An Editorial

THE CALL OF THE SPIRIT

The concept of self-sacrifice is one which has at once baffled and inspired men throughout the centuries. The weak in spirit could not understand it: the strong in spirit grasped it and felt it and lived it.

For self-sacrifice is essentially irrational. The use of our reason and moral mechanism would perhaps lead us to choose the better part of valor. The giving of our own self to a cause which transcends the self is possible only through the spirit, which likewise transcends the self.

Chaplain Louis Werfel was one of these men of mighty spirit. In him the call to fight for the cause of human dignity and freedom was not a matter of syllogism and oratory. Without hesitation, without mental reservations, without cold, logical consideration of pros and cons, he joined the fighting forces of democracy and liberty. It was truly a call of the spirit.

The fact that the "Flying Rabbi" was a graduate of our own institution, whose fundaments and very life are of the spirit, is all the more significant. To the Jews of this generation, to the Jews of future generations, Rabbi Werfel’s death brings the stark realities of war in support of a message we have emphasized again and again: We must reeducate ourselves and all our energies to the successful prosecution of the war, on the battlefields and on the home front. We must work for a speedy victory, and end the wasting of human life. And above all, we must ensure a post-war world wherein this will never happen again; we must go to the root of the world’s cancer and destroy it. Surely, this is the most appropriate memorial to all soldiers of freedom and to Rabbi Werfel. May his soul rest in peace.

P.O.

Chaplain Werfel Dies In Plane Crash

Africa Tragedy Stirs Yeshiva

Usdan Fund Particulars

Students Urged To Device Loan Plan

T. I. To Celebrate Silver Anniversary With Banquet

Debating Society Plans Radio Debate

The theme of transportation dictated the theme of the meeting of the national collegiate for this year: "Transportation." An international policy force is weighing the need for an international plan for the post-war world. The annual debate of the association was entitled "Transportation: The Need for an International Plan." The resolution was approved by a majority vote of the association.

The meeting also heard a paper by Dr. Louis Thomas, of the Yeshiva University School of Social Work, on "The Future of Transportation in Our System." Dr. Thomas emphasized the importance of transportation in relation to the national economy and the welfare of the people.

Registration Schedule

The registration schedule for the T. I. will be as follows:

- Monday, January 14:
  - 2:00-3:00 p.m.: Officers’ meeting
  - 4:00-5:00 p.m.: Executive committee
- Tuesday, January 15:
  - 2:00-3:00 p.m.: Officers’ meeting
  - 4:00-5:00 p.m.: Executive committee
- Wednesday, January 16:
  - 2:00-3:00 p.m.: Officers’ meeting
  - 4:00-5:00 p.m.: Executive committee
- Thursday, January 17:
  - 2:00-3:00 p.m.: Officers’ meeting
  - 4:00-5:00 p.m.: Executive committee

Commentator Gets Sponsor

Sherman Fund Established

The Commentator, for the first time in its history, has a b-reader.

Mr. Morris Sherman, founder and head of the Sherman Manufacturing Company, has established a fund in order to aid in the continuance of The Commentator. In contributing this money, he explained: "I am interested in Judaism in all its phases, and I should like to help all those institutions that promote the welfare of Judaism.

The good-natured philanthropist is a prototype of "the self-made man." Born in Southern Russia, he attended the "yeshivas" until he was eleven years old, and then in 1896, at the age of seventeen, came to New York with his family. Taking advantage of the American educational system, Mr. Sherman attended high school and business school. At the age of seventeen, he established his manufacturing business in Oranges, N.J., and at twenty he was a successful manufacturer. At this place, he employs a hundred workers and produces a million dollar profit.

Debating Society Plans Radio Debate

In spite of the fact that Mr. Sherman began his Hebrew education at the age of twenty-two, he has more than a passing acquaintance with Jewish subjects. He has contributed to many Jewish institutions and has recently donated $2,000 to the United Jewish Appeal.

Sherman’s interest in Yeshiva College, was aroused by his acquaintance with Prof. Sol M. Kalmenson, the Chairman of the Board of Trustees of the College. The Chemist, and Jacob Walker, Yeshiva’s great benefactors, are Sherman’s old friends. Through Chemist’s and Walker’s efforts, the Sherman Fund was established.

The Commentator is a weekly publication that was founded in 1932. It is published by a group of students at Yeshiva College, and is distributed to all Jewish students in the United States and Canada. The newspaper is known for its coverage of Jewish news, culture, and politics, and is considered an important source of information for the Jewish community.
The Yeshiva College Library

Past, Present And Future

By AMRAM WASSNER

Two years ago a history and a critical evaluation of the Yeshiva College Library appeared in The Commentator. The editors of the paper at that time felt that the library was at a crossroads with regard to its existence. They believed that its first phase in the library's life was complete, and that unparal-leled progress might ensue. The result of that prediction, we expected came to pass: the Ye-

shiva College Library took a long stride.

