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Riverside Hosts Top Israeli Students

by Lynn Dombey
and Shifra Gorelik

The Riverdale Jewish Community hosted a group of 80 Israeli students, ranging from the ages of 16-18, on the Shabbat of February 11. These students were selected from among the top students in the country. They were chosen to come to America to speak in different communities throughout the country. Their purpose is to awaken public interest about Israel and to describe Israeli student life to Americans.

Rabbi Avi Weiss of the Hebrew Institute of Riverdale Jewish Center organized a Shabbaton for these students, inviting about 40 American college and high school students to come and interact together with the Israelis. The weekend was called "Pegisha-Shabbaton", (the Shabbaton of "meeting.")

Friday night we all met at the Hebrew Institute for an oneg. After a few rounds of Zemiroi and singing we all sat together for a discussion on various topics dealing with the State of Israel, religion, Zionism and the Israelis' attitudes towards American Jewry. The students were basically non-religious which brought rise to many interesting and involved discussions. The students' love for Israel, and their loyalty to it, was evident through all their comments.

The next day we davened in the Riverdale Jewish Center, where we

conducted our own service. Afterwards, we all ate a Shabbat meal together, danced, and then had another discussion group, a continuation of the night before. Shabbat afternoon we all walked to the Hebrew Home for the Aged, where we were greeted affectionately by the residents of the Home. The faces of the elderly men and women shone with happiness as they talked and sang with the Israeli students. The Aged repeatedly proclaimed that this was their future and in these kids they put their trust and hope for the continued existence of the State of Israel.

The weekend was a tremendous experience for both the Americans and the Israeli students. The idea of *Achdut Am Israel*, the unity of the Jewish people, was stressed throughout the Shabbat. It was not merely stressed, but experienced as well. The Israelis became aware of a different kind of Judaism than that which they had ever seen before. One Israeli was telling me how impressed he was with the weekend. He never realized American Orthodox Jews could create such a nice *lebadik* atmosphere. This was their first weekend in America. Hopefully, the rest of their visit here will be as enjoyable for them as their past Shabbat was, as they come to realize we are one "AM" and we, as American Jews do care about them and Israel.

Emunim-U.S.A. Established Advances Goals of Gush Emunim

Leading American Jewish figures joined together recently to form EMUNIM-USA, organized to advance the philosophy and projects of Gush Emunim in Israel. Rabbi Fabian Schonfeld, immediate past president of the Rabbinical Council of America and spiritual leader of Young Israel of Kew Garden Hills, was elected to serve as national president of EMUNIM.

Rabbi Schonfeld announced that the organization's first public meeting will take place in the form of a buffet reception slated for Saturday night, Feb. 26, 8:30 P.M., at the Young Israel of Forest Hills. [Reservations are available from the national office (tel.: (212) 221-3338) or can be secured prior to the function at the door.]

"Our goals are not as fine tuned as they will be in the coming months, but certain priorities are quite clearly crystallized. EMUNIM—U.S.A. will energetically support the concept of the indivisibility of the Land of Israel, and the parallel right of free Jewish settlement anywhere therein.

"We will counter unwarranted pressure on Israel to return any part of Eretz Israel to foreign rule.

The Editor-in-Chief and the entire staff of the *Observer* join the student body in wishing a hearty Mazel Tov to Paul and Rachel Glasser on the birth of a baby boy on Shabbat *Shekalim*, February 18. "Sheh Yigadel U'Torah U'Maasim Tovim... U'Yeshiva University."

and we will provide moral and material assistance to the pioneering idealists of Gush Emunim in Israel. There is a natural reservoir of support for the 'knitted kippah' generation of Israel — every concerned American Jew who feels the spirit of the Land of Israel and Jewish peoplehood will now have an outlet for their support."

Rabbi Schonfeld stressed that EMUNIM is a non-partisan venture which does not preclude but encourages active membership in other communal organizations such as Zionist bodies and synagogues.

As one of EMUNIM's first projects, sponsorship was extended to Garin Lev Zion, a recently created nucleus of young American Jews who plan to settle on a moshav in the liberated West Bank of Israel. Lev Zion shares co-sponsorship with NOAM-Hamishneret Hatzaira of the Religious Zionists of America.

Gush Emunim was founded in Israel shortly after the Six Day War of 1967. It has thus far established settlements in Kiryat Arba, Kadum, Ofra, Etzion and the Golan. Among its diverse array of supporters are Chief Rabbi Shlomo

Goren, Rabbi Zvi Yehudah Kook, political leader Menachem Begin and military hero General Arik Sharon. Religious as well as non-religious Israelis back the movement, which has been characterized by popular writer Ephraim Kishon as "Israel's only hope for the future."

Assisting Rabbi Schonfeld as elected officers of EMUNIM-U.S.A. are:

Dr. Samuel Korman, Rabbi Joseph Schapiro, Rabbi David Hill, and Rabbi Emanuel Holzer.

In addition, an active executive committee has been functioning to implement the goals of the organization. Over fifty prominent rabbis and academicians have volunteered to serve as an advisory committee information.

Additional information concerning EMUNIM, as well as reservations for its inaugural buffet reception can be obtained by contacting the national office at EMUNIM, 55 West 42nd St., Suite 524, New York, N.Y. 10036. Tel.: (212) 221-3338. David Sobel, a long-time Jewish activist and resident of Brooklyn, has accepted the position of Executive Director of EMUNIM.

Foreign Students Face Cultural Shock at Stern

by Alice Cohen

"When I came from Russia I needed a good Jewish atmosphere. It's like a Jewish home here. In Russia we weren't allowed to learn about our heritage. I learned some Hebrew through the underground."

In order to enjoy the benefits of Stern College, the foreign student must pay a price. She must adjust to a new country, to a new way of life, and to a different way of thinking. As one student aptly put it, it is a "cultural shock."

Mrs. Bernstein, who teaches speech to the foreign students who are not fluent in English, claims that since many of the students are uncomfortable in their new environment, it adds to their difficulties in learning correct speech. They feel self-conscious when speaking English. She also mentioned that the foreigner tends to think in her native language which causes her to pronounce and use words incorrectly. Mrs. Bernstein complains that the foreign students tend to stay together in cliques, and converse in their native tongues. "In order to learn a skill one must practice," says Mrs. Bernstein, who feels that the foreign students will not benefit from her speech classes unless they socialize with English speaking students. However, what Mrs. Bernstein wants may not be that easy for the foreign student.

"The girls are very friendly, they

always say hello to me in the halls. I feel this friendliness stems from their religious and moral teachings. And I don't feel that I would receive this friendliness in another college. I do, however, find it hard to get close to the American students. It's hard for me to meet people here and because the Stern Student body consists of only women, I don't have much of a social life," admitted one foreign student.

Dr. Angoff teaches English to the foreign students, and claims that he has learned a great deal from them. Although the foreign students are not sufficiently fluent in English, he finds that most of their work is quite good. He has found his students to be serious and hard-working, and to have shown tremendous improvement in a short span of time. Their command of the English language is amazing. Dr. Angoff also claims that his students are extremely considerate and courteous.

He feels that American students benefit by socializing with them because of their diverse backgrounds.

Stern College is fortunate in having both native and foreign students living together and learning from each other. Hopefully the American students will ease the "cultural shock" for the foreign students by being considerate and sensitive to their needs.



A memorial service took place for Mrs. Esther Spector Ben-David; Z"l on Monday, February 7, 1977, in Stern College. Mrs. Ben-David, who was an alumna of TIW, was killed in the Golan Heights during the Yom-Kippur War.

Looking Back With Thanks

Before we spring full speed ahead into the second term we would like to pause a moment and reflect on the achievements of this past semester.

The Observer commends Student Council, under the supervision of **Gail Zaret**, for its various contributions to the improvement of student life. It is through their efforts that the student lounge was finally opened, that the TAC lectures, under the direction of **Naomi England**, were well attended and that the Shabbat programs were most successful.

The Observer is confident that it is speaking for the entire student body when it expresses sincere thanks to **Paul and Rachel Glasser** for their assistance in coordinating these programs as well as for their efforts in improving the general atmosphere in the dormitory.

The Observer notes with satisfaction that there has been increased student participation this past semester. It is hoped that this will not only continue, but also increase, so that the Spring '77 semester will produce far-greater results.

Evaluating Our Future

This week, Student-Teacher evaluation sheets are being circulated throughout the school. The Observer reminds its readers that these forms were painstakingly compiled and written by STUDENTS,

were distributed by STUDENTS, and are to be filled out by STUDENTS. The purpose of these forms is to organize student opinions which will be useful for both students and faculty in the future.

All students are asked to fill out a form for each course taken at Stern within the past two years. Because this is a considerable task, forms have purposely been made as short and simple as possible. You are asked to be honest; the evaluations are all strictly anonymous to facilitate honest opinions.

The results of the evaluations will be tallied, and eventually stored in an accessible location. The results should be of considerable aid to students in choosing both their courses and professors. To make this study work, the entire student body MUST cooperate. By completing and returning the forms, you can help make this evaluation stand as material proof of students' ideas and suggestions put towards constructive use.

