

GERARDINI SINGS AND WANTS HEARTS

"La Boheme" Wins Enthusiastic Plaudits as Presented at Heilig.

"MIMI" TOUCHES AUDIENCE

Role Is Pathetically and Convincingly Portrayed—Cast Entirely Altered From Previous Night.

CAST OF "LA BOHEME." Mimi Ferrarini, Estel Ferrarini, Musetta, A. Glana, Rudolfo, Gerardi Graziani, Marcello, Alessandro Modesti, Schanard, Giuseppe Elena, Benelli, Giovanni Martello, Coline, Natalie Cervi, Alcide, Natalie Cervi.

BY ARTHUR A. GREENE. Poor Mimi, frail of the Latin Quarter, most sympathetic and most unhappy of graces sang her pitiful way across our hearts again at Heilig and dying, left the haunting melody of her aria to our ears as we left the theater, after the never-to-be-forgotten death scene in that bare little garret where Rudolfo, Marcello, Schanard and Coline lived their little hour of greatness.

The second performance of the Lombardi Opera Company justifies expectations and predictions of those of us who, having heard once, were convinced that in "La Boheme" this splendid group of Italians would do something fine and high and worthy.

With one exception, the principals were entirely changed from the opening night and the altered cast acquitted itself brilliantly.

Ferrarini Creates Sensation.

Three of them remain with us, deeply impressed on the memory. Ferrarini, a great soprano, essayed the role of Mimi and did little short of create a sensation. Her conception of the part does not follow slavishly the traditions; in fact, she is a new Mimi to those of us who have followed the Puccini opera these several years. Physically, she differs in that she is a big woman, whereas we are wont to think of Mimi as a dainty, ethereal little beauty of the garrets and cafes.

Graziani's Acting Wins.

Ferrarini is a remarkably good actress and her voice exquisitely fine. Her tones are vibrant with feeling, eloquent, at all times voicing the soul of music, the fulfilled promise that had been made for her.

Portland Claims La Boheme. It is interesting to remember that "La Boheme" was first performed in Portland in 1896 by the Del Conte Opera Company, months before it was originally produced at the Metropolitan in New York.

"La Boheme" Rendering Best Seen Here

BY JOSEPH M. QUENTIN. A GAIN it was agreed by the company that the attraction being Giacomo Puccini's "La Boheme," or as it is known in English, "The Bohemians." One pleasant attraction of the Lombardi Opera Company is its alluring quality, principally because new principals are introduced at each performance.

Of course "La Boheme" has been sung before in this city, but surely it never received a more artistic rendering than last night, brightened as it was by the arrival—at last—of the Lombardi scenery, which had been delayed in shipment.

Clinton Funeral Sunday.

Funeral services for the late Richard Clinton, pioneer theatrical manager and past exalted ruler of the order of Elks in Portland, will be held on Sunday morning.

TALK ABOUT WATER

Charter Board Discusses Alternate Propositions.

ACTION IS POSTPONED

Ex-Senator Gearin Presents Tentative Report to Get Question Before Board—Will Be Put Up to Voters to Decide.

The entire session of the charter commission, held last night, with Judge Henry E. McGinn, presiding, was taken up in the consideration of the alternate propositions that will be submitted to the people on the question of the water supply.

