passion for human freedom and liberty the world over. Below the bronze bust of the composer are shown the Greek theatrical masks as symbols of Verdi's musical dramas.

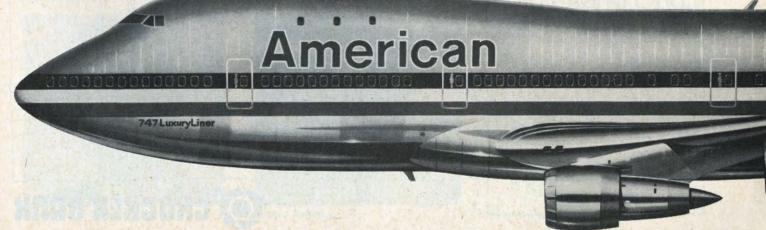
The text on the bronze plaque is by Gabriele D'Annunzio, the Italian poet and novelist, (1863-1938). It speaks most eloquently as a final tribute to Verdi and his art.

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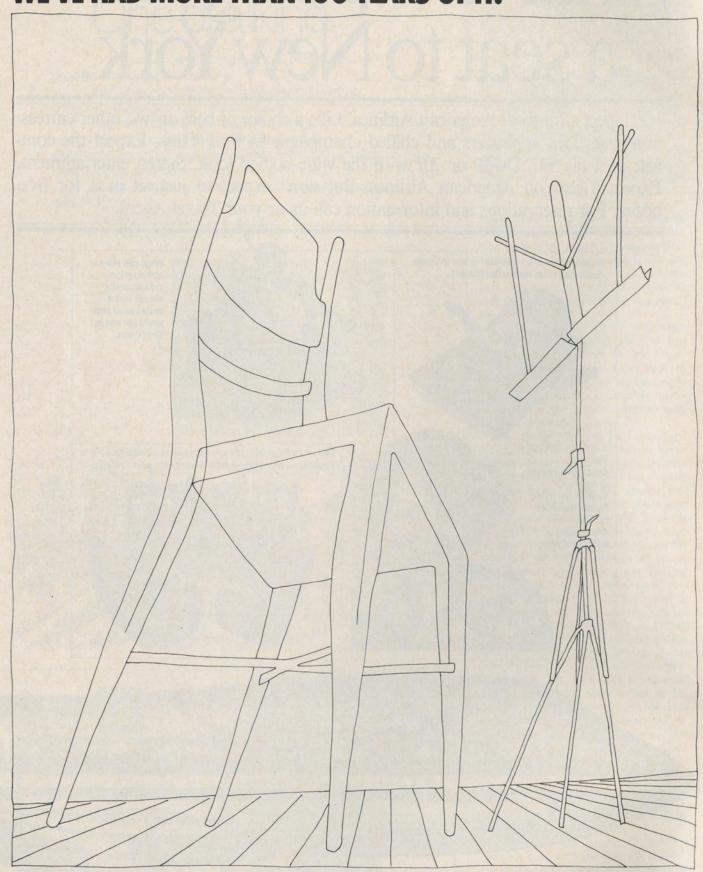
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## S.F. SYMPHONY FOUNDATION MEMBERSHIP CAMPAIGN

by JIM COPLAN

The sell-out crowd files into the Opera House as the 103 member orchestra begins to prepare for the arrival on-stage of Maestro Seiji Ozawa. In a few moments, the 1974 season of the San Francisco Symphony Orchestra will begin.

But months before the first note is sounded, thousands of man hours will have been devoted by volunteers around the bay who may have never picked up a musical instrument. For more goes into the making of a fine symphony orchestra than the momentary pleasure of sounds filling a concert hall. The annual \$4 million budget for the symphony is only about one-half raised from box office revenue. The remainder must be raised from corporations, individuals and foundations.

One organization joining in the effort to reduce the annual deficit of the symphony is the San Francisco Symphony Foundation. In September the foundation opens its 21st Annual Membership Campaign.

As many as 350 volunteers from all Bay Area communities will be counted among the moneyraisers helping to underwrite the symphony.

To call attention to the opening of the membership campaign, as well as the efforts of other symphony groups, public service ads have been donated, on a space available basis, in national publications during the first weeks of the campaign. They were prepared by William Boyd, a member of the foundation's board of directors, and a San Francisco marketing consultant.

Foundation memberships are \$20, with youth memberships (up to age 25) set at \$10. Under a special program beginning this year, an extra \$10 donation allows the foundation

Dr. Robert Newman

to select a member of a senior citizen center for foundation membership.

The 1973 campaign raised approximately \$140,000 from a membership of 6,000, about half of whom were residents of cities outside San Francisco. Heading the 1974 campaign is Dr. Robert Newman, Peninsula physician.

Dr. Newman is expecting that the new campaign will exceed the 1973 totals. "Our main objective," he says, "is not necessarily money, although we are interested in that, but more than money, we're looking for a strong base of support."

Foundation president Richard Reisman also sees the emphasis as being people as well as fund raising. According to Reisman, the foundation serves as a link between the general public and the musicians.

Reisman is the ninth president of the foundation, the first being Philip Boone who served for a term of four years. Reisman joined the foundation ten years ago and is in his second one year term as president.

As president, he attends to the administration duties involved in maintaining an office and staff on a year round basis. Handling the affairs of the day to day operation is a staff of four headed by Executive Director Florence Wager.

Besides the before-hand planning and follow-up work of the membership campaign, there are the foundation educational, travel and social affairs to manage. These activities include a July concert each year in Stern Grove with Maestro Arthur Fiedler conducting the symphony orchestra, special symphony concerts and rehearsals for foundation and association members, and travel pack-



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ages, which since 1964, have included an African safari, Far East tour, European charters, and an Alaskan cruise. These are some of the benefits of belonging to the symphony foundation.

In addition, the foundation works with symphony leagues which have been established on a regional basis around the Bay Area.



Phillip S. Boone

The San Francisco Symphony Foundation was incorporated in November, 1953, by San Franciscan Phillip S. Boone to provide additional financial support to the symphony association to help it maintain the orchestra's first class standing.

Symphony supporters realized that the traditional means of support were going to have to be expanded. This meant that financial and aesthetic support from a broad base was needed to bolster large contributions already being received from corporations and individuals.

Officially, the foundation is not active in any way in managing or operating the symphony. That role falls to the San Francisco Symphony Association. The foundation helps to decrease the annual deficit of the symphony through direct contributions to the association's operating fund, and through the building of an endowment fund.

While the 1974 membership campaign is to begin on September 10, the opening gala will be held on September 27, when the foundation joins Liberty House in what may be the biggest social event in San Francisco this year.

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The critic leaves at curtain fall To find, in starting to review it, He scarcely saw the play at all For watching his reaction to it.

- E. B. WHITE

O critics, cultured critics!
Who will praise me after I am dead!
— SAMUEL BUTLER

I begin to get a little acquainted with my own strengths and weakness. Praise or blame has but a momentary effect on the man whose love of beauty in the abstract makes him a severe critic of his own works.

— JOHN KEATS

A good writer is not, per se, a good book critic. No more so than a good drunk is automatically a good bartender.

— JIM BISHOP

It is long since Mr. Carlyle expressed his opinion that if any poet or other literary creature could really be "killed off by one critic" or many, the sooner he was so dispatched the better; a sentiment in which I, for one, humbly but heartily concur.

— SWINBURNE

The proper function of a critic is to save the tale from the artist who created it.

— D. H. LAWRENCE

It is only after long experience that men are able to define a thing in terms of its own genus, painting as painting, writing as writing. You can spot the bad critic when he starts by discussing the poet and not the poem.

- EZRA POUND

Just then, with a wink and a sly normal lurch,

The owl, very gravely, got down from his perch,

Walked round, and regarded his faultfinding critic

(Who thought he was stuffed) with a glance analytic.

— JAMES THOMAS FIELDS

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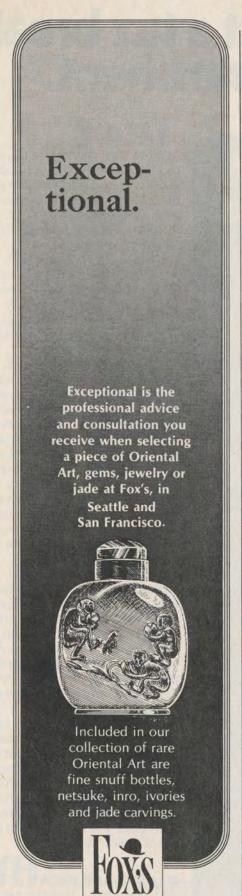
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Of course you may never have used clay pots. The greatly increased demand for potted plants has resulted in a shortage of clay pots that will last at least two more years, according to the National Clay Pot Manufacturers Association, and most house plants are now sold in plastic, also in short supply as you have heard.

But why should we concern ourselves with the scarcity of clay pots? Plastics are lighter, easier to clean. Perhaps they are not as pleasing to the eye but neither do they accumulate salts on the outside or furnish a home for growing algae. They don't do these things because air cannot move through the walls of metal or plastic. However plant roots need air as much as water or nutrients and so they grow better in the porous clay, according to soil scientists at the University of California. Actual examination of the root systems of identical plants grown in clay and plastic have proved this and quite a bit more, some of which contradicts information found for years in books on growing plants in containers.

Have you been putting "drainage" material in the bottom of your pots? Gravel or broken pot material? Actually that is the worst thing you can do, as a film made by the University of Washington clearly shows. Anytime you change the size of the soil particles you interfere with capillary action. Especially from small sizes, such as in sandy soil, to gravel or broken shards. The soil right above the larger material must reach complete saturation before it will run into the bigger holes. What happens is that water is held by surface tension on the face of the soil particles and water will be distributed evenly throughout the root zone only in soil





of even texture. This principle is also vital in planting out potted material in garden soil that is larger in particle size than the growing medium in the container. The roots may not want to leave home and explore your garden. To encourage them you blend your garden soil with something similar to the planting mixture to make a transition zone.

But back to containers. Actual experience with gravel in the bottom of five gallon cans to "improve" drainage showed that the soil immediately above the gravel smelled foul and the roots were not as healthy as higher in the profile. Remember that anytime you raise the saturated soil area, such as right above the gravel, you have less area in which to grow good roots. And more area in which various root rots can develop.

Do you place a broken crock above the hole in the clay pot? Not for best results. If the soil mixture has the proper moisture content when you fill the pot very little will run out.

We have mentioned that plant roots need air as well as water and we have covered how to let the water drain out freely. Now we should point out that in clay the air also circulates through the pot walls, aiding root growth. This does not occur in plastic or metal and so the commercial growers have had to compensate for this in two ways. First by using lots of ground fir bark in the soil mix and secondly by holding back on the water. This latter is easier to do in a greenhouse where the air does not dry out the plants as the outdoors will. So when a plant leaves a greenhouse it is very light in weight due to its relative dryness. When you get it home, if it's an indoor plant, you may give it problems by overwatering. Take heed. One good sign of a quality-grown indoor plant is the clay pot. They can be sold more cheaply in plastic but you are most likely trading off quality for price.

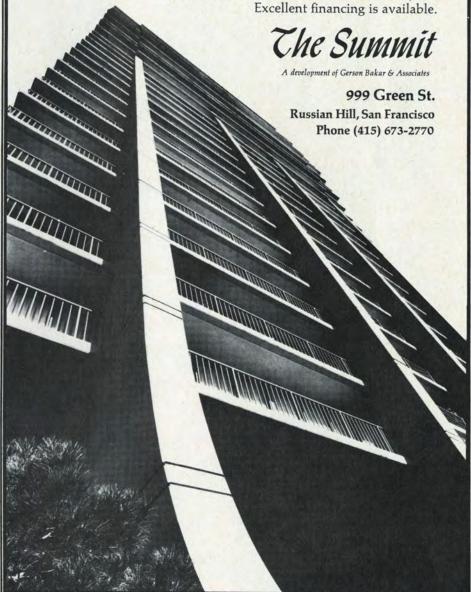
When reusing clay pots it has been suggested that they be soaked and scrubbed thoroughly to destroy disease organisms. For home use a 1:50 solution of LF-10 (Lehn and Fink Products) for 10 minutes will do the job. Somewhat less effective is a 30 minute dip in Clorox diluted 1:9. Do not store the Clorox solution as it is quickly inactivated. Plastic or metal pots can be soaked for 3 minutes in 160° water.

A good rule of thumb for container gardeners might be to try about half as much watering in plastic or metal containers as in clay and to add more ground bark to the soil mixture to aid aeration.

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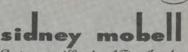


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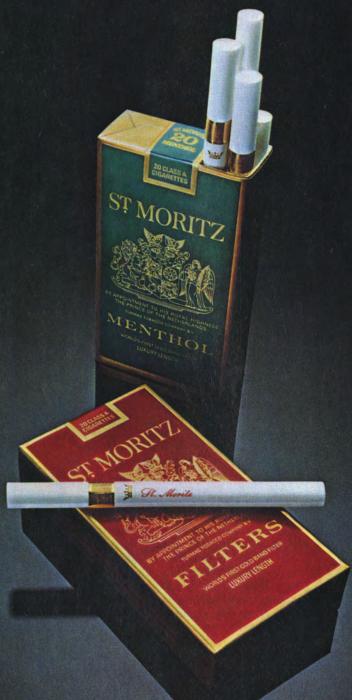
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### A CONCEPT OF CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY

by Charlotte Higgins

"Maybe your company is different, but it seems that not too many people in Big Business were concerned with hiring women and minorities until current legislation forced them to do it—and then, those companies who were forced into it had the audacity to brag about it . . ."

James A. Bacigalupi Jr. asked for it and he certainly got it. Bacigalupi, Crocker Bank's vice president for civil affairs, was asked to deliver a speech to 35 senior high school students recognized for their scholastic achievement. His topic "Social Responsibility of Banks" brought an unexpected response which resulted in a revealing survey administered by the banker.

