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Ticket Sales For 'Wolves' Are Opened

Awards Are Offered For Students Distributing Large Numbers

Tickets were placed on sale yesterday afternoon for the Yeshiva College Players' production, "The Wolves," which will take place Saturday and Sunday night, April 13 and 14. This announcement was made by Milton Kramer '42, business manager of the Players, in the Masmid office, which is being used by the society as its ticket sales office, and is situated on the fourth floor corridor. At the same time Kramer announced that a prize of five dollars will be given to the student who sells the largest number of tickets for the play. Free tickets will be awarded to all who sell ten dollars worth of seats.

The ticket sales office will be open every school day, except Friday, from 2 to 5 p.m. Reservations for either performance may also be placed at the office.

It was further announced by Philip Horowitz '42 and David Mirsky '42, producers of the play, that a regular theatre program will be published. Students interested in working on this project, as well as those wishing to serve as ushers, are asked to leave their names at the office immediately.

A comical note on the opening day's sales was effected by the appearance of a publicity "sheet" appropriately entitled "The Howl." The first issue was enhanced by a feature "blurb" which was written in the "so der I wuz" style. This bulletin is expected to appear three times weekly, each issue including a humorous "blurb" written in a similar vein. This bulletin will be obtainable at the ticket office daily.

Torah Must Guide Life, Says Breuer

All our scholastic as well as personal activities should be practiced within the limits of the Torah, which is the sole reason for the existence of the Jewish nation, Dr. I. Breuer, renowned Jewish philosopher and author, asserted in discussing the problem of Torah and Derech Eretz. The address was delivered at a meeting of the Yeshiva Zeirel Agudath Israel Branch in the Dormitory Social Hall, Wednesday, March 20.

After an introduction by Oscar Reichel '42, president of the group, Dr. Breuer opened his remarks by pointing out that the problem of the relationship between Torah and the Jew's activity in the modern world arises mainly in the Diaspora because the Torah cannot be enforced there and because the Jews, existing as a minority race, cannot fully develop their cultural and social way of life.

The connection between Jewish law and daily life is not a mere academic question, the speaker asserted, but is an historical fact which must be faced. A solution to this question was given by the speaker's grandfather, Rabbi Samson Raphael Hirsch, in which he made a plea for "selbstbewusstes Judentum". This goal may be at-

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New Mussar Group Formed By Students

A Mussar Group has recently been organized among the students of all branches of the school. The purpose of the group is to fix for the students a period for contemplation and to offer a more thorough understanding of Jewish philosophical thought. At present the members are studying the classic, "Mesillath Yesharim," by Moses Chaim Luzzatto.

The group meets regularly on Mondays and Wednesdays at 7:40 p.m., with evening prayers directly following at 8 p.m. in room 301 of the main building.

18 To Be Ordained Sunday At Semicha

Number Includes 11 Alumni of Yeshiva College

Eighteen rabbinical graduates will receive their degrees at the commencement exercises to be held Sunday, March 31, in the Lampport auditorium, the Yeshiva administration announced. The event which marks the tenth of its nature since 1917 will also feature the presentation of "Yodin Yodin" to Rabbi Hirschman, who is located at Long Branch.

The administration also revealed that over 200 rabbis have been ordained since the inception of the Yeshiva. Honors this year, as in the past, are being conferred upon the graduates on the memorial day of Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Spector.

Main speakers at the Hag Hase-micha will be Dr. Bernard Revel, Rosh Hayeshiva and president of the college. Addresses will also be heard from Rabbi Leventhal, chief rabbi of Philadelphia, Rabbi Israel Rosenberg, Rabbi Moses Solovitchik, and from Rabbi Simcha Levy president of the Alumni Association of Yeshiva.

Rabbis Hirschman, Weiss and Rosenfeld, '37 will deliver the valedictory remarks.

Immediately following the commencement ceremony a reception will be tendered to the graduates and their guests by Mr. Mendel Gottesman in the Dormitory Reception Hall.

Of the newly ordained rabbis, 11 have received their baccalaureate degrees at Yeshiva College, 11 are already heading congregations, and four are candidates for the D. H. L. degree.

Joe Senior, Confiding To Questionnaire In Moment Of Weakness, Gives Vent To Likes And Dislikes

Joe Senior can claim having something in common with the March weather. He is both confused and confusing. In fact, judging by his answers to the annual questionnaire, the five foot six, 152 lb., twenty year old average senior's built something along the lines of the March Here.

