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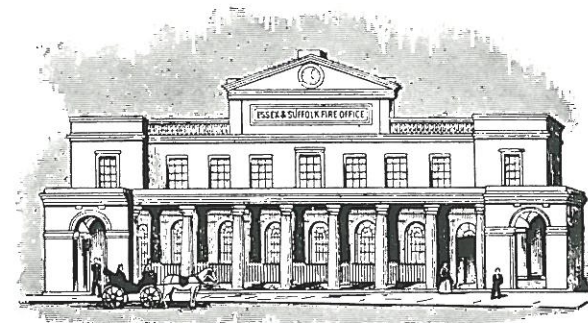
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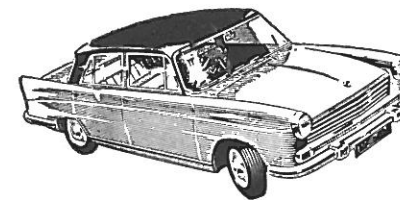
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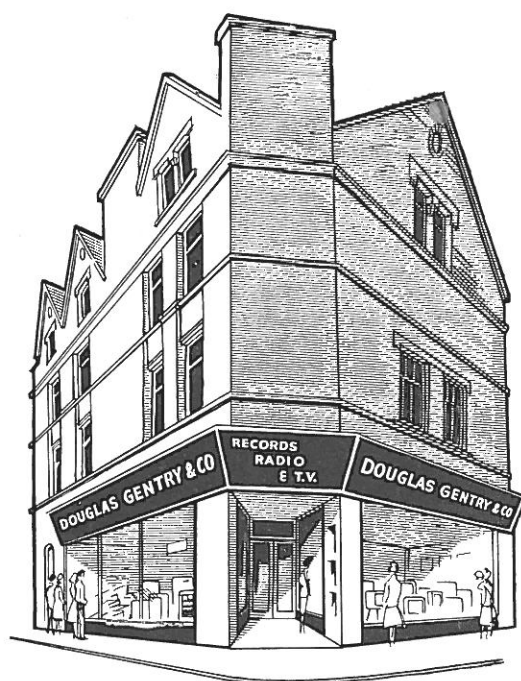
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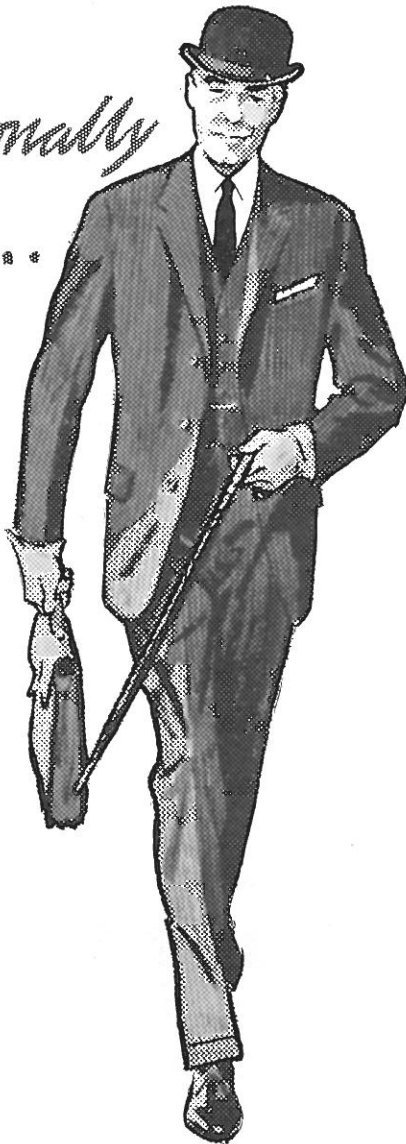
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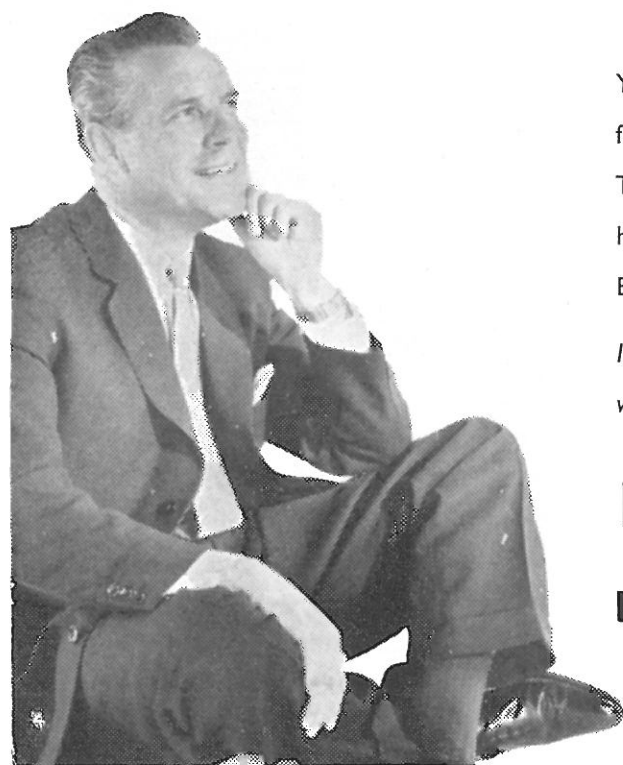
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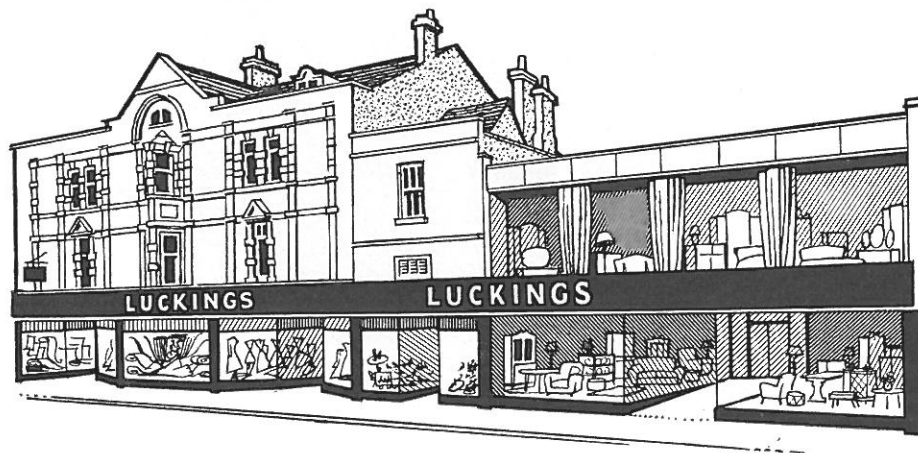
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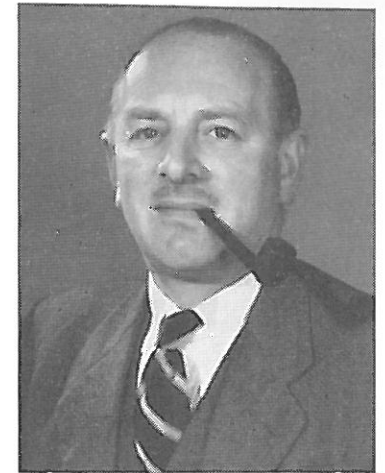
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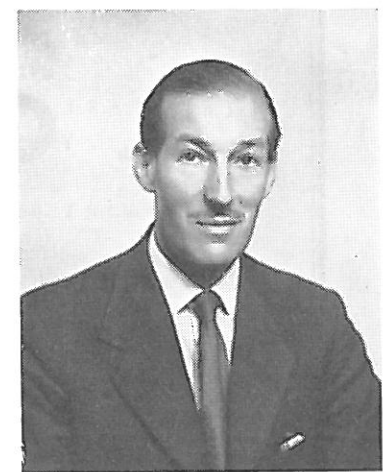
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IT is A.D. 1790 and New Orleans in the absence of its French Governor is being indifferently administered by his deputy Grandet. The old rogue is in league with his rascally son Etienne who is in fact a pirate known to his crew as Bras Pique. Captain Dick Warrington and his friend Sir Harry Blake arrive with the dual purpose of arresting Bras Pique and of intercepting and returning to her parents the Countess Marietta who escaped from her convent school and joined a party of "Casket Girls." They are prospective brides for settlers and bring an unspecified dowry in a casket, the gift of the King of France.

