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by Ellen Bart

According to New York fire department regulations, the Stern College dormitory is considered safe despite charges to the contrary. The investigation conducted by the *Observer* was prompted by charges from within the University that the building lacked proper fire extinguisher equipment, adequate fire exits and a modern alarm system.

The fire department has classified the dormitory as a residence with a "B" rating—considered a high safety rating—according to Officer McNeela of the NYFD. As such, it requires inspection every two years but because of the "transient occupancy" it is inspected annually.

## Investigation Discharges That Dorm Not Firesafe

The last routine inspection was conducted on February 10, 1981.

Should a fire start in the dormitory, the guard on duty is to ring the fire alarm bell, bring the elevator down to the first floor, call the fire department and unlock the basement door to allow evacuation to 34th Street.

Recently buildings in New York have been equipped with elevator systems which descend to the ground floor automatically to discharge any passengers and prevent elevator use during a fire. In addition, many have alarm

systems which are linked to the fire department to eliminate any time lag in dispatching emergency vehicles.

Stern College dormitory has neither system and according to the NYFD, neither is required. The automatic elevator is required only in office buildings or buildings over a certain height. The dormitory is a borderline case, but the need for periodic maintenance on the system makes it not entirely practical. The alarm-fire station tie line is also required of only certain buildings like the school building on

Lexington Avenue which is equipped with one. Residences are not required to have such a system.

Requirements for fire extinguishers are generally based on the types of fires likely to start there.

Fire extinguishers are required every 75 feet and should generally be water pressurized to handle class A fires—bedding, books, and papers. The dormitory is 72 feet long and has one Class A extinguisher per floor.

ABC extinguishers, equipped to handle electrical and chemical fires, are generally only recommended when volatile materials are housed in the building. Class A extinguishers are generally cheaper and easier to maintain and recharge.

Fire exit requirements only specify two independent stairwells and not more than 150 feet between them. Despite the close proximity of the stairwells in the dormitory and, consequently, the question of students' ability to reach an exit in the event of a fire, the dormitory exits do meet the requirements.

One addition to the requirements for next year will be the installation of smoke detectors on all floors of the dormitory. In response to student request, these alarms were put on order before the fire department made its official request. According to Colonel

Robert Marmorstein, director of security, they should arrive within the next month.

In addition, Colonel Marmorstein has directed the installation of an ABC extinguisher on the first floor of the dorm. This was added as an extra precaution as a result of student request, not as a response to a NYFD requirement change.

## AA Degree To Be Awarded in Jewish Studies

by Sima Bernstein

Stern College, along with Erna Michael College, will now award the Associate in Arts degree instead of the Jewish Studies Certificate and Hebrew Studies Diploma previously awarded by SCW and EMC, respectively.

While both the new Associate in Arts degree and the former awards are authorized by the Board of Regents of New York, the former awards were internal certificates. The A.A. degree, however, is a formal academic degree.

The Jewish Studies Certificate that was issued at Stern also required extra course work, whereas the new degree will not.

According to Rabbi Saul Berman, Chairman of Stern's Judaic Studies Department, the reason for the introduction of the new degree, which is already being awarded in the James Striar School, is because of the additional requirements of the CORE Program. The new Associate in Arts degree will be given, according to Rabbi Berman, as a means of "recognition of completion of the extensive (CORE) program."

To qualify for the degree, one must have a minimum of a 2.4 cumulative index in the six-semester CORE and 14-credit elective segments. The degree may be received after or simultaneously with the B.A./B.S. degrees, and may be filed for in the same period, during the registration period of the students' last semester.

## Cutbacks in Aid: Loans, Grants to be Chopped for Next Year

by Esther Stiefel

Substantial reductions in financial aid for college students are proposed as part of President Reagan's newly released 1983 fiscal budget.

According to the proposal, guaranteed student loans will be harder to get and students will have to pay more for the loans. Pell Grant program awards would be substantially reduced and both the Supplemental Educational Opportunity Grant and the State Students Incentive Grant would be entirely eliminated. The cuts now under consideration are proposed in addition to the cuts in the federal student financial aid programs that were made last fall.

If the proposal is approved by

Congress some students will receive smaller loans and some will receive no aid at all.

The proposal includes several changes in the student loan program. Among the changes are:

1. An increase in the fee for loan applications to 10% which means that students would lose 10% of the amount of the loan at the time the loan is made but would still be required to pay back the whole amount. Most loan fees now stand at 5%

2. An analysis to be done on the family financial status of all loan applicants. Loans would be given only to those students who met the more rigid criteria. This procedure is currently used only

for those applicants from families earning more than \$30,000 a year.

3. The elimination of all guaranteed student loans to students pursuing graduate or professional degrees. Graduate students will instead be eligible for the Auxiliary Loan Program. This program, however, is not as desirable as the guaranteed student loans because it carries a 14% interest rate while the guaranteed student loans carries a rate of only 9%.

Reagan's proposed cuts in student loans are expected to save nine million dollars.

## YU Pays Off Debt, Future Is Stable



"This is the way I like to begin the week—with university leaders at," remarked Gov. Hugh L. Carey as he joined university officials at the Waldorf Astoria February 1, as Yeshiva paid the final \$13 million installment on the \$35 million debt repayment schedule to the Borey Savings Bank. It was negotiated that if the university could meet the Feb. 1 deadline of \$35 million, it would be released from its remaining \$61 million obligation. In order to meet the final payment on deadline, Yeshiva secured \$5 million in bridge loans for one year.

In the past months YU President Dr. Norman Lamm has made sacrifices that once the university has seen the decision through, more confidence would be placed on enriching academic programs and the general "quality of life" on the campus. The next phase in the university's debt-restructuring plan is a balanced budget by 1982, at which time Dr. Lamm has assured faculty that they will receive a long-awaited "quantum leap" in salaries.

The University Century Campaign has targeted a goal of \$100 million by 1986.

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## Improvements Help Make Registration Less Painful

by Judy Zuravin

Unlike previous semesters, during which groans of frustration were constantly heard from the registrar's office, students may have noticed a change in the recent procedures. Several improvements were made for this past registration, according to Mr. Pinchas Friedenber, registrar. "We made sure that the schedules were posted earlier than ever before," he stated. The schedule was posted in mid-December, nearly a month before registration. Of course, last minute changes occurred and a correction sheet was posted so that there would be much less confusion at the time of registration. By having the scheduling packets available earlier, students had the opportunity to plan their schedules in

a more relaxed atmosphere, rather than last minute confusion at the time of registration.

Not only were the schedules and corrections available early, but the scheduling packets included clear, simple and specific instructions for the students to follow. Mr. Friedenber feels that the more information provided to the student, the smoother registration will flow.

Procedures were revised in the office as well. Students merely dropped their packets off at the office and were told immediately if their courses would be available to them, rather than having to come back another day for schedule approvals. The office also discarded admit cards for those who registered on time; students

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## Meal Pogrom



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When the cafeteria was first opened at Stern, it was undoubtedly a tremendous convenience to students in light of the unavailability of nearby kosher restaurants and the prohibition against refrigerators in the dormitory. Now that these factors are no longer applicable, the administration and Mr. Parker, director of the cafeteria, would do well to remember their original purpose, and keep in mind that the students do not exist to serve the cafeteria, but, rather, the opposite. This principle appears to have fallen by the wayside as the University moves closer to imposing a mandatory meal plan on incoming freshmen next fall. Aside from the inherently undemocratic nature of being forced to pay for something one does not wish to buy, the plan is impractical for a large number of students, many of whom live in the New York area and bring food from home, others who in no way would be able to afford an additional \$300 per semester (will we next see the advent of "meal scholarships?"), and others still who are unable to commit themselves to being in the cafeteria four nights a week.

By far the most objectionable element of the proposed policy, however, is the unseemly manner in which it is being instituted. Rabbi Miller and Mr. Parker, in an effort to sound accommodating and democratic at a small price since they assumed that student opinion would be favorable, assured representatives at their initial meeting that a meal plan would NOT be imposed on the students, but would be implemented only with their consent. Now that a student council poll has indicated insufficient interest to support even a voluntary meal plan, the aforementioned authorities have consequently (and with *non sequitur* reasoning of "if they don't want it, we'll force it on them") chosen to push for a mandatory one, translated to mean "you can have a vote as long as you agree with us." Rabbi Miller and Mr. Parker have wisely chosen their targets, for they realize that current students will not be affected by such a proposal and will therefore not be inclined to protest, while the unfortunate victims, next year's freshmen, are not here yet to complain and will have little choice next fall, when the plan is already underway, but to show up and quietly pay the extra \$300 charge tacked onto their bills. If they are lucky, maybe they will even find out beforehand, probably from an offhand remark thrown in at the end of a three-page letter from a high administrator next August.

Meanwhile, the administration claims that a meal plan is

the only way to relieve the cafeteria of its unmanageable \$40,000 deficit. Judging from the University's past record of taking the easiest way out, however, it is not unlikely that such is the case here. While it surely requires the least amount of effort to dump the cost on a captive student population, the cafeteria could most certainly find areas of its budget to cut down before considering such an extreme proposal.

According to Mr. Parker, the debt is largely due to costs of labor, electricity, and freezer breakdown. Probably few of us have failed to notice certain cafeteria employees whose main responsibility during dinner hours is to stand guard by the tray-return cart and unstrenuously wipe off one tray every few minutes, or others who patrol the lunch tables picking up stray wrappers but spend an inordinate amount of time reading a newspaper in the side room. Likewise, there are usually two or more workers behind the counter, one to dole out the main dishes and one to serve side orders. While this is undeniably more convenient as it makes the line go faster, the job *could* be done by one person, and students may very well prefer the slight inconvenience to an extra \$300. Partially or completely reducing certain employees' hours could result in a savings as much as half the deficit.

Likewise with electricity, there are areas to be cut. For example, since there are significantly fewer people eating dinner in the cafeteria, the hours could be curtailed from 5:00-7:00 to maybe 5:30-6:30. Similarly, although Mr. Parker states that leftover food is *not* a major source of debt, having a smaller variety of dishes could reduce both labor and electricity costs. Finally, a broken freezer is no excuse to raise prices. If equipment is breaking down because of the University's shortsightedness in making necessary repairs and maintenance before it is too late, they have no right to pass on the costs of their own mistakes to the students.

Finally, a word to those of you underclassmen who think none of this will affect you: think again. Rabbi Miller and Mr. Parker are determined one way or another to get their money, and if it should happen that revenues from a freshman meal plan are not adequate, they would not hesitate to extend it to sophomores. Furthermore, even if they only institute a voluntary plan, an idea with considerable merit, once they have a foot in the door it is but a small step to impose a mandatory program. Until the administration shows proper deference to student opinion, until the cafeteria shows its initiative in internal budgeting, and until *anyone* can provide a logical argument as to why something for which there is insufficient demand should nevertheless be continually revived at considerable expense, it would behoove all members of the student body to exercise their legitimate right to disagree.