Asked what his favorite evening paper was, he could not decide between the Post, Telegram, News and Philadelphia Bulletin, although he felt a slight prejudice in favor of the Post. The New York Times which is slipped under his door every morning, is his favorite morning paper, and Life, the magazine with a multitude of pictures and little reading matter is his favorite

Prof. Ginsburg Is Honored At Fiftieth Birthday Banquet



Left to right: Prof. Wm. P. Montague, Prof. Cassius J. Keyser and Prof. Jekuthiel Ginsburg.

S. O. Y. Chagiga Held On Monday

An assortment of food, speeches, and humor comprised the Purim Chagiga of the Yeshiva, which was held Monday night in Brenner's Cafeteria. An innovation in Purim affairs was the fact that no speeches were delivered during the dinner.

Entertainment was provided in the form of a skit involving a Hassidic rabbi and his followers, traditional Purim Torah, the recitation of the K'ddiush a la Ginsburg, and a burlesque of the coming Hag Hase-micha.

Speakers at the occasion included Rabbi Weil, Rabbi Chaim Freedman '34, chairman of the Chagiga Committee, and Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein, assistant professor of homiletics. In his address Prof. Lookstein directed his remarks primarily at the students about to enter the rabbinate. He cited the outstanding work being performed by Yeshiva graduates as an inspiration to newcomers. Rabbi Philip Brand '33 acted as toastmaster for the evening.

Among the college students who participated in the skit were: Maurice Wohlgelemer '41, Emanuel Fisher '42, George Cohen '42, Morris Sukanic '42, and Samuel Zaitchik '43.

Purim Celebrated By Alumni Of T. I.

The Teachers' Institute alumni celebrated Purim Monday evening at an affair held at Rappaport's Second Avenue restaurant. Among the guest speakers were Dr. Pinkhas Churgin, Principal of the T. I., Prof. Jekuthiel Ginsburg, who was also guest of honor, and I. Margolis, who officiated as master of ceremonies.

Dr. Churgin rendered a humorous interpretation of the Megillah, and Cantor Bezalel Newberger, instructor of religious music at the T. I., sang several Hebrew folk songs. Cantor Newberger was followed by Reverend Sidney Kaiser who sang an aria from "The Barber of Seville."

The Purim issue of the Alumni Bulletin, containing various articles on Hebrew Education, will be published this Thursday, it was announced at the affair.

DR. BELKIN PURIM HOST

A handsomely bound set of "Mishna Berura" was presented to Prof. Samuel Belkin by the students of his Yeshiva class at a Purim party prepared by Dr. and Mrs. Belkin last Saturday evening.

Wins Scholars' Praise For Contribution To Hebrew, Math.

Gathering in honor of Professor Jekuthiel Ginsburg upon his fiftieth anniversary, over two hundred and fifty friends and colleagues of the head of the Mathematics Dept. were present at the testimonial dinner held Sunday evening, March 17, at the Yeshiva College dining hall.

Dignitaries and outstanding personalities in the fields of mathematics and Hebrew literature, in both of which Prof. Ginsburg has achieved renown, praised the unselfish devotion which he has given to his work. Acting as toastmaster, Prof. Moses L. Isaacs introduced the first speaker of the evening, Prof. Cassius Jackson Keyser, prof. emeritus of mathematics, Columbia U., long a close associate and personal friend of Prof. Ginsburg.

Dr. Keyser stressed the importance of Scripta Mathematica, a journal devoted to the exposition and philosophy of mathematics. Prof. Ginsburg, its founder, has been the editor since its inception, with Professors David Eugene Smith and Cassius Keyser of Columbia, Raymond Archibald of Brown, and Prof. Frankel of the Hebrew U. among the associate editors. Dr. Keyser praised the great work which its founder has started by putting out a journal which "enables non-mathematicians to become intelligent about mathematics."

Following Dr. Keyser, Prof. William Pepperill of Columbia spoke of the importance of the work that

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Season Ends With Newark U. Debate

Reaching the end of one of its most active and successful seasons in history, the varsity debating team will engage Newark University at Newark this Wednesday evening, March 27. Yonah Geller '40 and Reuben Siegel '42 will uphold the negative of the topic, "Resolved: That President Roosevelt run for a third term."