The library's improvement in the past two years was unmis-
takable and exciting to all library users.

The true measure of this betterment may be given in just a few figures. During the past year, we now have about 8,000 volumes in the library; today, there are approximately 18,000.

The fact is a small tribute to the conscientious and capable efforts of Dr. Asrun Margalith and his associates.

Dr. Margalith, who became Acting Librarian two years ago, has seen to it that the acquisition of reference works on every conceivable topic. There is also in evidence a sufficient variety of plays and novels to suit all tastes of the students of this College.

Over 3,000 catalogues of all kinds are also on file in the library. This is the result of the Library Committee of the American Chemical Society and the Science to the Lit.

Bertran, and the Literary Digest.

Cataloguing

Somewhat earlier, Solomon and Louis Tushman '46, who are currently laboring on that most urgent problem of every library, have succeeded in bringing the number of books listed in the catalog to 18,000.

Although there is still much need for more cataloguing, we can be laudatory.

I refer to the reading room, which was opened two years ago, on the fourth floor in the college buildings. This has been a boon to the students, who represent the most noteworthy addition to the library; since the Library is, in effect, a clearing house for the information which is in the possession of the student body.

Perfection, however, cannot be expected. Although the Library is one of the most complete and well-equipped one, although much work remains to be done in the future. The reading room is what it is because of the work of the students who, by their efforts, have made the library what it is today.

The future

The student body is expected to grow. As the number of students increases, so too will the number of students who use the library. Therefore, it is important that the library be kept up to date with the latest developments in the field of knowledge.

The library's improvements, therefore, are as yet far from com-

ploishment. As long as new books are being obtained, which is always the case, the library will continue to grow. The library's 58,000 volumes is a far cry from the 18,000 volumes today. In the future, the library will be much larger and more complete. But in the meantime, the library is what it is today, due to the efforts of the students and the faculty.
**Students' Lethargy in Jewish Affairs Criminal**

By Shmuel Rosenman

I had been deliberating as to whether I should write this article. It is a rather destructive effort, for I do cherish the name of a "pied-ôd". Yet, I have been bound by my responsibility to the general public to defend and assist the moral and duty of every member of the student body to reveal the truth, partial as it may be, in order that the public may reassure itself that every member will agree that this is the general public. I first firmly believe that a serious injustice has been committed by several officials who pretend to represent the minds and beliefs of the student body. The time is ripe for the student body to know of this injustice.

Allow me to get down to brass particulars. In June 1927, as president of the Teachers Institute, I approached two high school officials and proposed a committee plan suggested at a T. I. Student Council meeting. The suggestion was, in effect, to form the departments of the Yeshiva sponsor a joint assembly to formally present the outstanding question at Ramat Hachov, the recent melding of Jewish affairs at the U. N.若果 officials noted the tragic White Paper. The issue was quite clear. We were to send petitions to the President, the President and the British Embassy in the United States. For this I had, and I still hold, a great respect and earnest support of The Commentator.

The thought of opposition to this plan has been troubling me. Yet, these so-called student officials cold-shouldered the plan, blocked and debated the minor, insignificant issues and generally threw a wet blanket over this honest and sincere suggestion. I argued that the White Paper meant in actuality, not by implication, the establishment of an Arab State in Palestine; they argued the time element involved. (A few weeks later I had occasion to ask them about the amount of time allotted the student body to hear a lecture, to be followed by three more, on the burning, pressing issue of "The Boy Scout Movement in America," how ridicule.)

Had I to some extent these student officials of the largest orthodox Yeshiva in America, in the importance of Palestine to world Jewry; to go one step further, if the Yeshiva were to be interested, that in Erets Israel is centered the Jewish heart and hope and will to survive? Were they not aware that the esteemed British Colonial Office had recently fit to peg the speech of our Palestinian Jews and censor their papers—and that now we must speak for them? Was I speaking to the Jewish tragedy? Surely, they must know that the fate of Palestine will automatically determine the fate of thousands of Jews all over the world. What can one do, one's sympathies; speak of the speech, of the time and how it will conflict with the aura of this or that department of the necessity of holding such an assembly. To me it seemed terribly tragic! Our brethren in Palestine are fighting the battle of one's life, and we have only time and the all-important, decisive question of the role of the Boy Scout Movement in Jewish life! How could anyone, with a knowledge of the situation in the desert lands of Palestine exhibit such apathy? "Amenda Tovon Ryan, Vatish Omaha Shirah." Should there even be a question as to whether the Boy Scout problem or the problem of the White Paper deserves right help from the student body. The Yeshiva body knows the answer. Their officials do not. The injustice has been committed by them and in their name. Something should be done about it!!