Marietta, determined to retain the freedom she has won from parental domination, has made a second escape, this time from the Casket Girls, and is hiding in a disused fountain in the Place d'Armes. She constantly sings an unfinished air, her dream melody, which a fortune teller predicted would only be finished by her true lover. Her singing is believed to be the ghost voice of a maid lost in a ship scuttled by Bras Pique. She discloses herself to Dick and insists that he provides her with a disguise. It is evident that she is enamoured of this determined bachelor and that he is more kindly disposed towards her than he will admit. He persuades Rudolfo to take her into his Marionette Theatre and declares her to be his long lost son, Rafaello.

In the meantime, Etienne having tired of his quadroon slave and mistress, Adah, hears of Marietta's escapade and knowing her to be a great heiress decides to trace and marry her. His father is fearful of the King's displeasure if he ignores the command to return Countess Marietta to France, but is bullied into submission by his son's threats of exposure as an accomplice of Bras Pique. With the idea of shifting responsibility for his misdeeds he appoints Silas, who is dissatisfied with his job as Dick's valet, to be his "whipping boy." Silas is a stupid fellow; he has got himself involved with Lizette, the wallflower of the Casket Girls, and to impress others has had the name Bras Pique tattooed on his arm. That involves him in all sorts of rough handling. His great mistake is to attempt to rid himself of Lizette by telling the Lieut.-Governor she is the missing Countess and persuading him to court her. That as much as anything lands him in the calaboose with the faithful Lizette in attendance. He is so touched by her loyalty that when Dick gets him released he decides to marry Lizette after all.

Sir Harry, unaware that Marietta's disguise is Dick's doing, recognises her as the missing Countess and publicly discloses her identity. She manages to escape the mob during vespers rung by the Cathedral bells whilst the crowd kneel with heads bowed. Safely back at the Marionette Theatre she discards her boy's clothes and becomes Rudolfo's daughter. Etienne knows who she really is and is ardently wooing her. He persuades her to disobey Dick's order that she must not go to the Quadroon Ball at the infamous New Orleans Club simply by telling her that Dick is taking Adah to the ball. That is not true but as Dick has followed Marietta to the ball to protect her he is on the spot when Etienne submits Adah to the last indignity by putting her up for auction. Dick outbids the rest and Marietta in a jealous rage accepts Etienne's proposal. She will marry him there and then if only a wedding gown and veil can be provided. That is soon done but just in time she learns that Dick bought Adah only to give her freedom and that the slave out of gratitude has revealed that Etienne is Bras Pique.