The Yeshiva debaters met Temple University on March 20 at home. The contest, a non-decision affair, found Saul Teplitz and Oscar Perlmutter, both sophomores, defending the affirmative of the P.K.D. topic, "Resolved: That the United States adopt a policy of strict isolation towards all nations outside the armed civil or international conflict."

Elias Blachowitz '40, president of the Debating Society announced that keys will be awarded those members who have participated in at least six contests over a period of two years. Geller, Murray Fovsca '40 and Jacob Bronstein '40 are now eligible for the honor. Bronstein was recently chosen to represent the school at the convention of Metropolitan College Debaters which will be held at New York University.

Blachowitz further announced that the debate with the Y.M.H.A. scheduled for Sunday, March 17, has been postponed to March 31.

periodical. Asked who the greatest living Jew is, he answers Einstein, Weitsman, Dr. Revel and "my father."

Although Prof. Alexander Litman is to him the most popular member of the faculty, he hears his most interesting lectures from Dr. Savitzky.

Joe's favorite actor is Paul Muni. In second place is Robert Donat, and with "a fiery horse with the speed of light, a cloud of dust, and a hearty yip-ee "Hoot" Gibson drew third place. "Good-Bye Mr. Chips" the picture about the teacher who gave out free tea and cake to his students, and cracked jokes in class, was picked as the outstanding move of the year. After picking Bette Davis as his favorite actress,

he secretly confided that Lana Turner would have received many more votes, were it not for the fact that he has to appear intellectual.

Our composite senior goes on record as saying that he is against making the school co-educational because, "If Yeshiva became co-educational it would not be educational." He complains however, that there is very little social life among the students, which he claims, leads to a lack of school spirit.

Despite this complaint, Joe is set on sending his son to Yeshiva, that is, if he has anything to say in the matter. And the last words which Joe S. wishes to make famous before leaving this institution are, "Good to be here, better to get out."

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Justice Begins at Home

Obviously disregarding the paternal advice offered by the student body in the February 28 issue, a responsible individual in the College has committed another serious error. It is in the interests of the students that we bring to light that recent show of attitude.

To begin with, regardless of the fact that our sagacious counsel has been discarded, we have been successful in pricking the conscience of this personality to a great extent. What was our surprise, however, when we discovered that last Sunday, this self-same person once again lost control of his inner urge and chalked up another blotch against his enviable record. Acting in the capacity of secretary of the Fiftieth Anniversary Testimonial Dinner in honor of Prof. Ginsburg, he simply forbade the taking of tips by the student-waiters on the grounds that the affair was of an intellectual nature.

Needless to say, our subject did not consider twice, and then count ten before executing his plans. Had he reflected but once, he would have recalled that at the Yeshiva College Dinner at which the charge per person was as much as fifty dollars, waiters were not prohibited from passing around the plate. Had he but considered once again, he would have realized that his decree left no alternative to the student-waiters because of their respect for Prof. Ginsburg.

While commenting on this latest display of conduct, we again wish to stress the fact that we are not admonishing the individual in-

volved. We are merely cautioning him against precipitating unnecessary conflicts. For an appropriate line this time we are beholden to Mercutio for: "Come, come, thou art as hot a jack in thy mood as any in Italy".

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A Ludicrous Affair

The Bertrand Russell business has been receiving a great deal of publicity on the front pages of the local papers. We could go into a complete analysis of the situation and draw up a resolution as all good-and-bad-countrymen seem to be doing. We would prefer, however, to sit back and let loose one big guffaw at the unmistakable tactics of the reactionaries.

We have often heard of sudden cries of Americanism on the part of organized reaction to scare the public from liberal tendencies. But, this is the first time we have experienced so widespread an attempt to jeopardize the inalienable rights of freedom of educational thought. It would be silly to recant the nonsense syllables uttered against the appointment of Russell to the City College faculty. There is also no need to mention the decapitated quotations from Russell's works which are cited regularly in typical Hearstian manner.

What is of prime importance is the fact that during the tempest which was created in the teacup, not one person—including the Rt. Rev. William T. Manning—attacked the appointment with a view towards Russell's incompetence as a teacher. This is significant because religious and social views are clearly irrelevant to the teaching of logic and mathematics. Furthermore, not a single educator of repute—and virtually none of any caliber—has come out publicly against his being accepted. In fact, the heads of our colleges and universities have given official countenance to the appointment.