Evaluation forms are available from dorm counselors. A sign will be posted for information for commuting students. Anyone interested in donating time to assist with compilation should see **Nina** in 18B or **Brachy** in 18E.

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For Yellin Out Loud

Responding to the Campaign

by Sharon Yellin

In this season of "giving," or more explicitly, giving to the UJA-Federation Joint Campaign, it is worthwhile for us as religious Jews at a Jewish institution, to concern ourselves with the ultimate destination of Joint Campaign contributions. Perhaps this will have bearing on our response to the campaign.

Federation

Ever since the merging of the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies and the United Jewish Appeal several years back, the member agencies of Federation have been supported by the Joint Campaign. The beneficiaries include 130 local health, education, and welfare agencies.

Scanning through UJA—Federation literature, one finds a breakdown of dollars contributed to help "our people in New York." The largest portions are meted out to the community centers (24%), Family and Vocational Service (21%), and Medical Care (19%).

Note: Many of the YMHA's funded, maintain "open admissions" policies, allowing Jew and non-Jew to intermingle, in a pleasant setting featuring *hillul Shabbat* weekly. As far as the Dietary Laws are concerned, perhaps there is adherence to Glatt Weight Watchers, "strictly" speaking of course.

Note: Many of the agencies and hospitals are non-sectarian. Of the hospitals aided by Federation, less than half are kosher. Of every dollar given for Jews in New York, 8% goes to Aged Care but one fourth of the Old Age homes are not kosher. Of the remaining funds, 10% is allotted to Child Care, 10% to Jewish Education, i.e. the Jewish Board of Education which claims to give a certain amount to Yeshivot, how much I cannot say. 5% is provided for Camping-I question how many of the camps are Shomer Shabbat and kashrut, and are restricted for Jewish youth. 3% is given to Special Programs.

Assuming that you are upset with Federations's set of priorities and feel that you would like to help the Jewish People specifically, then what about earmarking a donation to the UJA?

United Jewish Appeal

Note: Since the UJA and Federation merged, all money designated for UJA is emptied into the same pot as that utilized by Federation. So your contribution to UJA is in effect a contribution to Federation. The way it works is that Federation is guaranteed an absolute cash amount, as opposed to a percentage. Therefore, if for example, Federation requires \$18 million, and \$20 million is raised, then

only \$2 million would go to UJA even if most of the money was raised by the latter.

Israel Emergency Fund

So you say "I won't take chances with UJA, I'll specify my contribution for the Israel Emergency Fund. This way it will go straight to Israel and no problems."

Actually, the way this works is that first Federation receives its allotment - the guaranteed cash amount, and then the money designated for the Israel Emergency Fund (IEF) is replaced. The amount is supposed to get to Israel eventually, but not necessarily through your specific check.

The Israel Emergency Fund was established in 1967, theoretically, to act as a supplement. The idea was that after a generous donor gave his contribution to the UJA, he would "toss in" an extra amount for the IEF to help "our people in Israel."

But another, perhaps more practical reason, was that this was a way of establishing an outlet for a person to contribute to Israel without giving to Federation, since in many cases, a person did not desire to do so. In this way, all the money specified for the IEF goes to Israel, but it is not detracted from Federation. One could register a protest with Federation by giving to the IEF. This does not hurt UJA, although theoretically it could if the majority of money coming in was designated IEF and if the non-specified amount did not equal Federation's guaranteed allotment. So far — this has not happened.

According to **Eli Rosen**, former President of the Council of the Jewish Poor, and Chairman of the Hatzilu Projects, there are many of individuals who disliking Federation, do not want to contribute to them but are being forced to do so, and are being lied to concerning the money's destination. Rosen emphasized the importance and necessity of reading UJA-Federation literature carefully since he finds the language vague: It does not come right out and say that the money is solely used for Jews. This tends to prove its non-sectarian nature.

Rosen calls Federation a non-sectarian organization that gives "tons of money to non-Jews." He says that the argument that they give (that because they receive government funds, they are required to give out to others as well) is NOT TRUE. "there are plenty of Blacks, Puerto Ricans, and Italians who get government funds, and only help their own. But even

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"Z" Last Word

Forgive and Forget

by Gail Zaret

President of student Council

Many verbal expressions conjure up noble sentiments. However, these same expressions when used in the wrong context or when applied to the wrong situation become distorted. Such a sentiment is expressed by the phrase "forgive and forget." In modern America, with all the pressures and demands of modern society, such a sentiment certainly is relevant. Unfortunately, however, twentieth century America has allowed this sentiment to become devoid of meaning.

Racial bigotry in this country has become an object of condescension and scorn, in law, if not in fact. Yet recently, the ugly progeny of ignorance has reared its head once again, this time under the guise of a university professor's latest publication. **Arthur Butz**, a professor at Northwestern University, has written a book entitled, *The Fabrication of a Hoax*. In this book, the professor of electrical engineering propounds the theory that the entire Holocaust experience was a hoax. Butz would have us believe that this whole tragic episode was initiated by the Zionists as a conspiracy to establish the state of Israel, a theory reminiscent of the xenophobic paranoia found in works such as the *Elders of Zion* and *The Passover Plot*. The analogy to the "intellectuals" of Germany who aided Hitler in his madness cannot be overlooked: A cursory examination of the evidence, albeit circumstantial, indicates the venomous nature of this "scholarship", i.e., a copy of this book is obtainable only thru a donation to the American Nazi Party.

Many of us are certainly appalled by the audacity of these allegations. Yet because "forgive and forget" can be perverted to such a great extent, a book of this nature may be a great credence. In some future period its possible we might just forgive and forget.

With Purim only a few weeks away, the time is once again here to remember Amalek and what he did to our people. When the Jewish people lower their defences, Amalek prepares to strike, harder than he did the time before. Ignoring the fact that he exists even today will not solve the problems that he causes. History may not repeat itself in an identical manner, but we need constant reminders in order to avoid the mistakes that we made in the past.

Goldie's Korner

Latent
Anti-Semitism

by Helen Goldkorn

The average American is a relatively well contented individual. He leaves for work in the morning, returns home at night, and lives with his wife and kids. As long as the world leaves him alone, he remains at peace with it, and will not stir up any trouble. What would happen, however, if large numbers of average Americans suddenly lost their jobs, and could no longer support their wives and children? Would they remain complacent? How would they retaliate against the seeming injustice perpetrated against them?

On February 14, Fredrick Cowan, former furniture mover, entered the company office which had suspended him, and in a wild irrational rampage shot and wounded many innocent people. He was tattooed with swastikas, and made no secret of his hatred of Jews.

We say that a Holocaust can never happen in America, in this land of the free and home of the brave. We point to the many successful Jewish politicians and professionals who have made it in the "Goldena Medina" and cry out "We're Americans, anyone can make it here if they have the ambition and the intelligence." This is now, as long as the average American remains the contented cow.

As soon as something happens to disturb the tranquility of the domestic scene, however, the first thing to emerge from the crisis is prejudice — against the nigger, the ginny, and the kike. Mr. Cowan did not become a Nazi lover overnight. His room had always been festooned with Nazi flags. It was when things went terribly wrong for him that his latent prejudices were transformed into action.

Not every American is an anti-semiter. Fredrick Cowan was probably not your average specimen to begin with. Yet others like him certainly do exist, and

maintain ordinary jobs in our society. When the domestic situation gets bad, they will incite others who possess a more subtle degree of anti-semitism. Eventually the scapegoat will be sought out and punished. We saw the beginnings of publicized anti-semitism with the appearance of "Burn Jews not oil" stickers. I am not saying that America is on the brink of a Holocaust. But we would be fooling ourselves if we insisted, "It could never happen here."

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if you should accept their argument, there is still no reason that the Jewish money (as opposed to government funding) must also be used to help non-Jews."

Rosen indicated that he is convinced that Federation would like to help Jews if they, in return would be able to collect funds, and if their non-Jewish friends would remain their friends, but as neither of these two conditions are foreseeable it is unlikely. "They have no commitment to Jews — they just happen to be a Jewish organization."

In regard to the merger of UJA and Federation, he mentioned that one of its results is that it has provided them with more of an outlet for not being Jewish. Their money is now guaranteed. Federation now walks right through the doors of those organizations which had previously stopped Federation appeals. Now they don't have to be Jewish at all." Rosen added that we can say "no" to UJA, and if we want to give to Israel, we should give directly.

For those of you who are planning to give to the Israel Emergency Fund, keep in mind where that money eventually goes, once it goes to Israel. Of every dollar given to "our people in Israel," 32% goes towards Youth Aliya, Secondary and University Education, 28% to Immigration, Absorption and Housing, 14% to Social and Health Services, 13% to Debt Service, General Expenses, Etc.

Note: This money is used to help all Israeli citizens, including those Arabs who are also Israeli citizens, ("our people in Israel?")

One of the programs receiving assistance from

Federation, is called "Project 5737," a diaspora-Israeli program which aims at to foster a harmonious relationship between Jew and Arab Israeli and to establish a process by which diaspora volunteers can participate for two years in existing and emerging programs of Arab-Israeli cooperation in Israel. The project includes a training program in Hebrew, Arabic, Arabic culture, and Israeli society.