### Editor's Desk

## Demand Excellence—You're Paying For It

by Rachel Katsman



When all the dust clears away from the faculty evaluation battleground one point clearly emerges. It is evident that the faculty do not want consequential evaluations, at least not to be done by administrators. Because of new state accreditation regulations, the university must figure out a way of implementing some sort of systemized evaluations within the next few months.

Evaluations are not, and should not be, a topic to be taken lightly. We as students need them more than anyone, for they can ultimately help determine the quality of education—and we all have the right to the highest quality we can get. But without trying too hard, it is easy to see the faculty's apprehension at the possibility of putting their academic careers in the hands of administrators who are essentially their peers, usually no more—and sometimes even less than—competent in the discipline of the faculty member. However open-minded, fair, and competent particular deans and academic administrators may be today in 1982, the faculty may not want to gamble on who will be in those positions in 1985 or 1990. If this was a motivation in the recent general faculty vote which overwhelmingly endorsed a position that administrators will have no part in the evaluation process, then it seems to be a legitimate, understandable act of pure and simple survival.

Let's face it—the faculty at our institution has gotten a rotten deal from Administration in the past: bottom-of-the-barrel salaries, which correspond to unfairly large workloads, and no right to unionize because they are considered "administrators," yet have little or not administrative authority in the decision-making processes here, to name a few examples. Why shouldn't they want to protect the last vestiges of job dignity and security?

According to certain faculty members, what they would like to have implemented, if some sort of procedure is necessary, is internal evaluations by other faculty members. Only the evaluated faculty member would see the

reports, and take them as constructive criticism. Understandably, faculty does not want to see evaluations as a tool to terminate contracts.

Now let's look at another side—my side and your side, the side that disappointingly few people in power ever think about. We pay lots and lots of money to attend this institution, and frankly, for \$5,000 in tuition alone, I feel that I have the right to make quality demands. This institution does not exist for Dr. Lamm or Rabbi Miller or Dean Rabinowitz or the secular faculty or even the *rebbeim*. For the four years that we are here, it exists for *us*. If the faculty feels job security is threatened because a dean can make or break his/her contract based partially on evaluations, be they student, faculty, or administrative, I can sympathize. But the quality education of hundreds of students should take higher priority than the termination of an instructor.

It has been argued that human dignity is at stake when teachers are subject to evaluations. Personally, if a teacher has something to offer his/her students, I think it will come through. If he doesn't, then maybe he's in the wrong business. With no structured evaluating system of real consequence, the dignity of the *student* is at stake—and here the student is more important. Some of us have felt utter humiliation when we half-heartedly thought we learned something in four years yet couldn't cut a respectable GRE score because we had simply never learned the content.

In any job in any industry, there is a supervisory system in which employees must be accountable to someone for their performance. There is no reason why the collegiate teaching profession should be any different. It is problematic if the supervisor/dean/administrator is not in a competent position to perform an accurate evaluation. In fact, it brings to mind the fear of censorship of ideas and the stifling of intellectual freedom. But that might be a chance we must take to insure the best pedagogues in the long run.

The Observer staff is happy to announce an upcoming family merger of its newspaper and Yeshiva's *Hamevaser*, with the upcoming June marriage of Observer Managing Editor Sally Lee to Nachum Stone, editor of *Hamevaser*.

Mazel Tov to Dr. Charles Raffel on the birth of a daughter.

Letters to the editor must be submitted to Room 8B by Thursday, March 11, for publication in the next *Observer*. The *Observer* accepts letters, subject to revision or abridgement, provide that they are typed, double-spaced.

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3. JUDA 94.2 should be 3 credits
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Improved registration procedures made life easier for students and faculty this spring, but errors on computer print-outs from uptown, like the one above, complicated much of the post-registration paperwork, frustrating office staff members.

# But Is He Really an Arab Refugee

by Sharon Shollon

February 23—I ran down to NYU after school today to hear a PLO speaker. I had never heard a true Palestinian speak before, and I was intrigued. Tough luck for me. As it turned out, I didn't hear one speak today either.

There was no PR material posted at Loeb Student Center in NYU. It took me nearly half an hour to find one lonely sign and locate the room where the lecture was being held. The room held about fifty or sixty students—some Jews, some Arabs, some I couldn't identify. I sat down and began to listen. The speaker was quite articulate in English. I was immediately curious about his extensive vocabulary and clear diction—no accent.

As he spoke, I could see that his political philosophy was integral to his ideas. He was a Libertarian. As

a matter of fact, the entire forum, called "Israel and the Palestinians," was being sponsored by the NYU Libertarian Student Association. I looked at the literature being circulated in the room and ascertained that the speaker's name was Imad-ad-Dean Ahmed. Here are some of Ahmed's ideas. Ahmed believes that the civil rights of the Palestinians, those Arabs who had lived in Israel prior to 1948, have been abrogated by the "Zionists" and the Israeli government. Calmly, he delineated the ways in which these Palestinian Arabs had been abused. They had been forced to abandon their homes and property in 1948 because of "Zionist guerrilla raids." Ahmed did not mention the tactics used by other Arab governments in the region to encourage the Palestinian Arabs to



Imad-ad-Dean Ahmed sings of the plight of the Palestinian refugees and calls for their return to their former homes.

leave their land temporarily, in order to facilitate the war effort against Israel. In his opinion, this had not occurred.

Ahmed cited the policy of the "Judaization of Palestine." In his opinion, the Israeli government selectively provides services to the civilian population. For example, telephone service is supplied more readily to Jews than to Arabs. Similarly, the Israeli tax system is particularly oppressive to the Palestinians. I wonder—is it really? Then he admits that the tax burden is oppressive to everyone.

Ahmed discussed his Libertarian ideas a little bit, too. According to this doctrine, primacy is given to the rights of individual persons over the abstraction of the state. The rights to life, liberty, and property must be protected. However, the civil liberties of the Palestinian Arabs had been abridged. Although many Jewish settlers had purchased land legally and peacefully, there was still a "systematic form of aggression" in operation by the Israelis today. What is this systematic aggression? Techniques used to appropriate Arab land and property. Like what? Like the too-oft cited



YC senior Levi Orbach challenges the PLO with some facts of his own.

argument of "national security" Covenant. Good documented sources. They recognize the right of all people to settle in Palestine regardless of race, creed, or religion. Funny. Some of the Israeli-oriented literature floating around the room had landed in my lap. They too had quotes from the PLO Covenant, like Article 15, which describes the "liberation of Palestine" as a "national duty" which aims at the "elimination of Zionism in Palestine" and Article 9, which defines "armed struggle" as the only way to accomplish this liberation of Palestine. I suppose that Ahmed forgot these articles when he prepared his selected quotes. Or maybe he was just being selective—after all, I couldn't expect him to quote everything.

He began to conclude. Ahmed offered his own solution to the political problems in the Middle East. He advocated the establishment of a "suprstate" system, whereby there would exist many mini-states in the area, each one an autonomous community. Disputes between these subunits would be handled by the umbrella-like suprstate organization in the region. This would prevent some groups from imposing their laws upon others. Ahmed cites an example—apparently, this is exactly what the "more Orthodox" segments of Israeli society are trying to do today. Ahmed would rather have a secular, democratic state in the area he refers to as "Palestine" than the theocratic one that exists today. He never once uses the word Israel.

Now Ahmed picks up his guitar. To finish, he wants to sing for us an original composition. He sings of the plight of his people, the ragged tots begging in the streets of Beirut. Very touching. Are they the refugees? I thought he was. He did not look like he had been begging recently. The refrain of the song was "Let My People Return." Who had asked them to leave?

There was a question and answer period. Someone caught him in a misquoted date. Mostly, Jewish students made comments and asked for clarification. How widespread was Libertarianism among the Palestinians? Among the PLO terrorist groups? Not widespread at all. I see—in other words, these people you are representing do not share the ideas that you have presented to us today. He had indeed been a "model Palestinian." He had made it clear that he was only against a Zionist state, not the Jewish people per se. He had even expressed his an-

## Safety Meeting Helps To Update Procedures

by Beverly Barr

New safety and security measures involving Stern College students are being implemented this semester by Colonel Robert Marmorstein, head of Security, and his staff due to a meeting called by Arlette Loeser, president of student council.

In recent weeks, a new surge of activity has begun to make the Stern dorm and school building safer places to be. Col. Marmorstein has confirmed the fact that he has ordered smoke alarms for all floors in the Stern dorms. He is now awaiting delivery so that they can be installed.

He has also confirmed a new policy for checking the dorm for illegal appliances. Instead of a man accompanying Mrs. Milner on the checks, the duty will be handled by a female security guard. The guard will first be taken by Col. Marmorstein on a tour inspection and told what to do and what to look for, and then she will be on her own.

In the school building new measures have also been taken. One such measure is to inform

students on how to react when locked in the building after hours. On every floor and in each elevator cards have been posted listing two people who would be able to help the student. Also included is the location of a phone the student would be able to use to call for help.

This is in response to an incident last semester where students had been locked in the building and did not know whom to contact for help.

Another procedure, taken to inform students that the building will be closing, is the testing of the fire bell late each evening before the guard leaves. Not only does this ensure that the bell is working, but gives fair warning to students that they should be leaving soon.

Arlette Loeser, who called the meeting that set these actions in motion feels it was "very productive." She believes, however, that "knowledge is the key thing" and hopes to have mini-courses on safety in the near future.

In the meantime, until the courses can be given, students will have the chance to learn more about safety at an upcoming student council meeting. They will be invited to suggest more ideas on safety and offer some complaints so that current problem situations can be corrected.

There is also another meeting with administrators planned to discuss ideas presented and to follow up on actions decided at the previous meeting.

Attending the previous meeting with Miss Loeser were Rabbi Miller, Col. Marmorstein, Dean Bacon, Mrs. Sema Reich, and Mona Allen, who went as a student representative, and an Observer representative.

## Lack of WYUR Protection Will Cost Station \$2000

by Linda Ostrow

While most Y.U. students were just beginning their intercession vacations, vandals had a vacation of their own on the Shabbat of January 23rd when they robbed WYUR of \$2000 in equipment.

According to Station Manager, Howie Bramson, the intruders, "who practically walked right in," left with the radio station's two turntables, two sound amplifiers (pre-amps), two cassette decks, and the new remote unit which is used for broadcasts outside of the station, all of which is valued at close to \$2,000.

Mr. Bramson went to the station Saturday night at approximately 8:15 to tape a music special. He found both the outside door to the student union building, and the WYUR door open. There was a light on in the news room, the equipment was gone, and the phone was dead. He immediately called Captain John Gabriel, YU's assistant head of security, who came with the police to WYUR to file a report on the crime.

The student union building door had been checked and was locked in the afternoon said a guard on duty, but Mr. Bramson discovered that if

pulled hard enough, the door could be opened easily.

"If this incident is anyone's fault," says Mr. Bramson, "it is Building and Grounds." After the station was robbed three years ago, during the January 1979 intercession, a request was made to secure the vulnerability of the station by extending the existing wall around it to meet the ceiling. Instead, barbed wire was put up in the space between the top of the wall and the ceiling in the outer perimeter of the station.

