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## DR. LITMAN OPENS STUDENT FORUMS ON MAIMONIDES

### Rambam Redeems Man, Keynote of Lecture To Student Body

Before a group of over one hundred enthusiastic students gathered in the dormitory Social Hall last Wednesday night, Dr. Alexander Litman, of the department of philosophy at Yeshiva College, delivered the first of a series of lectures sponsored by the Student Council in commemoration of the eight hundredth anniversary of the birth of Maimonides.

Dr. Litman, who has made an extensive study of Maimonides, chose as his topic, "Maimonides: The Redeemer of Man."

The large assemblage was called to order by David W. Petegorsky, president of the Student Council. Petegorsky, in his opening remarks, pointed out that the lecture marked the first attempt by any group in the institution to honor the memory of the Rambam.

introducing Dr. Litman, Petegorsky declared, "It is but fitting that the opening lecture of this student series should be delivered by that scholar who during the past year has been the

## JOINT GRADUATION WITNESSED BY 1500; MANY NOTABLES ATTEND

### Three Valedictory Speeches Feature Exercises

Before an assemblage of over fifteen hundred people gathered in the Yeshiva Auditorium, the Yeshiva and Teachers' Institute held joint graduation exercises on Tuesday, March 26th. Thirty-seven students received their rabbinical degree from the Yeshiva, and twelve students were awarded their Hebrew Teacher's Certificate from the Teachers' Institute.

The ordination ceremony began with a procession of many distinguished rabbis, faculty members of both departments, the graduates, and members of the Board of Directors, who proceeded down the aisle to the accompaniment of the Yeshiva Choral Society, a group of 37 voices under the direction of Dr. Aharony, eminent Jewish musician and composer.

### Delivers Invocation

Rabbi Levinthal of Philadelphia, delivered the invocation, and was followed by Rabbi Moses Soloveitchek, Rosh Hayeshiva, who urged the graduates to continue their studies, the field of Jewish knowledge being limitless.

Dr. Revel, Rosh Hayeshiva and president of the faculty of Yeshiva College, stressed the

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## STUDENTS MUST WEIGH FORCES MOVING WORLD, SAYS URSULA HUBBARD

### Addresses the International Relations Meeting

Terminating the pre-Passover series of lectures of the International Relations Club, Miss Ursula P. Hubbard addressed the members of the club on the work of the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace, on Monday, April 1. Miss Hubbard is in charge of International Relations clubs at the Division of Intercourse and Education of the Carnegie Endowment.

After an extensive survey of the general work of the Endowment, and its relationship to such other peace organizations as the World Peace Foundation, the League of Nations Association, and the Foreign Policy Association, Miss Hubbard turned to the work of the 537 International Relations clubs in this country with which she is directly connected.

### To Train Students

"To train the students' perception to weigh justly and wisely the true significance of the social, economic and political forces moving the world today—this is the important task of the International Relations clubs," declared Miss Hubbard. "The aim is not to convince club members of any one point of view regarding the problems facing the world today, but rather to give them a background of facts which will enable them to read

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## MAIMONIDES LECTURES TO BE LAUNCHED SOON

### DORM IN UPROAR AS SNAKE HISSES

### STALKS FLOOR

By EMIL GHEE,  
Zoological Editor

What looked very much like an advanced case of delirium tremens, visited Riets Hall, otherwise the Yeshiva dorm, in the guise of a monster green-eyed serpent of unidentified variety last week.

Principals in the occurrence are somewhat hazy with regard to details, but it is an unquestioned fact that a member of the Order Reptilia did stalk the third floor 3 o'clock in the morning. Estimates of the size of the nocturnal visitor vary from six inches to three feet, according to the relative imaginative scopes of the observers, but there can be no question about the amount of noise made by the unfortunate in whose room the slithering snake chose to make its "umble abode". Although he shall be mercifully nameless, in reportorial zeal it is impossible to overlook the fact that his agonized cries resonated the whole floor.

And after the disturbance they all insisted that nobody had touched a drop . . . ts k ts k . . .

### Outstanding Scholars Will Speak Before The Student Body

A series of public lectures at Yeshiva College by eminent scholars in honor of the Maimonides Octocentennial definitely will be given and will begin immediately after Passover. This was revealed to David W. Petegorsky, '35 president of Student Council, during an interview with Dr. Revel, president of the faculty, on Friday, April 5.