Once in Israel, the funds go to the Keren Hayesod, the Jewish Agency and to a few other organizations. The government in a sense unofficially channels the money. I question, for instance, how much money is given to Yeshivot, and I wonder if any of the 13% designated for Social and Health Services will now be used to help provide abortions for those women who cannot afford them.

In conclusion, I stress the importance of knowing your priorities. As religious Jews who are concerned with helping Jews all over we must decide to whom and where it will go. It is nice to be concerned with humanity as a whole, but if you do not have millions to mete out, *know who comes first*. If one wants a contribution to go to Israel, he can designate it towards the IEF, but *keep in mind* where that money goes once in Israel. Who will then support the many Yeshivot, and other religious institutions and groups, such as Pe'eylim that do *kiruv* work? How can we guarantee that the Gush Emunim settlements will receive proper assistance especially since the Israeli government has its hand in the allotment of monies?

Don't wait for miracles — make them happen... in the right places.

The Outside Observer:



Peanut

Butter

vs. Logic

by Susan (Sque) Schwartz

Upon reading about President Carter's decision to release former convicted murderer *Mary Fitzpatrick* from her prison cell to attend his inauguration, I was filled with shock and disdain. Furthermore, when I took note of the fact that he stated in his plans to guarantee her future employment in the White House, I was completely flabbergasted.

There exists a limit between liberality and outlandishness. Although I remain to this day an ardent opponent of capital punishment in any form whatsoever (except in cases that would warrant halachic approval which is virtually impossible in this day and age), I still maintain that one who is convicted of murder, should not be presented with an alternative of this nature. Too often, our society has fallen into the habit of aggrandizing the infamous.

I am sure that this issue, like many others which question fundamental ethical principles, will be swept under the carpet. I still cannot figure out whether or not President Carter was contacting peanut brittle or peanut butter when he took this preposterous move!

Thanks to the Dean

To the Editor,

The students involved in the Speech-Pathology-Audiology shaped-major would like to express their thanks to the Office of the Dean for its cooperation and assistance in obtaining a course in audiology for the department this semester.

Now is the time to apply for T'Chiya summer work in development towns in Israel. For information and applications see Ruthie is #9F or Brachy in #18E.

Editor

Letters To The Editor

Education Department

To the Editor,

The acting head of the Education department should advise the students within her department, but not decide for the students whether they can remain as Education or Ed/Psych majors. If students are able to maintain themselves within the school, why should this department place itself so much above the other departments, saying a student is fit for any major but Education. There is now a continual apprehension among the remaining Education majors — "Who will be next?"

To the Editor,

Do you wonder why the number of students in the education department decreases every year? Why good students drop out year after year? Why the remaining truly dedicated future teachers sweat it out in trepidation?

Don't delude yourself — it's not because your education department is so "difficult" that the students just can't make it. Face the truth — you, the professors in the education department, create a very abusive atmosphere. You continually burden the student instead of helping her, "un"informing and misinforming, underestimating and underselling her. Take a look at your own record before you eliminate "unprofessional" students who are, after all, seeking a decent education from you.

To the Editor,

I was appalled to hear that two students in their Junior year at Stern were dropped from the education department. Girls come to Stern, and plan their whole schedules from *Freshman* year around the "major" they wish to

pursue. It is alarming, to hear that without the slightest warning these girls were dismissed from the program having already completed courses required for their major. As late as Junior year it is difficult to change a major and fulfill all the necessary courses in another field of study. If these girls were not suited to pursue a career in education they should have been informed in their sophomore year so that they could arrange to take courses in another area.

To the Editor,

I am writing in reference to the recent action taken by the education department, towards two students who were planning to major in the field. I know that if one were in the education department the recent events would cause the person to feel threatened.

Having spoken to a few of the ed. majors I now can see that they must literally watch every step they take. They must be constantly on guard, with the fear that any time they too could be asked to leave the field, despite the fact that they already finished many of the courses required. I am amazed that unlike any other major, the people in the ed. department seem to discourage people from entering. I personally have met at least five students who, due to the reputation gained by the ed. professors, have changed their major from ed.

My viewpoint is also shared by the alumna I've met who recall, the terror with which they and most of their classmates steered clear of any ed. courses in SCW. I feel that the attitude of this department should change to benefit the students and the entire university.

clothes or any other external feature that makes the individual rather it is one's attitudes and sense of priorities.

I wholeheartedly agree that just because one wears Calvin Klein or Saks Fifth Avenue fashions, and is interested in marriage, that should not automatically stamp her J-A-P. (though at times it could be symptomatic.)

While dressing neatly and nicely is commendable, and marriage and the family are important institutions, when a person's chief concern and day to day existence revolve around shopping sprees, hair clinics and chasing a Suitable match rather than education and helping others, then the distinction is drawn.

Sincerely,
Deborah Fenichel
SCW-1975

Reply:

I find it upsetting that you misunderstood the point of the column. Mainly that it is not the

hems are always straight, after all, I measure them with a ruler before shortening them — so what?

So, you are saying to yourself, here is the perfect specimen — a Jewish American Princess — and an admitted one at that, but read on.

After graduating Stern in January, 1975, I took a job as a secretary — quite menial work. Then, I received a Masters degree — did an awful lot of clerical chores. Now, I am attending law school — all done in my Calvin Klein, Saks Fifth Avenue outfits. I also wash dishes, when necessary scrub floors, on my hands and knees, even shovels snow — so what?

Of course, I want to be married eventually — how many women

could honestly say otherwise, but marriage is not the be all and end all of my life. I intend a career, which I hope will be rewarding, combined with a marriage and family. If that makes me a Jewish Princess — well, then I am proud to stand up and be counted.

I do not think that shopping in Korvette's and dressing like a slob (although the two are not necessarily synonymous) makes you a better person or any less of a "JAP" and I find it astounding that you could think it would.

What's in a JAP?

To the Editor:

I was really quite disturbed reading the column entitled "ReORIENTING Ourselves" in the December 30, 1976 issue of the Observer. I was amazed that in this enlightened age, women, and Stern College Women especially, think along these lines. Frankly, I don't see the sense or the purpose of such an article and I found it demeaning and degrading that it was printed.

Yes, I do shop in the finest stores, eat in fine restaurants and vacation — so what? Yes, I do wear Calvin Klein designs and other designer clothes — so what? Sorry, but I don't wear earrings, nor much makeup and my hair does get messed. But, on the other hand, my

Letters...

To the Editor,

We, the undersigned, strongly advocate the continuation of the present foreign language requirement at SCW.

Our minds have been introduced, our concepts broadened, and our senses awakened to the magnificent cultural heritage which has evolved through the centuries of man's existence. The College has thus fulfilled its purpose and responsibility to us in exposing us to these areas in our pursuit of a liberal arts education.

We have gained an insight into the spirit of other lands.

We have developed written and oral comprehension of another tongue, thus facilitating communication and, in the multilingual environment of today's world, contributing to international understanding. This facility has enabled us to read great works in the original — a rewarding experience, since a translation does not always do justice and can even distort an author's intent.

Our study of the foreign language has improved our understanding of the structure of a language — including our native

tongue — and has aided in our thinking process and self-expression.

Graduate schools require a reading knowledge of one or more foreign languages for advanced degrees in arts and sciences and medicine. Research entails the reading of documents, scientific treatises, and journals — many in the original tongue.

For career possibilities in government, industry, international business, social work, publishing, translation, and adequate knowledge of a foreign language will prove a valuable asset.

Growing international cooperation and interdependence show an ever-increasing need for foreign languages.

We have chosen to attend SCW because of its dual program: religious and secular. In an institution such as YU, Hebrew is not a foreign language, but an integral part of Judaism. Substitution of it for the foreign languages would result in a narrowing of our concepts and alter the double nature of this College, thus destroying the very principle upon which it was founded.

YU, which is dedicated to the study of Jewish culture and heritage (Sephardic, German, French, Eastern European), could make significant contributions through language studies. Its students could be enabled and encouraged to explore works on the religion, history, and culture of the Jewish people written in the French, German, and Spanish languages. Invaluable material now inaccessible could thus be made available to Jewish culture and the scholarly community.

With a full liberal arts education, we shall be able to make significant contributions — religiously, culturally, and professionally. This

will establish a firm reputation for SCW among the present student body, prospective students, alumnae, and society at large.

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Keep the Language Requirement!

Student Council Starts New Semester

by Alice Cohen

At the first Student Council meeting of the spring semester, one of the pertinent issues discussed was the revision of requirements by the Curriculum Committee. Although no changes have been established as of yet, the committee is in the process of reviewing requirements which might be considered superfluous.

During the February 7th meeting, Student Council voted to reestablish the serving of dairy dinners on every other Thursday night and also voted to continue the delivery service from the cafeteria

to the dormitory. The possibility of having prices posted in the cafeteria was also discussed. President Zaret then reported that the 1977-78 academic calendar was reviewed by the Student Council, and it was discovered that with the present schedule, the last final would end on Friday, thus inconveniencing those students wishing to return home before the weekend. The matter is under investigation by the Student Council.