Mr. Bramson again appealed to Mr. Jay Blazer, the head of Building and Grounds, to build the wall for WYUR for sound purposes when the renovations were being made for the Dramatic Society last summer, but Bramson was told it would be too expensive.

Colonel Marmorstein, head of security at Y.U., figured out that the intruders broke into the building's photography dark room and climbed across a rod above the ceiling making a crashing entrance into the station through the ceiling tiles, thus completely avoiding any barbed wire.

New equipment has been ordered

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## Fire Drill

Many students and teachers were surprised by the ringing of the fire bell in the midst of classes on Friday, February 12th. Cafeteria manager Sam Klein, who is in charge of checking the alarm, said they were being tested and that for the past week or so, similar tests have been run each evening before the building was closed.

Only two of the teachers reacted and took their classes down the stairwell and outside. The question that comes to mind is: What if that bell had been a real alarm and not just a security check?

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## Dorm-Ez View

## Eating Out-In

by Mordechai &amp; Sema Reich

It is a scientifically proven fact that students eat—and at all times of the night. At midnight, it is not uncommon to see a bleary-eyed denizen of the dorm desperately waving a dollar and begging for the change she needs to buy a sandwich from the "machines". Braver women, in groups of three and four, wend their way to the Seven-Eleven and the treasured box of Entenmann's.

Unfortunately, the urge to eat has given rise to a matter of a serious nature—deliveries of food to the dorm from restaurants where *Kashrut* is questionable. In one case a delivery of food arrived from a delicatessen which has some kosher meats and even a Magen David, but is open on Shabbat and has no Rabbinical supervision. It also seems that the Great American Health Bar has achieved a reputation of being strictly kosher, and some deliveries from that establishment have arrived as well. The fact remains, that while the

owner of the Great American Health Bar Restaurants is cognizant of *Kashrut* issues, and explains that he uses @ tunafish and cheese, there is no Mashgiach to supervise the products he purchases, some of them definitely requiring supervision, particularly baked dishes purchased from suppliers.

Furthermore, while the owner has made provisions to sell his interest in the restaurant to a Gentile for Shabbat, the restaurant still remains open with no one to provide the most minimal supervision over what goes on in

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## Mishenichnas Adar

Torah Activities Committee's Rosh Chodesh Adar party Tuesday night, February 23, required that all who enter must wear funny hats of some sort.

## Britain's New Nazis: A Novel Breed of Hate

by David Cesarani

(JSPS) LONDON—Tottenham Hotspurs is one of the great London soccer clubs. Based in the East End of the city, where Jewish immigrants first settled in the 1880's, the Club has a large following among London's Jews. Today, Jews drive in from the suburbs to watch their team play, and never more so than on the occasion of the yearly ritual contest with the Arsenal, a rival local team. But over the last two years, Tottenham's Jewish supporters have had their enjoyment of the game soured by a new chant floating across the Arsenal stands: "He's only a poor little Yiddo, His face is all battered and torn, He makes me feel so sick So I hit him with a brick Now he doesn't sing anymore." This isn't the good natured banter of football fans, but the growing voice of Britain's new Nazis.

Two years ago, it looked as though the meance of a neo-Nazi revival in Britain had been smashed at the polls. Between 1977 and 1979, the Jewish Board of Deputies, the churches, the Labour Movement and the main political parties waged a massive campaign against the neo-Nazi National Front Party. Millions of leaflets

were distributed and even pop groups were enrolled in the fight under the banner of Rock Against Racism. In 1977, the Front had won 119,000 votes in London alone, but a year later its support had been reduced to a quarter of that. Frustrated at the polls, the leaders of the Front fell out and the Party split.

What has emerged however offers little comfort to the Jewish community or non-white immigrants. Most disturbing is the newly formed British Movement. The BM has a hard core membership of 4,000 which takes part in regular weapons training sessions on remote country farms. It is avowedly racist, openly anti-Semitic and dedicated to eliminating "international communism." This year, two of its members were convicted to 8 years imprisonment for illegally stockpiling arms and explosives. One of the sentenced men, Roderick Roberts, was a frequent participant in the annual rally of European neo-Nazis at Diksmuide, in Belgium.

In addition to its highly trained and ideologically motivated elite, the BM can now mobilize up to 50,000 skinheads. These are working class teenagers,

distinguished by their close cropped hair, boots and Nazi regalia. They are ideal material for recruitment by the neo-Nazis because of their complete disenchantment with a liberal, democratic society that seems to have forgotten them or sacrificed their lives for economic dogmas. Of the current 3 million unemployed in Britain today, 1.2 million are under 24, with 638,000 concentrated in the age group 16 to 19 years. The result is frustration and violence of the kind which shattered British cities during the summer.

This lost generations' anger was previously undirected and mindless: now it is being politicized and channelled by the neo-Nazis. The neo-Nazi paper *National Socialist* printed a short song which summed up the message being sent out to disillusioned working class youths: "There was a young skinhead from Bleichly Who used to roam in the night, Then he became a Nazi, And found a reason to fight."

A new music cult called Oi! music has been rapidly developing in Britain. Its practitioners are groups like The Four Skins and The Last Resort. The songs they play figure titles such as "Gang Warfare," "Riot Riot," "Dead End

supervisory sessions before each program, and six seminars and a reading list aid in their interactions with people of all ages. They also participate in a telephone reassurance program, phoning isolated people on a weekly basis to provide ongoing human contact which may otherwise be missing from their lives.

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reincorporate them into the Jewish community.

"Just because a person is disabled doesn't mean he can't be an observant Jew and serve Hashem," comments Junior Yocheved Grunberger. "If a deaf person can sign, he can sign a bracha."

Cora Schmier, another junior enrolled in the course, states, "I chose to work with the developmentally disabled. Both they and the elderly are excluded from society, but looking physically disabled makes people tend to shy away from them even more."

Rabbi Weiss explains, "This course is a simple exercise of interpersonal relationships."

Rabbi Meger Berglass, Dean of Michlelet Orat in Israel, addressed a group of students in Stern's Orange Lounge on Tuesday evening, February 24. Rabbi Berglass spoke of "The Third Covenant." He explained that the first covenant, or *brit*, was the *Brit Avot*, pertaining to the Jewish nation's right to the land of Israel. The second, *Brit Rishonim*, given at Sinai, gives the Jewish nation the *Mitzvot*. He said that the third *brit* is a synthesis of the first two and is attainable in Israel today.

## Class Work in Community

by Diane Feldman

A new two-credit course called Practicum in Jewish Communal Service is being offered to SCW students this semester. Under the direction of Rabbi Avraham Weiss and social workers Sheryl Handelman and Eric Levine, the course provides students with supervised field work experience as well as classroom learning. This is the first time a course of this kind has been approved.

"The main thrust of the course is experiential," states Rabbi Weiss. Students aid in planning monthly cultural or religious programs for the Jewish elderly and developmentally disabled. Students attend

supervisory sessions before each program, and six seminars and a reading list aid in their interactions with people of all ages. They also participate in a telephone reassurance program, phoning isolated people on a weekly basis to provide ongoing human contact which may otherwise be missing from their lives.

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doing all they can to prevent neo-Nazi infiltrating the crowds.

The Jewish Board of Deputies and race relations workers are trying to impress on the providers of youth culture, the football clubs and the rock industry, how vital it is to prevent these powerful influences being contaminated with hatred and racism. The result has been some hopeful signs of an increasing awareness that Britain's tolerant society is going to need vigilance and strength if it is to survive economic crisis and political uncertainty.

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This story is repeated on the soccer terraces. The racist following of many clubs has become so large that some club managers choose to ignore the Nazi salutes and 'Seig Heils' that punctuate matches. At Chelsea Football Club, there is a regular body of about 1,500 Nazi youths dominating the stands. When fans at the Arsenal ground objected to the "Rights For Whites" posters which had appeared on the stadium walls, the management turned a blind eye. Other clubs, however, are cooperating with the Police and

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# Tragedy for 'Women in White'

by Natalie Jacobs

The Stern College Dramatics Society has shocked SCW with its approval to cast a male actor in its production of *Women in White*. The role of Clarence, played by none other than Clarence himself, has added a new breed of excitement to the three-act mystery comedy.

Set in the lounge of a nurse's residence in a New York City hospital, the play centers around eleven women whose lives intermingle when tragedy strikes.

Clarence was so excited when he learned of his acceptance that he had to be affectionately calmed down by several actresses who describe him as "a real beast." They say that his theatre background and training is exceptional, and the women are presently working on grooming their own talents to compete with Clarence.

*Women in White*, by James Reach, will run nightly, Saturday through Thursday, March 20-25,



Women in White gearing up for a sparkling performance next month.

in the Koch Auditorium. The Saturday night performance is at 9:00 pm and all the other performances are at 8:00 pm. Tickets can be purchased from Linda Brand in 9A, Tova Ungar in 8D, Beth Kleiman in 12E in Brookdale Hall and from Howie Bramson in M225. They are \$3.50 in advance and \$4.00 at the door.

The women in white are: Golda Blau, Janet Greenhut, Sherri Hofstadter, Sandy Kahn, Beth Kleiman, Reena Leibig, Linda

Ostrow, Michelle Schwartz, Carol Stamler, Judy Witty and Louise Yanofsky. When asked how it felt to be working with a male actor, one rather modest cast member commented, "Of course there is no physical contact on stage, but off the set Clarence is all paws—a real animal!" How does Clarence, who is a multi-talented basset hound, feel about acting with eleven talented and beautiful women? He was not available for comment, but I don't think he'll make any bones about it.

# Speak Your Mind With the President

If you could spend half an hour with YU President, Norman Lamm, what would you discuss with him?

**Bleem Gancz, senior:** "I would love to have a discussion with Rabbi Lamm on what he feels the trend will be for Stern in the next few years. Incorporating a dress code and the Core Program, the administration was obviously trying to create a more Yeshiva-type atmosphere, with the intent of weeding out certain types of girls. Does Rabbi Lamm feel this is a reflection of what the girls really want or is it an image the school is trying to project for the future?"



**Marilyn Zimbalist, freshman:** "I would talk to him about the great amount of credits we need at Stern compared to other colleges and see if the credit system could be revised."



**Emily Dachowitz, junior:** "If I had half an hour to spend with Dr. Lamm, I'd ask him to improve the science departments so that there are more advanced electives offered in chemistry and so that there is a physics major and possibly offer some engineering courses. There are several reasons for this: one, if you start science departments, more people will come here and two, less will transfer out. Three, if you offer engineering then, as in computers, you will be preparing people for a field that is presently open."



**Gittel Goldstein, sophomore:** "I would discuss with him, calmly and rationally, who are the 'they' that are so in favor of the Core Program. I feel that the administration haphazardly makes major decisions that affect the student body without consulting it."