This latter attitude is truly American, for Americans have long realized that it is the obligation of our colleges to present conflicting points of view from which students may make their own decisions. American youth must develop its judgments, but not by living in the shelter of ignorance and cloistered society. The refusal to uphold the decision of the higher board would therefore constitute a denial of both the democratic tradition and the principles of free education.

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Joints?

It is not the desire of college student leaders to stir up animosity between the two groups in Yeshiva. For this reason the issue demanding joint administration of mail boxes has been allowed to dwindle. What we won't forget, though, is the outright unwillingness of the S. O. Y. heads to cooperate.

In turning thumbs down on the College, they have shown their short-sightedness and narrowness. Yet they seem ready to cooperate when it is a matter of the College's surrendering certain rights for the mutual benefit of the two groups, as in the case of the Employment Bureau and the Loan Fund. This type of spirit is to be condemned. Let us hope that future leadership in the S. O. Y. will bring about a departure from the present policy of isolation.

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Obituary

It was with deep remorse that we learned of the demise of Rachel Leah Weitz, mother of the bursar, Mrs. Levitan.

To Mrs. Levitan and the entire family of the deceased we offer our sincere condolences in their bereavement.

Drama Ticks

BY MORRIS EPSTEIN

"THE FIFTH COLUMN"

"The Fifth Column" is quite a remarkable play replete with the virility that is Ernest Hemingway's. It was adapted for the stage from Mr. Hemingway's published play of a few years ago by Benjamin Glazer and presented under the aegis of the Theatre Guild at the Alvin Theatre.

From all the various angles—plot, message, acting, staging and decor—the play is an exciting one. The plot is a result of the conflict in emotions of two counter-espionage agents (an American and a German) who are working for the Loyalists against the Fascist spies in besieged Madrid. Now-broken Spain did not fight a mere civil war but struggled against all Fascism, and this the blind world did not see. This is the credo of Mr. Hemingway.

The two spies are played by Franchot Tone and Lee J. Cobb, who carry off acting honors with their sure handling of the difficult roles. Tone has returned from the green fields of Hollywood with a vivacity and ease on stage which almost belies his being and which is very welcome here. Opposite Tone plays Katherine Locke, a gifted actress and a very versatile one. Comedy relief is supplied by Lenore Ulric in the role of a philosophical tarst and by Emile Bores as the hotel manager.

Lee Strasberg staged the play against a living background of absorbing and eye-catching sets.

And here is a footnote on the meaning of "The Fifth Column," the meaning of which probably

puzzles you as much as it did us. General Franco, besides using four columns of soldiers to batter down Madrid, employed a "fifth column" of spies inside Madrid to bore from within and help sabotage the Loyalist cause.

M. K.

"THE HUMAN BEAST"

"The Human Beast," adapted from Emile Zola's "La Bete Humaine," currently showing at the Fifty-fifth Street Playhouse, is a grim, macabre, yet oddly fascinating story.

It is a story of a locomotive engineer of drink-sodden ancestry who has discovered in himself ungovernable impulses to strangle those he loves. He has committed no crime, either by denying himself love or by having something break his murderous spells in time, until he meets and falls recklessly in love with a young woman of warped childhood whose husband has committed murder and whose life is forfeit to his jealousy and fear. She begs her lover to kill her husband so that she can be free. But he cannot, for he is no murderer—except of those he loves.

It is a savage drama of pathology and passion, frustration and sadism with Jean Gabin, the Spencer Tracy of France, portraying the psychopathic personality of Lantier. Simone Simon, as the young wife, and Ledoux as her husband show a remarkable feeling for their characterizations. It is a picture of fascination and artistic worth which holds you breathless from beginning to end.

E. K.

Meet The Seniors

GORODETZER, PHIL—Phil is another one of those Boston baked beans who, through his diplomatic maneuvering with Hutner, has provided many a Yeshiva lad with a well-rounded Saturday night. Despite rumors to the contrary, "Pinny" does not finance his social exploits with money accumulated in his capacity as business manager of Commy. Like every adolescent, "Pinny," on reaching Yeshiva, grew a mustache, but said adornment disappeared at the request of girl friend Etta.