The Intercollegiate Committee is planning a walkathon on May 15 in order to raise money for the Dr. Belkin Memorial Forest.

1) *Do I have to come in person to order a transcript?* No. Current students should come (during regular business hours) to the Office of Registrar personally (since any questions or problems can be raised and resolved more quickly), and all others will be welcomed, but it is not necessary to appear in person.

2) *Can I telephone for a transcript?* No! Federal law requires that transcript requests be in writing.

3) *Can someone write for me?* Only if the transcript is to be sent to you, or to another school. If it is to be sent, for example, to a prospective employer or for financial purposes, then the law requires that you sign the transcript request. If someone writes for you, they must sign their name and state their relationship.

4) *Where do I write?* To the Transcript Secretary, Office of the Registrar, at the campus you attend (e.g., Yeshiva College records are uptown, Ferkau records are downtown). If you want records from two different campuses, write

separate letters to each; it will save time.

5) *What are the exact addresses of the various centers?* Main: 500 West 185 Street, New York, NY 10033; Midtown: 245 Lexington Avenue, New York, NY 10016; Brookdale: 55 Fifth Avenue, New York, NY 10003; Bronx: 1300 Morris Park Avenue, Bronx, New York 10461.

6) *What information do I have to supply?* Your full name (and if that has been changed legally or by marriage, give both original and current); your date of birth and social security number (necessary to distinguish between students of similar names); your current address; whether or not a degree was awarded (and which); the month and year you graduated or last attended; the school(s) whose records you want sent (for example if you attended both Yeshiva College and Erna Michael College, specify which you want, or both); the number of copies of each transcript to be sent; and the institution(s) to which the transcripts are to be sent (as full as possible; transcripts are sometimes lost and misdirected, particularly in large institutions, so you should give, if possible, the name — or at least the title — of the person who is to receive the transcript). Specify any notations or enclosures you want. If you are having the transcript sent to other than a school (e.g., a prospective employer), Federal law requires that you state the purpose for which it is being sent. And, of course, enclose the proper fee; the Office of Student Finances requires

payment in advance, and your financial record must be clear before they will approve release of records.

7) *How much money shall I send?* While many colleges recently increased their fee to \$4, Yeshiva is still holding the line. Our per copy charge is \$2 for regular service and \$5 for special services (see no. 8). Make your check or money order payable to Yeshiva University. There is no charge in Yeshiva University, but they must make the request.

8) *How long will it take?* Under regular service we do our best to send out records within 10 business days after receipt of the request; under special service we try to send it out within 5 days, and do so by air mail. Records older than 1965 are in dead storage uptown, and may take longer. (Due to recent cuts in our staff, these times may increase in the near future; it now takes 4-6 weeks at many colleges to send out a transcript.)

9) *Can I get a copy of my record?* Surely (upon payment of the proper fee), but not an official one. A transcript issued to a student is labelled "This copy given to student, not valid for transfer purposes." Such documents may or may not be acceptable to institutions concerned.

10) *What do I do if I have a problem?* Call or write the Transcript Secretary at the addresses given in paragraph 5. If you want a written reply, please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope.



First student council meeting of the new semester is well attended.

Zionist Archives and Library: Reservoir of Information

The Zionist Archives and Library was established in 1939 and serves as an information center for all aspects of life in Israel and other Middle Eastern countries, as well as for Zionism and Judaism. Today, the collection numbers approximately 50,000 books and pamphlets, over 400 periodicals and newspapers in all languages received from all parts of the world, 45,000 photographs, 350 reels of microfilm, slides, filmstrips, non-musical and musical

recordings, folk music and maps. The archival collection is rich in its resources of letters, documents, minutes of meetings, etc., and includes material from the Brandeis, de Haas and Friedenwald archives as well as from the National Archives in Washington, D.C. and the Roosevelt collection in Hyde Park. The archives are particularly valuable for those doing research in the history of American Zionism.

To acquaint Zionists and others

with the resources of the Library, group visits are arranged. These groups are given informal talks on the material available and the services offered. The Library is open to the public.

The Zionist Archives and Library is a reservoir for those seeking information and through its many services strives to enlighten the public on matters pertaining to Israel and Zionism.

by Alane Lis
"The Changing Face of New York Synagogues: 1730-1974" is on exhibit at Yeshiva University Museum. It will be shown through February. Admission: \$1 for adults, \$.50 for students, senior citizens and children.

Tickets will be on sale soon for the SC Speech Arts Forum Production of "Twelve Angry Women," March 26, 27 and 28.

Brilliant color photographs depicting wildlife of biblical times still found in Israel today, are being

exhibited in the Jewish Museum. These 42 photographs of subjects which have been in existence for over 3,000 years, are the work of former news photographer, Gail Rubin, and can be viewed at the Museum beginning February 16 through April 24.

"...and let there be light" is another fascinating exhibit at the Jewish Museum. This study on the magnificent 30x40ft. glass window which forms the east wall for the Chicago Loop Synagogue's sanctuary, consists of 47 works and can be seen through April 24.

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A Mid-Year Message from Acting Associate Dean Jablonsky

R.E.S.

I am most desirous of continuing the dialogue with interested students and am therefore scheduling Dean's Hours for Monday, March 7, at 12:00 PM, and Tuesday, March 8, at 1:15 PM. Please feel free to bring your lunch; tea, coffee, and cookies will be served. If these hours are not open on your calendar and you would like to come, please leave a note at the Dean's Office.

The seminar will continue on February 28 and March 7 at 8 pm. The Young Israel of Fifth Avenue is located at 3 West 16th Street. Everyone is invited to attend.

Rav Amital Addresses Aliya Group

The program also included an Israeli film concerning the reactions and attitudes of various families in Israel who have made Aliya recently. The families interviewed seemed to express feelings of safety and security in regard to their future lives in Israel.

FORWARD MARCH!

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
		1 Last day of school to apply for Senior Candy Sale	2	3 no school yoke play	4 1st Round 13 Purim No Classes Candles \$ 30	5 Shabbat Purim Candles \$ 30
6	7 2nd Round 17	8 3rd Round 19 Pre-Reseach T.A.C Lecture I	9	10 4th Round 21 No Classes	11 5th Round 23 Sophomore Candles \$ 30	12 6th Round 25 Senior Candles \$ 30
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27	28	29	30	31	Observer, Student Council, Snack Candles \$ 52	7:00 PM

SOY Kashrus Committee Report on Breakfast Cereals

Question: Do breakfast cereals need Rabbinical supervision?

Answer: A significant number of cereals contain ingredients of non-kosher origin such as gelatin, mono-and-di-glycerides, glycine, stearic acid and pepsin. Some cereals contain ingredients of questionable status. Others contain only ingredients of a kosher nature.

For Example: Certain Kellogg's cereals contain gelatin. They are not kosher. Certain other Kellogg's cereals contain questionable ingredients such as vegetable oil. Vegetable oil and vegetable shortening must have reliable Rabbinical supervision. According to the Food and Drug Administration as much as 2% to 5% animal oil may be present in a "vegetable oil" without any mention of this fact on the label. "Pure" and "100% Pure" have no special meaning according to our correspondence with the FDA. "Pure" or "100% Pure" may mean clean, free from bacteria, not contaminated, etc. Therefore vegetable oil or shortening and any cereal or other product containing it, must have reliable Rabbinical supervision. There are some Kellogg's cereals which contain ingredients of only kosher nature. These may, at present, be considered kosher (see list below).

In consultation with our faculty advisor, Rabbi Dr. Moses Tendler, we have prepared the following list of cereals. We recommend only the use of those cereals which have reliable Rabbinical supervision. We have for your information included those cereals which are kosher at present. Since companies often and without notice change ingredients and suppliers, we do not recommend their use. This listing is not exhaustive. Please feel free to consult us about any cereal we have not yet investigated.

1.) There are several brands of cereals under the U (Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America). Check the box of cereal for the U.

2.) All Post® Cereals with a "K" are under the supervision of Rabbi Bernard Levy (Organized Kashrus Laboratories-k).

3.) Cereals presently kosher:

a) Quaker — only Puffed Wheat, Puffed Rice.

b) Nabisco — only Shredded Wheat, 100% Bran.

c) General Mills — with "K" only — Total, Cheerios, Wheaties, Bucweats, Kix, Cocoa Puffs.

d) Kellogg's — only Product 19, Corn Flakes, Rice Krispies, All Bran, Bran Buds, 40% Bran Flakes, Frosted Flakes, Frosted

Rice, Special K (dairy).

Question: What blessing do I make on a cereal?

Answer: According to "A Guide to Blessings", published by NCSY, Corn Cereals (such as Honeycomb, Corn Flakes) require the blessing "Shehakol".

Rice Cereals (such as Rice Krinkles, Puffed Rice) require the blessing "Mezonot" beforehand and "Boreh N'foshot" afterwards.

Wheat, Barley, Oat, and Rye Cereals require the blessing "Mezonot" beforehand and "Al HaMichyah" afterwards.

Question: Do I make a separate blessing over the milk I eat with my cereal?