# Sparks Smoke but no Fire

After a 1-1 preseason record, the Stern Sparks, led by Coach Sharon Markowitz Volk, played their first seasonal game against Sarah Lawrence, Wednesday, February 17. The Sparks lost the opener, but managed to pull themselves together for the following game against Pratt the next Monday, Feb. 22.

The Sparks exploded on the court and scored 6 points before Pratt could get on the scoreboard. By halftime, the Sparks were still holding their own, with a 15-15 tie.

Pratt entered the second half using a full-court press, hoping to throw the Sparks off their winning pace. But the confident Stern team

did not give up so easily. With Freshman Ilene Penn holding together the offense, the Sparks collected 21 points. By the end of the 2nd half, Stern's momentum slowed down which allowed Pratt to take the lead, ending the game with a final score of 37-21.

High scorer was Ilene Penn with 6 points, followed by Team

Captain Sheila Sidenberg with 5 points. Other scorers were Minan Burtschell, 4 pts; Sharon Linderman, 4 pts; Sara Frager, 2 pts.

See the Sparks in their upcoming games at:  
 NYU—Mon., March 1, 7 pm  
 Brooklyn College—Thurs., March 11, 7 pm.

# NYU Group Sponsors Libertarian Palestinian

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 tipathly towards Hitler and Haj Amin el Hussein. Apparently, no one likes Haj Amin anymore. The Palestinians hadn't even wanted him to be the Mufti of Jerusalem. The British had chosen him. But did the British follow him on the rampage? The Arab mobs did in 1948; that much is history.

I began to wonder how much Ahmed had in common with his fellow Palestinians. I doubted that they shared his religious tolerance. The PLO, which is supposed to be the sole legitimate representative of the Palestinian people, is not a collection of individuals like Ahmed.

After everyone had finished, I went up to the speaker to ask him about his own background. We talked briefly. Imad-ad-Dean Ahmed was born on a ship enroute to NYC. His parents had left their home in Jerusalem in April 1948, prior to the outbreak of the War of Independence. A bomb scare directed against his father had frightened them enough to leave. "Terrorized them"—he said. But they had left voluntarily? Well, yes—no one had forcibly evicted them. Ahmed and his family lived in the United States. He had been raised in Pennsylvania. He was a graduate of Harvard in astronomy and ran some sort of research firm in Washington, D.C. How did he come to be knowledgeable about

the Palestinian situation? Family accounts, extensive reading, personal travel. When was the last time he had been in Israel? The most recent and *only* time he had been in Palestine was almost two years ago, in the summer of 1980.

Ahmed had published on the topic of the Palestinian situation. The current issue of the *Libertarian Broadside*, the newsletter of the NYU Libertarian Student Association, had been distributed and I read the reprint of his article from the December 1980 issue of *Libertarian Review*. In response to three out of five statements, Ah-

med had cited personal narratives as proof for his points. For example, "CONTENTION: Israeli Jews and Palestinians are treated equally by the Israeli government."

RESPONSE: It is illustrative to record how *one* Palestinian woman now living in the United States left explains the lack of outrage. . . . From one example I can not make

generalizations about Israeli policy. That's inaccurate.

Ahmed was billed as a "Palestinian refugee" in the PR for this lecture. Really? He was an American citizen and had never fled from anywhere. As far as I could tell, he was neither Palestinian nor a refugee. I left NYU disappointed. I still had not heard a true Palestinian speak.

# WYUR Break-in

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for the station and it will be installed with security locks once the station itself is secured and the outside door is replaced. Mr. Bramson hopes to be broadcasting live again by the beginning of March. The station has been sporadically airing previously taped music since the spring semester commenced.

Financially, this incident has left WYUR in great need of funds. Rabbi Israel Miller, VP for Student Affairs, has given Mr. Bramson the names of several possible donors and he says that he is willing to try and get the station money if WYUR itself makes an asserted effort. Mr. Bramson is doing all that he can in order not to have to approach the student council for money but that is a possibility. Meanwhile, WYUR, the largest student activity of Yeshiva University, is sorely missed by all of its avid listeners and participants.

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Ezra will also be sponsoring a Hebrew Ulpan this summer at Shaalavim, a program at the Educational Center, Yad Binyamin, and several other Tochniot Chinuchoit in Israel.

For more information, call Moshe Einhorn at Ezra at 924-9475-7 or at YU, Levi Orbach at 923-5418.

## A New Dimension It's Lonely at the Top

by Deena Greenberg

*Intercession is over and Big Sister is back, bright-eyed, full of enthusiasm, and eager to help any unsuspecting person who looks like she needs it.*

*Betty the Big Sister gets into the elevator. The only other person inside is Terry the Transfer, who is fingering a necklace which alternately says Chai and Yach.*

Sis: Hi! My name is Betty. I don't think I know you. Are you a freshman?

Terry: No, I'm a transfer student. My name is Terry...

Sis: How nice. You're going to the basement, aren't you?

Terry: Why, yes, how did you know?

Sis: Uh, just had a feeling. If you want to go, you'd better press one, because the elevator always stops one floor below the one you want on Tuesdays. Glancing at Terry. You also might not want to stand there. I'm sure the door's going to open on one. Terry quickly moves to the side of the elevator. The door begins to open on one.

Sis: Actually, you might not want to stand there, either. See that mirror in the corner? You can see everyone in the lobby in it and they can see you. Hi Susan, how are you? She waves into the mirror. Turns to Terry.

Sis: No, silly facing the other way doesn't help. Stand over here. Terry continues to rest her head against the elevator wall.

Sis: Come on, now, your robe is beautiful, and you wear your curlers very nicely. And what's a little laundry between friends? The elevator has stopped at the basement, but the door does not open.

Big Sister jumps. Door opens.

Sis: Just a little trick I learned when I got stuck one Saturday night. After three hours, I was willing to try anything. Well, Shelly

Terry: Right.

Sis: Right. Well, have a nice day, now. Bye!

Terry: Bye! Terry gives a weak smile and backs out of the elevator. A few days later, Big Sister and Terry meet in the back of a crowded elevator.

Sis, enthusiastically: Hi!

Terry presses 12, goes to the back of the elevator, and faces a side wall.

Terry, mumbling: Oh, hi...

Sis: Listen, Tracy, I don't know what people did at your other school, but here, most of us face the door of the elevator. You really should get used to that. Also, are you trying to get to the 11th floor?

Terry: Well, yes...

Sis: Then you'll have to press 10. Today is Wednesday, after all, not Tuesday, and the elevator always stops one above the one you press on Wednesdays.

Terry: Is there anything else I should know?

Sis: Well, Thursdays are always a surprise, and on the Fridays that I go away for Shabbos, it breaks down altogether.

Terry: This is so confusing! How am I going to remember everything?

Sis: You get used to it, and I post a schedule of the Shabbosim I leave outside my door.

*Suddenly, a voice is heard in the distance.*

*Student: Wait! Could you hold the elevator?*

*No one moves. The elevator doors begin to close.*

*Terry: I don't understand. Didn't that girl just ask us to hold the elevator? Why isn't anybody holding it?*

*Sis: Oh, we have a little saying around here: "You implore, we ignore." Kinda catchy, isn't it?*

*The elevator has closed on Student 1's hand. No one moves.*

*Student 2, near elevator door: Hey, Doris, aren't those gorgeous cuticles?*

*Terry: Th-That girl's hand is caught in the d-door...*

*Sis: We have another saying around here: "Make it, or break it." Just kidding. The safety feature will open the door. Unless it's broken. It was broken on Friday...*

*Just then, a school official, thinking Student 1 is trying to put up a sign in the elevator, wrenches open the door and pulls her out.*

*Sis: See? Nothing to worry about.*

*The elevator stops on the next floor but does not open. Terry begins to jump.*

*Sis: No, no, that's only for when it's empty. With all the weight in here now we're much safer when*

*we don't move than when we do. You don't look too good. You're not one of those claustrophobics, are you?*

*Terry mouths out a "no".*

*Sis: Good. You know, I remember the last time I was stuck in here. I didn't mind the wait, but after awhile, it felt like all the air had been used up. Considering all the cracks in this thing, I was pretty surprised about that...*

*A week later, Big Sister and Terry meet once again, this time in the stairwell.*

*Sis: Hi, Sherry!*

*Terry: Terry.*

*Sis: Right. I see you decided to get a little exercise and take the stairs. Good idea. I do it myself all the time. Listen, I'm sorry about last week. I know you were having a hard time of it, but in general, it's not a good idea to faint on a crowded elevator. I mean, there's no room to lie down, and it's kind of silly to faint standing up, right?*

*Terry begins to turn, inspecting the staircase behind her.*

*Sis: Sherry, Sherry, still facing the wrong way! You've got to learn to adapt! Now that you're using the stairs would you like some pieces of advice?*

*Terry: Actually, I'd rather you didn't—*

*Sis: Now don't worry about it's empty. With all the weight in here now we're much safer when*

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## 1982 Registration

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who registered late still needed them.

Computer-printed rosters were available for teachers on the first day of classes. Although containing a few mistakes, the rosters gave the instructor a general idea of class size so that he could plan accordingly. In a few weeks there will be updated rosters for the instructors.

If students find that they are not on the rosters, it may be because they have not cleared their financial arrangements. According to the University's policy, before a student is allowed to register, financial clearance is essential. Students did not have to pay the entire bill by the deadline, which was January 15, but had to make appropriate arrangements with the Office of Student Finances concerning their particular situation. Students were reminded about the deadlines with a little white label attached to their new schedules. Students who have not made financial arrangements for this semester are urged to do so. Failure to comply will result in being cancelled out of courses.

Students who entered this semester had an orientation and registration during intercession so that first day worries were lessened. This time new students did not have to miss any classes in order to register.

Students who were at school February 3 had the opportunity to do their schedule changes then. The official schedule changing days

were also February 10 and 11.

This fall, registration will run similar to the spring registration. Improvements will be made with the suggestions and help of student leaders and administrators. Student input was found to be a very good source of possible improvements, according to Friedenber. No decision has been made about an early registration day and a deadline for financial clearance.

For future registrations, Mr. Friedenber advises that students prepare alternatives for scheduling classes. Not having alternatives will slow down registration, thereby making it a tedious and frustrating experience.

In the future there may be computer registration, but no definite plans have been made.

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## Leadership Mission Learns of Challenges

by Joyce Lempel

Two SCW students joined over a hundred graduate and undergraduate students from all over the country in participating in a United Jewish Appeal Student Leadership Mission to Israel which was held this past December 21-31.

Junior Sharon Sturm and senior Joyce Lempel represented Stern in this ten-day program which, through a carefully planned itinerary of lectures, workshops, and touring, sought to give the participants (all were U.J.A. campaign chairpersons in their own colleges or grad schools) a deeper understanding of the various challenges that confront Jews and the state of Israel today, and how U.J.A. helps to respond to these challenges.