The decision marks the successful culmination of a struggle by The Commentator to have Yeshiva College resume its plans for participation in the world wide Maimonides anniversary celebration, which had been suspended because of the opposition expressed in certain influential Orthodox circles.

### Schedule Indefinite

Although the complete schedule of dates has not been arranged definitely, opening lectures will be given on Monday, April 15, and following Monday, April 22, by Professor Harry Wolfson, Harvard University. Professor Wolfson is an outstanding authority on medieval philosophy and the author of "Spinoza

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## TEAM CHECKS FORWARD AFTER YEAR OF CORRESPONDENCE

One of the most peculiar in the annals of interstate chess, the Yeshiva team defeated Harvard in a correspondence match, which began in June, 1934, continued throughout the summer and was terminated only last week. The final score was

most interesting match was the two-way tie between Polachek and Logan, which was completed by the return from Spain vacationers were during summer.

decisive move of the game was when Hickmanned to move pawn twelve moves, when his did not permit castling extreme danger. S. G. continued

## S. O. Y. By Overwhelming Vote Announces Definite Declining Yeshiva Spirit

In one of the largest turnouts for an S. O. Y. election in recent years, M. Finer emerged victor in an exciting three-cornered battle for the spring term presidency of the organization. Climaxing two days of intensive campaigning by all candidates, Finer polled a tremendous vote and overwhelmed his two opponents, D. Hollander and A. Rosenbaum, by a 3 to 1 plurality.

The successful candidates for the other offices were: Max Bernstein, Vice-President; A. Polachek, Secretary; M. Elephant, Gabbai; Asher Block, Editor-in-Chief of Hedenu; N. Taragin, Dining Room Manager.

Although M. Finer had been expected to win, his final vote came as a complete surprise even to his own supporters who had not ventured to prophecy such a large count in their most optimistic moments.

His success was due in a large part to the memorable Purim Banquet held recently of which he was chairman. The affair not only boasted of an imposing array of talent, but turned out to be the first really successful S. O. Y. banquet in years.

### Warns Students

In an interview following the election, Finer warned the student body not to expect too much for the spring session. "Since this term is short," he said, "all we will attempt to accomplish will be merely to indicate the direction along which the activities of the S. O. Y. will be expanded."

When asked as to his more important plans for the consideration of the S. O. Y. Council this term, Finer emphasized that an attempt would be made to organize the courses in Yeshiva in

a definite curriculum. For he announced, a definite curriculum will be appointed at the next Council Meeting.

The definite problem of this committee will involve a possible change in the hour schedules of the Talmud and Hebrew classes and ways and means of establishing a regular system of promotion to take the place of the present unorganized method.

Another task the S. O. Y. will attempt to accomplish, Finer suggested, will consist of agitation to the administration for the institution of definite requirements for each Talmud class.

"For only by the institution of a definite curriculum and system will the Yeshiva reach that position in the institution that is rightfully deserved," Finer

stated.

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## Team Dedicated to Yeshiva's Future

The second issue of the S.O.Y. student journal, Hedenu, since the inception of new policies, was published last week, under the editorship of Asher Block. Dedicated to the Yeshiva graduates, its publication coincided with the Spring exercises of March 26.

Among the more outstanding contributors to the quarterly are Rabbi Leo Jung, Jacob and Dr. Solomon Fine.

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## Yeshiva-ize The College

With the graduation this June of the last of its pioneers, Yeshiva College emerges from its pioneering stage. It has become an accepted, well-established institution. We feel that it is therefore time for the College to take stock of itself, to consider the effect of the wear and tear of its early years on the aims and purposes for which it was established.

In the stress and strain of its efforts to maintain itself financially during the trying period of economic depression, Yeshiva College, we believe, has lost sight of some of its fundamental ideals. Today, with the College in a more favorable financial condition than it has been since its inception, it is appropriate that we pause to turn from the material to a consideration of the ideal.

A bird's-eye glance at the College and curriculum renders apparent the fact that the Jewish aspect of the College has buffeted considerably during these years. It is, in fact, struggling for "a place in the sun", or to be exact, for "a place on the curriculum" of the college. Yeshiva College was founded to effect a synthesis between religious and secular knowledge, to fuse Jewish learning and world culture into an integrated view of life and its problems.