Answer: If one adds a small quantity of milk to the cereal sufficient only to make it edible then no separate blessing is necessary. However, if, as many cereals eaters do, a significant amount of milk is poured on the cereal which, in addition to helping one eat the cereal also quenches one's thirst, an additional blessing would be necessary over the milk. According to our faculty advisor, Rabbi Dr. Moses Tendler, one should first make a blessing on the cereal, then make a separate blessing on some milk in a glass (Shehakol). Then the cereal may be eaten with milk on it.

Kosher, Pareve, Tref: Listing of Ingredients

CLEVELAND — The Consumer Service Subcommittee of the Jewish Community Federation's Kashruth Board has issued a listing of manufactured ingredients commonly found in prepared food products, a listing which tells which ingredients are kosher, non-kosher, dairy and pareve (neither dairy nor meat). The list has been approved by the Orthodox Rabbinical Council of Cleveland. The list of categories into which they are divided — kosher-pareve, kosher-dairy and non-kosher, unless made under rabbinical supervision — follows:

Kosher — Pareve

Agar Agar
Anise
Ascorbic Acid
BHA
BHT
Calcium Carbonate
Calcium Cyclamate
Calcium Propionate
Calcium Silicate
Calcium Stearol
Lactilite
Caramel Color
Carrageenan
Carageen
Citric Acid
Confectionary Glaze
Dextrose of Glucose
Lactic Acid (could also be dairy)

Sodium Alginate
Sodium Ascorbate
Sodium Benzoate
Sodium Propionate
Sodium Tartarate
Sorbitol
Sucrose

Kosher — Dairy

Lactic Acid (could also be pareve)
Lactose

Non-Kosher (unless made under rabbinical supervision)

The following products are all pareve when made under rabbinical supervision, except as noted:

Calcium Stearate
Cream of Tartar
Egg Albumen
Emulsifier
Gelatin
Glycerine
Glycerol Mono-stearate
Glycine
Gum Base
Magnesium Stearate
Mono- and Di-Glycerides

Polysorbate 60
Polysorbate 80
Rennet
Sodium Caseinate (dairy)

Softeners
Sorbitan Mono-stearate
Stabilizer
Tartaric Acid
Vanillin
Whey

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Yeshivat Hesder Maalot-An Israel Defense Forces-Related Institution

TO ALL WHO LOVE ISRAEL. I recommend participation in the solution to the problem of the Yeshivat Hesder Maalot, an institution I serve as Executive Director. The miracle of Entebbe was not an isolated incident. It was only due to the intermeshing of the best traditions of the Land of Israel, that the perfect execution of a relatively simple plan was possible.

The Yeshivat Hesder of Maalot is an institution that combines a thirst for learning, dedicated service to the defense of the land, and the spirit of pioneering — the three elements that characterize the best ideals of the Land of Israel and make its survival the glory and, therefore, the responsibility of Jews throughout the world. It is on behalf of the young men of this institution I ask for your assistance in the elimination of the \$50,000 deficit and participation in their one and one-half million dollar building program.

The function of this institution is best described through the examination of its name, the Yeshivat Hesder of Maalot.

Yeshiva—a school of higher religious learning involving army-age young men.

Hesder — an "arrangement" whereby conscripted young men combine their army service with religious learning. Whereas all young men are obligated to

serve three years in the armed forces of Israel, the young men in the Hesder program must sign up for four years. During this period they must serve sixteen to twenty months in the active army; the rest of the time they are on standby and are available for call-up on a moment's notice. Such was the case at the outbreak of the Yom Kippur War when the young men of the Hesder program were called and within hours arrived at the various fronts, serving valiantly and with distinction, suffering the highest casualty case of any army group.

Maalot — a Jewish settlement five miles from the Lebanese border, which made international headlines in May of 1974 when a group of Arab terrorists infiltrated the community, murdering three of the settlers, besieging an elementary school in the town where a large group of Safed youngsters were quartered, and in the course of the day, murdered twenty of the visiting youngsters, thereby demonstrating to all concerned the vulnerability of Maalot to terrorists' attacks.

The tragic events at Maalot also focused the government's attention on the undeveloped nature of the community, both in numbers and in culture. Because of its strategic location to the security of the land, the government undertook a massive building program which offered very attractive terms for

new settlers. Unfortunately, despite the extremely heavy investment of money and resources, the goals of the government have not been attained.

The essential reason for the failure of the development of the town is in its lack of viable culture, discouraging families concerned with the proper education of their young children; there is also the fear of additional terrorist attacks. Since Yeshivat Hesder Maalot is situated on the border of the town and directly in the path of the road that terrorists are likely to take, they protect, with their weapons and their lives, the people of the community. Through the introduction of a school of higher learning, especially through the establishment of an additional department called Kollen which total families move into the town spending their time in learning, and their knowledge — both secular and religious — in service to the community, they are beginning to transform the image and reality of the town. Thus, the Yeshivat Hesder of Maalot removes the main obstacles to the proper development of the town.

For further information, I can be reached through Sandie Freistat — 685-0292 (room 3E at Stern).

Bi rachot Yisroel V'Orayta, Rabbi Bruce H. Harbater

Lecithin
Magnesium Carbo-nate
Maltol
Mannitol
Monosodium Glutamate
Pectin
Propionic Acid
Propylene Glycol
Resinous Glaze

..... Newsbriefs

The seventh annual Yeshiva High School Seminar was held at Lido Beach, NY, from February 17-21. An estimated 250 high school sophomores from Yeshivot in the Greater New York area attended the event, which was sponsored by the National Commission on Torah Education (NACOTE), serviced by the Community Service Division of RIETS.

The new Yeshiva University-Bar Ilan University Computer Response Project was the subject of a recent radio show on WEVD AM-FM on Thursday, February

10. The project will enable response data stored at Bar Ilan to be transmitted to a computer terminal, to be installed in the spring at Yeshiva's Washington Heights Campus.

The 1977 edition of the *American Jewish Year Book* has just been published. Did you know that the world Jewish population is about 14,145,000, down 86,000 from last year? The yearbook records events and trends in Jewish Life and the Jewish population in cities throughout the world, and it sells for \$15.



Some New Faces at SCW

Front row from l. to r.: Sheryl Diller, Rosalie Sagman, Alla Levin, Malka Pavell. Back row: Sharon Weisel, Robin Klein, Rebecca Subin.

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Silver Quiz Answers

by Dr. Carole Silver

(The Silver Quiz appeared in the December 14th issue of the Observer)

1. "In 1904 she founded the JFB...its importance is not yet fully understood. The Jews of the entire world — men and women — owe her thanks for this social achievement. But they withhold it. What a pity!" **Bertha Pappenheim (1859-1936).**

As a founder for German-Jewish feminism, Bertha attempted to integrate feminism and Judaism. Particularly involved with social work, her special concerns were the plight of Jewish orphans and the protection of Eastern European and Mid-Eastern Jewish women forced into "white slavery" and prostitution. A writer as well, she produced short stories, plays, and social polemics; she translated into German such works as Mary Wollstonecraft's *Vindication of the Rights of Women* and *The Diary of Gluckl of Hemlin*. However, she considered her most important contribution the founding of the *Judischer Frauenbund (JFB)*, a national organization for women which she vainly hoped would revitalize Judaism in Germany.

2. "Some of the ladies said the gentlemen would laugh at them; others that they had rights enough; and the men said the women had too many rights already..." **Ernestine L. Rose (1810-1892).**

An important leader of the early phase of the American feminist movement, Ernestine Rose, an emigrant, was the daughter of a Polish rabbi. Called "the Queen of the Platform," she was an impressive orator for women's rights. Believing in liberation through legislation, she crusaded for, and won, a Married Women's Property Act in New York (1949) and was active in the conventions which began the American suffrage movement.

3. "*Beit Yaakov, lekhu venelkha beor HaShem.*" **Sarah Schenirer (1883-1935).**

The child of a Polish hasidic family, Sarah was called "the little pious one." Laboring as a seamstress by day, she nonetheless studied Bible and Mishnah at night. In response to calls for the spiritual renewal of Judaism through richer devotion and greater learning on

the part of Jewish women, she organized study groups for them. In 1918, she opened the first *Bais Yaakov* (Beth Jacob) school for women, in Cracow and chose as its motto: "House of Jacob [women of the Jewish people] come and let us walk in the light of the L-rd." She became the spiritual symbol of the movement and helped in founding teachers' seminaries, summer camps, and youth organizations throughout Europe.

4. "There is no harder contest than the contest for bread..." **Rose Schneiderman (C. 1870-?)**

One of the few American female labor leaders, Rose Schneiderman was the head of the cap makers union and a member of the Women's Trade Union League, an organization dedicated to aiding women in the trade union movement. In the era (1910-12) when women's suffrage became a major issue in American politics, she was a vocal representative of the needs of working-class women. The quotation cited is drawn from her answer to a gentlemen's argument that women would lose their femininity if given the vote. She noted that if the women who performed heavy labor in foundries and laundries did not lose their female charms by working for 13 or 14 hours in heat and filth, they certainly would not do so by casting a ballot once a year.