The program officially began with a day of orientation held at the Howard Johnson's hotel located alongside the airport. There, the mission participants became acquainted with one another and heard lectures on Jewish history and the Jewish claim to the land of Israel, given by a Brandeis historian and a Conservative rabbi, respectively. Both lectures were designed to set the pace for the next ten days. The programming decision to include the latter one regarding the right of the Jews to the land of Israel serve the additional

function of reflecting one of the major problems facing American Jews today, namely the anti-Israel/pro-Palestinian sentiment that seems to be spreading across the country.

Such lectures continued over the next ten days, given by members of Knesset, military spokesmen, and U.J.A. Jewish Agency representatives—most delivered during morning and evening meals beginning and concluding the day's intensive touring. The tours brought the students from the Golan to the Negev, visiting towns and settlements in development areas such as those in the controversial Judea and Samaria and those in the Negev which are intended for resettlement of the Yamit bloc settlers if the planned withdrawal from Sinai is completed this April 25.

Many of the places visited by the students receive U.J.A. support, excluding categorically all settlements "beyond the green line" (or pre-1967 borders) to which, because of U.S. tax laws, U.J.A. cannot provide monies. Funding in settlements that are located within the green line takes place, for the most part, in the form of self-help programs known as Project Renewal and the Tehillah Program, which both operate on a "teach a man to fish and he'll eat for life" philosophy. Project Renewal aims

at strengthening community life in Israel's development towns by helping residents organize, form a local citizen's council, and participate actively in resolving some of the problems in their respective communities. The unique aspect of this program is the linkage of each Project Renewal community to one or more American Jewish communities that are involved on both the funding and planning levels. The Tehillah program is an adult-education plan that attempts to promote a greater literacy rate amongst the many adults who have not been fortunate enough to receive adequate education. U.J.A.'s Project Renewal also works in cooperation with the T'chiya program in which so many YC and Stern students have participated. Among the Project Renewal sites visited by mission participants were the towns of Safed and Upper Tiberias.

Mission participants also had the opportunity to see U.J.A. at work in more developed areas such as Jerusalem and Tel-Aviv, and their outlying suburbs. The Alyn institute, a rehabilitation center for handicapped children located in Jerusalem, was one of the more well-known of the visited U.J.A.-funded institutions. It is also a center at which many Stern

students have served as volunteers during the course of a year of study in Israel.

Other U.J.A. installations visited included the remarkably civilized geriatric centers such as Yad Lekashish, which encourages its elderly residents to continue to be productive beyond retirement by providing them with the opportunity to learn and practice new handicraft skills and continue to earn their keep with the sale of the objects of their creativity.

The lectures and tours which continued over the ten days provided the students with a vantage point from which to view some of the major problems that beset Israel today. But the mission also gave the participants a sense of what is perhaps most needed to overcome these problems. It is the sense of linkage, of *arevut*—of one Jew feeling responsible for another, epitomized by the Project Renewal and Tehillah programs that seemed to emerge as the first essential ingredient in any attempt to resolve the complicated challenges that face the Jews and Israel today. Perhaps the late Moshe Dayan best described the nature of this when he wrote:

"All we ask is that you feel Jewish. Because then you will do what one Jew does when another Jew is in trouble. You will help."

# Following a Destiny of No Compromises: Miriam Levinger

by Rachel Katsman

Twenty-six years ago an idealistic 18-year-old named Miriam Beinhorn left the Bronx to study nursing in her new, permanent home in Israel. Since then, Miriam Levinger has taken a little bit of the destiny of the Land of Israel into her hands and has helped shape its direction.

Married to Rabbi Moshe Levinger, a spearhead of the Gush Emunim movement in Israel, Miriam Levinger is perhaps best known for her role in reinstating a Jewish presence in the city of Hebron, when she, along with several other women, led their families into the abandoned Hadassah hospital building nearly three years ago.

But earlier this month, Mrs. Levinger took a break from the struggle for Hebron per se, and joined a delegation that had come to the U.S. with a more immediate crusade—The Movement to Stop the Withdrawal in Sinai. Other delegation members were MK Rabbi Chaim Druckman, the most controversial member as he is a deputy minister in the Begin Cabinet, MK Yuval Ne'eman, and Ella Weitzman, spokeswoman for the movement and resident of Sador, one of the cities essentially already evacuated in preparation for the April 25 withdrawal.

Mrs. Levinger and Mrs. Weitzman held a press conference on February 9 in Koch Auditorium.

Mrs. Levinger explained in an *Observer* interview that the two campaigns—Hebron and Sinai—are really one and the same—a struggle for the right to settle in all parts of the Land of Israel, and to be able to settle securely therein.

The crux of the argument to halt the final withdrawal is that, as Mrs. Levinger and the delegation emphasize, Egypt itself has consistently violated the Camp David accords since 1978, has just recently openly called for the establishment of a PLO state in Israel, and has shown since the State's inception, that in effect a peace treaty is not worth much more than the paper it is written on.

"By Egypt's recent statements about the establishment of a PLO state in Israel and its take-no-give attitude," she commented, "even though it is the only Arab nation that has made an effort toward peace, its relationship to Israel is still the same as other Arab countries—except that it has an ambassador in Tel Aviv."

But what about the impact this could have on the rest of the world? She retorted, "Why should I consider a world that doesn't consider me—that's pushing me further and further to suicide?"

Mrs. Levinger stressed that the current American notion of being

able to buy peace is incongruous to the Arab absolutist mentality. "To wake America up," as she put it, is one main reason the movement in Israel sent a delegation overseas.

"When Saudi Arabia says that the only solution to the conflict is *Jihad*—holy war—they don't wake up, and when Egypt advocates a PLO state, people continue to sleep. We forget that what has deterred Arabs so far is military power—our own strength—rather than 'good will.' A policy based solely on good will with no strength to back it up is unheard of. I'm not so worried that Israel may no longer be looked upon by the world as a 'peacemaker'—at least this way she'll continue to exist!"

Many observers feel that the withdrawal is a foregone conclusion despite the fact that according to Israeli news pools, up to 75% of the population, at least in theory, is against the final stage of withdrawal. "Everyone thinks we're dreaming," she offered, "but we believe that we must do our best and G-d does the rest." She explained that if one is constantly considering every possible angle of an option, one becomes paralyzed and loses touch with a controllable destiny.

This attitude is integral to the Gush Emunim philosophy of following through on the right, uncompromising path of absolute truth—that is, if one is doing the right thing, one will eventually see the right thing in the end.

"Everyone wants to play it safe," Mrs. Levinger commented. "But if we have an ultimate truth behind us, then we will be safe in the long run."

It was this attitude that gave the women and children who had inhabited under initially wretched conditions, the Hebron hospital building, the strength to persevere, and to finally see the fruits of their labor nearly three years later. Between the Hadassah building and renovated Jewish apartments, 13 families now live in the old Jewish Quarter of Hebron.

Many people see Miriam Levinger as the ultimate fighter—dedicated with all of herself as well as her family—and always a pillar of strength and inspiration for the other women who have made the same sacrifices to live in Hebron. She said that although she is the one with the speaking ability—at least to American audiences, her husband has always been the real moving spirit for her family as well as the Kiryat Arba/Hebron community. It was he who was the mover in getting Israeli governmental permission to settle Kiryat Arba, a suburb of Hebron, after the 1967 war.

The mother of 11 children, Mrs. Levinger says that she doesn't fear for her family living in Hebron any



Miriam Levinger

more than she would be living in New York. "My life is really no different or more dangerous or adventurous than anyone else's. It's just that the spotlight has been put on me—on all of us here, and we've been made out to look like foolhardy daredevils."

Her family's relationship with the neighboring Arabs is a "correct" one, she said, sometimes more friendly, sometimes less, but always civil. And contrary to many a rumor, she does *not* carry a gun with her when she walks through the city.

In fact, the older Arabs have tremendous respect for the religious Jewish girls living in Beit Hadassah, since as Mrs. Levinger explained, the Arabs have their problems in disciplining their daughters to dress and act in an appropriate modest manner, and when they see modest Jewish girls, it warms their hearts. But she pointed out that even 100 years of placid relationships with the Hebron Arabs didn't help the Jews in 1929, when the entire Jewish community in Hebron was massacred/deported.

"The only thing to keep an anti-Semite from attacking is ultimately the fear that something might happen to him. We're not asking for a lovey-dovey relationship—we don't want one. All we're asking is stability that will keep the peace."

"We don't feel that the Arabs must leave—anyone can stay who is willing to simply live in peace. And right now, 300 soldiers and 70,000 Arabs seem to be a stable balance. At this point, we're taking life as it comes and we have faith that what we're doing is right. After all, that is the secret of our survival."

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# It's Lonely at the Top

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told my roommate that, she thought I was crazy, but I'm telling you at 9:00 it was on the fourth floor, and by 12:00 it was on the third. Now I know I didn't put it there, and . . .

*Terry:* Please excuse me . . . I think I'm feeling a little sick . . .

*Sis:* Sure, I understand. Don't worry, you'll get used to the food in the cafeteria. Just break yourself in slowly. Feel better, Sherry.

*Terry backs into the door and quickly opens it.*

*It's later on in the week, and Big Sister is walking with a friend on 35th Street.*

*Friend:* So, Betty, How're things?

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*Friend:* I'm sure it's nothing. It's just that when we passed by right now, I could have sworn I saw someone climb down the building on a rope.

*Sis:* You're right. It couldn't be.

She sees Terry's face, which is becoming progressively whiter.

*Sis:* Oh, but don't worry. She's talking to me this year. Also, don't stand too near the doors. People tend to open them quickly, and the door's pretty heavy . . . Oh, another reason that you shouldn't run is that people sometimes spill things when they're walking up, and it can get sticky. Why, just last week, there was something or other on this stair. No one could figure out what it was, but boy, was it slimy. And if you watched it long enough, you could see it sort of ooze down the stairs. When I first

told my roommate that, she thought I was crazy, but I'm telling you at 9:00 it was on the fourth floor, and by 12:00 it was on the third. Now I know I didn't put it there, and . . .

*Terry:* Please excuse me . . . I think I'm feeling a little sick . . .

*Sis:* Sure, I understand. Don't worry, you'll get used to the food in the cafeteria. Just break yourself in slowly. Feel better, Sherry.

*Terry backs into the door and quickly opens it.*

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## World Jewry Update

As Syria continues to be racked by civil strife, its 5,000 Jews face a future that becomes more precarious day by day. They are uniquely discriminated against by a strict ban on Jewish emigration. Seven Jewish men were imprisoned for six months for allegedly attempting to escape last October. Other Jewish men and women have been killed or severely wounded in earlier attempts. Jews also are subjected to special decrees, restricting their right to sell or inherit property.

In one house-to-house search last July, a special forces unit entered the home of a Jewish goldsmith. The men of the unit took the husband with them to identify other Jewish homes in the neighborhood. One guard was posted outside and the captain remained behind ostensibly to search the Jewish home. Finding nothing incriminating, he turned to the young wife of the goldsmith. She ordered her to strip to prove she was not concealing Moslem Brotherhood literature, and then raped her.

A protest to the authorities led to a promise of an investigation, but nothing was done to punish the officer involved. It is believed that one or two other Jewish women in Aleppo were also violated, but were too ashamed to protest.