"I was speaking on a topic that I had used before. I had delivered this speech to an adult banking group and to credit representatives. This was the first time I had addressed a group of young people.

"They weren't rude or anything like that; in fact, they were almost too quiet. They weren't hostile, but their silence almost said to me 'Go ahead and say what you have to say about Big Business and we will sit here and listen quietly. We have our own ideas, however, and you're not likely to change them'," Bacigalupi recalls.

In his talk about banking's social responsibility, Bacigalupi touched on various ways in which the financial world fulfills its role as corporate citizen. He briefly mentioned to the students specific programs designed to help minorities.

He further discussed banking's contributions to educational, cultural and ecological programs. Much of the speech was devoted to Crocker Bank's role in community culture activities and to the bank's responsibilities to its own employees.

Ironically, Bacigalupi began his speech expounding on business' awareness that public respect for the "Establishment" remained relatively low in the early 1970s. In spite of this, Bacigalupi admits that he was surprised at the negativism exhibited by this group of young people.

After he finished the talk, Bacigalupi asked the 35 young representatives of the "academic elite" to stand up and briefly describe their own career plans. The Crocker Bank vice president was a little disturbed by the answers



James A. Bacigalupi, Jr.

"Out of this group of very bright and promising young people, I can't recall one who expressed any desire or intention of going into business. Most of their career goals were in the areas of scientific research or the social sciences. For a person who has been in business most of his life, I was discouraged," Bacigalupi admits.

During the week after he had delivered the speech, Bacigalupi brooded over the silence of the group and their unanimous disinterest in business.

Feeling that he would like more feedback concerning his speech and the subject of Big Business in general, he compiled a questionnaire which he sent back to the students. In it, he asked the students to name the things about Big Business "that arouse indignation in you."

"It was a simple questionnaire, nothing scientific or sophisticated. I was hoping to get their honest reactions about business and about my speech concerning banks and their social responsibility. Their answers told me frankly what they thought and after reading them, I somehow wanted to communicate to other business people some of the things I learned from the survey and from those young people," he explains.

Looking through the questionnaires is an educational process in itself. Although a number of the students maintained that young people judge Big Business for themselves rather than automatically assuming that it is bad, most of them indicated that they had little regard for Big Business or its role as corporate citizen.



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Several of the honor students accused Big Business of being obsessed with the profit factor, disregarding the quality of its products, the interests of consumers or the welfare of its own employees.

As one of the young people said rather frankly, "I feel that Big Business cares very little about what the public really thinks; they just put up

a big front."

Another of the students, willing to give Big Business the benefit of the doubt, stated in the questionnaire ". . . it is hard to believe what is being said. Basically, therefore, what is wrong with Big Business is the way it comes off to youth. Even the real achievements toward betterment come off the wrong way. The approach is wrong—the listener feels as though he is being conned."

Although expressing no overwhelming trust for business in general and banking in particular, the students were impressed with Bacigalupi's interest in their ideas and feelings.

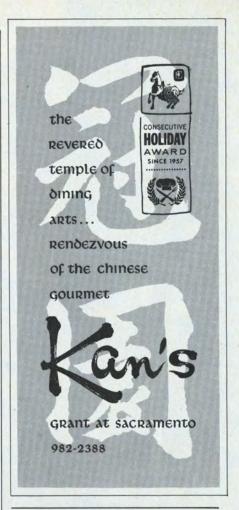
"I suppose that I was caught off guard by the whole experience. I should have been more prepared. Having received positive responses from bank-related professionals, I suppose that it never occurred to me that there were those who had negative feelings.

"From this encounter, I learned that representatives of business, including myself, must be prepared for criticism as well as praise. I am not saying the criticism is going to come exclusively from young people. I am saying that the public in general is commenting on the things we do and say," he warns.

"After reading the students' responses, I decided that I had better go about things in a new way," the Crocker Bank vice president admits. "I evidently need to rephrase or redo my whole approach to young people particularly. I never intend to talk down to them, but I want to make the message from business as clear as possible from now on.

"Evidently we are telling the story the wrong way. We must tell the public what we are doing as a corporate citizen-what we are doing Extra-Profit. This means abandoning false modesty, but, at the same time, not bragging or unjustifiably boasting.

"It is really a difficult thing," Bacigalupi says. "The concept of corporate social responsibility is rather inexact. But I learned from this one group of young people that representatives of business should be willing to tell it like it is, be prepared to be criticized, and learn from the criticism."





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— RICHARD BURTON

The television critic is forced to be literate about the illiterate, witty about the witless and coherent about the incoherent.

— JOHN CROSBY

An actor is never so great as when he reminds you of an animal—falling like a cat, lying like a dog, moving like a fox.

— FRANCOIS TRUFFAUT

When a radio comedian's program is finally finished it slinks down Memory Lane into the limbo of yesterday's happy hours. All that the comedian has to show for his years of work and aggravation is the echo of forgotten laughter.

— FRED ALLEN

Actor and burglars work better at night.

— SIR CEDRIC HARDWICKE

The average Hollywood film star's ambition is to be admired by an American, courted by an Italian, married to an Englishman and have a French boy friend.

— KATHERINE HEPBURN

Suspense (in the entertainment sense) is agony suffered by a spectator, endured in the comfort of a seat.

- ALFRED HITCHCOCK

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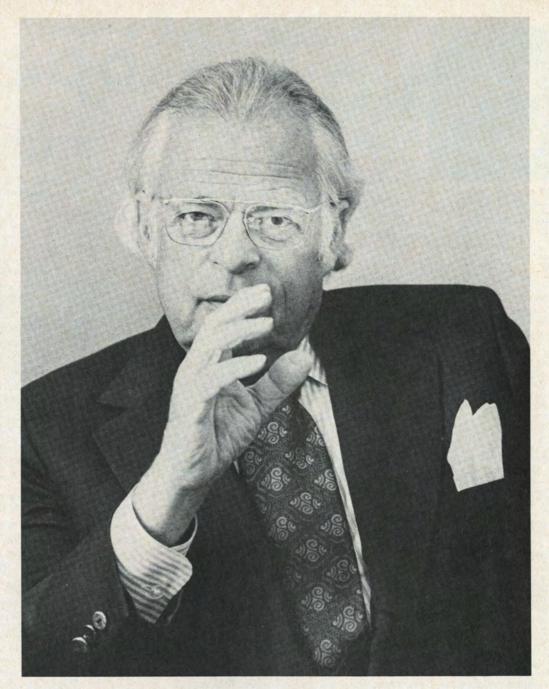
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Burller bert Adley



Each year, San Francisco Opera is more brilliant and exciting than in years past and I believe 1974, the 52nd consecutive season, will be no exception. Opening with "Manon Lescaut," in commemoration of the fiftieth anniversary of the death of Giacomo Puccini, there will be the death of Giacomo Puccini, there will be sixty performances of eleven operas, including one, "Esclarmonde," which has its first San Francisco performance. Under the brilliant leadership of Kurt Herbert Adler, our general director, the San Francisco Opera will again demonstrate that it numbers among the few great opera companies in the world. That the San Francisco Bay Area community recognizes this to be so is

Area community recognizes this to be so is demonstrated by the continuing demand for tickets. Recent years have resulted in nearly 100% capacity attendance and there is similar demand this year, even with three more performances than in 1973.

When we think of San Francisco Opera, we must remember not only the International Fall Season which is now here but the other member companies of the San Francisco Opera family—Spring Opera Theater, Western Opera Theater, San Francisco Opera Auditions, and the Merola Opera Program, and for the first time in 1974, a Junch-hour series of short informal programs called Brown Bag Opera 1974, a lunch-hour series of short, informal programs called Brown Bag Opera. Lack of space precludes discussion of each of these fine programs. San Francisco should be proud that no company in this country can boast of such a scope of

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and three of the latter. New productions are extremely costly and depend on the generosity of donors with a special interest in them, and we express our special appreciation to those whose gifts made them possible. "Manon Lescaut" is made possible by a generous gift from the G.H.C. Meyer Family Foundation. Mr. Meyer was for many years preceding his death in 1973 a member of the Board of Trustees of the War Memorial and served as President of the Board for several years; he was also for many years a member of the Board of San Francisco Opera. "Tristan und Isolde" is made possible by Mr. and Mrs. Daniel E. Koshland. We are indebted to Mrs. Rudolph Light for "Esclarmonde" and our Vice President and Treasurer, James D. Robertson, who gave us "Rigoletto" in 1973, gives us "Don Giovanni" in 1974. Opera has to be classified as a "labor-intensive" endeavor and the effects of inflation are felt more keenly than in most other endeavors. As costs increase, very little opportunity exists to increase "productivity." Nor can "quantity" be reduced as is the case of the five-cent candy bar. And, of course, our standards will not permit any decrease in the "quality" of our performances; indeed, superior quality is our only claim for greatness. Ticket sales in recent years have covered about 60% of costs; this year, they will cover a lesser proportion, since costs have increased dramatically and ticket prices have been held to nearly the same levels. Thus more than 40% of our costs must be raised from other sources—the guarantors, donations from individuals, foundations and corporations and grants from local and federal from individuals, foundations and corporations and grants from local and federal governments. In recent years, through the efforts of the officers, the Board of Directors, other interested individuals and the generosity of many, we have held our own, but the battle to keep afloat financially is never over. While hundreds of opera lovers help each year, a broader base of support is necessary and efforts to achieve this are underway. If you are not now a contributor to the annual fund drive, won't you please join?

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sources.

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Opening Night Friday, September 13, 8:00 MANON LESCAUT PUCCINI

New production, made possible by a generous gift from the G.H.C. Meyer Family Foundation Price, Jones/Merighi, Patrick, Capecchi, Harness, Miller, Frank, Courtney, Manton, Hawkins Conductor: Giovaninetti

Production: Zuffi Designer: Zuffi Chorus Director: Ryan

Saturday, September 14, 7:00

PARSIFAL WAGNER Randova, Matsumoto, Forst, Felty, Benson, Daniels, Jones/Thomas, Stewart, Moll, van Ginkel, Booth, Hawkins, Burgess, Cooper Conductor: Suitner Stage Director: G. Hager

Revised Production: Darling Costume Designer: Skalicki Chorus Director: Ryan

Tuesday, September 17, 7:00 PARSIFAL WAGNER

Wednesday, September 18, 8:00 MANON LESCAUT PUCCINI

Friday, September 20, 7:00

PARSIFAL WAGNER

Saturday, September 21, 8:00 MANON LESCAUT PUCCINI

Sunday, September 22, 2:00

SALOME STRAUSS Rysanek-Gausmann, Varnay, Garabedian, Felty/Hopf, Nimsgern, Neill, Booth, Cooper, Hawkins, Courtney, Miller, Burgess, Harness, Manton, Frank, Magary Conductor: Suitner Stage Director: Lehnhoff Designer: W. Wagner Realized by: Darling

Tuesday, September 24, 8:00 MANON LESCAUT PUCCINI

Wednesday, September 25, 7:00

PARSIFAL WAGNER

Friday, September 27, 8:00
MANON LESCAUT PUCCINI Saturday, September 28, 8:00

SALOME STRAUSS

Sunday, September 29, 1:30

PARSIFAL WAGNER

Tuesday, October 1, 8:00 SALOME STRAUSS

Wednesday, October 2, 8:00

MADAMA BUTTERFLY PUCCINI Scotto, Forst, Jones/Carreras, Patrick, Frank, Cooper, Booth, Miller, Harvey Conductor: Adler Stage Director: G. Hager Designer: Businger Chorus Director: Ryan

Friday, October 4, 8:00 SALOME STRAUSS

Saturday, October 5, 8:00

MADAMA BUTTERFLY PUCCINI

Sunday, October 6, 2:00

MANON LESCAUT PUCCINI

Tuesday, October 8, 8:00

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Friday, October 11, 7:00

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Conductor: Varviso Production: Haugk Designer: Weyl Chorus Director: Ryan

Saturday, October 12, 8:00

SALOME STRAUSS

Sunday, October 13, 2:00 MADAMA BUTTERFLY PUCCINI

Tuesday, October 15, 7:00

TRISTAN UND ISOLDE WAGNER

Wednesday, October 16, 8:00

LA CENERENTOLA ROSSINI von Stade, Matsumoto, Nadler/Benelli, Capecchi, Montarsolo, Davis

Conductor: Pritchard Production: Ponnelle Designer: Ponnelle Chorus Director: Ryan

Friday, October 18, 8:00

MADAMA BUTTERFLY PUCCINI

Saturday, October 19, 7:00

TRISTAN UND ISOLDE WAGNER

Tuesday, October 22, 8:00 LA CENERENTOLA ROSSINI

Wednesday, October 23, 8:00

ESCLARMONDE MASSENET

New production, made possible by a generous gift from Mrs. Rudolph Light

Sutherland, Tourangeau/Aragall, Kerns, Grant, Booth, Harness, Burgess

Conductor: Bonynge Production: Mansouri Designer: Montresor Chorus Director: Ryan Choreographer: Vesak

Thursday, October 24, 7:00

TRISTAN UND ISOLDE WAGNER

Saturday, October 26, 2:00 LA CENERENTOLA ROSSINI

Saturday, October 26, 8:00

ESCLARMONDE MASSENET

Sunday, October 27, 1:30

TRISTAN UND ISOLDE WAGNER

Tuesday, October 29, 8:00 **ESCLARMONDE** MASSENET

Wednesday, October 30, 8:00

OTELLO VERDI

Lorengar, Nadler/King, Wixell, J. Walker, Grant, Burgess, Cooper, Courtney

Conductor: Lopez-Cobos Production: Ponnelle Designer: Ponnelle

Chorus Director: Ryan

Friday, November 1, 8:00 LA CENERENTOLA ROSSINI

Saturday, November 2, 2:00 ESCLARMONDE MASSENET

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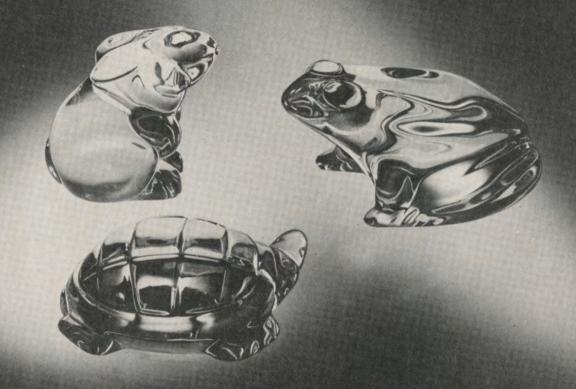
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Act I, scene 1: A forest near a lake at Montsalvat.

