

THE NIMBLE SPANIEL by Sam Warren

The Metropolitan Opera will produce Puccini's "La Tosca" on the coliseum stage April 28th, Lincoln Symphony Orchestra association members learned by letter this week-end. The company's Lincoln appearance will be the only stop between Minneapolis and Denver.

Grand opera staged in the grand manner was last heard at the coliseum in 1928 when the Chicago Civic Opera staged "Il Trovatore" and in 1944 when the San Carlo did "Aida." Swedish tenor Jussi Bjorling and American soprano Regina Resnik are suggested for the leading roles. Mrs. Richard W. Smith (you'll remember her as Pat Lahr, former Union director) is in charge of local production arrangements.

Could it have been a former university casanova who pulled this one on the Aurora, Nebraska postmaster recently? A letter from Holland "in a feminine handwriting" reached Aurora addressed to Mr. Swift P. Ham.

For failing to talk politics, Soviet music this week came in for a reprimand at the hands of the Central Committee of the Communist Party. In a front-page Pravda spread, the committee censured seven composers including Shostakovitch, Prokofiev and Khachaturian for writing music which "follows the formalist trend—a trend against the people." Opera, choral music and folk music and folk songs—apparently the true medium for Soviet expression—has been "neglected," the committee said, in favor of intricate instrumental symphonic forms showing "survivals of bourgeois ideology nurtured . . . by modern decadent music of Western Europe and America."

The party's Propaganda and Agitation Department, and its Art Committee were ordered to "liquidate the defects pointed out." Just for a reminder, shall we all stand up and sing "The Star Spangled Banner?"

Former Chancellor Chauncey Boucher is credited with this one, according to Dr. C. H. Patterson in a philosophy class this week: In a modern university, the professor's lecture goes from his notebook into the student's notebook without going through the head of either!

Omicron Nu Fetes Home Ec Majors

Ten sophomore girls with the highest averages in the home economics department last year will be honored with a buffet supper at the home of Miss Margaret Fedde, 3848 Dudley street, at 6 p. m. Sunday.

They will be guests of Omicron Nu, national Home Ec honorary. The girls are: LaVerna Acker, Lois Elaine Arenson, Constance Crosbie, Minnie Crowley, Charlene Eggert, Donna Lu Johnson, Louise McDill, Gwen Monson, Mary Travis, and Irene Wellensiek.

Twelve other guests, actives of Omicron Nu, will be present. The supper is to acquaint the sophomores with the aims and goals of Omicron Nu, Ruth Peters, president, said.

The girl with the top average will be announced at the supper and her name placed on the honor roll of Omicron Nu. The plaque hangs in the Home Ec social rooms. Ann Chamberlain is general chairman of the supper.

YW Adds Bible Instruction Group

A new YWCA commission group, "Teaching the Bible to Children" has been added to the city campus program this semester.

Mrs. J. C. Wichelt will teach the six weeks course. The group will meet on Monday at 4 p. m.

Certificates of study will be conferred by the International Council of Religious Education upon completion of the course. This is the only commission group awarding certificates.

Mrs. Wichelt is the wife of Rev. Wichelt of the United Brethren Church. She has taught with the Lincoln Christian Education Council for several years.

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