The patent absurdity of searching Jewish homes for Moslem Brotherhood literature or adherents should be obvious. The Jews in Syria take no part in the domestic politics of the country,

they are exempted from military service and hold no government posts. They certainly would have nothing to gain from the coming to power of the fanatical Moslem Brotherhood, which seeks to create an Islamic state in place of the present regime.

### Ban on Jewish Emigration

But this is not the case for Jews. The term "*Musawi*" (follower of Moses, i.e., Jewish) is entered on their identity cards and they are barred from travelling even to neighboring countries. In March 1974 two young Jewish men were killed and four young Jewish women were raped and murdered as they attempted to flee to neighboring Lebanon. A protest funeral march by Jewish women in Damascus brought their tragic fate to world attention.

The Syrian authorities have turned a deaf ear to repeated requests for family reunions to the United States. At present some 400 unmarried Syrian women find it difficult to find suitable husbands, since many young Jewish men had earlier fled the country. Even among those men who remain some refuse to wed under present circumstances, because, as one escapee explained, "I did not want to marry and raise a family before I could assure my children that they would grow up in freedom." A recent Swiss visitor to Syria reported that social pressures are growing within Syria for Jewish women to convert and marry Moslems.

# Letters to the Editor

## Dignity

Shalom U'vracha,

I read the Observer with interest and found your editorial "Where Freedom Ends" (Observer, Jan. 13) particularly meaningful as it echoes many heated private faculty discussions.

Permit me to react to the evaluation article on page one of that issue. As a member of the senate at that time, I very intensely pursued the position that this was an issue of *Kavod HaBriot*—human dignity—that could have far and wide ramifications that would be divisive and disruptive. Without entering into a textual analysis of the article which as printed could be misconstrued, permit me to share with you a recent statement of Rabbi Yosef Blau, the *meshgach* at YU, who acted as an intermediary to *Moreinu VeRabeinu Harav HaGaon* The Rov, *shlita*. The issue of *Kavod HaBriot*—human dignity—obviously affects both the Judaic and secular faculty and thus the final decision applied to all of them.

This was the manner in which the response was accepted by the senate then, after intense and emotion-laden sessions characterized by polarized positions. Despite the abrasive memories, I am heartened by the luminous memory of the

acquiescence of all participants to the majestic ethic of our Judaic heritage as exemplified by *HoRav HaGaon* the Rov, *Shlita*.

Sincerely,  
Rabbi Alter Benzion Metzger

## Speak Out

Dear Editor,

Until the events of the last month or so, those who denounced the Camp David process and the return of the Sinai to Egypt were looked upon by the Jewish Community as a whole, as a bunch of fanatical, zealous lunatics. However, as American commitments to Israel fell one-by-one by the wayside—the American commitment not to sell AWACS to Saudi Arabia, the American denouncement of the Strategic accord signed with the withholding of F-15's from Israel, and the quasi-American endorsement of the Saudi "Peace" plan—many Americans, Jews and Gentiles alike, are beginning to rethink their positions.

With the "saintly" peacemaker Sadat out of the way, the average American has returned to reality. No longer is Egypt viewed as a country eternally benevolent to the Jewish state and the Jewish people; now, with a mere mortal in charge of Egypt, rationality has partially returned to the scene. No one

amongst us can prophesize what the future will bring.

Our Rabbis tell us that after the building of the Second Temple, prophecy was relegated to fools. It is, however, the Klutz of each and every one of us to let our views and fears be known. Silence is never golden; it only leads to the loss of Jewish life.

Sincerely,  
Leonard B. Guttman,  
YC 1980

## Image-Conscious

Dear Editor,

I was deeply upset by the recent Yeshiva College—Columbia University hockey game (Sunday, February 21 at the Columbia University gym). I was concerned during the game and even more troubled afterwards when I reviewed what had transpired.

Hockey is most definitely a violent sport. I fully realized this when I attended the game at Columbia. But the violence and temperament displayed last Sunday was uncalled for. Several fights broke out during the course of the game, and unfortunately, Yeshiva players initiated most of them. Granted, the referee was terrible, yet he was equally unfair to both teams. However, this was not

sufficient reason for some of our *yarmulka*-wearing Yeshiva players to act as they did.

I viewed the game from the gym balcony with a *frum* Columbia student, and I know we saw the game below us with more objectivity than would have been possible down on the floor. What we and many Columbia students saw from above was a disgrace to Yeshiva University.

Yeshiva players, with *kippot* firmly dib-clipped or bobbypinned on, often initiated the bickering and raised their sticks in disagreement with the Columbia players. It is expected in any team sport to differ with the opponent and often with the referee; however, it is entirely unreasonable for words to come to blows. The pinnacle of unsportsmanship came when a Yeshiva player attacked the referee after a call.

I am not to say whether players were in the right or to blows. The wrong about technical hockey points; I am no authority on hockey. But I felt shameful when I tried to explain to non-Jewish spectators why Yeshiva players had *kippot* on. Those were Jewish young men playing hockey, but some of them certainly did not act in ways of *kavod* to *Hashem*.

My purpose here is not to chastise individual players nor the whole Y.C. team. Rather, I would like to commend those Yeshiva players who *did* try to suppress the

hostile feelings being vented in order to avoid physical conflicts. I sincerely believe certain players on the team felt uncomfortable with the happenings going on and realized what a *chillul hashem* these actions were.

My point is: Yeshiva University, and in essence, modern Orthodox Judaism, is represented by every student enrolled at Yeshiva College and Stern College. And the actions

of any student, be it a young man from Yeshiva College playing on a unofficial hockey team or a Stern woman out on the town, are viewed by others as the actions of a Jew.

*Goyim* who have little contact with or knowledge about Jews may have walked away from that hockey game with an unfair dislike of all Jews, just by watching the demonstrations of a few. Thus, each one of us carries a heavy burden—not a burden in any negative sense, but a load on our minds all the same.

As representatives of Yeshiva University and of Judaism, we must constantly be responsible for our actions. Because people tend to judge the aggregate by the actions of a few individuals, we must be Jewish-image conscious at all times. It's a heavy load . . . But if it's too much of a burden to be and act like a Jew, what are you doing here?

—A Concerned Yeshiva University Student

## Campus Acclaim

Yocheved Gruenberger and Elisheva Rosenbaum recently coordinated a Chevrat Aliyah Toranit (CAT) college outreach Shabbaton at Rutgers University. The program, which was planned with the Hillel organization at Rutgers, provided a speaker, workshops, and several informal discussions with the students exposing them to the ideals of Orthodox Judaism and Zionism. Students participating in this very successful first venture were from Yeshiva, Stern, and Queens Colleges. Emma Bursztyn is the new Resource Coordinator for the North American Jewish Student Network. In this position Emma researches and distributes published material and programming ideas to various Jewish student and adult organizations around the country. She also assists in planning programs for the Network such as the upcoming forum on Falashan Jewry to be held in March. A senior, Emma is a political science/urban studies major at SCW and hopes to spend next year in Israel at Michelet Bruria (Bhoven-

der's). Rachel Katsman—in addition to being the Editor-in-Chief of the *Observer*, donates her writing talents to other publications such as the Jewish Press where she recently had a front-page, by-lined news article. Aviva Fox Tessler has just begun an internship in the Talent Relations division of NBC-TV. The department handles all publicity and promotion arrangements for NBC personalities. Aviva, a senior, and English/Communications major, is writing press releases, dubbing video tapes and doing various other office tasks as an intern. She hopes to work in the communications field, possibly at NBC, after she graduates in June. Dorm Counsellor Lisa Coonin, SCW '81, was chosen to receive one out of ten Outstanding Young American Women for 1981 awards. The honor, given to only nine other women across the country, was reflective of all her years of work with Jewish youth, including years of service to NCSY.

## Bulletin Board

★ TAC Seforim Sale March 1-4 in the Periodical Room, 12-3 p.m. and 5-9 p.m. Wide selection of English and Hebrew books, tapes and records. Special orders will be taken. In addition, all freshmen can pick up free copies of SOY's *Guide to Festivals and Fasts*.

★ On Sunday March 7, TAC is running a Purim visit to the Bialystoker Old Age Home on the Lower East Side. A program of music and song will be presented and *shalach mano* will be distributed. See Barbara Garson in 6E for more details.

★ TAC Lectures—Tuesday, March 2, Purim lecture given by Rabbi Butler, National Director of NCSY. Tuesday, March 23, Pesach Lecture given by Rabbi J. Parnes.

★ All Kashrut Questions can be placed in the TAC Kashrut boxes located in the Student Mailbox Room in the school building and on the Student Council wall in the dorm.

★ Attention all Psychology majors and minors: The first meeting of the National Psy-Chi Honor Society will be held on Monday, March 1 in Room 415 of the school building at 8:30 p.m. A board to represent the society will be chosen.

★ Student Council news: watch out for Italian Restaurant, March 18 sponsored by the Sophomore Class and the soon-to-arrive course in C.P.R.

## Dorm Deliveries

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the kitchens with regard to Kashrut.

There are a number of restaurants, both dairy and meat, which do not have *hashgacha* and will deliver to the dormitory. In the future, any deliveries of food to the dormitory from restaurants which do not have Rabbinical supervision will be turned away.

If you have any questions about the Kashrut of a particular restaurant, please feel free to ask us in person, or leave a note in our office and we'll respond.

For more efficient mail service, remember to use the new zip code suffixes—  
Dorm: 10016-4399  
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## YCSC Spring Concert

Sherwood Goffin,  
Judaea,  
Ira Silber's Ruach

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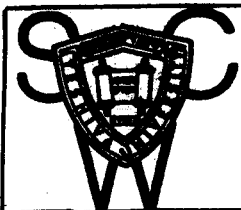
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## YU Moves: Boro Park Receives Whiter Look

YC Student Council President Elliot Tall recently presented a Yeshiva College proposal to move the uptown campus to Boro Park.

The proposal was solicited by University President Norman Lamm last month when Wurzweller School of Social Work requested a move to Washington Heights.

"Wurzweller wanted to be closer to its field work," Dr. Lamm explained, "and YC has been prodding for a more *yeshivaish* atmosphere. This is the perfect opportunity to satisfy both parties while leaving additional space for the lucrative continuing education classes."

The specific selection of location was left up to the students who picked among such choices as Williamsburg and Lakewood.

Lakewood was rejected because it was too rural, a precedent taken after the move to a Teaneck campus was rejected several years ago, and Williamsburg was voted down because of the rigid dress code. As one student said, "In the winter it's fine but in the summer I'd never be able to stand the fur hats."

The administrative offices such as the Offices of Student Finances, Student Affairs, and Production will remain in Washington Heights.

"Stern College has always complained of the inequities of service from the Main Center due to the distance between the two" Dr.

Israel Miller noted. "This move will allow the University to resolve the inequity."