Gurnemanz, an experienced Knight of the Grail, and his two young Esquires are aroused from sleep at daybreak by a solemn reveille from the castle. They offer up a morning prayer. They are joined by two other knights and Gurnemanz enquires about the well-being of Amfortas, their leader, who has been wounded by the sacred Spear snatched from him by the wicked magician Klingsor. Apparently, Amfortas has received no relief from an unguent brought by the knight Gawain. So now Amfortas is to be carried to the lake for a bath in the lake to soothe his pain. Gurnemanz ruminates that one man alone can cure their leader but does not here enlarge on the point.

Kundry, a wild, enigmatic creature, enters bringing balsam from a far land. She flings herself to the ground, roughly declaring herself exhausted. Amfortas is brought in on a litter and carried to the lake. As no relief is coming, he asks to be left in peace to await the coming of a Saviour, the pure fool. He then accepts Kundry's gift and is borne off to the lake. Then Gurnemanz relates the story of Amfortas' betrayal at the hands of Kundry and about the Grail (O, wunden-wunder-voller heiliger Speerl). As he reaches the key line of his narrative about the need for a pure fool and the long wait for him, shouting is heard from the lake and a wounded swan falls dead at his feet. It has been shot by a youth, Parsifal as it will turn out to be, whom the knights drag in. He is suitably chastened by a rebuke from Gurnemanz, but when questioned seems to know little about himself. Gurnemanz believes he might perhaps be the perfect fool and intends to test him by taking him to the castle to observe the rite of unveiling the Grail.

#### Scene 2: the Hall of the Grail.

They reach the hall, and the knights, chanting, take their appointed places (Zum letzten Liebesmahle). The voice of Titurel, former leader, is heard as if from the grave, calling on Amfortas to uncover the Sacrament. Tortured and worn, Amfortas cannot bring himself to carry out his duty. Finally he unlocks the casket as voices float down from the dome of the hall. The Knights partake of Communion (Wein und Brot). The rite completed, Amfortas collapses in pain and his wound reopens. Gurnemanz finds Parsifal has understood nothing and the old man turns him out of the hall, but the strain about the pure fool is repeated by a single voice from above.

#### Act II scene 1: Klingsor's magic castle.

The curtain rises on the menacing, brooding figure of Klingsor. He catches sight of Parsifal's approach and summons Kundry (Herauf! Herauf! zu mirl), instructing her to seduce the young man. They have both recognized him as the only possible redeemer of Amfortas. Klingsor has already sent his minions to ensnare Parsifal, but he has put them all to flight and he is fast approaching the castle.

#### Scene 2: Klingsor's magic garden.

Klingsor's Flower Maidens disport themselves while bemoaning the fact that all their warriors have been wounded by Parsifal, who now enters and is caressed and courted by them (Komm, komm, holder Knabe). He is impervious to their flirtatious approaches, but Kundry, now transformed into a beautiful, sensual girl calls out his name as she reclines voluptuously on a bank. Kundry recalls memories of his childhood and his mother Herzeleide (Ich sah das Kind). She bends over him and kisses him passionately. At this the young man breaks away crying "Amfortas! Die Wunde". The Pure Fool has become man. He repels all Kundry's further pleadings and advances. She calls on Klingsor for help. The magician appears and hurls the sacred Spear at the youth. Parsifal seizes the holy relic as it hovers over his head and makes the sign of the Cross. With a ghastly cry Kundry collapses and Klingsor's castle is destroyed.

#### Act III, Scene 1: A flowery meadow in the domain of the Grail, Good Friday.

Many years have passed. Gurnemanz grown very old, is now a hermit. Coming out of his hut, he discovers the groaning Kundry and revives her. She goes to a spring to draw water for him; she is now submissive and helpful. They catch sight of a kright in black armour; it is Parsifal now resolute and wise. He is recognized by Kundry but not by the old man, who chides him for being so armed on a holy day. Parsifal strikes the sacred Spear in the ground and prays before it. Gurnemanz now recognizes him too, and after Parsifal has described his travels, tells him that Amfortas, even more pained than in the past, now wishes only for death and refuses to unveil the Grail. Gurnemanz removes Parsifal's armour and invests him with the mantle of a Knight of the Grail, while Kundry washes his feet with holy water and then anoints his feet with balsam. She then hands the ointment to Gurnemanz, who creates Parsifal King of the Knights. His first task in his new position is to baptise Kundry and thus redeem her. He marvels at the beauty of the Spring fields, and Gurnemanz comments that it is the Good Friday spell (Das ist Charireitags-Zauber, Herr). Bells in the distance announce Titurel's funeral, and Gurnemanz leads Kundry and Parsifal towards the castle.

#### Scene 2: the Hall of the Grail.

The knights remind the suffering Amfortas of his duty to uncover the Grail. He uncovers his wound and asks for the knights to strike him dead. At that moment Parsifal enters and touching the wound with the sacred Spear, heals it. Amfortas' face lights up and he staggers under the impact of such great joy. The Esquires open the shrine and uncover the Grail. Parsifal takes the Grail and, holding the Spear aloft, blesses the knight. All pay homage to the Grail's redeemer.

—Alan Blyth

#### PARSIFAL

#### by ALAN BLYTH

#### The legend

Parsifal is an imaginative amalgam of various mediaeval legends. The most relevant of these to Wagner appears to have been the Parzival of the 13th-century German poet Wolfram von Eschenbach in which the hero, through many enlightening adventures, gradually gains in wisdom. In the fifth and sixth books of this long narrative poem, Wagner was to discover the core of his libretto, for it is there that Wolfram describes his experiences in the castle of the Grail, but in Wolfram's work the Grail had little of the religious significance it was to have in Parsifal.

That element of the tale has its principal basis in the legend of the Holy Grail from which Jesus and his disciples drank at the Last Supper. When Jesus' side was pierced by a Roman soldier's spear, Joseph of Arimethea held that cup at the foot of the cross and caught the Saviour's blood in the vessel. The cup became known as the Sangreal, or Holy Grail, at least that is the derivation Wagner believed in, although its origin has been disputed by recent scholars. The Grail and the Spear became key Christian relics and fell into the hands of a band of pious knights who found them a source of constant renaissance replenished on Good Friday each year by a dove that flew down from heaven with a wafer which it dropped in the cup.

The site of the mountain hideout where the Grail was cherished is uncertain. Its name in the early legends of the Grail appeared in various forms. Montsalvat, as we have it in Wagner, certainly derives from the French Mont Sauvage, because the Grail was so much written about in early French, but Spain seems a likelier location. Wagner certainly describes Klingsor's Magic Castle as facing Moorish Spain.

As for Parsifal (or in its English form, Perceval) and his link with the Grail that is to be found in French lore, which later became connected with the Arthurian story, in which Parsifal was replaced by Lancelot and then by Lancelot's son Galahad (as in Mallory's Morte d'Arthur) all of them contributed, if only peripherally, to Wagner's conflation. Of the other characters, Cundrie (or Kundry as she became) appears in Wolfram as a mysterious person at the Court of King Arthur and in other stories as the Loathy Damozel, but it was Wagner who developed her significantly into that curious, enigmatic mixture of good and evil to be found in Parsifal. The weary Amfortas derives from the Fisher King of the legends, and a vestige of his origins is kept by Wagner in the setting of his first act. Gurnemanz is an amalgamation of various characters whom Parsifal encounters in the legends, one who usually teaches Parsifal not to ask questions. Klingsor was originally a Knight of the Grail. He was found in adultery and condemned by law to be emasculated (in Wagner he has unmanned himself). He then takes control of Terre Merveille, to become in Wagner his magic castle.

These then are the disparate elements from which Wagner contrived his bold, direct libretto.

#### The opera's genesis

Wagner first became interested in the Parsifal legend as early as 1845. Taking a cure in Marienbad in what is now Czechoslovakia, he read Wolfram's Titurel and Parzival and their anonymous sequel Loherangrin (sic). His imagination was set alight, but happily for us (as he was hardly ready to cope with Parsifal) he set to work on Lohengrin. But from that time onwards, the idea for the later work was gradually and silently gestating in his mind. In 1854 he had plans for introducing something of the Parsifal legend into the final act of the Tristan und Isolde libretto. What he had in mind was to have a melody associated with the wandering Parsifal sound in the ear of the mortally wounded lover, and he actually wrote out the line in words and music: "Wo find' ich dich, du heil'ger Gral/ dich sucht voll Sehnsucht mein Herze." Where shall I find thee, Holy Grail, for which my longing heart is looking. In the event Wagner realized that such an unmotivated episode would have no place in Tristan.

His thoughts turned to Wolfram again in 1857. Inspired by a lovely Spring morning at his country cottage near Zurich in the grounds of the Wesendonck manor, he recounts (in his autobiography) that he "swiftly conceived a complete drama in three acts, and I put it hastily on paper". If he really did so, we have no remaining evidence of that scenario. In the late 1850's he began to be influenced by the philosophies of Schopenhauer and Buddha, and his whole view of life took in consequence a mystical-metaphysical turn. These led him to ponder on the nature of things and upon mankind's burden; from that emerged in his mind a deeper, more intellectual view of the Parsifal legend. As he wrote in his diary: "Nothing touches me seriously save as it awakes in me fellow-feeling, that is fellow-suffering. That feeling of compassion I recognize as the strongest facet of my moral self, and so it is presumably the basis of my art." From that was to come the whole ethos of Parsifal, Act 3.

By the early 1860's Ludwig of Bavaria, Wagner's ardent patron, had come into his life with a vengeance. Wagner's chief concern at that juncture was to have Tristan produced. Once that desire was fulfilled at Munich in 1865, Wagner was prepared to fall in with Ludwig's wish for work on Parsifal to begin, and he wrote a prose sketch, always the first and fruitful stage in any work of his, in late August, 1865. The story began to take shape in its definitive form, that is with the importance of the Spear emphasized and the ideas of redemption and a quest for a heal-

ing agent for Amfortas.

Now, however, he moved away again from the somber world of Parsifal towards the lighter arena of Die Meistersinger and then on to the completion of the Ring, not to mention his efforts towards building his ideal theatre at Bayreuth; but the legend's origins, and their universal meaning, were never far from his mind. At last, with the first Bayreuth Festival achieved in 1876, nothing was in the path of Parsifal's development. From Cosima's diary we learn that in January, 1877, he was embarking on the final draft of the poem, "and I shall not lay it aside until it's finished." Three days later he had decided that the key point of the drama should not, as in the legends, be the asking of any question, but the Spear. He distilled from the old stories two or three central episodes that would emphasize its ethical and moral content. Montsalvat would be opposed by the world of Klingsor, who would wound Amfortas with the spear that pierced Jesus' side, and for that Parsifal would search the world. By recovering it for the good knights, Amfortas would be healed, Montsalvat regain its power and dignity. Superfluous characters were ruthlessly filed away, and Kundry, a shadowy figure in Wolfram, becomes a central, positive person whose kissing of Parsifal would be the psychological core of the drama. Her complex nature is not precisely explained in the written drama, but the music makes her crucial position clear.

The libretto was complete by the end of April, 1877, but the score itself was to take another five years, with interruptions, mostly brought about by increasingly poor health. The Prelude, however, was finished by the end of 1878, and performed at Wahnfried for Cosima's birthday. The whole score was completed at Palermo on January 13, 1882.

#### First Performance

The first performance took place at Bayreuth on July 26th, 1882. It was a private one. Three days later the public premiere was given. Angelo Neumann, the Austrian tenor and impresario, has left his impression of the performance "...it was an epoch-making occasion for all those present. The audience naturally enough on such an evening was tremendously interested, and expectation was at its height . . . as to the interpretation, Amalie Materna (Kundry) and Hermann Winkelmann (Parsifal) were marvellous, as was the orchestra under Hermann Levi. Above all, Emil Scaria's Gurnemanz was a masterpiece. Without exaggeration, I can say it was the perfection of art. This singer, who had triumphed so as Wotan in Berlin and then failed so lamentably in London, had risen under Wagner's influence to such an interpretation as to enrapture the audience and even delight the master

"That season I heard seven performances of Parsifal. It was at the close of the first that Wagner, amid the thunderous response of the audience, appeared on the stage surrounded by his artists, begged the public not to applaud again as they had during the course of that performance. So the second performance passed in a calm, reverent hush. That called forth another speech from the master. He must explain that it was only during the performance (i.e., in the middle of acts) that he objected to applause, but the appreciation due to the singers at curtain - fall was quite another matter. So at the next performance, the people expressed their enthusiasm at the close of each act." One hopes San Francisco audiences will follow the composer's excellent advice.

Cosima made fanatical efforts to keep the work exclusively for Bayreuth, but inevitably she failed. It reached the Metropolitan, New York, in December, 1903, Boston the following year, and London (Covent Garden) in 1914. The San Francisco premiere was on October 27, 1950, conducted by Perlea, and with Flagstad as Kundry.

#### The Music

That Prelude which Wagner also played to King Ludwig on November 12, 1880, presents the major themes of the opera itself. Here, in first grave then more dramatic music, are the motifs associated with the Grail, Amfortas' suffering, the Spear. As with the Leitmotiv in all Wagner's works, the old idea of identifying each idea too closely with one particular aspect of the story has been largely discredited, and particularly in his last work it can be misleading. By this stage in his career, Wagner is a complete master at interweaving his motifs imperceptibly and seamlessly into a cogent whole. This score, the most subtle and advanced in harmony, especially in the third act. should not be dissected measure by measure but drunk in as a perfect expression of the interior action.