"Yeshiva College aims at the transmission of the values of Judaism and nature, fused and fused with the knowledge of the other currents of creative life, for the enrichment of the Jewish community and for the advancement of America." (Dr. B. Revel, Jewish Daily Bulletin, Feb. 21, 1934.)

It would follow logically from these ideals that the study of Jewish literature and culture should be accorded the elements of courtesy and respect which are the principles of the college. Is it not the mission of a college to provide a medium for the integration of Jewish learning with secular knowledge so few courses in Judaism and Jewish studies are offered the student body? Courses in Jewish History, Jewish Literature, Jewish Philosophy, Zionism, modern Jewish social problems,—studies that should form the very basis of its program—are conspicuous on the curriculum of the College by their absence. Yeshiva College, we understand, "seeks to apply the millennial wisdom of Israel to the perplexities of modern life." (Dr. B. Revel, W.J.Z. March 28, 1934.) It is this task to reconcile the old with the new, to find a medium for the application of the wisdom of the past to modern social and

With the exception of the course in Jewish Ethics, the few classes conducted in the field of Jewish studies are either conducted in a haphazard manner or are not required of college students. The weakness of the Hebrew Department of the Yeshiva is proverbial. Its lack of proper organization and systematic planning render its value to the school a negligible one. In its present form it offers little toward a solution of the problem existing in the College.

One paradox has always puzzled us. No student can be graduated from Yeshiva College unless he has completed two years of courses in French, Latin or German. Courses in history, English Literature and Composition, philosophy, etc., are requisite for a degree. Nevertheless, it is possible for a student to graduate from YESHIVA College—and numerous cases of this can be adduced—without having completed more than an elementary study of the Hebrew language, without having to his credit more than a term of Jewish History and being abysmally ignorant of Jewish Literature and Jewish Philosophy. If Yeshiva College is to achieve its goal, that of creating a real synthesis in its students, it must obviously consider the Jewish aspect much more seriously than it has done in the past.

Several methods of coping with the problem suggest themselves to us. More courses in the Jewish studies we have mentioned must be added to the curriculum. We are aware of the difficulties involved in securing competent men to conduct these courses. Nevertheless, we feel that greater efforts than are being made at present can achieve some measure of success. At least, we have a right to expect that every attempt at expansion will be made in this direction.

The Hebrew Department of the Yeshiva should be incorporated into the college. These courses should be conducted under competent, understanding college administration and during college hours. Jewish studies should be made requisite in every year of college attendance. A specific number of credits in Jewish studies should be required for graduation from college. It would be advantageous for example to incorporate the studies in Jewish history into the History Department of the College, those in Hebrew and Jewish literature into the Language Department and so forth. Above all, a planned and well-organized program of Jewish studies must be formulated lest the College defeat its very purpose.

We are prompted to these suggestions by a feeling of responsibility for the furtherance of the College and its ideal. Our earnest hope is that they will be taken to heart by the Administration and acted upon accordingly. We trust that the immediate future will witness the formulation of a program more in consonance than the present one with the principles of Yeshiva College.

## The Peace Strike

Unfortunately, the fact that no classes are scheduled in Yeshiva College the morning of April 12 — the date dedicated to the nation-wide student peace demonstration — renders it impossible for us to manifest a concrete, visible protest against the insidious forces fomenting war and Fascism in this country.

We wish to take this opportunity of expressing editorially our direct and unmitigated condemnation of war and the fomentors of war. The student body of Yeshiva College places itself firmly and

tions dedicated to the preservation of peace. The various student groups deserve highest praise for their initiative in organizing the peace demonstration. Yeshiva College considers itself in the ranks of the marchers.

## Food Without Profit

During the past four years few problems have proved as ubiquitous and as vexatious as that presented by the dining-room situation. Periodic revelations of the deplorable conditions that have prevailed in the dining-room and the subsequent camouflaged negotiations and compromises have become an accepted feature of the school year. Most pronounced, however, is the fact that student protest has proved lamentably ineffective in remedying conditions in this department. It is no secret that our "bloodless revolution" of last month was a glorious failure. True, one of our demands has been met. Our complaints, however, regarding the treatment of labor and the quality of the food have not been satisfied.

We do not wish to open this matter anew. It is merely our purpose to point to a few lessons that can be gleaned from our bitter experiences of the past.