5. "Zionism converted me to itself." **Henrietta Szold (1860-1928).**

Born in Baltimore to a wealthy and well educated family, Henrietta was a brilliant woman seeking an outlet for her talents. In 1893 she became the literary secretary of the Jewish Publication Society, editing, proofreading, and translating the works of famous scholars. In 1903, she became the first woman to take classes at the Jewish Theological Seminary. An ardent Zionist, she began to speak and write on women's role in Zionism, a role which, to her, meant educational, medical, social, and moral service. In 1917, she organized the American Medical Unit in Palestine and in 1920 went to live there. In 1927, when the Medical Unit she had created and developed became the Hadassah Medical Organization, she was elected to the Executive Committee of the World Zionist Organization.

Outlook Good for Summer Employment

Summer job analyses indicate that the prospects for college student employment for the summer of 1977 look promising. National parks throughout the nation will once again staff their facilities with college student summertime help. Opportunities appear to be expanding into many support accommodations and facilities surrounding the park areas. State parks also indicate a high demand for temporary summer employment by college students. Some national parks will hire as many as 3,000 college students for the summer period.

Several hundred private camps throughout the nation will once again be seeking college student summer employees in varied

capacities as counselors, swimming instructors, music directors, and general activities such as maintenance, cooking, etc. Students with special talents in the area of entertainment or horse handling abilities should investigate these opportunities.

Once again it is emphasized that students desiring summer employment in the various recreational areas throughout the nation should apply early. Students interested in obtaining additional detailed information may request a free brochure by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to:

Opportunity Research, Dept. SJO, Lock Box 4000, Kalispell, MT 59901.

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Minimum requirements for these positions are a master's degree in any field, or experience as an education program specialist.

A limited number of copies of the Education Program Specialist job announcement containing information on the specific qualifications needed are available at Federal Job Information Centers. You may obtain a copy by visiting, writing or telephoning the nearest Federal Job Information Center, the address and phone number of which are found in the White Pages of the telephone directory under "U.S. Government." Should a directory not include such a listing, one can call 800-555-1212 to obtain the toll-free number of a Federal Job Information Center in a particular state. You may also write the U.S. Civil Service Commission's Washington Area Office for a copy of the announcement. Address your letter to:

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1900 "E" Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20415
Attn: Mid-Level Office (Edu)

Message From Moscow II

An extraordinary 5500-word analysis of the current status of Soviet Jews written by a group of "refuseniks" has been released by the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry and Union of Councils for Soviet Jews under the title *Message From Moscow II*.

The document, second in the *Message* series, is divided into eight major areas, ranging from "The Situation of the Prisoners of Conscience" and "The Fight for the Rebirth of Jewish Consciousness" to "Anti-Israel and Anti-Zionist Propaganda in the Press". It cites scores of cases of persecution of Soviet Jews seeking permission to emigrate and details the suffering of incarcerated Jewish activists.

The report, for example, cites a bloody attack with a shovel blade on POC Alexander Feldman and the mysterious transfer of POC Alexander Sluini to a notorious psychiatric hospital. It lists the increasing difficulties of obtaining information from other Russian cities: "Our telephones are cut; letters and telegrams hardly ever arrive. Those attempting to establish personal contacts can find themselves under arrest."

In many cities, authorities have created new barriers to submitting exit applications. In several places, "a person may now have to wait a year or more to receive an invitation from relatives in Israel." Even if the invitation is intercepted,

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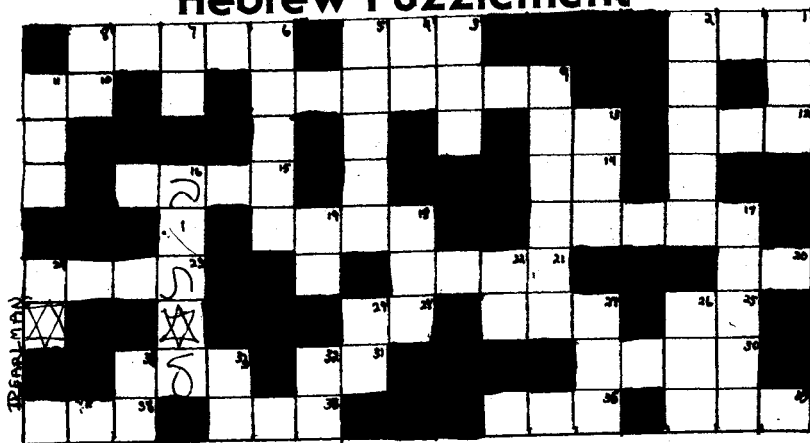
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6. בביא מהראשונים
7. בן אדם
8. רב חובל הראשון
9. בביא מההאחרונים

Last Reminder!
March 1, 1977 is the last day
to file application for
graduation in June 1977.

Message From Moscow II is available free from the SSSJ at 200 West 72nd Street; suites 30-31; New York, N.Y. 10023.

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As often occurs, "the addressee ceases to be looked upon as a loyal Soviet citizen and often becomes the objective of threats, blackmail and KGB pressure." The report also reveals the existence of a small "Jewish village," Ilyinki, whose inhabitants "had been managing somehow to preserve some sort of Jewish existence and religion". 90 of the 130 families would like to leave for Israel, but invitations are all interceded.

Knowing Snow

I knew before
about the filthy garbage-
strewn streets
the huge monster buildings
the locusts of people
cold,
silent,
indifferent
the constant choking smoke
the screeching steel snakes
in the stomach of the earth
the killing-murder-shootings

And I knew
about the whirling, twirling
sugar
the gentle cotton balls
the frosty hexagons of
white.

shouted to New York
"Snow is snow is snow!"

Shabbat Shalom!
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by Shira Weinberg
 rosey cheeks
 Carrot-nosed snowmen
 wild snowball fights
 sled skidding down snowy
 hills
 angels in the whiteness.
 How could I have known
 each fairy-like flake fell
 instantly murdered
 crushed to slush
 by \$60 boots.
 I should have known
 Those people were prepared

Kriat Megillat Esther
March 3, Maariv at 6:30 P.M. in
the Koch Auditorium followed
by reading of the Megilla and
Breaking the Fast.

March 4, 10:00 A.M. in Koch Auditorium, Seudah following at 10:45 in the Cafeteria.

opening umbrellas
 zipping up the boots
 buttoning the winter coats
 and Presto
 it might as well have been
 sunshine
 I strained my ears
 I waited
 But not one person said,
 "It's snowing out!"
 No one threw a snowball
 No one formed an angel
 No one even got wet!
 For they were prepared
 they knew how to fight the

Well now I know
perhaps I'm cynical
but snow is snow is snow
except in New York
where it's
cold,
silent,
indifferent.

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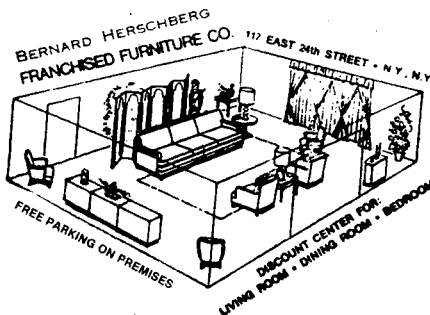
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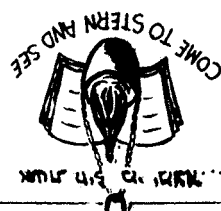
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Sentiments Spark at Drill

Many burning issues have popped up over the years at Stern, but a recent occurrence at the College evoked a great deal of hot debate between students and administrative officials. In an unprecedented move, the administration disclosed the date and time of a forthcoming fire drill at the Brookdale Residence Hall to the general student body, two weeks before the event.

When questioned as to the reason for the (advance) warning, Colonel "Kong" Marmalade, head of the Department of Security, replied that the disclosure was in response to several complaints he had received from the Brookdale residents in reference to the lack of time usually provided for preparation for this important semi-annual jubilee. This new policy, according to the Colonel, would eliminate the problem by allowing the female students enough time to put their hair up in curlers and get dressed in their bathrobes before being called down to 34th street for the ceremony. It should be pointed out that Colonel Marmalade is con-

sistently thoughtful in this respect. In fact, he insists on standing at the stairway door as the girls go by to make chivalrous comments on their mode of dress.

As expected, the student body, alerted well in advance, was all warmed up and ready over an hour before the scheduled time of the event. By 9:15, 15 minutes before the anticipated bell, the entire first floor and basement were flooded with the large majority of Brookdale residents, awaiting their leader.

The Colonel, upon arriving and assessing the situation, chose to display his appreciation in an unprecedented manner by making his face redden and smoke come out of his ears.

Out of deference to his hundreds of fans, the Colonel allowed the residents to return to their rooms without the customary fire drill, quelling their disappointment with promises of a surprise drill in the near future. In a recent interview, the Colonel expressed his hopes that this one example of leniency will not spark future rebellion among the students.

WANTED: GLAMOUR GIRLS!

Stern College students are invited to participate in GLAMOUR Magazine's 1977 Top Ten College Women Contest. Young women from colleges and universities throughout the country will compete in GLAMOUR's search for ten outstanding students. A panel of GLAMOUR editors will select the winners on the basis of their solid records of achievement in academic studies and/or in extracurricular activities on campus or in the community.