There are only two guide-lines I would give. Firstly, one must listen "long." Sagas take a long time to expound, and the music goes, as it were, wide and deep. Secondly, as in all his operas, and as one is tempted to add in all great stage works, the composer has created a musical world that is entirely sui generis, solely of itself, so that any minute of the score is identifiable as from Parsifal and no other piece. In a sense, Parsifal is primarily a symphonic work-Wagner wanted to go on to write symphonies - and it moves in large symphonic paragraphs. Let the great Wagner scholar Ernest Newman speak the final word on the music: "To the last, the wonderful brain kept growing. Wagner makes a new musical idiom, a new texture, for Parsifal as he had done for every other of his works-above all, a harmonic language of incomparable subtlety, a gliding, melting chromaticism that searches us through and through." That was written perceptively in 1914.

#### The Meaning

As with Wagner's other works, many words have been spilled on the true meaning of *Parsifal*. Undoubtedly, it is about something more than the facts of the story. Perhaps the most ready explanation of the work can be had by treating the main

characters as symbols. Parsifal is an unstained soul who becomes wise through his very simplicity. Today he might be characterized as any good man who quests in the cause of an unspecified, tolerant idealism. Kundry represents surely the two sides of the female persona, half angelic, half sensual. Klingsor is the personification of evil. Gurnemanz is the eternal father-figure, guiding and advising but not acting. Amfortas is perhaps more complex than any, a crusader who has failed in his mission, impaled by his own pride, doomed to suffer until saved by another, unself-seeking hero. Through Parsifal, Amfortas is granted life rather than death.

The Grail itself is an abstract concept in Parsifal, not a specifically religious one. It represents the higher good that vindicates right decisions. But its power is dependent on the triumph and failure of the knights, and particularly their leader, here Amfortas. Only those who have chosen the good path, as Gurnemanz explains in the first act, can serve it, and the Grail cannot exist without human goodness. Amfortas has fallen to the powers of evil, represented by Klingsor, working through Kundry who has seduced Amfortas in her evil guise. While in her arms, Klingsor has dealt Amfortas a fearful blow with the Spear. Now the power of the Grail can only be restored by someone resisting her, and understanding what Amfortas has undergone.

Parsifal comes into the action as a moral blank, sees Amfortas' suffering, and then when his moment of seduction comes in Act 2, everything is made plain. "A m f o r t a s, die Winde," he cries at the climax of the drama. He finds his resolution to resist Kundry and save the Grail; he has learned the difference between good and evil, and can save the sacrament

The third act of *Parsifal*, the last of Wagner's long career, has an extraordinary atmosphere of finality and serenity about it. With Parsifal's renunciation of love for a higher purpose we feel that Wagner himself has reached a haven of peace and resignation, and whatever it may convey to us it surely must have meant to the composer the victorious end of a difficult, lengthy and eventful journey.

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#### **Opera Previews**

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Speaker: Allan Ulrich

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Speaker: Dr. Dale Harris Sunday, November 3 DON GIOVANNI

Speaker: Ramon Rockway Shanevfelt

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Speaker: Dr. Jan Popper Thursday, September 26

SALOME

Speaker: Robert Commanday

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#### WHO'S WHO



KURT HERBERT ADLER, General Director of San Francisco Opera since 1953, returns to the podium to conduct Madama Butterfly. Born and educated in Vienna, Mr. Adler became conductor for the Max Reinhardt theaters there

at age twenty, and assisted Arturo Toscanini at the Salzburg Festival for Die Meistersinger. In 1938 he came to the United States, having conducted at the Vienna Volksoper and throughout Germany, Italy, and Czechoslovakia. After five years at the Chicago Opera, he joined the San Francisco Opera staff. In his early years with the company, Maestro Adler conducted regularly; he led such memorable productions as Aida with Renata Tebaldi and Mario Del Monaco in 1950, Madama Butterfly with Licia Albanese following the death of Gaetano Merola in 1953, and again in 1960 with Leontyne Price, The Marriage of Figaro in 1958 and Così fan tutte in 1960, both with Elisabeth Schwarzkopf, and, after an absence of eleven seasons, La Traviata in 1973. Maestro Adler has been a frequent guest conductor for the NBC Standard Hour Symphony broadcasts and with the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra at the Hollywood Bowl. He also led the first performance of Così fan tutte ever given at the Teatro San Carlo of Naples in 1958. In the summer of 1973, Maestro Adler conducted a special public concert in memory of Maestro Merola, featuring Licia Albanese and Luciano Pavarotti. He was given the City of San Francisco's highest honor last year when Mayor Joseph Alioto presented him with the St. Francis of Assisi Award in recognition of his work with the Opera.



JACQUELYN BENSON has sung with the American Opera Centre at the Juilliard School of Music in Fidelio with Leonard Bernstein. A former member of the Metropolitan Opera Studio and one-time apprentice with the Santa Fe Opera, she has

received grants from the Martha Baird Rockefeller Fund and the Atlanta Fine Arts Foundation to help her pursue a musical career. The soprano, who appeared with the Houston Grand Opera as Juliette in Romeo et Juliette, recently sang the title role of Violetta in La Traviata for Western Opera Theater. She is heard during the 1974 season as a flower maiden in Parsifal, following her debut season last year in Tannhäuser, Elektra, Peter Grimes, Don Carlo and the student matinee performance of La Bohème, in which she had the role of Musetta.



PHILIP BOOTH, who comes from Washington, D.C., returns to San Francisco Opera to appear in several roles during the 1974 season. After four appearances in the 1973 season (Tannhäuser, Boris Godunov, Elektra and Peter Grimes) Booth

sang Ariadeno in Spring Opera Theater's L'Ormindo earlier this year and appeared in the Houston Grand Opera performance of Abduction from the Seraglio in May. The bass has performed principal roles in the Benjamin Britten trilogy of church parables, sung the Mozart Requiem with the Cincinnati Symphony under Thomas Schippers, Fasolt in San Diego Opera's production of Das Rheingold, and appeared for two seasons with Western Opera Theater.



GARY BURGESS is a graduate of Indiana University and of the Opera Department of the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia, where he studied with Max Rudolf and Dino Yannopoulos. Although still very young, Bur-

gess has had wide experience in opera and on the concert stage. Orchestras with which he has appeared include the Buffalo Philharmonic, St. Catherine's (Canada) Symphony, Toronto Symphony, and others. Burgess is performing for the second time with San Francisco Opera. Other operatic organizations with which he has sung include the Metropolitan Opera Studio, The Metropolitan Opera at the Forum, Kentucky Opera Association, Philadelphia Lyric Opera, and Central City Opera in Colorado. He made his European debut with the Greek National Opera earlier this season, singing Bacchus in Ariadne auf Naxos, and he returns there in the spring of 1975 to sing Tom Rakewell in The Rake's Progress.



RENATO CAPECCHI, who returns to San Francisco to sing Geronte in Manon Lescaut, is well-known for his versatility. His repertoire encompasses over 260 roles, and he has sung in the premieres of fifteen contemporary

operas. Capecchi ascribes the enormous size and range of his repertory to "starting young and being obliging." He often appears on the major operatic stages of Italy, and recently appeared in Covent Garden in a new production of La Forza del Destino. His San Francisco credits include Dr.

Bartolo in II Barbiere di Siviglia (1968), Melitone in La Forza del Destino (1969), Dandini in La Cenerentola (1969), the Sacristan in Tosca (1970) and Don Alfonso in Così fan tutte (1970). He had his broadcast debut in Turin, July, 1948, as lago in Otello, and his Metropolitan Opera debut in 1951. He appears in the major European festivals, such as Salzburg, Edinburgh, Holland, Stockholm, Venice and Paris, and he has recorded several full-length operas and opera excerpts for recording companies such as Phillips, Decca, D.G.G., and Columbia.



JOSE CARRERAS, a Catalan tenor, who made a resounding success last season in his San Francisco debut as Rodolfo in La Bohème, returns to the 1974 San Francisco Opera season as Pinkerton in the first series of Puccini's Ma

dama Butterfly. Making his operatic debut as Ismaele in Nabucco with the company of his home town, Barcelona, he was immediately recognized as a major talent by his famous compatriot, Montserrat Caballe, and today they are frequently seen together as singing partners. Carreras went on to appear in many of the major European opera houses before making his American debut with the New York City Opera as Pinkerton in 1972. Since his last San Francisco engagement, Mr. Carreras has performed Cavaradossi in Munich and appeared at Covent Garden in La Traviata. This summer he recorded Massenet's Thais for RCA with Anna Moffo, Gabriel Bacquier and Justino Diaz. During the 1974-75 season, he will make his Metropolitan Opera debut.



LAWRENCE COOPER won the Florence Bruce Award at the San Francisco Opera Auditions of 1971, participated in the Merola Opera Program that year, and in 1972 made his Spring Opera Theater debut in The Rise and Fall of the

City of Mahagonny and his San Francisco Opera debut in Tosca and The Visit of the Old Lady. For the past three seasons with Western Opera Theater, Mr. Cooper has sung major roles in the touring Company's productions of La Cenerentola, La Traviata, and What Price Confidence. In 1974 he had the title role in the Western Opera Theater production of The Barber of Seville. The recipient of a \$10,000 grant from the National Opera Institute, Cooper performed last year with the Augusta Opera and the Reno Opera. He appeared with the San Francisco Symphony during the 1972-73 sea-

son as baritone soloist in Mahler's Eighth Symphony, and returned the next year as a soloist in Bach's Magnificat. In 1975 he is scheduled to sing in Columbia Artists' Bel Canto Trio tours.



JAMES COURTNEY makes his San Francisco Opera debut this season after participating in the 1974 Merola Opera Program. The young bass comes from San Jose, has a degree in Music from San Jose State and a Master of

Music Degree from Eastman School of Music, where he is currently working on a doctorate. Courtney has made appearances with the Eastman School Opera Theater, Opera Under the Stars (Rochester, N.Y.) and the Rochester Philharmonic. He appeared at Stern Grove this summer as Don Basilio in the Merola Opera Program's Il Barbiere di Siviglia and as Sarastro in The Magic Flute at Paul Masson Mountain Winery.



SHARON DANIELS, a San Francisco - based soprano, was the winner of the William Kent Jr. Memorial Award in the finals of the 1973 San Francisco Opera Auditions. As a participant in the Merola Opera Program of that

year, she appeared in concert with Kurt Herbert Adler and the Stern Grove Festival Orchestra and performed the role of the Countess in Le Comte Ory at the Paul Masson Mountain Winery. She sang in two Western Opera Theater productions that year: The Threepenny Opera, staged in the streets of San Francisco, and Hansel and Gretel. In 1974 she performed frequently with Brown Bag Opera, both in Veterans Auditorium and in city parks and plazas. The young soprano has considerable experience in concert-oratorio, having sung at the Richmond Symphony, the Oakland Symphony, and the San Francisco Bach Choir, among others. She has also appeared with Young Audiences in various public schools throughout the Bay Area.



JANICE FELTY began her San Francisco Opera affiliation as a member of the chorus. A participant in the 1973 Merola Opera Program, she appeared with the Stern Grove Festival Orchestra and performed the role of

Isolier in Rossini's Le Comte Ory in the Merola Opera Program's production at the Paul Masson Winery. San Francisco audiences will remember her portrayals of Hansel in Western Opera Theater's production of Hansel and Gretel last December, and Nerillo in Spring Opera Theater's L'Ormindo. A 1974 Metropolitan Regional Auditions winner, she has also been the recipient of the Kurt Herbert Adler and Florence Bruce Awards. The mezzo recently appeared as Suzuki in a Tucson Opera Company production of Madama Butterfly, as well as with Brown Bag Opera during the

spring. As a participant in the 1974 Merola Opera Program she sang Rosina in *The Barber of Seville* at Sigmund Stern Grove, and was the winner of the coveted James H. Schwabacher Memorial Award at the 1974 San Francisco Opera Auditions Finals.



JUDITH FORST, a 1968 national semifinalist in the Metropolitan Opera Auditions, so impressed Rudolf Bing that he immediately signed her to a full-time Metropolitan contract. Since then, the mezzo's career has blossomed

to include more than fifty roles in five languages ranging from oratorio to trouser and standard mezzo roles, including Siebel in Faust, Cherubino in Le Nozze di Figaro, Pauline in The Queen of Spades, and Olga in Eugene Onegin. Making her San Francisco debut this year, Miss Forst will be seen as Suzuki in Madama Butterfly and as one of Klingsor's Flower Maidens in Parsifal. In addition to being a Metropolitan Opera Auditions semifinalist, Miss Forst was the winner of the San Francisco Opera Auditions in the Eastern Region in 1967 and the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation's prestigious Cross-Canada Musical Competition for that year. The Canadian mezzo, who made her Sante Fe Opera debut in 1973, returned this year to sing Clori in L'Egisto and the Second Lady in The Magic Flute. Future engagements include Madama Butterfly with the Southern Alberta Opera Association, L'Enfance du Christ with the New York Philharmonic, and The Merry Widow in Edmon-



JOSEPH FRANK was born in Philadelphia and received both his bachelor's and master's degrees from Indiana University, where he participated in the well known Indiana University Opera Theater, where he performed

such roles as Ferrando in Così fan tutte, Don Ottavio in Don Giovanni and in May, 1972, he created the role of Hyllus in the American premiere of Heracles by John Eaton. The young tenor has been a featured soloist with the Central City Opera Company, a member of the Curtis Institute of Music, and made his New York debut last year in Three Church Parables ("Curlew River," "The Burning Fiery Furnace," "The Prodigal Son") by Benjamin Britten, under the direction of Nathaniel Merrill for the Concert Artists Guild.



