



Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Jones and Mr. and Mrs. Elliott "Pete" Estes (Photographed by Art Emanuel)

Met opens despite illnesses

Amid illness of its stars and schedule changes, New York's Metropolitan Opera opened in Detroit Monday evening.

The illness of mezzo-soprano Marilyn Horne and her understudy forced the opening night production of "L'Italiana in Algeri" off the stage. But people still formed traditional queues outside Masonic Temple to watch Detroit's notables enter for the Met production of "Don Giovanni."

Officers of the Detroit Grand Opera Association, which yearly sponsors the Met's visit, met at the Detroit Club for a traditional dinner before the opening performance.

Among those attending were Mr. and Mrs. Elliott "Pete" Estes of Bloomfield Hills. Mrs. Estes is general chairman of the current opera season.

Also at the dinner gathering of civic and social leaders were Mr. and Mrs. Henry Whiting Jr. of Bloomfield Hills. Mrs. Whiting was chairman of an afterglow at Detroit Institute of Arts.



Afterglow chairman Mrs. Henry Whiting Jr.



Mr. and Mrs. Richard Terrell of Bloomfield Hills

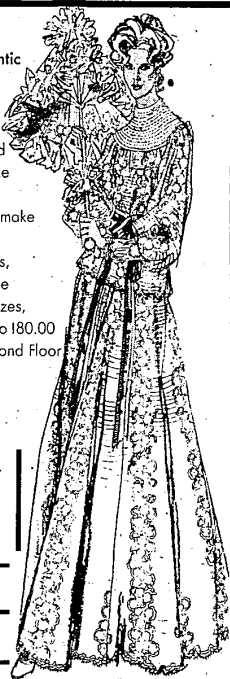
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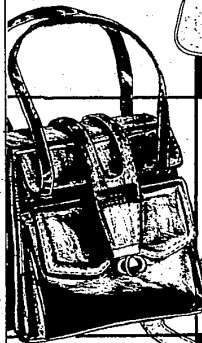
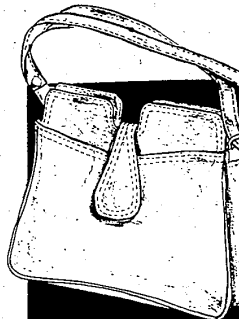
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