GLAMOUR's Top Ten College Women Contest has evolved over the past twenty-one years along with the changing interests and concerns of college women. Ten years ago, this was a contest to select the best-dressed on campus, but since 1969 the emphasis has been on what college women have achieved.

The 1977 Top Ten College Women will be featured in GLAMOUR's August College Issue. During April, May or June, the ten winners will be invited to New York to meet the GLAMOUR staff and receive a \$500 cash prize.

Anyone who is interested in entering the search should contact M. Mostow for more information. The deadline for submitting an application to GLAMOUR is February 15, 1977.

Purim Centerfold:
See pages 2-3

Who is This Man? Anyone seeing this man is to report to Dr. A. Jablonsky c/o Office of the Doomed

Office of the Registrar Announces New Form-at

The Office of the Registrar wishes to inform all students that it has made extensive changes in the forms which must be submitted before various requests can be submitted and information obtained. These new forms are as follows:

REQ 0101 - Preliminary request form for obtaining a form.

LOOK 583 - Notice of intended change in appearance. (This is of great importance in determining the continued validity of your ID card. It must precede all planned haircuts and the acquisition of new contact lenses.

TSSU 202 - Request for per-

mission to cry in the office during registration. (Note: This is the short form for upperclassmen. Freshmen must submit the long form, TEAR 552, with extra copies to the Dean's office, Dr. Sar, and Mrs. Berman.)

WYLA 98.6 - Preliminary request for transcript. (white form)
PLES 99.6 - Second request for transcript. (pink form)
CMON 100.6 - Third request for transcript. (purple form)

YELL 105.6 - Request for recall of incorrect transcript retroactive to its having been sent out. (red form)

TGLF 12.3 - Request for heat in the periodical room.

BRR-25 - Request for heat in the periodical room.

TAK 18 - Request for permission to post a notice.

NA-IL - Request for previously posted notice to remain up.

GLU 88 - Request for previously removed notice to be posted.

OOP 10.15 - Permission to come late to Dr. Robinson's class when preceded by Rabb Weiss's class.

ICC 999 - Permission to drop a class taught by Dr. Havazelet.

NER 770 - Permission to drop a class taught by Rabbi Metzger.

IGOT 030 - Permission to drop physics.

BYBY 128 - Request for graduation.

Consumer Alert

The Stern College eatery, House of La'amm, has announced several changes for the coming semester. Due to the high price of flavor, it will be boycotted this semester, and omitted from all available food. To make up for this loss, the cafeteria will offer a Nutritional Advisement service, headed by Selma, whose cry of "What, you don't like my spinach?" will resound in the lowerst floor of the Stern building.

The cafeteria has added several new dishes to its current menu:

1. Hot Cross Buns — cooked in a toaster oven in the dorm — and guess who's cross about it?

2. Foggy-Side-Up Eggs — A warm weather special, cooked fresh each morning on the Loxington Avenue Sidewalk.

3. Cholent with that "Shabbos Taste!" — From "that Shabbos."

4. Rabbi Bleich's Special Dinner — Crunchy bits of styrofoam cup delicately flavored with unsweetened tea.

5. Faculty Jam Sandwich — Very little bread. (If you quote me on any other details, I'll deny it).

6. Stern Student Sandwich — Baloney, buttered up on both sides. This dish may not be so kosher.

7. Union Stew — Somewhat sticky, but it's Good man.

8. Dr. Remes's Special Lunch — Canned tomato soup, simmered over a Bunsen burner, with a soupcan of benzene.

9. Colonel Marmorstein's Chicken — that tickles the palate — served with feathers.

10) Organic Vegetables-lab style — A blend of chopped spinach, sugar, sand and silica gel.

...

The cafeteria announced that S.O.Y. sauce is regaining its popularity at Stern; however, it has been known to create problems when put in a mixer.

A dairy supper will be served every other Thursday night, except during a week in which Rosh Hodesh falls on a Tuesday, unless Monday was a legal holiday. In a week whose Wednesday is two days after Monday, lunch will be served for dinner, unless none is left, in which case a fleishig breakfast will be served on Friday.



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Paper Dolls...



Keeping Our Cool During The Crisis

Many of you are not aware of the fact that this winter, the residents of Brookdale Hall were the beneficiaries of astute foresight on the part of Yeshiva University. In anticipation of the frigid winter to come and the resulting dire fuel crisis, YU began cutting back on fuel as early as September. Students were not told why they were not receiving any heat or hot water, to prevent a panic. The management thought it best not to divulge the method to their madness. They even went so far as to actually accept complaint notices concerning the lack of heat, and pretending to fix broken radiators.

As a result of this cooperative effort on the part of YU, when the cold weather actually did hit, not only were we able to enjoy heat and hot water every third day or so — thanks to the fuel conserved previously — but our resistance to cold had been cultivated to such an extent that, while others sat shivering in 60° offices, we were able to readily adapt to studying in classrooms where no heat whatsoever was provided.

As you may have noticed, drills for just such an emergency have been conducted in previous years, depriving dorm residents of heat for as much as six weeks at a time.

The management of the Absurder would like to extend our congratulations to Yeshiva University on the success of their efforts, and commend them on their perseverance. We assure you that your efforts have not gone unnoticed.

Ratio on the Rise

The Absurder commends Rachel and Paul Glasser for conceiving of a new open admissions policy to benefit Brookdale Residence Hall. In an effort to revitalize the present living conditions, they have arranged for the delivery of a new male resident thereby increasing the non-female population of the dormitory by 100%.

Tetracycline:

The Universal Painacea

A new medical study published by the world renowned Yeshiva University Medical Staff, has effectively proven the value of the drug tetracycline as a universal panacea. The subjects of this experiment were taken from a large sampling of the students of Stern College for guinea pigs, who were apparently unaware that they were being tested.

According to Nurse Nancy the procedure for the study was quite simple; whenever a student would complain of an illness or malady, she would automatically receive a prescription

for tetracycline. The startling results reveal that not only is this miracle drug a cure-all for every internal infection known to woman, but it is also significantly successful in curing such diseases as hangnails, body odor, athlete's foot, headaches, obesity, indigestion, and Monday-morning blues.

In an exclusive interview with the Absurder, Nurse Nancy praised the drug as being "the best thing since chicken soup," and expressed her ambition to encounter more diseases to try it out on.

Birth ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Old-fashioned Vending Machine are proud to announce the birth of two New-fashioned Machines. The new babies are well-fed, but unfortunately they are deficient in copper, zinc, and nickel. Therefore, they need your coins to grow into big, healthy machines. The babies do have excess baby fat in the form of yogurt, tomato juice, tuna fish, and other assorted stomach fillers, and therefore they would be glad to expel some of this extra weight.

We wish the new additions good health and happiness. And to all you coin-donators, remember: their loss is your gain.

CONFLICT CONVICTS

by Peninah Segal

It happens every term. A select number of students have a final schedule which contains two exams on the same day at the same hour. These unfortunate students are the "Conflict Convicts". They are put into solitary confinement until their classmates have completed the exam, which the convicts have previously taken.

I had the opportunity to interview two of these convicts after their release from prison.

Convict A related the following account of her two-hour imprisonment. "We were not allowed

to venture out of Warden Krumbein's sight. We were constantly under surveillance."

"Were you allowed to eat?" I asked.

"Oh yes; tea was issued to us in strict rations after an hour of confinement."

"What would happen if a classmate of yours would accidentally enter the prison and speak to you?" I asked innocently.

To this Convict B replied, "Oh, that would be impossible; we were under the tightest security. There was positively no entry for anyone other than Wardens Krumbein and

Reich."

"Do you have any suggestions for girls who will inevitably be imprisoned next term?" I asked.

"Oh, yes," replied Convict A enthusiastically. "Remember to eat a good breakfast the day of the exam, and bring a snack or two to eat in the interval between exams."

"Have you anything to add?" I asked Convict B.

"Yes, I do. I think having a conflict is a good opportunity for studying the sociology of prison society."

Fingers Without Rings

The Absurder extends a most heartfelt mazel tov to the following members of the YU (Y. not?) community upon the occasion of retaining their status as individuals:

Stella Chasing
Libby Rated
Wanda Chosson
Lou Zer
Chaim Waiting

Helen Ready
Anita Fixup
Napoleon Solo
Ida Wanna
Noah X. Kyuse

Almost the entire staff of the Observer.

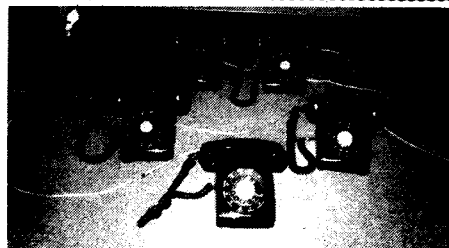
We are single-arily proud of these people and remind them that there will be limited spaces open in the dorms for graduate students next year.

Dear Editor,

I do not know of any student who has not complained about the system of the Office of the Registrar. These students do not realize the benefit the run-arounds, the rantings and ravings of the office help, the sour looks on the faces of the staff, and the many other inconveniences and annoyances this office offers for students.