EDNA GARABEDIAN made her New York debut with the New York City Opera as Santuzza in Cavalleria Rusticana in 1964. Thereafter she appeared frequently with that company for two years as well as with the

Kansas City Lyric Opera, the Baltimore Civic Opera, and the Washington Opera Society. Miss Garabedian has performed frequently as a recitalist with the Washington National Symphony, the Rochester Philharmonic and Choral Society, the St. Louis Symphony, and several other orchestras. She sang Maddalena in Spring Opera Theater's 1971 production of Rigoletto and was re-engaged for the 1971 fall season as Olga in Eugene Onegin and Annina in Der Rosenkavalier. In 1972 she appeared as The Nurse and The Hostess in Boris Godunov for the opera companies of Houston and San Diego. Most recently, Miss Garabedian has been on a special educational tour project in South America, where she has been teaching and performing. The mezzo returns to San Francisco to appear as The Page in Strauss' Salome.



REYNALD GIOVANI-NETTI, returning to San Francisco after an absence of one season to conduct Manon Lescaut, has in the last few years developed a remarkable career on both sides of the Atlantic. He studied mathema-

tical sciences and at the same time attended the Paris Conservatory, graduating from both and winning a large number of prizes. Following a string of appearances with the most important French orchestras, he started devoting a lot of time to opera as well, resulting in appointments as musical director of the Mulhouse and Marseilles Operas. In 1969 and 1970, he conducted two concert performances for the American Opera Society at Carnegie Hall, making his American opera debut conducting Le Nozze di Figaro later that year for San Francisco Opera. He conducted Jean Pierre Ponnelle's production of La Clemenza di Tito at the 1971 Munich Festspiele, and during the 1970-71 season appeared on the podium of the Opera de Paris for Don Carlo and Rigoletto. In 1973 he conducted Pelleas and Melisande for the Munich Festspiele, a production which was so successful it was repeated this year.



GHITA HAGER, one of the few women stage directors in opera, will direct two 1974 San Francisco Opera productions: Wagner's Parsifal and Puccini's Madama Butterfly. Born in Estonia and now a German citizen, Miss Hager has been as-

sociated with San Francisco Opera for twenty years. Originally engaged as a choreographer, she later staged the 1968 production of *The Barber of Seville* (the first woman to direct a San Francisco Opera production), Ariadne auf Naxos, Carmina Burana, The Marriage of Figaro and in the 1973 season, La Bohème. In 1970 she codirected the production of Falstaff with Sir Geraint Evans. With San Francisco Opera's affiliate companies Miss Hager also has many productions to her credit. Besides being resident stage director for Western Opera Theater from 1967 to 1972 Miss Hager has also staged several works for Spring Opera. Other recent directing assignments include The Abduction from the Seraglio in Sacramento, the Vancouver Opera production of The Marriage of Figaro and the 1972 world premiere of Alva Henderson's Medea in San Diego.



WILLIAM HARNESS, a winner of the San Francisco Opera Auditions finals in 1972, sang in churches in the Seattle area since the age of three. Only in the past four years has he seriously pursued a career in opera. He engaged in

performances with the University of Washington Opera Workshop and with the Seattle Opera. Harness has performed in numerous oratorios and cantatas with the Allied Arts Chorus and Orchestra. Following his placement in the San Francisco Opera Auditions, he participated in the Merola Opera Program and sang Rodolfo in La Bohème at Stern Grove, where he also performed in a concert conducted by Maestro Adler. A National Opera Institute grant recipient, and a Metropolitan Opera Regional Auditions district winner, he was recently honored as well as the first recipient of the Caruso Centennial Award, a presentation which honors the birth of Enrico Caruso. This fall he will be heard in roles in five operas with San Francisco Opera.



COLIN HARVEY has been with San Francisco Opera for thirty-six years. A native of Lancashire, England, baritone Harvey was auditioned for and accepted into the Opera chorus in 1937 by Gaetano Merola, founder and

first general director of San Francisco Opera. In 1939 he appeared as Yamadori in Madama Butterfly with Jarmila Novotna and Michael Bartlett, also making their San Francisco Opera debuts that year. Then, a stint on Broadway, where he sang in The Student Prince and Blossom Time. In 1945, Harvey appeared with the New York Opera in The Merry Widow with Martha Eggerth and Jan Kiepura. The Cleveland performances of that production were conducted by Maestro Adler, who met Harvey and invited him to return to San Francisco. During the past nineteen seasons, he has sung each year in the Opera chorus and has had many roles. Among his favorites are the Notary (Der Rosenkavalier), and the Customhouse Guard (La Bohème). In addition he has been for three decades a muchloved member of the Opera staff, serving as chorus librarian.



TERRENCE HAWKINS, new to the San Francisco Opera stage, has performed with Toledo Civic Opera Company, Dayton Civic Opera Company, Philadelphia Lyric Opera, New Orleans Opera Association, Central City Opera

era, Metropolitan Opera Studio, and the New York Philharmonic and American Symphony Orchestras. The Ohio-born bass received his B.A. from Miami University of Ohio in 1962, and has studied voice and opera privately with Anton Guadagno, John Ryan and Robert Lawrence. He has made numerous concert appearances in oratorio performances in the New York area, performing such works as the Verdi Requiem, Handel's Messiah, and Bach's Magnificat, appearing as well on the Bell Telephone Hour, the Johnny Carson and Ed Sullivan shows,

and on WNYC's "Opera Stars of Tomorrow."



HANS HOPF began his career as a lyric tenor with Mozart, and at age 21 sang his first Pinkerton in Madama Butterfly. He built up an extensive repertory, singing Verdi, Puccini and Wagner. His first major engagement was as a

lyric tenor at the Dresden and Berlin Operas, where he sang important Verdi and Puccini roles. In 1948 he was engaged at the Bavarian State Opera and was soon awarded the title of "Bavarian Kammersänger," and began to develop his concentration in the Wagnerian roles. Hopf has appeared at La Scala, Covent Garden, Moscow, and Buenos Aires, and performed Radames in Aida for the re-opening of the Vienna State Opera, and is a familiar face at the Bayreuth Festival. His recording credits include Tannhäuser, Die Frau Ohne Schatten, Die Meistersinger, Der Freischütz, Tiefland, Luisa Miller, among many others. Hopf will make his San Francisco debut as Herod in Salome.



GWENDOLYN JONES originally wanted to be a veterinarian. A television broadcast of Dialogues of the Carmelites changed her mind, and since deciding to become a singer, the young mezzo has won every important

contest she entered. A finalist in the 1970 San Francisco Opera Auditions, she received the Merola Opera Program's Gropper Memorial Award, and was a winner in the Philadelphia Lyric Opera 1971 Final Auditions. Miss Jones' recent concert appearances include the role of a Rhinemaiden in Act III of Die Götterdämmerung with Sir Georg Solti and the Chicago Symphony. Last fall marked Miss Jones' third successive season with San Francisco Opera, when she appeared in Rigoletto, Boris Godunov and Elektra. Her Spring Opera Theater debut took place in 1971 in Mozart's La Clemenza di Tito and she earned outstanding reviews in her subsequent portrayals of Euridice in Orfeo and Miranda in L'Ormindo.



NIKOLAUS LEHNHOFF, who will direct Richard Strauss' Salome in the 1974 San Francisco Opera season, was born in Germany and has made opera direction a specialty s i n c e his studies at the University of Munich. He re-

ceived his doctoral degree from the University of Vienna in 1962 and served as a production assistant from 1962 to 1966 for Wieland Wagner at the Bayreuth Festival. He was offered a contract as stage director with the Metropolitan Opera in New York, where he stayed until 1971. The following year he directed (with Karl Böhm) the new production of Die Frau ohne Schatten at the Paris Opera. Collaborating with Böhm again in 1973, he did Tristan und Isolde at the Orange Festival. In June 1974 he direct-

ed a new version of Fidelio at the Bremen Opera with a new text by the well-known German poet Hans Majnus and kinetic sets by Gunter Vecker. He then opened the Aix-en-Provence Festival with a production of Luisa Miller. His future plans include a return to Bremen for a new Pelleas and Melisande and a Frau ohne Schatten in Stockholm, which will be the first time that opera will be performed in that city.



RICHARD MAGARY, a native Californian, received his basic musical training at San Jose State College. After graduation, he went to New York City where he received his master's degree in music from Columbia University.

His professional career began with solo engagements with the Winged Victory Chorus and continued on tour with the New York Festival of Opera, with which he sang more than 50 performances of Italian and French opera in many cities throughout the United States and Canada. Mr. Magary moved to Europe where he gained operatic and concert experience in Germany for five years. His diverse repertoire extends from the "basso profondo" role of Sarastro in Die Zauberflöte to the "basso cantante" roles such as King Philip in Don Carlos and the Padre in La Forza del Destino. He also makes frequent concert appearances, including a recent engagement as soloist with the San Jose Symphony.



RAYMOND MANTON, Baron Puck in Spring Opera Theater's The Grand Duchess of Gerolstein this year, returns to the San Francisco Opera stage as the Lamplighter in Manon Lescaut, the third Jew in Salome, and the

Shepherd in Tristan und Isolde, adding to the growing list of character roles he has performed here since his debut in 1955. Last fall he was heard in Boris Godunov as the Simpleton, and other recent San Francisco Opera engagements include Le Nozze di Figaro and The Visit of the Old Lady. A native New Yorker who has long been a San Francisco resident, he is often heard in recitals and oratorio performances throughout the West. Earlier this year he appeared in the Portland Opera production of Ariadne auf Naxos.



SHIGEMI MATSU-MOTO, the young soprano who has charmed San Francisco audiences since winning the 1968 San Francisco Opera Auditions, is seen this season in Parsital and La Cenerentola. Miss

Matsumoto recreated her portrayal of Norina in Spring Opera Theater's Don Pasquale earlier this year. Other roles with Spring Opera Theater include Barbarina (The Marriage of Figaro) and Rosina (The Barber of Seville). She was heard in the 1973 San Francisco Opera season as Xenia in Boris Godunov and as Mimi in the student matinee performances of La Bohème, and was featured as the Burgundian Lady in the 1971 production of

Carmina Burana. During the 1973-74 season, the soprano has given recitals in San Antonio, Houston and Kansas City. She plans an appearance in Tucson Opera's upcoming La Bohème directed by Richard Pearlman, and will be seen as Gilda in Toledo-Dayton Opera's new Rigoletto.



GIORGIO MERIGHI
will make his San Francisco Opera debut as
Chevalier des Grieux in
Puccini's Manon Lescaut, which opens the
1974 fall season. The
tenor's repertoire encompasses more than
two dozen roles which

he has portrayed in all the major operatic centers of Europe. Merighi's versatility has been proven by his portrayals of characters from a wide variety of operas from all periods, ranging from Cardillac (Hindemith) and Kovantschina (Mussorgsky) to characters from older works such as Boito's Mefistofele and Meverbeer's Roberto II Diavolo to the more traditional Verdi and Puccini heroes. In 1971, he sang Luigi in Il Tabarro for Dallas Civic Opera, and King Gustavus in Un Ballo in Maschera in Geneva and Covent Garden. In 1972, he returned to Dallas to sing Fernando in La Favorita, appearing the same year at Chicago Lyric Opera as Rodolfo in La Bohème and Alfredo in La Traviata. He will return to Chicago after his San Francisco engagement for Madama Butterfly. During 1974, he has sung at Bari in Tosca, in Andrea Chenier, at Covent Garden and in Tosca and La Gioconda in Berlin.



JOHN MILLER was a finalist in the 1971 San Francisco Opera Auditions, and as a member of the 1971 Merola Opera Program was heard in The Beggar's Opera and the Sigmund Stern Grove production of Don Giovanni. His four-

year asociation with Spring Opera Theater included the role of Osmano in last season's highly acclaimed L'Ormindo. Mr. Miller's concert career has included performances of Mahler's Eighth Symphony with the Oakland Symphony and Bach's St. Matthew Passion with the San Francisco Symphony. Formerly bass soloist at Grace Episcopal Cathedral, Mr. Miller is now heard regularly with noted composer-conductor Dale Wood at the Episcopal Church of St. Mary the Virgin in San Francisco. He also lends his voice to a series of concerts each year in public schools throughout the Bay Area with Young Audiences, Inc. He recently sang the title role in the 1974 Stanford Opera Workshop production of Don Giovanni.



KURT MOLL, born in Cologne, Germany, is one of Europe's leading opera singers. A bass with the Hamburg State Opera, he also appears frequently with the State Opera in Berlin. He has performed in Switzerland, France,

Holland, Belgium, Sweden, Italy, and Moscow. After completing his studies at the Hochschule für Musik in Cologne, Mr. Moll began his operatic career in Aachen, spending a year in Mainz and five years as first bass in Wuppertal before assuming his present position in Hamburg. In 1968 and 1969 he appeared at Bayreuth and in 1970, '71 and '72 he was a guest at the Mozart Festival in Salzburg. His current and future engagements include Koenig Marke at Bayreuth (with Carlo Kleiber) and at La Scala (with Abbado), thirty-nine performances at the Paris Opera in 1975-76, and Mahler's Eighth Symphony under the baton of Sir Georg Solti (also in Paris). The bass makes his American opera debut with San Francisco Opera as King Marke in Tristan und Isolde and Gurnemanz in Parsifal.



WILLIAM NEILL returns to the San Francisco Opera stage for appearances in Salome and Tristan und Isolde. Remembered by San Francisco audiences for his portrayal of Lennie in Spring Opera Theater's 1974 production of Of

Mice and Men, a role he has performed with the St. Paul Opera and Houston Grand Opera, he was also heard last fall in his San Francisco debut as Walther in Tannhäuser and as Bob Boles in Peter Grimes. As a member of the Merola Opera Program in 1967, Neill won the Gropper Memorial Award. After completing his bachelor and master of music degrees at the University of Texas at Austin, he was engaged for the 1968-70 seasons in Essen and Hagen, Germany. He returned to the Bay Area as Henri Faust in the 1971 Spring Opera Theater production of Gessner-Balk's Faust Counter Faust. Since then he has performed Tamino in The Magic Flute with the Portland Opera Association, Jim Mahoney in Mahagonny with the Opera Society of Washington, D.C., and Trimalchio in the world premiere of Satyricon by Bruno Maderna with the Netherlands Opera.