HINCHIN, MARTIN—by his youthful (to put it mildly) and spontaneous approach to the world of knowledge, Martin gives evidence of having somehow discovered the fountain of mental youth which Ponce de Leon sought fruitlessly. Inspired by the spirit of brotherly love in his Quaker Philadelphia, "Marty" has been giving a course on comparative Philadelphiology since his advent at Yeshiva. This Quaker Litvak's belief that "it's the little things in life that count" was brought out by his consort at the recent Class Nite. After graduation: who knows?

HANS, ALBERT—"Al's" fear of imminent air-raids caused him to seek refuge in the bomb-cellar of Yeshiva, otherwise known as the Library. Abnormal psychologists have been attempting to analyze

Hans's defense mechanisms since he left a class of sixty-two (62) femmes at Hunter Evening for the married recesses of Y.C. But he claims that he has found the absolute in femininity on the East Side and does not regret his move. As business manager of the Masmid he surprised the students by discovering a miracle cameraman who uses no film. After graduation: ask Hans.

KLAPPERMAN, GILBERT—Gil, the leading wolf of "The Wolves" probably acquired his thespian ability from his success with ad-libbing. As a political science major, Klapy aspired for the presidency of the student body in order to gain practical experience in politics. Only his opponent stood between him and the cherished post. Being a Chulin major, however, Gil can look forward to a bright future in the rabbinate for which he is so diligently preparing.

KOSLOWE, IRVING—Besides being voted Glamour Boy V, Kos can boast of an all A record in his science major. As member of varsity basketball's first five for four consecutive years, Irv displayed marked playing ability. The way he cuts across the center zone, he is bound to make a good doctor. Although he does not reside in the Dorm, Kos finds it troublesome in finding his hat and coat. He can't go looking through 210 rooms every night.

ON THE SIDELINES

by ABE KARP

It would be altogether fitting and proper to have the basketball season brought to a close with a column by the athletic manager, Mike Abramowitz.

A. J. K.

By MIKE ABRAMOWITZ

When speaking of athletics at Yeshiva, the first thing that comes to a student's mind, and perhaps justly so, is the varsity basketball team. This great interest is manifest in the large attendance of spectators at every varsity game played on our home court.

With this thought in mind, I think that reviewing the current basketball season at this time would be most apropos.

Coach Hy Wettstein, who, needless to say, has done an excellent job, offers the following analysis of the team's activities:

"The Yeshiva College basketball team's record of 11 and 8, marks the end of a successful season. This is all the more commendable since the team and I were faced with many problems.

"Among them were:

- 1) Coaching a team which had gone uncoached for years,
- 2) My own unfamiliarity with the boys and their abilities, at the start of the season,
- 3) The inauguration of a new system of play,
- 4) A schedule which called for as many as three games in six days,
- 5) The difficulty of having regular practice sessions due to interference with late classes, and, most important,
- 6) The weakening of the team by injuries to key players.

"This can be illustrated by the fact that at mid-season our record was 9 won and 3 lost. The loss of Brandwein and Esterson for a major portion of the season and the absence of Captain Koslowe and Captain-elect Meyer for many weeks contributed to the record of 5 losses and 3 wins after mid-season.

"Looking ahead to next year, the loss of Koslowe and Avrech will no doubt be felt, but with the scheduling of new opponents, the continued improvement of the substitutes and the added help of new students, I believe we will have the most successful season in the history of basketball at Yeshiva College.

"I would like to take this opportunity to thank the players, the students, and the athletic manager, Mike Abramowitz, for the splendid cooperation given me during my first season, and I eagerly look forward to many more delightful seasons at Yeshiva."

HY WETTSTEIN.

Very little can be added to the above summation except to remark that despite all the handicaps, the 1939-40 season has been the most successful in the history of Yeshiva basketball.

In closing, I would like to express my appreciation to Milt Kramer, for having greatly assisted me

Y. C. Will Not Enter Chess Tournament

Yeshiva will not participate in the Intercollegiate Chess Tournament now being held in the Hotel Alamac, Bernard Sussman '40, captain of the team, announced. This, he said, is due to the fact that such participation would entail undue interference with the class hours of the members.

Arrangements have, however, been made for a match with the Jewish Theological Seminary at an as yet undetermined date in the near future.

Sidney Finkelstein '42 was appointed manager of the club with the duties of contacting other collegiate teams for matches.

Cooper Union Wins Chess Tournament By 6 Matches To 2

The Cooper Union chess team defeated the Yeshiva chessmen 6 matches to 2 in a tournament held in the Y. C. playroom last Wednesday night, March 20.