We are firmly convinced that as long as the dining-room is operated on a profit basis we can hope for no amelioration of conditions. The tendencies to raise prices to the highest possible level, to purchase food of the cheapest quality that can be served with impunity, and to maintain service and cleanliness of the lowest standard are inherent in any venture conducted for profit rather than for service. Complete reorganization of the system under which it is being operated is absolutely essential if the dining-room is to be established on a sound and satisfactory basis.

We recommend to the Women's Organization of the Yeshiva that arrangements be made for the establishment of the dining-room next term on a non-profit basis. Competent management for the dining-room can be secured without difficulty. The Commentator has learned from those qualified to speak with authority that food of a superior quality can be supplied to the student body at much lower prices and under better conditions than those which obtain at present. Particularly in an institution with such a large student body, the introduction of a non-profit dining-room would be a most desirable feature.

## Congratulations

We note with pleasure that the Administration has heeded the demands of the student body and is inaugurating its series of lectures on Maimonides immediately after the Passover vacation. The authorities are to be congratulated for their courage in thus asserting themselves against the protest of those who exercise such a restraining influence in American Jewish life today.

The enthusiastic reception accorded Dr. Litman in his address on Maimonides before the Student Forum augurs well for the success of the series of lectures being sponsored by the Administration.

The editors wish to announce that the interview with Sholom Asch, which appeared in the last issue of The Commentator, was not written by William Kaufman, as published, but by Benjamin Kaufman.

## IN THE EDITOR'S MAIL BOX

To the Editor of The Commentator:  
Dear Sir:

When the Commentator was still a dream not so long ago, one of the main arguments advanced in favor of its establishment was the belief that only through its columns could frank student opinion be expressed on the institution in general, and the administration in particular.

Thus far, two issues of the Commentator have appeared and the sum total of all their "fiery" editorials, has been some mild and evasive opinions on general questions. The fact that the editors "dared" to suggest something concerning the Rambam affair to the administration, I fully appreciate, but the risk involved fails to thrill me, frankly.

What is about to follow is not being written with much hope of being printed, for to express the real student opinion would probably be asking too much. I have a faint and lingering confidence in the promises of the Governing Board, which prompts me to make this last attempt.

Of all the topics that could be chosen, I have selected the college administration, for it is in that direction that the most flagrant student complaints are leveled. The unsympathetic attitude taken by the college office towards many individual student problems has long been a sore spot. Twice during this academic year did this unwarranted intolerance manifest itself when two classes asked that their hours be changed for many legitimate reasons. Instead of attempting to work out a satisfactory solution, the first reaction of the college office was that of taking advantage of its superior position by giving out such unfair alternatives as "either take the course or leave it!" As the office didn't realize the impossibility and unfairness of the latter! Eventually each case was settled but only after unnecessary worry and stress on the part of the students and a corresponding strain of relations with and loss of respect for the office.

The same attitude has been evidenced on previous occasions. It is a matter of policy to handle rather than to solve. It is a matter of fact that the college office realized that students—and faculty members and the office staff too—should be accorded the elements of courtesy and respect such as is being pursued to a highly inimical to the principles on which Yeshiva College is founded.

The Commentator as the official voice of student opinion should shoulder the responsibility in taking the lead to the college of this wholly un-Jewish attitude before it becomes too deeply entrenched in the institution.

Dizzy E. Dean, St. Louis

## SPIRIT

The pulse and I, of the throbbing heart  
That leaps from the heart of the earth  
Wherever I go—I banish the night  
If I breathe on the desert  
Behold, the roses grow  
At my presence  
There's an end to the night  
The hope of the world  
The love that  
The hope of the world  
The love that

ON THE SIDELINES  
By BILL KAUFMAN

ARONOFF TO HEAD  
VARSITY QUINTE

Do you want to know  
why folks like 'em

You don't have to climb  
a flagpole as high as Jack's  
beanstalk to find out —

Just walk into any one of  
the 769,340 places in this  
country where cigarettes  
are sold and say—

They Satisfy



It is estimated that there are this day  
769,340 places in this country where  
Chesterfields are on sale all the time.

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At a meeting of the basketball team, held on April 3, Hyman Aronoff was unanimously elected captain for the season of 1935-36. Aronoff, a junior, has been a member of the squad ever since his Freshman days and has gained a reputation as one of the most consistent and all-around players that has ever graced the institution.

In addition to playing forward for the Blue and White, Hy was also the mainstay of the well-known Habonim club of Jersey City, being high scorer in his league.