SIEGMUND NIMSGERN, a German baritone who makes his San Francisco Opera debut this fall as Jokanaan in Salome, is presently a permanent guest artist of the Deutsche Oper am Rhein in Dusseldorf. He has sung at La

Scala, the Rome Opera, the Vienna State Opera, the Paris Opera, and Covent Garden, and at the festivals of Salzburg, Munich, Flanders, Athens, Barcelona, Holland and Israel, as well as all the German Bach festivals. New York first heard him as bass in the Passion of Saint Matthew and Saint John and in the B Minor Mass with the Bach Collegium of Stuttgart. His North American Opera debut was with the Quebec Opera in 1972, as Jokanaan, in Salome. He was immediately re-engaged to open the 1973 season as lago to Jon Vickers' Otello, and for Kurvenal in Tristan und Isolde in the spring of 1975. Highlights of 1973-74 include his Covent Garden debut as Amfortas in Parsifal, a number of concert appearances in Spain with Rafael Fruebeck de Burgos, Schoenberg's Gurre-Lieder with Zubin Mehta for Italian radio and La Scala and with Pierre Boulez in London, Beethoven's Ninth with Barenboim and Rudolf Kempe and Jokanaan in Salome for La Scala, the Vienna Staatsoper, and German television.



JULIAN PATRICK will be remembered by San Francisco audiences for his acclaimed performances of the Count in Spring Opera Theater's 1969 The Marriage of Figaro. This season he returns to debut in the role of Lescaut in this

season's opening production, Manon Lescaut. The baritone also appears as Sharpless in Madama Butterfly, which he will repeat later this year for Chicago Lyric Opera. Best known as the creator of the role of George in Carlisle Floyd's Of Mice and Men, Patrick gained national attention as leading baritone of the Metropolitan National Company. He made his European opera debut last spring at the Opera du Rhin in Strasbourg, singing Orestes in Regina Resnick's production of Elektra. Busy also in concerts, recordings, and television, he recently recorded and filmed in color Leonard Bernstein's opera Trouble in Tahiti due soon on national television, and is scheduled to record Orff's Carmina Burana. Patrick was last seen on television in the N.E.T. Opera production of Pasatieri's The Trial of Mary Lincoln.



LEONTYNE PRICE, one of the greatest singers of our age, returns to the San Francisco Opera stage for her debut in the title role of Puccini's Manon Lescaut. Miss Price's career has been a long and well-known string of suc-

cesses, starting with a 1952 performance of Falstaff at the Juilliard School of Music, when she sang the role of Mistress Ford. Many of Miss Price's important debuts happened with San Francisco Opera: In 1957, she was heard here for the first time in the U.S. premiere of Poulenc's Dialogues of the Carmelites, and also as Aida-a role which brought her unequalled fame in years to come. In 1958, she sang her first Leonora in La Forza del Destino and in 1965, her first Amelia in Un Ballo in Maschera. In 1966, she opened the new Metropolitan Opera House in Lincoln Center in the world premiere of Samuel Barber's Antony and Cleopatra. Miss Price has been awarded countless and continuing accolades and awards, including the Presidential Medal of Freedom and the Order of Merit of the Republic of Italy. Her long list of recordings includes the complete Carmen, Aida, Tosca, La Forza del Destino, Così fan tutte, Don Giovanni, Madama Butterfly, Il Trovatore, and many others.



EVA RANDOVA, a Czechoslovakian mez-zo-soprano, will make her American debut as Kundry in the 1974 San Francisco Opera production of *Parsifal*. Miss Randova, currently a permanent member of the Wurttemberg State

Opera company at Stuttgart, has also performed in Hamburg, Amsterdam and Stockholm, as well as under von Karajan at Salzburg. Her repertoire ranges from the standard operatic mezzo roles such as Amneris, Azucena and Eboli to Czech opera, of which she has made a specialty. During 1973, she sang Gutrune in the Bayreuth Festival's Götterdämmerung and appeared as Ortrud in the Prague production of Lohengrin. Last October, she enjoyed a tremendous success as Ortrud when she flew into

Stockholm on seven hours' notice to replace ailing Gunilla af Malmborg. More recently, she sang Laura in a new production of La Gioconda in West Berlin, where her appearance received raves from critics. Miss Randova is also well known as a concert artist and among her best-known recordings are the Bach Cantatas with Helmuth Rilling.



LEONIE RYSANEK-GAUSMANN, whose performances last year in Tannhäuser and Elektra were enthusiastically received by San Francisco audiences, returns to the San Francisco Opera stage this fall to sing the title role in

Richard Strauss' Salome, one of her greatest interpretations. Miss Rysanek-Gausmann's debut in 1965 here as Senta in Der Fliegende Holländer is remembered as one of the greatest individual portrayals in the history of San Francisco Opera. In 1959 she made her Metropolitan Opera debut as Lady Macbeth in the first Macbeth ever staged by the Metropolitan. Among the other portrayals she has made famous are Sieglinde in Die Walküre, Elsa in Lohengrin, Ariadne in Ariadne auf Naxos, the Empress in Die Frau ohne Schatten, the Marschallin in Der Rosenkavalier, and Salome. She has recorded for DGG, London, RCA, EMI and Philips, and her extensive recorded repertory includes Fidelio, Der Fliegende Holländer, Otello, Macbeth, Die Frau ohne Schatten, Ariadne auf Naxos, and Die Walküre.



RENATA SCOTTO began her operatic career at the Young Artists Theatre, Milan, in 1953. A year later she was invited to sing Walter in La Wally at La Scala and in 1959, she enjoyed enormous success when she replaced

Maria Callas at the Edinburgh Festival as Amina in La Sonnambula. Miss Scotto continued to broaden her repertoire with the addition of such roles as Marguerite in Faust, which she performed at La Scala in 1961, Mimi in La Bohème, which was her 1962 Covent Garden debut, Violetta in La Traviata, which she did with Luciano Pavarotti at Chicago in 1964, and Lucia in Lucia di Lammermoor, which she sang at Bologna's Teatro Comunale in 1969 and at the Metropolitan Opera the following year. Her appearances during the 1973-74 season have included debut performances Amelia in Un Ballo in Maschera, and Bellini's heroine Norma at the Teatro Reggio, Turin, in April, her first Leonora in II Trovatore with the Paris Opera, and the title role in Donizetti's Maria di Rohan at La Fenice. The soprano will make her San Francisco Opera debut as Cio-Cio-San in the first series of Madama Butterfly.



THOMAS STEWART came to international acclaim when he sang Amfortas in Parsifal at the Bayreuth Festival in 1960. He made his San Francisco Opera debut Rodrigo in Don Carlo in 1962, and first performed at the

Metropolitan Opera in 1966 as Ford in

Falstaff. Especially noted as an interpreter of Wagner, he is the only non-German to have sung all four baritone roles in the Ring Cycle at Bayreuth. He has performed before San Francisco audiences in the complete Ring, Tannhäuser, Elektra, Eugene Onegin, and many other operas. He appeared in the Met Festival's Don Giovanni and fall plans include the Chicago Lyric Opera's Falstaff. Stewart's versatility is much in evidence during this season: He has five major roles at the Metropolitan including Otello, the four villains in The Tales of Hoffmann, the title role of Don Giovanni, Amfortas in Parsifal as well as Gunther in the new production of Die Götterdämmerung, and several concert appearances with his wife, soprano Evelyn Lear.



OTMAR SUITNER well known to Bay Area operagoers. Since his highly acclaimed 1969 debut conducting Die Götterdämmerung, has led Die Meistersinger von Nurnberg, Siegfried, Tristan und Isolde, the 1972 Golden

Anniversary Ring Cycle, and this season's Salome and Parsifal. Suitner was also on the podium for the Wagnerian tetralogy at Bayreuth in 1966 and 1967, after previously conducting Tannhäuser there in 1964, and Der Fliegende Holländer in 1965. He has been music director for both the Dresden State Opera and Berlin State Opera, returning to the latter company last year as guest conductor for productions of Così fan tutte and Fidelio in Paris. A native of Innsbruck, Austria, he was a piano student at the Salzburg Mozarteum, where he received instructions from the late Clemens Krauss.

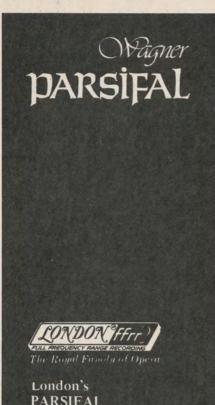


JESS THOMAS, for many years associated with San Francisco Opera, will be heard during the 1974 season in the title role of Parsifal and as Tristan in the new production of Tristan und Isolde. Thomas made his operatic de-

but on the San Francisco Opera stage as Faninal's major-domo in the 1957 production of Der Rosenkavalier following his participation in the Merola Opera Program. In the past decade Thomas, a leading heldentenor at the Vienna State Opera, has become one of the most admired interpreters of Wagner and has been acclaimed as Tristan, Siegfried, Siegmund, Parsifal, Lohen-grin, Tannhäuser and Walther at the major opera houses and festivals of the world. Performances of Wagner's complete Ring within a season are rare, but rarer still is the appearance of one tenor in all four operas, which Thomas accomplished during the 1972-73 San Francisco Opera season. He sang Siegfried in the Metropolitan Opera's 1973 production of Die Götterdämmerung, and appeared there in the title roles of Parsifal and Tristan und Isolde this year. Thomas has recorded extensively and made many concert appearances with orchestras such as the New York Philharmonic under Leonard Bernstein and the Chicago Symphony under Georg Solti.

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PETER VAN GINKEL, who makes his San Francisco Opera debut during the 1974 fall season as Klingsor in Parsifal, was born in Holland, where he began his musical studies at the age of fifteen. In 1954, he went to

Canada, settling in Toronto, where he continued his studies, winning a scholarship to the Conservatoire de Musique in Quebec. He studied there until 1960, and from 1961 to 1964 toured coast-to-coast with the Canadian Opera Company. In 1965, the bass-baritone joined the Metropolitan Opera National Company, with which he toured the United States until 1967, when he became an affiliate artist with Waterloo Lutheran University. From 1967 to 1969 he was a company member at the Chicago Lyric Opera, moving to Germany in 1970 where he has lived ever since. Currently a permanent member of the Dortmund State Theater Company, he has performed frequently such roles as Wotan, lago, and the Dutchman (Der Fliegende Holländer).



ASTRID VARNAY launched her career in the United States, debuting in 1941 as Sieglinde in Die Walküre at the Metropolitan Opera. She has since specialized in Strauss

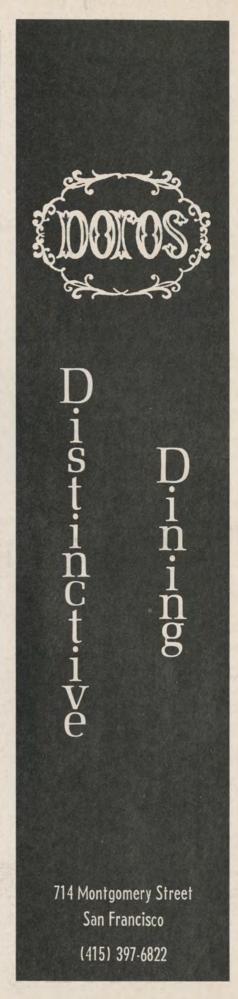
and Wagner heroines,

a d d i n g Herodias in Salome to her repertoire at Wieland Wagner's request in 1964. Miss Varnay has been engaged for many consecutive seasons at the summer festivals of Bayreuth, Munich and Salzburg. This year's important appearances include the Cleveland Symphony's production of Elektra in concert form, a Klytemnestra in Cleveland, a concert performance in New York's Carnegie Hall, a new production of Elektra in Hamburg, and in April, 1974, the Vienna State Opera premiere of Janacek's opera Katya Kabanowa as Kabanicha. Miss Varnay comes to San Francisco Opera to perform her well-known portrayal of Herodias in Salome.



PIETRO ZUFFI began his artistic activity as a painter. His set designs for Macbeth and Julius Caesar at the Piccolo Teatro in Milan were so well reecived that he was immediately invited by La Scala to design the production

of Gluck's Alceste with Maria Callas that opened the 1953 season. Since 1964, Pietro Zuffi has been director as well as designer of his productions. His Mose by Rossini at La Scala in 1965 is still termed the first true "theatrical cinerama" because of his use of sets made entirely of mirrors and film projections. Other notable Zuffi productions include Samson et Dalila in Vienna, Nabucco in Naples, and this year's highly successful production of La Favorita in Bologna, starring Luciano Pavarotti. Also noted for his work in films, Zuffi designed the Rossellini production of Il Generale, the Fellini segment of Boccaccio '70, and most recently this multi-talented artist designed, directed and wrote the script for the film II Colpo Rovente. Mr. Zuffi makes his American directing debut designing and directing the 1974 San Francisco Opera season's opening production, Manon Lescaut.



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As San Francisco Opera begins its 52nd year, another opera season is being laid out on the drawing boards—a progeny of the parent company, but with a different kind of outlook, repertory, target audience, and budget.

