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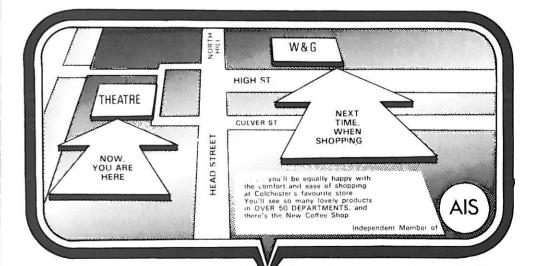
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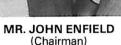
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The Story

Mrs. Dolly Gallagher Levi, widowed ten years ago, spends her time and earns a living "arranging things", but so far has not succeeded in organising a second husband for herself. Horace Vandergelder, a "well-known half-a-millionaire" and the proprietor of a store in Yonkers, becomes her target, but he intends to marry another widow, Irene Molloy, a young and attractive hat-shop proprietress. Tongue in cheek, Dolly suggests another possibility in Ernestina Money who is to play a prominent part in the Fourteenth Street Parade later that day.

Vandergelder leaves for New York; his two clerks, Cornelius and Barnaby find a novel but noisy way of closing the store for the rest of the day, and make for the bright lights of Broadway. Closely following is Vandergelder's tearful niece, Ermengarde, and her fiancè, Ambrose Kemper, bound for fame and fortune in the polka contest which is to take place that night at the Harmonia Gardens Restaurant.

Dolly follows Vandergelder to New York where she succeeds in sabotaging Vandergelder's proposal to Mrs. Molloy; he reluctantly accepts Dolly's second proposal of Miss Money, but Miss Money is not at all what Vandergelder had expected. Dolly, who has not been to the Harmonia Gardens Restaurant since her husband died is given a royal welcome by the staff, but she has arranged various match-making attempts to take place there.

Vandergelder gets a shock to find that his two clerks, his niece, Ermengarde, and Ambrose are also there; Vandergelder loses his wallet and a disturbance follows culminating in all present being arrested and taken to court. Dolly, however, knows the Judge, and everyone is dismissed except Vandergelder, who finds himself without clerks, niece and bride – will he now turn to Dolly?

PREVIOUS PRODUCTIONS

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1925	Gondoliers	1949	New Moon	1966	Hay Fever
1926	Mikado	1950	The Wind and Rain		La Belle Helene
1927	Princess Ida		The Desert Song	1967	Carousel
1929	lolanthe	1951	The Student Prince	1968	Count of Luxembourg
1930	Yeoman of the Guard	1952	Harmony Hill	1969	Oklahoma
1931	Trial by Jury and	1953	Show Boat	1970	Kiss Me Kate
	Pirates of Penzance	1954	Brigadoon	1971	Die Fledermaus
	Les Cloches de Corneville	1955	Pink Champagne	1972	Mikado
1932	Quaker Girl	1956	Vagabond King	1973	Robert and Elizabeth
1933	Mikado	1957	White Horse Inn	1974	Orpheus in the
1934	Gondoliers	1958	Summer Song		Underworld
1935	Merrie England	1959	The Merry Widow	1975	The Merry Widow
1936	Duchess of Danzig	1960	Song of Norway	1976	My Fair Lady
1937	Vagabond King	1961	Naughty Marietta	1977	The Great Waltz
1938	Country Girl	1962	The Dancing Years	1978	Fiddler on the Roof
1946	Beggars' Opera	1963	Kismet	1979	The King and I
1947	Tom Jones	1964	The Most Happy Fella	1980	Showboat
1947	The Arcadians	1965	They came to a City		
1948	Waltz Dream		The Student Prince		



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ACT ONE

	AOTORE
Ov	verture Orchestra
1.	Along Fourth Avenue, New York City Call on DollyFull Ensemble I Put My Hand InDolly and Company
2.	Grand Central Station
3.	Vandergelder's Hay and Feed Store, Yonkers It Takes a Woman Vandergelder, Cornelius, Barnaby and Men's Ensemble Put on Your Sunday Clothes Dolly, Ambrose, Ermengarde, Cornelius, Barnaby & Company
4.	Yonkers Railroad Station Put on Your Sunday Clothes Full Ensemble
5.	Outside Mrs. Molloy's Hat Shop
6.	Inside Mrs. Molloy's Hat Shop Ribbons Down My BackMrs. Molloy Motherhood MarchDolly, Mrs. Molloy, Minnie, Vandergelder, Cornelius and Barnaby DancingDolly, Mrs. Molloy, Minnie, Cornelius and Barnaby and Dancing Ensemble
7.	The Street Outside DancingDolly, Mrs. Molloy, Minnie,
	Cornelius and Barnaby
8.	A Quiet Street

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ACT TWO

'Er	tr'acte'Orchestra
1.	A Street in New York Put on Your Sunday ClothesThe Company
2.	In Front of the Hoffman House Hotel, Fifth Avenue Elegance
3.	Outside The Harmonia Gardens Restaurant Waiters Gallop
4.	A Courtroom on Centre Street It Only Takes a Moment Cornelius
5.	Vandergelder's Hay and Feed Store 'Finale'Dolly and Company

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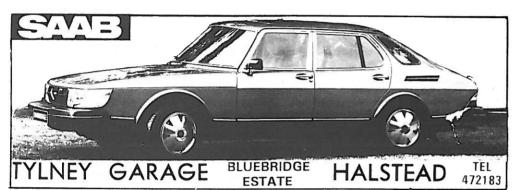
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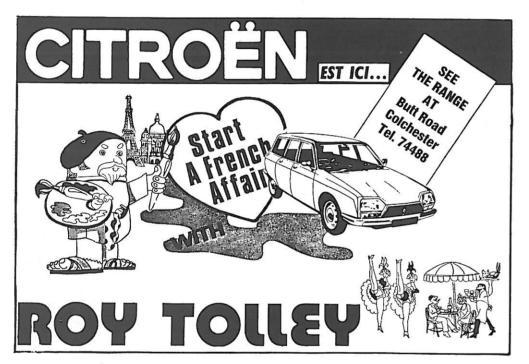
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