### THE DAILY NEBRASKAN SUNDAY, FERBUARY 13, 1938

# 'Hades' Ladies' Try-Outs Start **Tuesday Night**

Kosmet Klub Spring Musical SYMPHONIC BAND Features 18 Speaking Roles, Choruses.

Kosmet Klub will enter seriously into the work of producing its 1938 spring musical show this week with the holding of tryouts for roles in "Hades' Ladies" Tuesday and Wednesday evenings at 7 o'clock in Social Sciences auditorium.

To be presented at the Temple theater the week of April 25, the production, written by John Edwards, calls for a cast of 42 charparts, a special singing chorus of 12 and a dancing chorus of 12. The dancing chorus must serve as a jury in one scene, and one juror has a few lines to speak.

Iverson Directs Tryouts.

Tryouts will be conducted under the supervision of the Kosmet Klub and Joe D. Iverson, director of the show, Mr. Iverson has directed the last three of the Klub's spring productions, and is to be given full charge of this year's show, including the direction of dance routines.

To be eligible for parts in the show, students must have earned at least 27\*credit hours in the uni-versity, 12 during the last semes-ter, and must be in good standing in all hours this semester. "Hades' Ladies" is a two act

fantasy concerning Elmer Smith-ers, a henpecked husband who earns his living writing bedtime stories for children. After a quar-rel one evening with his domineering wife, Ivy, Elmer falls asleep and dreams of the place Ivy said he could go as far as she was concerned . . . hell.

#### Elmer Awakes in Hades.

Elmer awakens in the reception room of the palace of Satan on a festive evening. It is the night of the Infernal Jamboree, and many of the Shades of Hades have gathered to hear the "singed" music. It is also a night of political maneuvering on the part of some "hellish" politicians to overthrow the throne of Satan.

Elmer meets Satan, the ruler of the Nether World, and they be-come friends. Together they plan to attend the Infernal Jamboree, but the labor troubles that beset Hades and the political crisis up-set their plans. Elmer becomes in-volved in the trouble, and before long finds himself before the court of the Inferno, charged with the conspiracy to overthrow the throne.

Elmer and Satan are the chief characters in the amusing tale, but two around whom much of the action figures are Flotsam and Jetsam, a pair of gloomy spirits from the "lonely realm of the Spirit World." They are on a "haunting trip," and are assigned to haunt It was their idea that Elmer. Elmer should go to Hades, and throughout the play they make occasional appearances to guide the action.

## OPENS UNIVERSITY FESTIVITIES TODAY

(Continued from Page 1.) trumpet trio, all of which will help to make the mid-winter concert of the symphonic band one of the most colorful and pleasing to be heard here in many seasons,

Overture "Sicilian Vespers." As to the overture to "Sicilian Vespers" by Verdi, the overture of the opera practically alone survives. The opera was never a great success due in part to the revolu-tionary nature of the libretto dealing with the massacre of the French by the Sicilians.

While Dr. Christiansen's name will forever be remembered beacters. These include 18 speaking cause of his conributions to choral music, he has also added to the symphonic band repertoire by writthe "First Norwegian Rhap-y," which is based on familiar ing th sody," folk tunes. Equally enjoyable will be Smetana's Dances from "The Bartered Bride," from which opera the band will play three of the opera's Bohemian dances.

The program:

Chorale, Komm, Susser Tod. Bach-Leidzen. Overture to Sicilian Vespers, Verdi, First Norwegian Rhapsody, Christian-

Firstations, Clarke. Firstations, Clarke. Trie for cornets, Duane Harmon, of Weeping Water, Robert Feastermacher, Sarzent, Charles Talbert, Concordia, Kansas,

Kansas. Amparite Roco, Texidor Caprice, Kling, Dust for clarinets. Robert Chambers, North, Platte; Clinton stordevant, Lincoln. March, El Capilan, Pousa. Radinage, V. Herbert, ttransmitted for three narimithas Jesthermose Helm, Lin-coln, Warren Templeton, Lincoln, Ray Mattessa, Sterling, Colorado. Diaces from "The Bartered Bride," Smeinna, Polka, Purtant, Dance of the Concodines. ordians

#### CHIPS

(Continued from Page 1.) which is growing more friendlier and franker but the language of the greeting card writers who are searching something new and dif-ferent. Here is an example:

"When your hair has turbed to sliver I will LOVE you as today When I'm wrinkled and bewhiskered I'll be yours the same old way. When I have a "big bay window" And your "blackony" slicks out You will still be my "big moment." Truly a touching sentiment. Touching upon realism, that is. Terse Verse.

Here is another:

"Every pair of trousers Likes some little skirt Every pair of oxfords With some partys will flirt Every little love verse Needs a final line Herr's oos comin' atcha . Be My Valentine.

Puns, too, are frequently used. "I may not belong to the economic royalty, but I have a high yearning capacity for you," is an exemplary slogan.

This Feb. 14 should be a highly successful day for the kid with the three cornered pants and the bow and arrow complex due to the mild climate conditions which are conducive to his habits of galivanting around in the altogether.

French Review' Featur

periods per week would benefit him as much as the others. One of lishment of the special 5 hour re-

these students received a 90 out of the course, scoring a 93 on the final examination. Dr. Wadsworth writes, "The re-sults . . offer sufficient proof . . .

erable number of failures . . . each semester.



#### Compete Cast Listed.

The complete cast of speaking characters as given in Edwards script is as follows:

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FLOTSAM and JETSAM, two spirits, as spirits go.

ELMER SMITHERS, a husband, as husbands go. IVY SMITHERS, a wife, as

wives go.

. JUNIOR SMITHERS, a boy. as boys go.

CHARON, the old ferryman on the River Styx.

SATAN, the ruler of the Nether World.

JINGO, a radical devil.

BEELZEBUB, the prince of devils.

NICODEMUS, (The Old Nick), a gentleman's gentleman. and Satan's servant.

JONATHON O'HARA AP-PLETREE, another husband.

HAROLD SMOOCH, a young

man, as young men go. PATIENCE DARLING, a sweet young thing. PERSEPHNE, a lady of

Hades, and the Queen of the Nether World.

APRIL, MAY, and JUNE, three ladies of Hades.

OLD SCRATCH, a bailiff, as bailiffs go.

#### Article by Dr. Wadsworth (Continued from Page 1.)

too heavy a schedule being carried to devote enough time to French. Some students did not ilke the language when they took it, and this dislike had to be overcome.

Thus, states Professor Wads-worth, "not only linguistic, but psychological hazards as well, had to be overcome.

"Obviously this group needed additional drill beyond that of-fered in the regular French 3 classes." Dr. Wadsworth tells of the plan whereby the French 3d class met five times per week for three hours credit, the additional two class periods being spent on review and grammar exercises.

Interesting Results Obtained. From the various charts included in the article, the following facts are seent

Inclus are seen: 1. The lower 10 percent of the 131, who averaged 10 percent on the place-next cratition the percent on the place-percent in the course. 2. Eleven out of 16 who were in the invent of those received sensexter grades of 76 or above, two of that group of serves having averages of 86 or higher. 3. The stadent who ranked 151 an the lown test procured a final grade of 55 in the course, which shows that the reverse was grady worth the while and justifiable as an experiment. Review Section Becomes.

#### **Review Section Becomes** Permanent.

In the French 3d class, no se mester failures were given and only one condition was meted out. Some students took the French 3d course on their own volition, thinking of course that the two extra