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Rabbi Frimer Named Dean of Stern; Dr. Vogel To Leave Year In Israel for Dr. Vogel Then Return Home to Teach Frimer to Learn, Then Do

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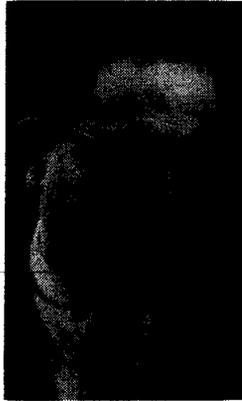
Leaving next year for Israel on a sabbatical, Dr. Dan Vogel, Dean of Stern College, will be working on a book dealing with the tragedies in American Literature. "I would like to define what outlines of influence and legacy have flowered into American tragedy from the literature of antiquity and of the continent, and to what extent American tragedy revives the classical definition of tragedy."

Having graduated Brooklyn College as an English major, Dr. Vogel received his Masters degree from Rutgers in American Literature and wrote his dissertation for N.Y.U. on selections by Herman Melville.

Dr. Vogel has taught at Rutgers, City College, and Ferkauf, and has published articles on authors including Melville, Hawthorne and Steinbeck. In another article he has developed the relationship between *Kohleth* and modern literature.

"It requires much trail-blazing . . . to create policies and traditions that, to a large extent, are absolutely new," commented Dr. Vogel, discussing the many challenges which he faced as Dean of Stern College.

One of the most serious responsibilities, he stated, is to maintain a faculty that has



Dr. Dan Vogel
Respect for our ideals

"respect for the ideals of Stern, is interested in the students, and is loyal to the institution."

When asked whether he considered the student body active or apathetic, Dr. Vogel observed that since the Second World War "the standards of student apathy have changed from campus issues to non-campus concerns."

The Stern girl, he noticed,

is now interested in spreading Torah among college students and is involved with the problems of Soviet Jewry.

Dr. Vogel stressed the constant goal for increased academic dedication, and mentioned that if there had been in the early years of Stern, "an overwhelming interest in marriage, it is less vociferous now." He pointed out that today a Stern girl gets as much congratulations for a fellowship as for a ring.

Dr. Vogel's future plans include a return to Stern as Professor of English and involvement at Ferkauf in a new humanities program.

Literary Symposium

The first of a series of three lectures sponsored by the English department will be held at SCW tonight. Sheldon Harnick, lyricist of such musicals as "Fiddler," "Fiorello," "Tenderloin," and co-author of "The Apple Tree" will discuss "The Anatomy of a Hit"—the conversion of literature into a musical for the Broadway stage.

"To Learn about Stern concretely," is one of Rabbi Norman Frimer's objectives when he becomes Dean of Stern College next semester. Rabbi Frimer, presently Metropolitan Region Director of Hillel plans first to learn the *ethos* of Stern before attempting any renovations.

A native of Canada, Rabbi Frimer has resided in New York for many years. During this time he studied at the Hebrew Theological College in Chicago where he was ordained.

He was awarded his D.H.I. from Yeshiva University and wrote his thesis on Medieval Polemics. He is presently working towards a doctorate at N.Y.U.

Rabbi Frimer comes to Stern College with almost twenty years of experience with the Hillel Foundation, a national Jewish College Students Organization. At present he is affiliated with Brooklyn College Hillel and those of the five New York City Colleges plus Rutgers, Princeton, Hofstra, and others. Before coming to New York he was also Hillel Director at the University of Minnesota.

In commenting on the religious atmosphere in the Jewish community in general and in Stern specifically, Rabbi Frimer believes that the instruments of formal educa-

tion, such as lectures, aid in conveying the atmosphere, but the spirit is achieved



Rabbi Norman Frimer
Ethos before renovations

mainly from individuals' personalities. Therefore, he feels that "Yiddishkeit could best be carried on through one to one relationships," where people come into actual contact with each other.

Rabbi Frimer served as a former vice-president of the Rabbinical Council of America and is currently a member of that organization and the New York Board of Rabbis. He also belongs to Hapoel Hamizrachi.

A family man, Rabbi Frimer has three sons aged 20, 16 and 12.

Board Soundings

Stern's Once And Future Deans

We are about to witness a change in administration. With Dr. Dan Vogel's resignation we will lose a man who recognized the rights of student voice and tried, whenever possible to encourage student participation in administrative decisions. It was not always possible and the dean was often severely criticized by those who felt wronged. Such criticisms were not uncommon in this publication. But the truth is that Dr. Vogel did make himself available to us for questions of an academic nature.

We look to Rabbi Frimer for that approach—for an open ear be-

hind that cluttered desk inside that open door.

The protest spirit of our decade has affected us, at least peripherally, and we look forward to being met by an administration which looks upon us as serious students with serious problems. But we must show sincerity and maturity; we must express ourselves clearly and above all not be blind to the difficulties of the other side.

We wish Dr. Vogel much luck, *tzeshem l'shalom*, and we thank him for his efforts on our behalf.

B'ruchim Ha'boim, Dr. Frimer, and you'll be hearing from us.