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(Babbling a mile-a-minute
throughout)

....Oh dear, oh my, will you look at that, ten o'clock
and the shop not opened yet....

(1ST COUPLE X R to L)

It's all because of the impending marriage, I tell you,
what marriage? Oh I thought you knew. Why the marriage
Mrs. Levi is arranging between Mr. Horace Vandergelder,
the well known Yonkers half-a-millionaire and my
employer and friend, Mrs. Irene Molloy....

(ERNESTINE Xes R to L)

....although if you ask me he'll never take the place
of her late husband, Mr. Peter Molloy may he rest in
peace wherever he is I'm not sure....He was a caution
you know! Oh it's all too much what with late husbands
and new marriages and on top of everything else....

(2ND COUPLE X L to R)

Miss Mortimer returning this hat for the third time!
Same old story, she wants more cherries and feathers....
cherries and feathers, to catch a beau I suppose, although
if you ask me she'd do better with a nice heavy veil!

(SHE exits R and returns)

....I told her, ribbons down our back is what we'll be
wearing this summer if we want to catch a gentleman's
eye, but she'd have none of it! Cherries and feathers
she wants, on today of all days, when that poor dear
sweet Mrs. Molloy has enough on her mind what with....