Society Out in Added Brilliance

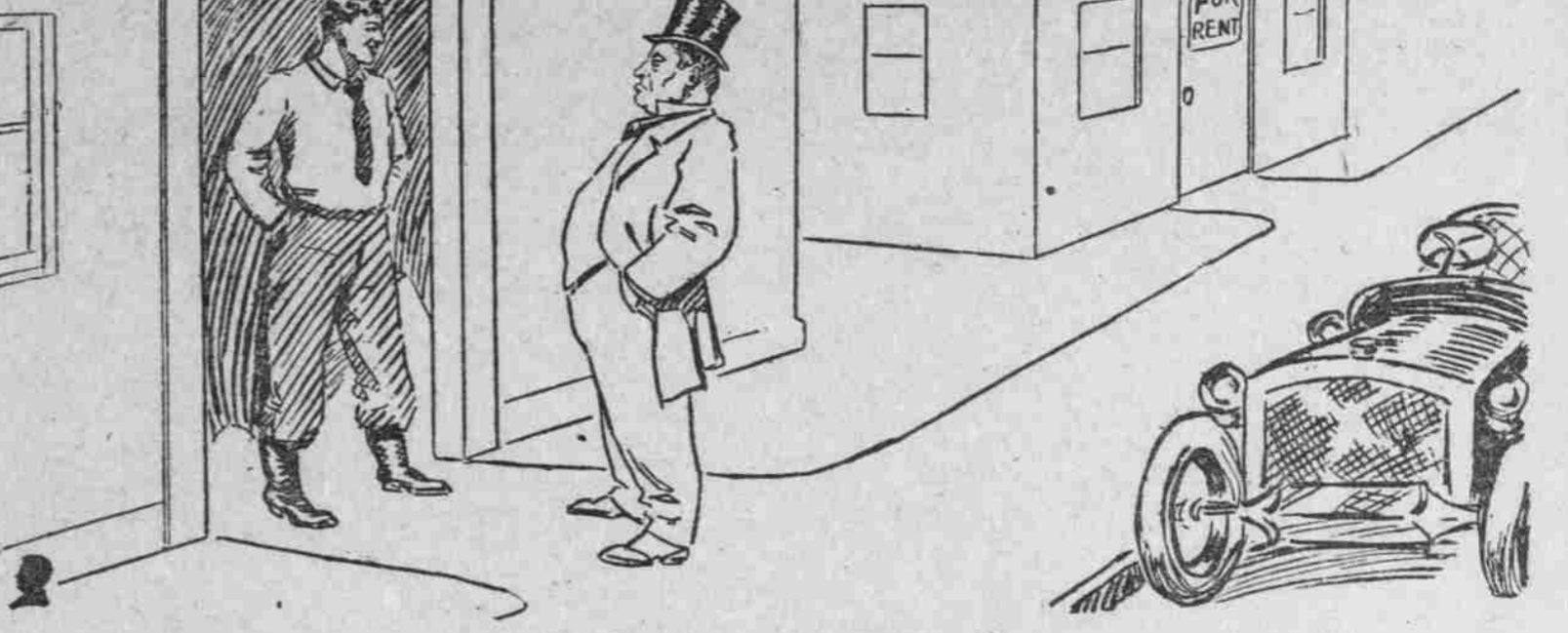
INvariably the opening night of grand opera brings out the most beautifully-gowned audience of the season, but "La Boheme" proved the exception, for it was a most splendid and the initial performance of the Lombardi company, "Lucia."

Many dinners were given prior to the opera and many more supper parties followed on the previous night. Some specially handsome gowns and jewels were worn.

The efforts of another speaker to have free water submitted as a third proposition was not considered. What the speaker had to say on the matter was given a respectful hearing.

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Vancouver Commercial Club Hopes to Capture Lutheran School.

VANCOUVER, Wash., Feb. 2.—(Special.)—The committee of the Vancouver Commercial Club, consisting of Judge J. C. Munroe, C. G. Patton, Paul Wessinger, Miss Dr. H. S. Goddard, ex-Mayor E. M. Green and Pat Lavey, who are to act as escort for the committee of the English Lutheran conference, will visit Vancouver tomorrow, met this afternoon in the office of Colonel Munday and completed arrangements for the reception and entertainment of the visitors.

Dr. Pantou Veril III.

Dr. A. C. Pantou, recognized as one of the most able physicians and surgeons in Portland, is dangerously ill from septicemia, a form of blood-poisoning, at his home, on Terrace road, Portland Heights. Dr. Pantou became ill last Wednesday night, when he accidentally received a slight abrasion on his neck from which an infection developed.

AT THE HOTELS.

Hotel Portland—G. R. Langtree, New York; H. Schifman, Chicago; N. A. Raup, New York; W. C. Sharp, Seattle; J. W. Patton, Helena; E. A. Adams and wife, Helena; N. B. Smith, Spokane; J. O. Dewey, San Francisco; Mrs. C. R. Roy and daughter, Medford; B. M. Levinger and wife, San Francisco; Dr. W. Hoehling, Jr., Trenton; H. Gayles, San Francisco; F. E. Lacey, J. Power, St. Louis; C. R. Aberdeen and wife, E. C. Holliday and wife, Minneapolis; Mrs. W. D. Fullerton, Spokane; J. Goldman, New York; M. A. Fox, Springfield; F. H. Ray, New York; T. H. Parham, Chicago; K. Dewey, Seattle; W. J. White, Lewiston; P. K. Abern, Seattle; H. J. McCracken, New York; H. W. Kiser, Portland; C. R. Brown, Chicago; C. Remacha, Seattle; H. E. Newhall, Chicago; W. A. Elliott, New York; W. W. Powell, Chicago; H. H. Smith, Fairbanks; E. H. Hughes, San Francisco; J. P. Brady, New York; L. Reis, San Francisco; W. Cook, Denver; Mrs. W. J. Patterson, C. R. Aberdeen; L. Murday, Dr. B. V. Dolbey, Vancouver; Mrs. H. Howell, Philadelphia; Dr. David Wagner, M. H. Kelley, W. P. Kilbuck, Duluth; B. Rosefield, San Francisco.

The Oregon—J. D. Hull and wife, Colfax; H. F. Bonasie, Caldwell; J. Sheldon and wife, Portland; E. C. Sharp, Chicago; T. Merrill and wife, city; Mrs. T. C. Roylan, New York; E. C. Sharp, Chicago; T. Merrill and wife, city; Mrs. T. C. Roylan, New York; E. C. Sharp, Chicago; T. Merrill and wife, city; Mrs. T. C. Roylan, New York.

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