Boro Park residents are fearful of the move and may seek legal recourse to oppose the plan. A neighborhood spokesman criticized the move on two counts. First, the resident yeshiva students as well as *balebatim* feel that the heretical nature of study at YU will be detrimental to the true Torah atmosphere of the neighborhood. He commented that, for one thing, YU students are much too liberal in their choice of "*mefarshim*." "Why, I've heard all about those characters they use as legitimate

commentary sources—this fellow named 'Kimchi' for an example." When informed that he was referring to Radaq, the spokesman blushed for a moment but explained proudly, "Well, we only learn them by their Jewish names."

A second complaint is the claim

that the colorful *kipot serugat* of the YU students will clash with the basic black of the neighborhood. One resident, a manufacturer of black velvet, stated that this would be a violation of the principal of "*Noi Ha'ir*"—the right of the community to insure neighborhood aesthetic qualities. When asked if this principle is only applicable in Israel, he agreed but commented, rather puzzled, "Isn't that, where we live?"

## More Tenure: This Time Students Benefit

Yeshiva University has announced that it will now award tenure to students. When asked to quote on the matter, a top YU official replied, "Well, we have to give it to someone." Through these lifetime appointments, the Administration hopes to upgrade the quality of education.

"Larger classes are educationally sound," noted Dean N. Rosefield. When courses started to be cancelled for lack of enrollment "a determination of need was made based on the requirements of departmental programs."

What the courses needed, the administration study concluded, was more students.

"We first got the idea of tenuring students when we saw the attitude of the faculty. They'd do anything for tenure, exist on 'bottom of the barrel' wages, even put up with Egg-on and J.R., dean of JS. We hoped students would feel the same way."

"Besides," noted Selldown Solow, "the kids will do it cheap." The tenure will be awarded to all

Yeshiva University students who remain undergraduates for eight years or more.

## Force-Feed: Meal Plan Explained

Dean S. Klein announced today the details of the new CORE (Capability Oriented Restricted Eating) program, which will apply to sophomores, freshmen and all future freshmen classes. The details are the following:

For at least 6 semesters:

**DINNER:**

Students on beginner's level must have 2 vegetables, a protein, and a starch.

Students on Lower and Upper Intermediate levels may opt for salad or soup instead of one vegetable.

Students on Advance level may have any combination provided

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## KREAP Encourages Youngsters To Pursue College Careers

In a move to attract more students to SCW, the Admissions Office announced yesterday the establishment of a new type of early admissions program. The program, KREAP (Kindergarteners Receiving an Early Admission Push), would involve Jewish students from area kindergartens who had shown special maturity during the nursery school year.

The youngsters will have special programs with upper classmen at Stern to provide the dual benefit of early recruitment for the tots and early motherhood training for the SCW women in keeping with the YU ideal of *Torah U'Mama*.

Director of Admission, Mr.



KREAP students walking with their teacher to school—exposing them young to insure future enrollment.

Painthe Glasser, explained the program this way: "If you get kids used to Stern early enough maybe they'll come."

He noted that the initial investment of equipment to outfit the KREAP's special laboratories will be high, but he believes the

University will recoup the loss. "Yes, I know toys are expensive these days. G-d knows I spend enough on Chanukah. Yet, within twenty years I am optimistic that the University will still be around to REAP the benefits. Remember, we can't always be shortsighted about financial crises."

## YU Money Goes Down The Drain

In an emergency meeting by YU trustees late last Thursday night, the Administration was taken to task for its practice of supplying all of Stern's dorm rooms with toilet paper. This practice, the trustees claim, ruins the school's desired impression of bankruptcy need to finish its Century Campaign.

Rabbi Swiller was quite insulted over this. "We had to go to a lot of conventions to get those roles," he remarked. The school was planning on instituting another policy of providing all incoming freshmen with towels, ashtrays and Gideon Bibles. One unidentified administrator with a goatee asserted, "If Stern women are mature enough to buy their own food and clothing, they can certainly buy their own you-know-what paper."

## Everyone Pitches in to Get YU out of Debt



Responding to the Administration's plea to alumni to help meet the university's \$35 million payment, dentists who are alumni of the institution called back their patients to retrieve any gold in their mouths. This MTA student didn't like the idea, but complied anyway.



Even New York's homeless hearkened to the appeal and donated what they could to the institution.

# Absurder Op-Ed Exclusive: Litella on Issues

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### New Award

In an effort to raise money for YU's sports programs, the administration has come up with a new award: Athletic Supporter of the Year. This will go to the donor who contributes the most money to any one of YU's sports teams.

The Stern Absurder was successful in obtaining an exclusive interview with the famous but currently unemployed Emily Litella, Editorial Consultant for Saturday Nite Live. The following is a transcript of that interview (please read with proper intonation).

**Abs: What do you think about the co-ed Chagigah?**

**EL:** That's a good question, and brings to mind the social scene in general. Speaking of which, what's all this I hear about *tashlich* dating? Why, there's not even a body of water at the top of the Empire State Building, let alone at JFK Airport, and I ask you, where are they supposed to throw the crumbs?

**Abs: Yes . . . well, uh . . . Miss Litella, the students here are pretty active as far as lobbying. What did you think of the last lobby trip?**

**EL:** Well, I don't see what all the fuss is about—if I had a date, I'd come pick her up, too!

**Abs: No, no, Miss Litella, that's to Washington—**

**EL:** Oh. Personally, I don't know what this fuss is about selling AJAX to Saudi Arabia. I think it's commendable that those heathen women want to keep their caravans clean—especially with all the sand that gets inside. Besides, it will be a good boost for the economy, now that Soft Scrub is so popular . . .

**Abs: Ah, yes . . . Ajax . . . uh, on to the subject of food—what do you think about the new meal plan?**

**EL:** Good question. Let me just get one thing off my chest—what's all this I hear about serving lean bacon? First of all, there are so many other dishes in the cafeteria already, and secondly, it's definitely improper for a Jewish institution to serve such things—they couldn't think of something else to make, like—

**Abs: W-wait . . . Miss Litella, I think you mean Dean Ba—**

**EL:** I don't care what brand it is! I'm indignant that the university can condone such things—

**Abs: Well, Miss Litella, I guess it just depends on your hashkafa—**

**EL:** And speaking of *hashkafa*, what's this I hear about M&M's getting a *hashkafa*? Frankly, they're too *shachor* already, and besides, I wouldn't trust their *hashkafa* anyway, being influenced by all those children they hang around with . . .

**Abs: Yes, well . . . we're almost out of time, but I'd like**

to discuss your new book, entitled—

**EL:** That reminds me—what's all the fuss I hear about "titles" these days? Everyone has to have a title, and frankly, I think it's getting out of hand. This one is a "Dr." and that one is a "Rabbi." Why, even at Stern College there is someone you have there who insists on using *two* titles, "Rabbi-Cantor." If you ask me, Freddie Fogel should make up his mind! . . . What? . . . oh, never mind.

## Fifty Ways to . . .

(Sung to, "Fifty Ways to Leave Your Lover")

"It's such a simple thing," Paul Glasser said to me  
"They're only Stern Girls and they don't think logically  
Just give them mixers, they don't need Biology.  
There must be fifty ways to screw your students,

"Step back and try to see the forest for the trees.  
A captive audience you don't go far to please  
They go to Central, then you pick them up with ease  
There must be fifty ways to screw your students.  
Fifty ways to screw your students."

You just make them all wait, Kate,  
Say, "pay your bill, Jill"  
Fret that they pester, Esther,  
And go out to lunch.

Then cut off their dough, Jo  
There's nothing they need to know  
It's mediocrity, Lee  
Forget the whole bunch.

He said, "Yeshiva U. has problems of its own, so what if Stern College for Women's nothing more than skin and bone." I said, "that's fine to say, but won't we hear a groan Against the fifty ways?"

He said, "sometimes we find a student picking fights  
And then we all call a meeting and put everything to rights  
But this office tells more stories than the A-rabian Nights  
There must be fifty ways to screw your students.  
Fifty ways to screw your students.

(rpt. chorus)

## Letters

### Shocking Activities

Dear Editor,

I was aghast to learn, as an incoming freshman, of the excessive amount of inappropriate and unlawful activities taking place at Stern College. My parents sent me here not only for a Jewish education, but also for a Jewish atmosphere. The activities that I have seen taking place in this very school hardly behoove a Jewish institution.

It is one thing when people clearly disregard laws that were intended for their benefit and risk severe damage to themselves, but no one else is hurt. It is quite another thing when they do it unabashedly in front of other, naive, sheltered students (who wish to remain that way).

I know there are guards on duty, but they are apparently ineffective; the number of students who disregard the school's and moral codes seem to increase daily. Elevators have more than one enabled culprits to smuggle assorted varieties to their rooms.

Plans have been discussed of more serious regulation of the situation. I urge you that these plans be instituted right away. This must be done to maintain the qualities and distinctions that make Yeshiva University different from every other university in the world. Offenders should be prosecuted to

the fullest extent of the American law and Halakah!

I am sure that there are still some students with high moral values who nod their heads as they read this and agree that the problem I am discussing, *illicit toaster ovens*, is the most serious problem facing Yeshiva University today and must be resolved immediately. One lone figure of the whole Yeshiva administration has undertaken the herculean task of wiping out this mass violation of the law. I am one thousand percent behind Colonel Marmorstein's crusade against toaster ovens and urge all other students with a conscience to do the same.

Terry Tanurah  
SCW class of '84

## Mrs. Retch Threatens to Resign, #23

Mrs. Retch of the Office of the Registrar once again threatened to retire from her positions as head registrar at SCW, only registrar, coordinator of senior checks, junior checks, coat checks, and senior refunds, coordinator of registration, coordinator of late registration during intersession . . .

When asked if she had any statements to make, Mrs. Retch replied, "Can't you see I'm helping another student? I will only talk to you when your number is called. Kindly wait your turn. And after the next two girls I'm taking my lunch break!"



"YU? Sure, I know the place. Graduated from there just last year—damned requirements."

Op-Ed

## Why I Only Read Art Scroll, Shimon Eider, Tsnenah Ur'edah etc.

What is the purpose of Women in this world? She faces a synthesized, yet symbiotized (not to be confused with amniocentesis) oneness yet duality, within herself and within her relationship to *H-sh-m*.

Eliyahu MiTov, who has *ruach hakodesh*, has stated that women have had Jacqueline wigs since *matan torah*. After all, if they were *frum* then, how could they not have worn them? (Proof that *Moshe Rabbeinu* wore a *sriemel*—*Derech Hakrum*, chapter 40).

After all, we learn from our Sages "Who is cursed? She who lacks a child younger than at least one of her grandchildren" (*Pri HaBeiten* 28:9).

Of course, the Woman who is able to overcome the challenges that

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## Personals

**WANTED:** One librarian for SCW library. Applicant must have shrill voice and ability to slam drawers loudly. She must satisfactorily exhibit the essential librarian's "Shhhhh" but must be able to speak loudly enough for her fellow librarians to hear her over the din of the students. Above all, a sense of humor will decrease chances of acceptance. Those interested

should practice losing reserve books behind the counter before they apply.