He also served as captain of the squad during the 1933-34 season, which proved to be one of the most successful ever witnessed at Yeshiva. It is believed that Aronoff will continue the fine work begun this year by the Yeshiva five, and will make next season a jubilee year for Yeshiva sports.

NEW SPORT ACTIVITIES  
WILL MARK SCHEDULE  
ANNOUNCED BY BOARD

The advent of spring was heralded by sports followers of the Yeshiva with a greater enthusiasm than usual, since a vast array of athletic fetes are scheduled for this season. The Athletic Board, headed by Elihu Kasten, '36, is paving the way for many new sporting events, including indoor baseball, swimming, tennis, and outdoor baseball.

Louis Muss, '36, director of intra-mural athletics, is planning to form an inter-class indoor baseball league, to be modeled after the very successful basketball competition, which was also conducted under his tutelage. All games are scheduled to take place on the Yeshiva athletic field.

Swimming Starts

Swimming, a sport as yet untried in the Yeshiva sector, will make its debut very soon and at the present writing, arrangements are being made to hold practice regularly in the swimming pool. It is rumored that the natatorium of one of the well-known Jewish recreational

Hail Maccabiad!  
Once again the tramp of marching feet was heard on the cold sands of the Holy Land, but this time they were directed to a theme of peace and universal brotherhood. The festive occasion was the second Maccabiad, the Jewish Olympic games, which took place in Tel Aviv, Israel. According to the reports, 1200 athletes from 27 countries officially participated in this important festival, and once again the land where Jewry was physically rejuvenated was indeed an inspiration to all Jewry. Yeshiva College to the East is again looking toward the East not as its spiritual homeland, but as the center of the Jewish exploits of the Hebrew nation.

... of events and the outstanding participation in the United States will provide inspiring and wholesome activities. These must not only give the faith of the Jew, but also arouse an interest in the rejuvenated spiritual and economic values which are life in the new Eretz.

The athletic events included boxing, tennis, basketball, fencing, track, field, and swimming events. The largest was that of Palestine, which consisted of 1000 members. Germany came next with the most and most representative contingent of all the nations.

... amidst all the gaiety and ringing, it is to be deplored that the invitation extended by the Maccabee Association to Revisionist Betar youth withdrawn, only to be retracted a day or so later. This is a simile of the case in Germany where the Jewish community is not permitted to participate in German sports with protest.

... withdrawal from the... and other foreign... Political and... should not... for such... things... are not... where... upon us. B... ticker...

Coach Philips Chooses  
Ranking Net Performers

At a recent practice drill held on Friday, April 5, at the Bennett Courts, Coach Ed Philips seeded out the five ranking players of the tennis squad. Included in the roster are Jerry Gordon, '36, Abe... '36, Lou...

match. The squad, therefore, is only tentative and is subject to change at all times. According to Mr. Philips, this "survival of the fittest" policy has been practiced successfully by many colleges in the past and should succeed in bringing forth the more experienced "racketeers" into active participation.

Yeshiva Beats Harvard  
In Year-Old Chess Match

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Coggan surrendered to A. Polachek after almost forty moves were played, being at a disadvantage of two pawns...

... Rosenman, '37, M. Zellman, '37, L. Solonch, '37, and S. Kornfeld, '37.

Coach Philips has requested The Commentator to announce that all students are still eligible for positions on the tennis squad. They may replace any member of the team by de...

... and sport clubs of the city for matches to be held immediately after the Passover holiday.

Get It, Boys???  
Waiter to... "Here... Ross, the... here!"

... and some excellent chess was played.

This is probably the first time that a match of this type was successfully conducted in intercollegiate circles.

TO DEFA

Despite its re... an obscure corn... floor, the conce... ports a healthy i... volume of busines... number of inquiri... interested students.

Established for de... economic reasons, to... interest in music and th... as well as to secure ad... to these presentations: ...stantial reductions, the E... is making notable advanc... both directions. A cons... able number of shows... concerts are currently on... boards, and additions are... ing made daily.

The activities of the Bureau are being expanded daily, and it is expected that cut rates to swimming pools and skating rinks will shortly be secured.

David Goldberg '35, and Irving Menach '37, have recently been added to the Bureau's staff... contact men.

JOINT GRADUATION WITNESSED BY 1500

(Continued from Page 1) importance of the Sabbath and religious training of the youth in the fundamental concepts of traditional Judaism.