Spring Opera Theater, the first of San Francisco Opera's four offspring, is making plans for its fourteenth year of existence, its fifth year of life as "opera theater." Launched in 1961 to relieve the operatic drought from December to May (following the demise of the Cosmopolitan Opera Company), Spring Opera was meant to do more than fill a hole. With his new venture, Opera General Director Kurt Herbert Adler wanted to explore new territory, to make a statement distinct and separate from the grand and more formal lyric tradition, to offer the costliest art in English and at nominal ticket prices, and to give a performing stage to young American

Spring Opera during its first decade was undeniably a mixed pot: There were outstanding excursions into the American storehouse: Carlisle Floyd's Susannah, Douglas Moore's powerful Carry Nation, and Robert Ward's The Crucible. A good number of fine voices got their first chance on the Spring Opera stage, notably mezzo Marilyn Horne (Carmen, The Barber of Seville, The Italian Girl in Algiers) and James King (Carmen). But there were real obstacles for the fledgling company: namely, the same environment as the fall season (the War Memorial Opera House where a large vocal sound was all important), an audience essentially conditioned to the star system, and the general difficulty of trying to find and establish any real identity for itself.

Spring Opera took a long look at its prospects, opted for a dark year in 1970, and began to cast around for a new home. The ideas flew between staff and management, and the Board of Directors: among the possibilities considered were Winterland, where opera could be staged in a totally free space and performed in



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the round, the Kabuki Theater, and the Masonic Auditorium. The downtown Curran Theatre was finally settled on, not because it screamed opera to anyone, but because it already served an enthusiastic theater crowd, because it was available, and because it seemed in keeping with Mr. Adler's conviction that "if we were truly committed to the idea of theater, then I thought the Curran should work for us."

The word "theater" was added to Spring Opera's name in 1971 and the new season was underway. Some traditional barricades were attacked that first year at the Curran as Spring Opera Theater attempted to establish a new relationship between actor and audience: The proscenium barrier was eliminated with the extended thrust stage, the pit barrier was removed by placing the orchestra behind the scenes, and the language barrier was erased in accordance with Spring's original intention to perform only in English.

One of the first steps toward the new image was to bring in directors from the legitimate stage and filmdom, a move that has never yet proven wrong. Director Richard Pearlman helped to "broaden the style of theater" by inviting the famed San Francisco Cockettes to join the cast for his 1971 Don Pasquale, a production typical of SPOT's new suit of clothes. According to Pearlman, the Cockettes were working in a movie called Elevator Girls in Bondage, and when they arrived for rehearsal dressed up like Carmen Miranda, it livened the atmosphere quite a bit. The production was a great success, as was the season, and Spring Opera Theater was proclaimed a sort of San Francisco Volksoper, opera for the people.

SPOT works at the Curran because of what Robert Darling, design coordinator for 1971, calls a "strong aesthetic principle" that brings the Company's efforts together.

In its four years at the Curran, Spring Opera Theater has tried the contemporary: Weill/Brecht's The Rise and Fall of the City of Mahagonny, Faust Counter Faust (John Gessner and Wesley Balk) and Dominick Argento's Postcard from Morocco (both imports from the Minneapolis Center Opera Company); has delved into the past with the very first staging of Bach's St. Matthew Passion, Monteverdi's Orfeo, Mozart's Titus, and Cavalli's L'Ormindo; and has revitalized some favorite old stand-up comedians: the Barber of Seville, Don Pasquale, and the Grand Duchess of Gerolstein. SPOT has gone out on a limb with technical innovation; for example the use of lasers to create the illusion of a storm in *Mahagonny* (dubbed "laser beam obbligati" by one critic).

The Company has also expanded: In 1974, it went on the road for the first time to perform Of Mice and Men in San Jose and The Grand Duchess of Gerolstein in Fresno and Pittsburg (a development made possible by a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts). A special student matinee performance of The Duchess was given at the Curran, beginning what SPOT hopes will be a tradition of putting tomorrow's audiences in touch with a fresh approach to opera theater. In addition to the three out-of-town performances and the student matinee, four performances were added to the regular San Francisco season in 1974.

SPOT has many angels, notably the National Opera Institute, the Martha Baird Rockefeller Fund for Music, and the City and County of San Francisco. Like any deficit operation, however, the Company is constantly on the lookout for gifts and grants, large and small. Because of its ambitions and its insistence on keeping ticket prices comparable to those of a first-run art film, Spring continues penny-poor, and conducts a year-round campaign among businesses, foundations, and individual supporters for life-giving funds to guarantee another year, another staging of a new work, or research into an old one.

SPOT has been called "the hottest cultural commodity in the Bay Area," and it has been criticized as "bizarre," "too eclectic," "not giving enough thought to the old solutions for old problems." A poll of the house during the 1974 season revealed a young audience, a theatergoing audience, an audience with strong dislikes and likes, and a definite predilection for experimentation. Spring Opera Theater is a unique forum for operatic innovation, and as such, it will continue to be controversial. The Company has unquestionably staked out its own territory, defined a special audience for its productions, and proven for itself a separate-but-equal identity within the opera and theater family of the Bay Aera.

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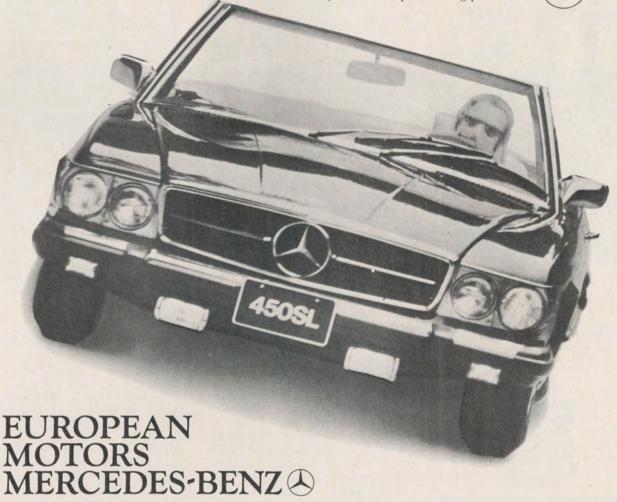
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In the first act of Puccini's La Boheme, garret-dwellers Marcello, Rodolfo, and Colline shiver in the cold. A fourth bohemian, Schaunard, arrives with firewood, food, and wine. The wine was Bordo — for Colline philosophically tells about it in song.

La Traviata concerns people of nineteenth-century Paris. In the first act, Violetta offers to Alfredo, "I'll be Hebe, the Cupbearer." As the party wears on, Alfredo sings praise of wine: 'Libiamo"—Let's Drink. (It was champagne!)

Verdi's Otello opens in a tavern in Cyprus where lago refers to a wine in his aria, "Inaffia l'ugola" (come wet your whistle); it is probably the ancestor of a native wine known today as Othello — a full-bodied red with lots of tannin.

Verdi's Falstaff is seldom without his sack (sherry). Throughout the opera there are joking references to wine; in the last act, it becomes respectable. Consoling himself after being dumped in a canal, Falstaff pro-

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claims: "Let me pour a little wine upon the Thames water. Good! It is good to drink sweet wine, and to open your bosom to the sun! Good wine dispels the darknes of unhappiness, warms the heart and the eye, the lip and the brain . . ."

Moussorgsky's Boris Godounov has a scene where a liberated monk, Varlaam, asks the innkeeper for wine — any kind of wine. When a companion suggests that everyone should choose according to his own taste, Varlaam exclaims, "... and mine is for wine!" In a later act, a Polish princess, Marina Mnishek, calls for wine for her court. The wine she served was undoubtedly Tokay.

In Bizet's Carmen, the girls drink Manzanilla while cavorting with their lovers in a Seville tavern. Carmen identifies this wine, "I'll dance the Seguidilla and drink Manzanilla." One can still buy this wine, under the label "Carmen."

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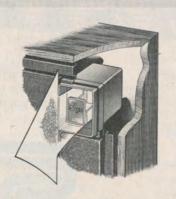
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- 4 eggs
- 3 tbs. honey
- 3 tbs. corn syrup
- 1 cup yellow cornmeal
- 2 cups cooking oil.

Mix egg, honey, and syrup together. Dip fillet in batter and roll in yellow cornmeal. Heat cooking oil as hot as possible. Drop fish in oil. It will sink to bottom and then rise back to the top when done. Serves four—and should be accompanied by water glasses full of southern Scuppernong wine.

This recipe was taken from the Kennedy Center Performing Arts Cookbook — a collection of favorite recipes of artists who have appeared at the Center. The book is available by mail from the Kennedy Center, Washington, D.C. 20566 (\$10.00 plus 25c mailing charge).

Fred Cherry writes an off-beat "Personal Wine Journal" each month. Readers of this column may have a sample issue without charge by writing to PERFORMING ARTS.







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#### by Ernest Beyl

Recently we did some pleasant research in Hong Kong. A friend, Southern California photographer Arthur Adams, and I sampled Chinese food from Hong Kong's Aberdeen fishing village to the New Territories up near the Chinese border.

We were advised, and frequently accompanied by, one or more officials of the Hong Kong Tourist Association. We were in good hands in one of the best cities in which to enjoy Chinese cuisine.

Of course San Francisco has excellent Chinese restaurants. You know that and our purpose here is not to tell you about them. Go out and do your own research. This piece is about Chinese food in Hong Kong. There are several basic types, and Hong Kong offers most of them—perhaps all of them—but these are types personally researched. Here's a quick rundown:

#### Cantonese

Cantonese dishes are probably the best known in Hong Kong just as they are in San Francisco. Most of the Chinese in Hong Kong are from the province of Kwantung and that's the home of Cantonese style cuisine. Plenty of fresh vegetables cooked only for a short time. Lots of steaming instead of frying. Frequent use of sweet and sour flavors. Moderation with spices. Lots of white rice. Best example perhaps, sweet and sour pork.

#### Shanghainese

Sometimes fatty and starchy. Fried in Sesame oil. Liberal use of hot peppers, ginger and garlic. Noodles prevalent. Example sliced beef with hot green chilis.

#### **Pekinese**

Peking food is from Northern China. Oily, salty and spicy. Wheat instead of rice is grown in the North so bread is part of the cuisine. Much is deep fried. Chinese rice wine used in cooking. Examples are, of course, Peking Duck and Beggars' Chicken. More about both later.

#### Szechuan

This is the hot one so watch out. Lots of noodles and bean curd. Similar to Shanghai style but much hotter. Also fried in oil. Try Shanghai shrimps. Hot!

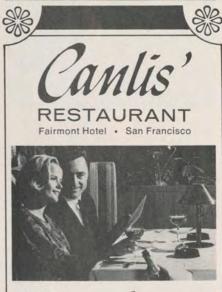
#### Chiu Chow

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taurants in Hong Kong. Rather salty. Every dish seems to come with a different sauce so there are many palate pleasers. Not served with rice but with a rice soup, almost like a gruel. Rather tasteless. A pickled, salty vegetable is part of all meals. Before beginning a Chiu Chow meal you are served a tiny cup of the strongest tea ever brewed. Usual strength tea is served during the meal and you wind up with another thimbleful of the strong stuff. Good for the digestion. Probably the best known Chiu Chow dish is cold goose served with goose blood. The goose is cooked in a spiced sauce. The goose blood is congealed by adding a pinch of salt. It becomes semi-solid. Frequently a condiment of white vinegar and chopped garlic is served with this. To try Chiu Chow goose ask for Lo Yor goose.

**Fukienese** 

Another off-shoot of Cantonese style. Little or no oil, Mostly steamed. Good for seafood—shrimp and lobster, steamed to retain the original taste.

#### Hakka

Hakka people are country people. Hakka food is country style. Lots of preserved foods. Chicken buried and preserved with salt. Preserved vegetables. From the days when food went bad unless it was "held" in some manner. Lots of rice. As a tourist in Hong Kong you don't eat Hakka food.

Mongolian

Barbecue style beef usually cooked at your table. Mutton sometimes cooked in hot water. Thinly sliced beef, chicken, roebuck, mutton, laced with sesame oil, rice wine, vinegar, chili oil, onion, garlic; all quick grilled and returned to your bowl.

**Dragon Phoenix and Tiger** 

The Hong Kong government now prohibits restaurants from serving some of the more exotic Chinese foods. So if you see Dragon, Phoenix and Tiger on a menu, which you won't unless you can read Chinese characters, you know you will have the opportunity to sample snake, chicken and cat, a good Winter dish. Our informant said cat is seldom used anymore. The very rich, he said, prefer fox. A six pound fox cost six hundred Hong Kong dollars just a few months ago. That would be \$120 U.S.

Bear paws are still eaten occasionally in Hong Kong, but are hard to come by. So are monkeys. They are illegal food too.

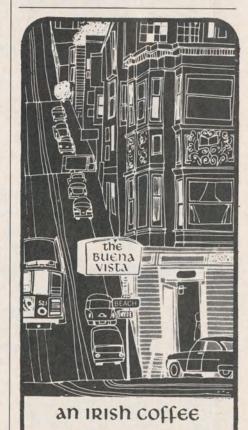
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Last trip photographer Adams and I were too intent on Peking Duck and Beggars' Chicken to think about black chow dogs even though we were aware of the therapeutic benefits. Next trip, perhaps.

Hong Kong Cuisine Miscellanea

In one Cantonese-style restaurant we tried noodles and shredded chicken. The noodles were at least eighteen inches long. They cascaded from our mouths to our plates like a white, frozen waterfall. The proprietor brought scissors to the table and cut the noodles into handy lengths.

**Sharks Fin Soup** 

You start with what the Chinese call the Supreme Broth. This is a very rich clear soup made from chicken, ham and pork. Dried sharks fins are soaked in water for a few days, then boiled for eight or ten hours. Boiled again and again with ginger and onion. Finally cooked in the Supreme Broth. Very strong and rich and costly too.

Well That's Convenience

Uncle Ben's rice from the U.S. is catching on in Hong Kong as a convenience food.

Restaurants To Try

These are just a few personally researched.

Luk Yu Tea House — The Tadich Grill of Hong Kong. Cantonese and expensive. Important Chinese businessmen have lunch here. Very few tourists. Day we were there a well-known Chinese detective held court at a large round table. Great supreme broth. Five hundred, count 'em if you wish, varieties of dim sum, the little hors d'oeuvre-type dumplings and finger food. On Hong Kong island, not on Kowloon Peninsula. Wing Kut Street, off Des Voeux Road.