**LOST:** One history professor; one political science professor; one biology professor. All answer to the call of "Doctor." Please respond soon if you have knowledge of their whereabouts. Student body is getting restless . . .

In an effort to make the dorm safer, new regulations will go into effect next semester regarding fire hazards. Flammable items such as clothes, linens and books will not be permitted in the rooms. No posters may be hung on the walls unless fireproofed.

# Helpful Hints on Life



We are all aware of Miss Piggy's rise to fame and notoriety this year in the media. She has starred in movies and television shows and written books of advice. Though she has many relevant and insightful things to say, we at Stern feel that it just isn't kosher to take advice from a pig. Therefore, we bring to you instead excerpts from our very own kosher ham, Miss Corned Beef on Rye's, latest book, I'm Okay—Don't You Think So Too?, with advice on dorm life.

## STUDYING

Do as little as possible. Thinking gives one wrinkles.

## NOISY PEDESTRIANS

If you live on a low floor and find that the noise on Thursday nights is driving *toi* out of *toi's* mind, simply take a piece of Miss Corned Beef on Rye's advice (hold the mayo, of course): Take a teensy industrial garbage can, and drop it out the window, making an appropriately ladylike comment, such as, "Oh, my, aren't I a butterfingers today?" It's been Miss Corned Beef on Rye's experience that people always take the hint when one is ladylike. Filling up the can with old tuna sandwiches before dropping has also been known to help. Remember, though, subtlety is everything.

## MAKING DINNER

If you are, you're doing something wrong. If one finds herself in this abhorrent situation, she should find an area with the highest possible concentration of PDC's (Potential Dinner Companions) and make some genteel observations in a voice loud enough to be heard over the hubbub, such as "Moi is so hungry moi could

probably eat a horse!" or "My, if I don't eat something soon, I think I'll have to faint in my genuine fuchsia Dior dress, with matching shoes and handbag." If your prospective procurer still does not understand your subtle hints, simply pick the cutest one of the bunch and drag him out. After all, why should he have to miss out on your sparkling wit and personality just because he's dim-witted? Anyway, he'll probably thank you for getting him out of that congested, stuffy place, wherever that might be, and into your favorite restaurant, and besides, you're certainly much better company than the equally dim-witted girl he was planning on taking out. **IMPORTANT:** Always be sure to order the most expensive item on the menu. You wouldn't want to insult your date by implying that you didn't think he could afford it.

## PARTIES

The more the better. And remember, never wait for an invitation. Hostesses just love people like *moi* and *toi* to liven up their parties with our sparkling wit. When the conversation becomes *continued on p. 4 col. 1*

# Dorm Almost in Flames, Quick Thinking Saves Floor

Stern College's dorm almost went up in flames yesterday when a student tried blowdrying her hair, cooking and watching television on the same extension cord.

The student, who shall remain nameless since we all know who she is anyway, was eager to tell what had happened. She was engaged in the previously mentioned activities when the phone rang and she became engrossed in a conversation with her Thursday night regular. Suddenly as she glanced in the mirror to fix her hair she saw smoke rising from the socket. She asked her boyfriend to hold on and ran down to get help from her faithful dorm parent Mrs. Righteous. When she reached the office door she was horrified to remember that it was not a Monday with a Tuesday schedule and therefore the office would not be open. She frantically ran next door to the apartment door and banged while yelling it was an emergency. She heard a muffled reply that reminded her that dorm parents are not to be disturbed when it is not office hours but if she would leave her name, emergency and dorm number at the sound of the beep they would be glad to return her message.

The student was now near panic and knew not how her feet carried her to the stairs and down to the guard who was engrossed in the bestseller "Fifty Ways to Look Useful." After hearing about what happened the guard checked which action was proper in his handbook and then called the fire department



New York firefighters about to axe their way into the dorm.

and rang the alarm which all of Stern properly ignored.

The firemen quickly arrived and set about to axe their way to the fire when they were stopped by a perturbed Mrs. Meager who reminded them that this was a girls dorm and men were forbidden upstairs. After a quick discussion a decision was made to call in all firewomen available in the area.

When the three ladies arrived

they hesitated only once before pushing the elevator button and forging ahead to face danger. They arrived at the room of the fire to find that the girl's stock of Entenmann's cakes had managed to smother the fire before any damage could be done. The only casualties were a box of chocolate donuts which was quickly replaced by concerned roommates that evening and an angry boyfriend, who was also soon replaced.

# Male Student Enrolls, Up-Down Relations

In an across-the-board decision by the Administration the first male student has been accepted to Stern.

The student, who has a Ph.D. in elevator repairs, offered Stern the option of paying his bills through tuition. Due to the rising amount and cost of repairs to the elevators in the dorm and school buildings, it was decided to accept this proposal.

The repairman, who wishes to remain anonymous so as to be sure of fair treatment from students and faculty, expressed his optimism. He feels he will be easily accepted by the students and blend in without any problems. An important factor in his optimism is student's failure to comply with the dress code and the new-wave look in short hair. He did express regret on pressure to shave his mustache.

Although other students show mixed feelings about the new policy, administrators followed

previous precedents and didn't ask for student approval. The reasoning behind this was that students are too close to the actual situation to make a rational decision, and the Administration feared sex discrimination by an all-female student body.

Many students expressed surprise at the change in policy but feel not having to walk the stairs is adequate compensation. Faculty also applauded the decision since it will reduce stuck elevators and allow students to arrive to class on time.

Tired of waiting for the elevator to get to the 20th floor? You have an alternative! Herr Owen Helicopter Service will shoot you up to your room in seconds. You can fly for only \$100\* shot. See your floor chairman for details. Copies of Tefilar HaDerekh will be available.

## Movie Review



by Lois Cook

Relaxing in the theatre at the premier of the new movie "MEDS" is as difficult as studying for the boards. Based upon the life of the late pre-med student Jack Rabinowitz, the 31½ hour drama unfolds slowly if spectacularly. Scenes of student life include streams of never ending guests to Jack's dorm room, hours of frustrating studying, and spectacular footage of Jack's interviews at medical schools across the country. Interspersed among these scenes are witnesses—students, colleagues and professors—who propose to tell us the *real* story of Jack's rise to glory as a pre-med. One particularly clear-sighted crony of Jack's remarks, "there was as much flunking going on then as now, only in these modern times it's lost its romantic appeal."

For those moviegoers interested in love stories, there is the story of

Jack and Leah Berkowitz's tempestuous relationship. Leah broke off with her steady boyfriend to study for the boards with Jack. And for those interested in travel, the scenes of interviews at Stanford, Harvard, Tulane and other schools provide much color.

Some critics found the movie

lengthy. I did not. What's 31½ hours compared to a lifetime of struggling for an ideal? Jack's fight to make those around him understand the importance of being accepted to med school will not be forgotten. The intellectual truly lives on in today's pre-meds.

NEXT ISSUE: "Making Loans"

## Bulletin Board

- A joint project on the part of the physics and chemistry departments has invented a new product to be tested in the dorm and then put on the market. The Sonic Alarm System requires no wires, batteries or expensive tape. One unit covers an entire floor. If any male over the age of 12 sets foot on a floor, bells will ring and lights will flash. (This will give the girls warning to put on their makeup fast). A parallel test will be run on the 6th floor of Rubin Hall.
- Phi Beta Kappa accepts Stern College!

As of Fall 1983 SCW students with high GPA's and extracurricular activities may finally be nominated for entrance into the elect group. The only other requirement is that students also attend another undergraduate school for at least four years or take 128 credits elsewhere.

•In an effort to economize, the administration has decided to merge Stern College and Yeshiva College. Dorms and Classes will be co-ed. However, the Chanukah Chagiga will still be separate.

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# EMC Strikes Back: Kisuei Rosh for Men



## Miss Corned Beef on Rye

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too draggy, I've found that telling jokes takes too long, so I just dazzle them with my wittiest punch lines. Some of the biggest crowd-pleasers are "please," "so I bit him," and, of course, that classic, "Really? My mother smokes red herrings!" Miss C.B. found this one especially successful at the teamsters' convention she crashed last month.

### ON A FIRST DATE

*Mot* has been on many of those; too many, *shoi* is beginning to think. At any rate, she has culled a great deal of experience on the subject, and is willing to graciously share them here with her gentle readers. First of all, the don'ts. Don't: 1) order lefalef, 2) discuss your old boyfriend's taste in ties, 3) ask the waiter for his phone number.

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**Chumra-of-the-month:**  
For years EMC has been derided as the branch of YU whose favorite phrase was "Matr Asurim." No more! EMC strikes back with this month's *chumra*—*Kisuei Rosh* for men. Shown at right is the new Napoleonic look, which manages to be both highly fashionable yet let's even less than a *tefach* peek through. Below is a more classic, English style, designed especially for the more conservative businessman.



## Meal Plan, New Majors Instituted

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that total calorie intake is less than 2500. (Students who learned in Israel for a year may request special arrangements for extra low calorie diets.)

### LUNCH:

May consist of a yogurt bar, Chipwich or tuna sandwich. Science majors are required to have broccoli souffle unless they fill out Form 23.1265 requesting a waiver.

The dean also announced that two new majors will be available. A rigorous course of study can lead to a B.S. in M\*A\*S\*H or General Hospital. Students will be screened carefully and there will be a required GRE (Gibberish Recollection Exam). Registrar Marmorstein thinks this will attract many new students and said, "Since TVs are the only electrical appliances permitted in the dorm, girls will have no trouble doing their homework."



The other breakaway Purim Chagiga.

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## Is that chutzpah?

Before you answer that question, there are a few things you ought to know about us.

Our records are impressive. Just ask the Chief of Police Precinct 23. Of all our mugging victims who didn't pay up, we enjoyed an astounding 82% acceptance rate to the state's best hospitals. Of those, 65% made it to critical care. In fact, in the past year alone, we've scored an amazing mortality rate of 660 out of a possible 800.

And now a word about our fists. They're hard. Only in Washington Heights will you find gang leaders that have graduated from the distinguished institutions of Leavenworth, Alcatraz, and Attica, and the only female champion Sumi wrestler in the United States.

On our campus, you'll hear ongoing struggles for survival. You'll find special seminars on subjects ranging from "Batteries in Buicks" to "Origami with Coat Hangers." And you'll be able to visit a gem of an opium den devoted entirely to the ancient and contemporary goal of getting bombed out of your skull.

So now we ask you. Is it chutzpah to ask you for all your money or threaten to stab your guts out with a kitchen knife?

We thought you'd think not. The Muggers Association Penitentiary Campaign. Please give as much as you can. We don't have chutzpah, we just have loaded guns.

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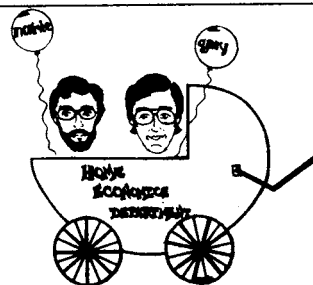
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