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The banquet followed in the Yeshiva Dining Hall, Rabbi Joseph Konovitz, president of the Agudath Haraabonim, delivered the principal address... Rabbi Joseph... a graduate of the... served as toastmaster... Rabbi Irving Miller... the importance of the...

To Be Given In Honor

Facilities for those out-of-town students who cannot be with their families for Passover to attend Seder Services have been made available by the Women's Branch of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, the Commentator learned today.

The announcement that the members of this organization will have out-of-town students as their guests Wednesday and Thursday nights, April 17th and 18th, contained the request that interested students apply to Mrs. William Edelson, Chairman, Collegiate Committee of the Women's Branch at the Yeshiva College Building, not later than April 12th.

FINER ANNOUNCES PLANS NEW ADMINISTRATION

(Continued from Page 1) S. O. Y. will also dedicate its extra-curricular activities according to the newly elected president.

Special... will be initiated by the formation of a Hebrew club. The club will consist of lectures and reading. Its purpose will be to increase the knowledge of Hebrew in the Yeshiva department.

No Tin... announced... special time has yet been announced for the initial meeting of the new club. Finer hoped to have the plan under way immediately after Passover.

"All of which... states," said Finer in conclusion, "taking a final fling at the... of the... organization, 'that we can and will aspire to a goal than that of mere tutoring a stipend dispensing...'"

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yet been announced... president of the faculty of Yeshiva and Yeshiva College, the... will speak on Some Fundamental Aspects of Maimonides at the beginning of May. Dr. Soloveitchik of Boston, son of Rabbi Moses Soloveitchik, Kesh Hayes, will speak during the early part...

Miss Ursula Hubbard Addresses Relations Club

(Continued from Page 1) more accurately the international news to vote more intelligently, and to exert a wider influence in the communities in which we live.

Among other novel facts Miss Hubbard revealed that besides the 537 clubs in Continental United States there are clubs in 39 foreign countries including Palestine, Japan, Sumatra, Iraq, and Siam. Each of these clubs receives books, pamphlets and periodicals from the organization during the academic year.

Clubs in 34 States

In response to numerous questions as to the work of the Carnegie Endowment in spreading peace problems among non-college groups, Miss Hubbard pointed out that, to date, over 100 high school International Relations Clubs have been established in 34 states and Hawaii.

As a concluding remark, members of the club were urged to make use of the recently received books which include such volumes as: "Russia, Iron Age," by W. H. Chamberlain, "Problems of the New Cuba," and "Arms and Munitions," by J. H. Baccus.

DR. LITMAN OPENS STUDENT FORUMS

(Continued from Page 1) Yeshiva College has proved himself the most devoted and sincere friend of the student body.

"According to Maimonides," Dr. Litman declared, "man must have a nutritive basis, an economic basis, which means that man must not deny himself the basic requirements that sustain life." This, Dr. Litman pointed out, was violently opposed by the Mohammedan and Christian conceptions of the time which taught that man must escape as much as possible from the material world, and which as a result sanctioned the practice of monasticism and self-denial.

Man Social

Maimonides was pictured as maintaining that man, before he can approach the study of the spiritual power, must live with other men. It is only after man lives within society that he can approach the study of spirituality.

Only one who has adjusted himself economically and socially according to the... can approach the study of spirituality.

know the essence of G-d, for even Moses didn't know it. It is not necessary for man to lose himself in the divinity at the expense of his neighbor. Man must learn to love his neighbor before he learns to love G-d.

"Maimonides believed that man must not detach himself from this world. Man should take in the joys and sorrows of life first, and then he will have a fuller appreciation of G-d. Maimonides thus insists on the achievement of the golden mean in daily life. A well balanced human existence in this world must serve as a prerequisite for the study of divinity to which man aspires."

Summing up the philosophy of Maimonides, Dr. Litman declared that Maimonides endeavored to integrate man into a wholeness, and not the divided quality of good and evil that the typical "failure of nerve" schools of thought at that time endeavored to divide him. "The significance of Maimonides lies in the fact that he bolstered up man's faith in himself, and in the natural forces of the universe."

An open forum followed the lecture, lasting well over an hour.

The meeting was closed by the chairman, who thanked Dr. Litman on behalf of the students and expressed his hope that Dr. Litman would be present again in the near future to address the student body.

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