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8. "Zing !" "Zing !" MARIETTA AND CHORUS
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Scene 1—The Marionette Theatre

10. Prelude and Opening of Act II MARIETTA AND RUDOLFO
11. "Marry a Marionette" ETIENNE
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SILAS SLICK George Flint
LIZETTE Carol Wakeling
RUDOLFO Harry Turton
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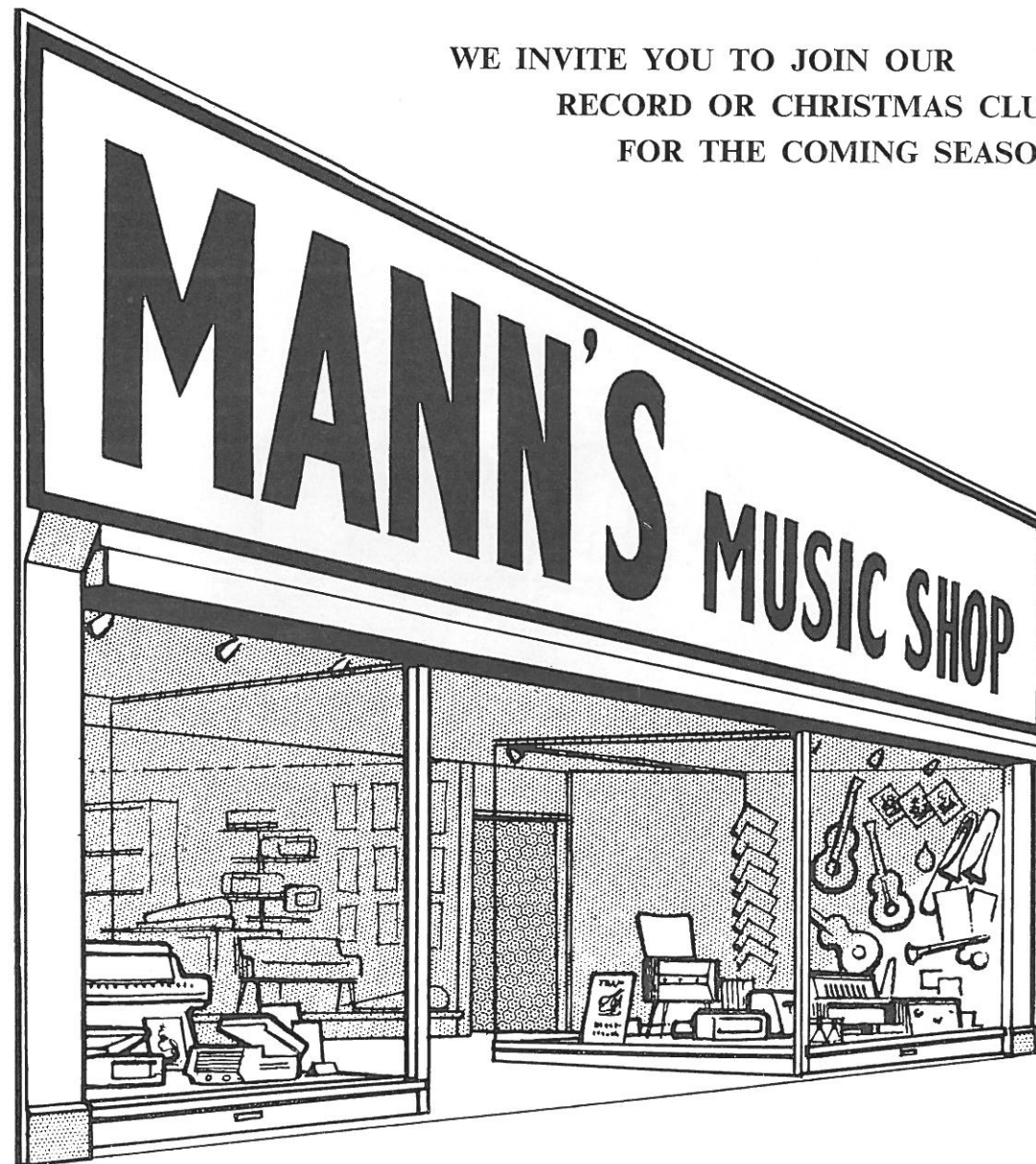
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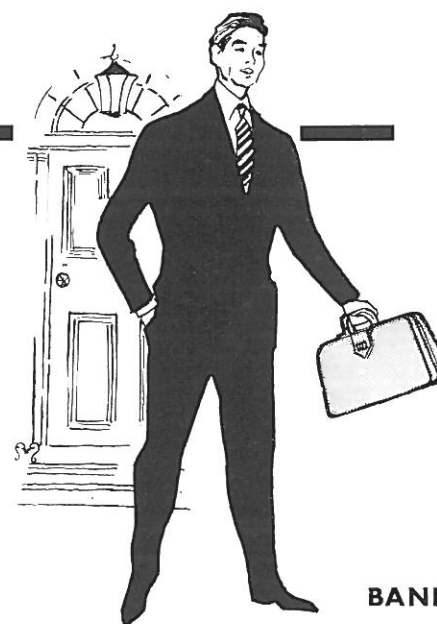
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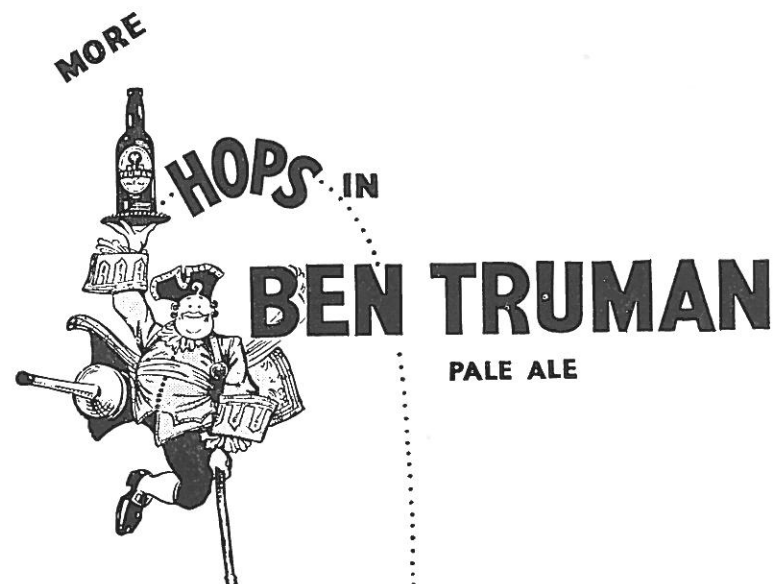
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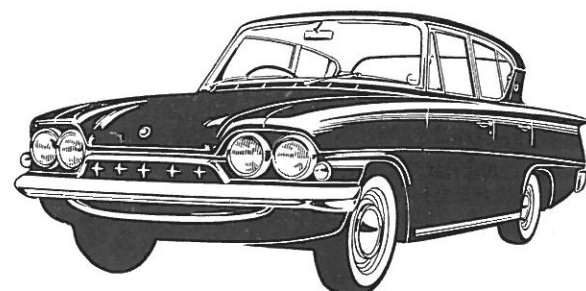
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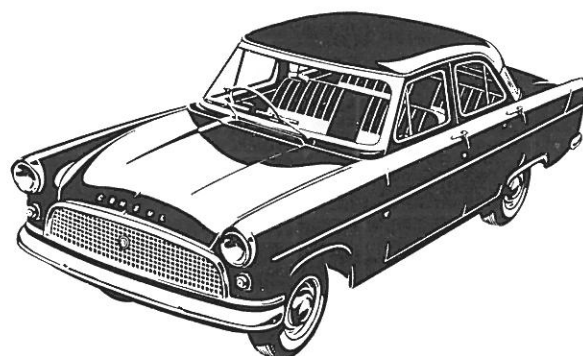
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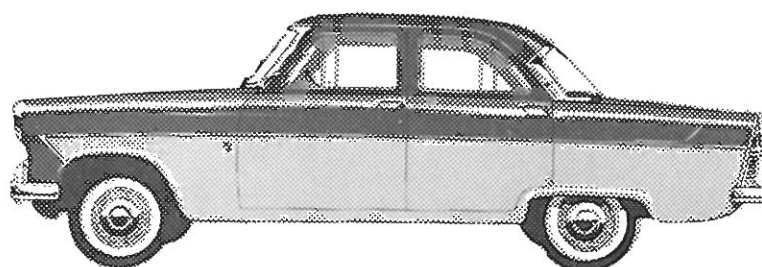
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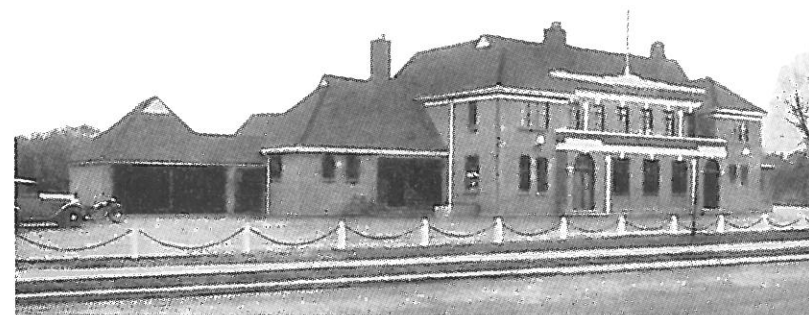
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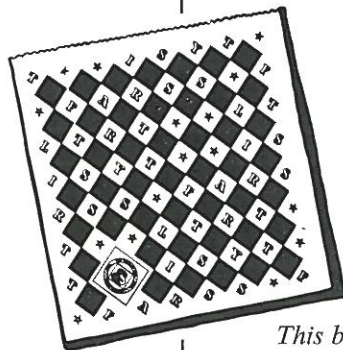
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