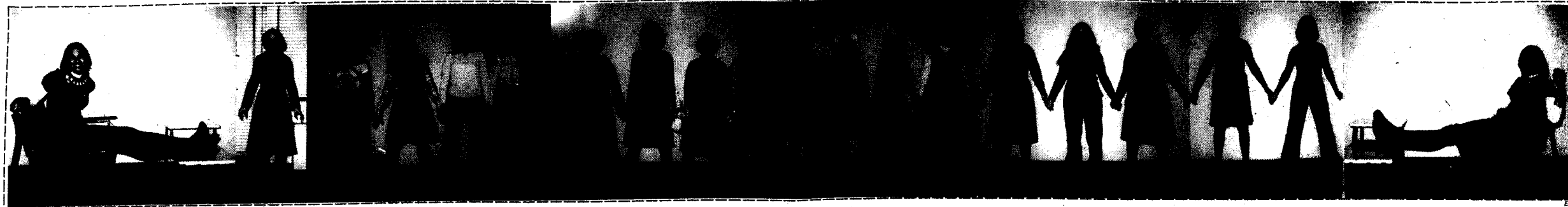
As a young woman, and a future "oleh" who has gone through month long battles with this office, I feel that I am well-equipped to face the bureaucracy of Israel. I have gone through the basic training course at SCW, and if I survive the final test I will assuredly be able to cope with such a system in Israel. Perhaps the Israeli system will not seem difficult after the agonies of experiences with my contacts with the Office of the Registrar.

An exhausted soldier



Stern hang up... waiting for a ring

... Cut Out and Pin Up



The Galumphing Gourmet Iron Yourself a Sandwich

by Sharon Efroymsen and Shira Weinberg

According to our statistics, the average Stern girl gets sick of eating in the cafeteria at least once a week. On these occasions, she turns to her trusty kitchen and attempts to whip up something to eat. She doesn't have much of a choice, due to the mysterious disappearance of the essential cooking utensils, that she brought from home. She is left armed only with a hot pot to fight the Battle of the Belly. And the food turns out awful, but lawful.

Therefore, we have decided to transform all of you into homemakers and present you with an innovative and exciting recipe that can be made in the comfort of your dorm room. So get out your Shoppingwell list, tie your apron strings, and get ready to iron yourself a grilled-cheese sandwich.

This recipe calls for two pieces of bread, American cheese, two pieces

of aluminum foil (larger than the slice of bread), and an iron.

1) Make a sandwich of the bread and cheese.

2) Put one piece of foil under the sandwich and one piece over the sandwich.

3) Place on counter.

4) Heat iron to wool-setting.

5) Place heated iron on top of the foil.

6) Leave iron there until piece of bread is toasted brown (approximately three minutes; peek to check).

NOTE: For best results, press iron while bread is toasting.

7) Turn sandwich and foil over.

8) Repeat from step 5.

That's all there is to it! You can use different types of cheeses for variety. Also, try mayonnaise or butter on the bread before toasting. Forget your diet; live a little! As they say, there's no food like dorm-made food.



Colonel Kong's ripoff — a real shocker (not visible; toaster oven remains)

Sports Corner:

Onward and Upward

Stern College for Women, in an effort to satisfy student's complaints centering on the lack of a fully developed physical fitness program, has initiated a foolproof method for prompting more exercise among the students. The new program is a basic and simple one, which is expected to have long-term effects on the physical fitness of the general student body. The decision was passed by a majority vote of the Bored Directors, in conjunction with the maintenance crew. The plan will ensure that elevators in both the Brookdale

Resonance Hall and the school building will henceforth be occupied between classperiods and therefore inaccessible to students. The anticipation result is that students will resort to climbing stairs in order to get to their classes and dormitory rooms.

Plans are underway at the Registrar's Office to initiate a 1/2 credit course in stair-climbing, to be called "Stairway to Heaven 1.1" and a representation of the Dean's Office was enthusiastic about an intramural stairway racing team in the near future.

Shipmates Wanted for 'Round the World Expedition

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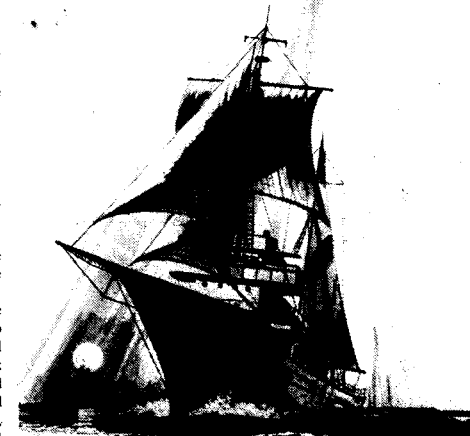
Share expense shipmates are still invited to join in the voyage which will feature the informality traditional to Windjammer "Barefoot" Cruises, the trip organizers. Not arranged by the local bridge club or jet set, this voyage will not visit 33 countries in 7 days, but leisurely cruise to exotic tropical ports such as Haiti, Galapagos, Easter Island, Tahiti, Fiji, Bali, Singapore, Kenya and Trinidad.

Shipmates will explore, skin dive, go sightseeing, take photographs, or just loaf in a style known only to a few millionaires. They will actually be offered the chance to serve as crew, and to become proficient in the traditional skills of seamanship... or relax and leave the work to fully trained professional crew. There's no need for pretentious wardrobe, either, since the "uniform of the day" will be casual, usually shorts.

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be

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When he enters the class we all
blush
We giggle, we wiggle,
We chatter, we flatter
How can Goodman stand all our
mush.

There was a young bocher
named Larry
To females he was quite contrary
Though to them he was rude
And often times crude
Alas, for he found one to marry.

Their students may find them
offensive
And find their tone in class quite
pensive
But family ties.
Good teaching defies
Proteczia should make Sternies
apprehensive

There is a scholar named
Rabbi Appel
Those who have learned with
him love him well
May he continue to thrive
Till one twenty-five
His brilliance makes all our hearts
swell.

C. Silver is one classy chick
She comes to class sexy and slick
She's brilliant, she's kind
And dazzles us blind
And she makes all the Sternies
look sick.

When it comes to art, Mr. C.
knows
All details of the slides which he
shows
But for all his oration
Of all civilization
With lights off, it's easy to doze.

It's really no mystery how
Rabbi Weiss raises many a brow
He speaks of affection
With devoted inflection
But that is between I and thou.

Rabbi Berman gives readings
of variety

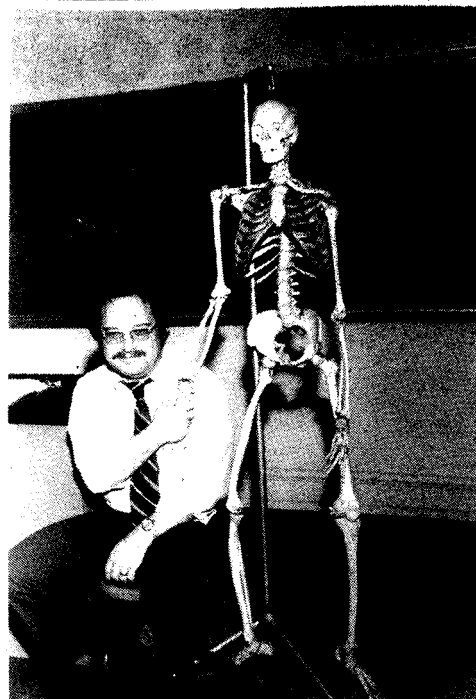
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Family purity
To individuals in society

Sammy Klein
Is very fine
I'm glad the food is
His, not mine

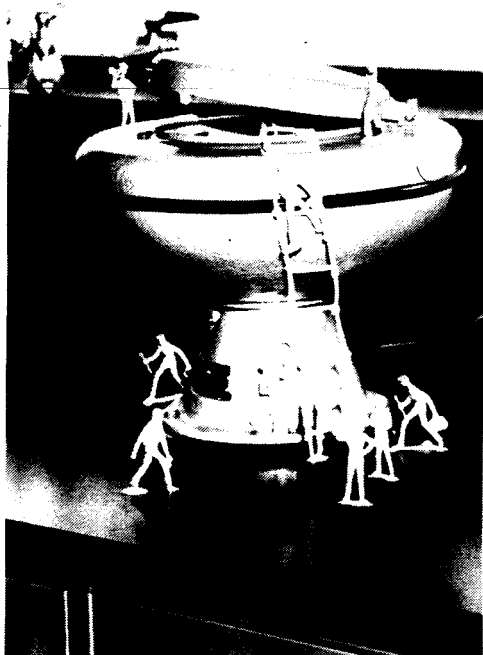
Dr. Eidelberg many will find
Is really quite one of a kind
While talking of news
And history of Jews
He is often found speaking his
mind.

Dr. Robinson's taught many a
maiden
About psych, both adult and
prenatal
The lectures are sound
But many have found
Her multiple choice can be fatal.

You can spend days in cross
country hiking
But it's doubtful you'll find to
your liking
Any girls who are dear
As the ones who are here
In fact, some have been known to
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Life can be draining

Absurdations



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