Jade Garden Restaurant in Harbour Village in Kowloon. Absolutely first rate. There are other Jade Garden restaurants, but get to this one. Expensive. Beggars' Chicken is a specialty. Beggars' Chicken is Northern Chinese cuisine, but the Jade Garden Restaurant is a conglomerate of many Chinese styles. The chicken is wrapped in Lotus leaves and covered with various kinds of preserved vegetables. Then it is covered with clay and baked. The waiter brings it to your table, hits it with a small hammer, and when the steam escapes you know you are in a rarified Chinese atmosphere.

Tai Pak Restaurant, the magnificent floating restaurant at the fishing village of Aberdeen. A huge floating barge of a restaurant, surrounded by Chinese junks. Colored lights outline

the Tai Pak. It's a Chinese fairyland. It's also an excellent restaurant. Lots of tourists and lots of Chinese residents. Fried crab claws. Huge barbecued prawns. Sweet corn and chicken soup. Great seafood. Walk downstairs from the main dining room, past the kitchen to the live fish pens. Choose your own fish, a monster or a baby. Garoupa is a favorite fish, steamed, sweet and sour. Not going to Aberdeen for dinner at the Tai Pak Restaurant would be like a visitor to San Francisco not taking the cable car out to Fisherman's Wharf and trying a walkaway crab cocktail. (Note: The writer is not in the employ of the Tai Pak Restaurant.)

Siu Lam Kung. Cantonese style. Hanoi Road in Kowloon. Excellent broiled red snapper. The proprietor is the man with the scissors.

Lo Fung Chinese Restaurant. This is located on the lower level of Peak Tower at the top of Victoria Peak. Obviously best view of any Chinese restaurant in Hong Kong. Operated by the Peninsula Group, established in the Far East for more than a century. It's a hotel company with a wonderful reputation for service. Lo Fung is Cantonese and first rate.

Princess Garden. In the Miramar Hotel building, Kowloon. Absolutely supreme Peking Duck. Sixty Hong Kong dollars per duck. That's \$12 U.S. These ducks are incredibly rich. One will serve about four people. Adams and I split one. Basically, the duck is coated with a honey syrup and hung to dry, sometimes in front of a fan. The duck is then roasted. It is served as three separate courses. First the crisp skin is eaten rolled in a flour pancake along with bits of onion and a spoonful of sweetish bean sauce. Next you eat the duck meat in the same manner. Finally the duck carcass is boiled into a rich soup and you wind up with that.

I have an excellent recipe for Peking Duck that I received from Willie Mark of the Hong Kong Tourist Association. I intended to reprint it here but am running out of space. If you're curious send me a self-addressed, stamped envelope at 680 Beach Street, San Francisco 94109, and I'll

pass it on to you.

When you do go to Hong Kong to do your own research into Chinese food make your first stop at the Hong Kong Tourist Association office in The Connaught Centre in Victoria on the Island of Hong Kong. Ask the pretty Chinese receptionist for one of two booklets, depending on how many will be dining: "How To Order Chinese Food for Two and Four." The same booklet is available for "Eight and Twelve."

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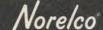
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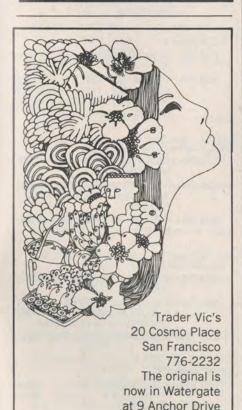
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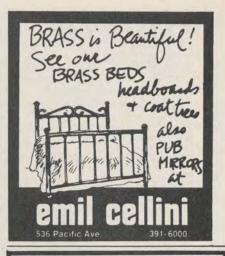
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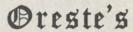
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- 8:00 PM—KIBE/AM and KDFC/FM ROMEO
  & JULIET (Tchaikovsky) and PIANO
  CONCERTO No. 4 (Beethoven)
- 8:00 PM—KKHI/AM-FM—Sunday Night Opera

#### Mon., October 7

- 7:00 PM—KRON/FM—Show Album "HOW TO SUCCEED IN BUSINESS WITH-OUT REALLY TRYING"
- 8:00 PM—KIBE/AM and KDFC/FM—TZIGANE (Ravel) and PIANO CONCERTO No. 1 IN D MINOR (Brahms)
- 8:00 PM—KKHI/AM-FM Philadelphia Orchestra
- 8:00 PM—KQED (Channel 9) SPECIAL OF THE WEEK

#### Tue., October 8

7:00 PM—KRON/FM — Show Album—"HELLO DOLLY

8:00 PM—KIBE/AM and KDFC/FM—"TANN-HAUSER" OVERTURE & VENUS-BERG MUSIC (Wagner) and PI-ANO CONCERTO IN A MINOR (Paderewski)

8:00 PM-KKHI/AM-FM-Boston Pops

8:30 PM-KQED (Channel 9) - Evening at Symphony

#### Wed., October 9

7:00 PM—KRON/FM—Show Album—"SUGAR"

8:00 PM-KIBE/AM and KDFC/FM - SYM-PHONY No. 41 (Mozart) and RO-DEO (Copland)

8:00 PM—KKHI/AM-FM—Boston Symphony

8:30 PM-KQED (Channel 9)-THEATRE IN AMERICA

#### Thu., October 10

7:00 PM-KRON/FM-Show Album - "RO-BERTA"

8:00 PM--KIBE/AM and KDFC/FM — DIVER-TISSEMENT (Ibert) and SYMPHO-NY No. 4 (Brahms)

#### Fri., October 11

7:00 PM—KRON/FM—Show Album—"COCO"

8:00 PM—KIBE/AM and KDFC/FM — BANKS OF GREEN WILLOW (Butterworth) and SYMPHONY #5 IN B FLAT (Prokofiev)

#### Sat., October 12

7:00 PM—KRON/FM — Show Album — "THE ROAR OF THE GREASEPAINT—THE SMELL OF THE CROWD"

8:00 PM-KIBE/AM and KDFC/FM-Saturday Night Opera — "BORIS GODUNOV" (Mussorgsky)

8:00 PM-KKHI/AM-FM-Debut (new recordings)

#### Sun., October 13

7:00 PM—KRON/FM—Show Album — "SEE-SAW"

8:00 PM--KIBE/AM and KDFC-FM — PIANO CONCERTO #2 IN C MINOR (Rachmaninoff) and RHAPSODIE NORVEGIENNE (Lalo)

8:00 PM—KKHI/AM-FM—Sunday Night Opera

#### Mon., October 14

7:00 PM—KRON/FM—Show Album — "GOD-SPELL"

-KKHI/AM-FM - Philadelphia Or-8:00 PMchestra

-KQED (Channel 9) — SPECIAL OF 8:00 PM-THE WEEK

#### Tue., October 15

7:00 PM-KRON/FM-Show Album - "GIRL CRAZY"

8:00 PM--KIBE/AM and KDFC/FM — "MEIS-TERSINGER" OVERTURE (Wagner), SYMPHONY IN D (Cherubini) and HUNGARIAN SKETCHES (Bartok)

8:00 PM-KKHI/AM-FM-Boston Pops

8:30 PM-KQED (Channel 9) - Evening at Symphony

#### Wed., October 16

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8:30 PM—KQED (Channel 9) — THEATRE IN AMERICA

Thu., October 17

7:00 PM-KRON/FM-Show Album - "FIN-IAN'S RAINBOW

8:00 PM—KIBE/AM and KDFC-FM — SYM-PHONY #32 (Mozart), DOUBLE CONCERTO (Delius) and SYM-PHONY #1 (Beethoven)

Fri., October 18

7:00 PM—KRON/FM—Show Album — "SHE LOVES ME"

8:00 PM--KIBE/AM and KDFC/FM -RUS-SIAN & KIRGHIZ OVERTURE (Shostakovich), VIOLIN CONCERTO IN D MINOR (Mendelssohn), INVOCATION OF ALBERICH AND ENTRANCE OF THE GODS INTO VAL HALLA FROM "DAS RHEINGOLD" (Wagner) and POLONAISE & WALTZ FROM "EUGEN ONEGIN" (Tchaikovsky)

Sat., October 19

7:00 PM-KRON/FM-Show Album-"BITTER SWEET'

8:00 PM-KIBE/AM and KDFC/FM-Saturday Night Opera-"TURANDOT" (Puc-

8:00 PM-KKHI/AM-FM-Debut (new recordings)

Sun., Oct. 20

7:00 PM—KRON/FM—Show Album — "A FUNNY THING HAPPENED ON THE WAY TO THE FORUM"

-KIBE/AM and KDFC/FM — SYM-PHONY #7 IN E (Bruckner)

8:00 PM-KKHI/AM-FM-Sunday Night Opera

Mon., Oct. 21

7:00 PM—KRON/FM—Show Album — "CAN-CAN" and "NOW IS THE TIME FOR ALL GOOD MEN"

8:00 PM—KIBE/AM and KDFC/FM — MARCH OF THE LITTLE FAUNS (Pierne), SYMPHONY #39 (Mozart) and IN-CIDENTAL MUSIC TO "THE TEM-PEST" (Sullivan)

8:00 PM-KKHI/AM-FM - Philadelphia Orchestra

8:00 PM-KQED (Channel 9) - SPECIAL OF THE WEEK

Tue., October 22

7:00 PM-KRON/FM-Show Album-"SOUTH PACIFIC"

8:00 PM--KIBE/AM and KDFC/FM - EIN HELDENLEBEN (Strauss) and CALM SEA AND PROSPEROUS VOYAGE (Beethoven)

8:00 PM-KKHI/AM-FM-Boston Pops

8:30 PM-KQED (Channel 9) - Evening at Symphony

Wed:, Oct. 23

7:00 PM-KRON/FM-Show Album-"ZORBA" 8:00 PM-KIBE/AM and KDFC/FM - SYM-

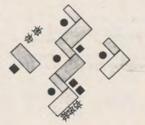
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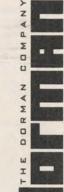
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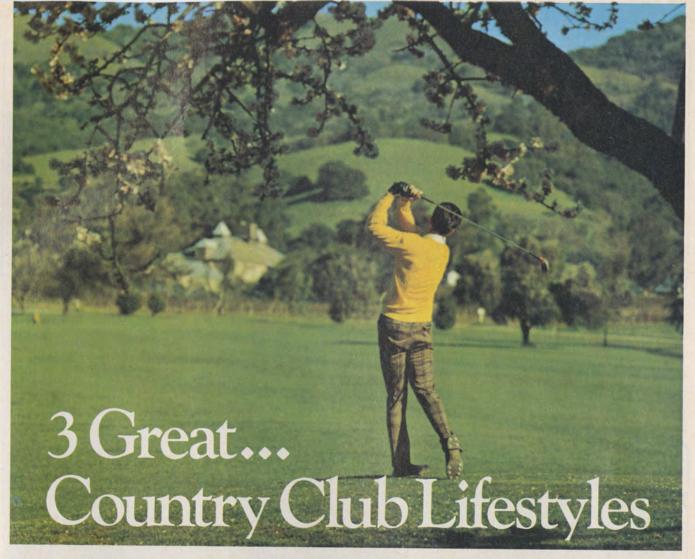
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Fri., Oct. 25

7:00 PM—KRON/FM—Show Album—"1776"

8:00 PM—KIBE/AM and KDFC/FM—PRELUDE TO THE AFTERNOON OF A FAUN (Debussy), SYMPHONY #3 (Rachmaninoff) and ESPANA RHAPSODY (Chabrier)

Sat., October 26

7:00 PM—KRON/FM—Show Album — "A LIT-TLE NIGHT MUSIC"

8:00 PM—KIBE/AM and KDFC/FM—Saturday Night Opera—"LA VIDA BREVE" (Falla) and "IL CAMPANELLO" (Donizetti)

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Sun., October 27

7:00 PM—KRON/FM—Show Album — "MOST HAPPY FELLA"

8:00 PM—KIBE/AM and KDFC/FM — SYM-PHONY #10 IN E MINOR (Shostakovich)

8:00 PM—KKHI/AM-FM—Sunday Night Opera

Mon., October 28

7:00 PM—KRON/FM—Show Album — "THE B A N D WAGON" and "SEVEN BRIDES FOR SEVEN BROTHERS"

8:00 PM—KIBE/AM and KDFC/FM — EURY-ANTHE OVERTURE (Weber), PIANO CONCERTO #2 IN F MINOR (Chopin), MERCHANT OF VENICE SUITE (Faure) and PAVANE & VARIATIONS (Cabezon)

8:00 PM—KKHI/AM-FM — Philadelphia Orchestra

8:00 PM—KQED (Channel 9) — SPECIAL OF THE WEEK

Tue., October 29

7:00 PM—KRON/FM—Show Album — "70, GIRLS, 70"

8:00 PM—KIBE/AM and KDFC/FM — SYM-PHONY #2 (Rachmaninoff)

8:00 PM—KKHI/AM-FM—Boston Pops

8:30 PM—KQED (Channel 9) — Evening at Symphony

Wed., October 30

7:00 PM—KRON/FM—Show Album — "WALK-ING HAPPY"

8:00 PM—KIBE/AM and KDFC/FM — SYM-PHONY #3 (Dvorak), "SYLVIA" SUITE (Delibes) and RONDO CONCERTANTE IN B FLAT (Mozart)

8:00 PM—KKHI/AM-FM—Boston Symphony

8:30 PM—KQED (Channel 9)—THEATRE IN AMERICA

Thu., October 31

7:00 PM—KRON/FM—Show Album — "THE PAJAMA GAME"

8:00 PM—KIBE/AM and KDFC/FM — HUN-GARIAN RHAPSODY #1 (Liszt), PARIS, SONG OF A GREAT CITY (Delius) and SYMPHONY #9 (Shostakovich)

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