The visitors sprang to an early lead as Capt. Sussman, S. Zaitchick, D. Twersky, E. Fisher, and B. Frankel were rapidly swept off the boards. Yeshiva rallied somewhat, however, as D. Gutman and I. Scheiner played well to win their matches and make the score 5-2. Scheiner, No. 1 player for Yeshiva, defeated John Walsh, the Cooper Union captain, after a hard fought Italian game which lasted 37 moves. Then with the aid of a Sicilian defense, Dah Gutman finally emerged victorious over J. Scovronek after a lengthy 68 move fight. Al Kanovsky, Yeshiva's No. 4 man, hooked up in a five hour queen's gambit, declined match before resigning to his opponent Phil Stiller after 40 moves.

This game signalled the end of a long evening of chess with Yeshiva on the short end of a 6-2 score.

Yeshiva	Cooper Union
1. Scheiner ... 1:Walsh	0
2. Zaitchick ... 0:Guals	1
3. Sussman ... 0:Schlaiffer	1
4. Kanovsky ... 0:Stiller	1
5. Gutman ... 1:Scovronek	0
6. Frankel ... 0:Stark	1
7. Twersky ... 0:Kurland	1
8. Fisher ... 0:Pansky	1

Total 2 Total 6
Yeshiva played White on even numbered boards.

DR. BREUER SPEAKS

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tained by a thorough study of Jewish History. However, he emphasized the mistake that many religious students make who place both Torah and secular studies on the same plane.

Dr. Breuer, who is the author of over fifteen books, including "Judensproblem" and "Neuer Kusari," was also prominent in formulating the ideology of the Agudas Israel movement. He has come to America for a short stay as a member of the Agudas Israel Delegation from the

Suit Measurements Will Be Taken Sun.

All measurements for suits will be taken this Sunday, March 31, in the Dormitory Social Hall. Only those who have placed reservations with the committee and received appointment cards will be able to take measurements as per their respective appointments.

All financial arrangements must be completed and fully paid up on or before the date of measurements. Payments may be made to Sol Maimon '40.

M. Margolis Gives Class Hebrew Talk

Lectures on Magnetism to Physics Students

A lecture in the Hebrew language on the subject of magnetism was delivered by Morris Margolis '43 on Thursday, March 14, at a session of the physics class.

The event, which is entirely novel in the history of Yeshiva, was suggested by Dr. Arnold Lowan, assistant professor of physics, as a test of the adequacy of the Hebrew language for scientific expression.

Dr. Lowan's comment on the talk was, "I never realized that the Hebrew language is so beautifully expressive. I experienced the pleasant sensation of being able to follow most of what was said."

Holy Land, in which country he is president of the Poale Agudas Israel. In discussing the plans for the future, Reichel announced the completion of an intensive program of speakers as well as further distribution of Keren Hayishuv boxes.

SOPH NEWS

A Freshman-Sophomore Smucker, will take place Wednesday, April 3, in the Dormitory Social Hall. This is the first in a series of affairs which will be part of the Sophomore class social program.

The newly appointed Sophomore Social Committee, consisting of G. Cohen, O. Perlmutter, S. Epstein, and under the chairmanship of S. Reiss announced that a Date Bureau has been organized, catering to the members of the class of '42 for all school and class affairs.

A class hike, which will take place at the end of April or the beginning of May, is another of the social activities of the sophomores.

A class in the "Social Arts" has been organized by the second year-men and will meet every Tuesday at 9 o'clock in the college playroom.

S. Reiss, H. Epstein, D. Mirsky, and M. Rossman, are editing a picture album of the class of '42 which, when completed, will give a pictorial survey of the class history during their stay at Yeshiva.

The sophomores have been asked by E. Kosofsky, social chairman of the junior class, for cooperation in the sale of tickets for their annual boat ride, to be held Sunday, May 26.

Topping off the long series of social events, a theatre party, to an outstanding Broadway production, exclusively for sophomores, is being planned immediately following the final examinations.

According to M. Epstein, president of the Sophomore class, this series of activities, which is unique in the history of the college, will establish a precedent for future classes, and without doubt, form the basis for more extensive participation in social life.

Cercle Hears Talk Of French Drama

Prof. F. Ernst Lauds New Dramatic Technique

The Cercle Francas recently heard a lecture by Professor Frederique Ernst in the Dormitory Social Hall. Professor Ernst who is head of the French department in the Graduate School of New York University chose as his subject "The Technical Evolution of the Twentieth Century Theatre in France."

After being introduced by Mr. Sidney Braun, faculty advisor to the Cercle, the speaker opened his talk with a description of the condition of the French theatre at the close of the last century. He showed that long-lasting tradition and a lack of realistic stage technique continued to hamper the progress of the drama during the course of the nineteenth century until two great pioneers, Andre Antoine and Francois Copou introduced much needed reforms in acting, staging and directing.

The lecturer continued with a detailed discussion of the activities of Louis Jouvet, Charles Dullin and Gaston Baty, who are noted for their recent stage achievements. It is these men, he said, who have effectively applied the revolutionary ideas set forth by their predecessors.

At the conclusion of Professor Ernst's speech, the Cercle's members were urged by Benjamin Weiber '42, president of the group, to complete their articles for the "Flambeau."

throughout the year, to Bernard Sussman, timekeeper, and to the cheering squad who have done much to enhance school spirit by their most spirited routines during the games.

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By Isaac Goldberg '33 and Meyer Heller '41

Encouragement of outside reading by lower classmen was the keynote of a busy week at the Library. Isaac Goldberg showed some freshmen the wealth of interesting reading matter to be found within the limited shelves of the library. This was not the only means used to improve students' reading habits; it took some interesting young women introduced by Alfred Wisel '42 to acquaint our readers with some new and interesting books.

Our minute music section was augmented this week by some best-sellers. "The Music Lovers' Encyclopedia" edited and revised by Russell Kerr and Deems Taylor contains much information for Fine Arts 2 students and will be fitting company for our "Macmillan Encyclopedia of Music and Musicians." For those liking their musical reading on the lighter side, we recommend Deems Taylor's new book, "The Well Tempered Listener." It contains independent, short essays on problems of musical interest with a minimum of technical jargon and a maximum of lucidity. There is a chapter on "Bach in the groove" which might annoy those who are worried over the swinging

of Bach, but which will be pleasant reading for people who are not Nite affair).

Students who don't confine their reading in English Literature to McCutcheon and Vann, will find absorbing reading on contemporary movements in American literature in Irene and Allan Cleaton's "Books and Battles."

The newspapers of the past two weeks have devoted a great deal of space to Bertrand Russell's appointment to the philosophy department of City College. The following books by him have been set aside on a shelf near the charging desk, and should provide the curious with some notion of his views: Introduction to mathematical philosophy, Justice in war time, Philosophy, Proposed roads to freedom, Prospects of industrial civilization, and Why men fight.

Gabe Schonfeld and other members of the Library staff are busy these days, cramming for the competitive library examination, to be given on May 19. The post of assistant to Isaac Goldberg becomes vacant with the contemplated graduation of Albert Hans, and the Junior members of the staff are eligible for the test.

Prof. Ginsburg Is Honored At Dinner

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Prof. Ginsburg has accomplished with Scripta, and expressed his "tribute of affection and admiration for the hero of this enterprise." He described Scripta Mathematica as "the instrument by which people's minds can be refreshed and strengthened by getting an appreciation of strength and beauty of mathematics."

Representing the associates of the guest of honor in the Hebrew literary field, M. Ribalow, editor of Hadoar, then delivered a short address in Hebrew in which he told of the outstanding achievements of Prof. Ginsburg as a Hebrew author. Abraham Raisin, famous Jewish writer and historian, also extended felicitations to "one of the greatest Jewish personalities of our time." Among the other Hebrew speakers who addressed the guests were Dr. Simon Ginsburg, president of the Hebrew writers of Palestine and brother of the noted mathematician; Mr. Samson Erdburg and Mr. Emanuel Edelstein.

A hearty ovation greeted the guest of honor who thanked his friends and colleagues for their loyalty and support. Prof. Ginsburg entered into a report of Scripta, and ex-

pressed his sincerest thanks to those who had helped it along its difficult path. He then revealed plans for the publication of two more portfolios of physicists which will be issued with the cooperation of the American Institute of Physics. Prof. Ginsburg also told of plans for the future publication of new material on the life of Sir Isaac Newton and the mathematics used by Columbus in discovering America, which material has never before been published.

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