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**Write Letters To**

**HON. CORDELL HULL**

Secretary of State,

**REP., SOL. BLOOM, F.O.**

Foreign Affairs Comm.

**URGE REPEAL OF THE WHITE PAPER!**

**URGE ADOPTION OF BALDWIN-ROGERS RESOLUTION!**

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**An Editorial**

**BLOOD AND SWEAT – HOT TEARS**

. . . . that negative, methodical, conservative spirit, called "establishment", which is common to all governments, and, under every government, particularly inspires its Foreign Office.

—Marcel Proust

The sentence recently imposed upon the colonists of Hulda for the illegal possession of arms fits neatly into that pattern of betrayal which we have come to expect from the British Colonial Office. Our State Department, however, seems determined to contest the bid for infamy which the British have made. We need not read the testimony given by Breckenridge Long, assistant secretary of state, before the House Committee, to feel assured of this.

His testimony concerning the Baldwin-Rogers Resolution was one of the most masterpieces of obsfuscation that has appeared in this country. It left the Middle East in the face of issues as clearcut as those facing it in France, Spain, the Badogli government, and the recognition of the Parisians.

In this instance, Mr. Long clearly failed to distinguish between the refugee problem and the problem of those Jews remaining in Europe who can yet be saved. This failure is but part of the general failure of the British and American governments to recognize the unique national character of the disaster which has befallen European Jewry. Those who suffered as Jews cannot be healed as Czechs, Poles, or Frenchmen.

Couples with this denial of the existence of any entity in the Diaspora which can be known as Jewry, is the attempt by Breckenridge Long to violence the Yishuv. First, the British governmental international problem is negated, and then the solution is wiped off the map. The failure to repeal the White Paper, the Jerusalem trials, and the Ramat Hachov incident are, in themselves, enough to indicate the determination on the part of the Colonial Office to deprive the Jews of the few rights they now have in a Palestine already stripped of Transjordania.

If officialdom, both in London and Washington, is to be at all aroused, public opinion must be brought to bear upon those concerned. Fortunately, the processes of democratic government allow us this. Our views concerning the Baldwin-Rogers Resolution must be known and the attitude of the State Department can be expressed.

In the Galut, there is not much more that we can do. The Yishuv has done and is resolved to do more. Ben Gerion's statements at the time when he submitted his resignation are indicative of the fact that the Jews of Erets Yisroel are more conscious than ever of the need for action.
DRAMA TICKS

In the Editor's Mail Bag

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LEADING LONDON: The reviews for Miss Adele Mara's latest on the Terrace Theatre, St. James, London, have been mixed. Critics are divided on her performance. What do you think?

April, June and November. In fact, the rest are three easy roles. Before we had our first really bad one in the wind these days beside the etrata Theatre, St. James. There's something else in the wind these days beside the etrata Theatre, St. James. There's something more in the wind beside a storm, it's the wind that really turns things around. The masterpiece popularizes them from the interior. It is something which the masterpiece popularizes. When the masterpiece popularizes, it brings about a coagulation of one's hemoglobin. A long time is being spent on us and the many, many who would do well to just aim the same in the induction of the Stace hatred. The more off-color of the species are out on mass hunting --not for a robust villain but for a dike Krupa who knows how to tighten things up for a Jerry Corder who can tackle their fantasy--for a man who played 3:30-W.B-A-N-D. Can this be the one who has perceived his future? he is nearer anything they can pick him out in a crowd. "Are you there? Do, you Are there? Do?"

At Whose Expense? The real question is what has been perceived by the many. No one has taken out. Depending on the many, we, Jewish liberals, have failed.

We have yielded to a militant group, we feel that it is time to combat and to face the people. This is not to say that we, Jewish liberals, have failed.

The people who have yielded to a militant group and have failed are the people who have yielded to a militant group. This is not to say that we, Jewish liberals, have failed.

Drama Ticks is a column that explores the world of theater, both on and off the stage. It provides a platform for discussions about performances, reviews, and the impact of theatrical productions on society. The column covers a wide range of topics, from the latest plays and productions to the history and culture of theater. Whether you're a theater enthusiast or a casual observer, Drama Ticks offers insights and opinions that are sure to engage and entertain.
Quints All Out For L.I.U. Tilt Jan. 29

First Game In Big Time

By HERBERT W. DREYFUS

It's a red letter day in Yeshiva basketball annals. It marks the day when the Blue and White invades Ithaca realm of the mighty bears of Lowman Island University in a contest that will be played at the Brooklyn College of Pharmacy.

The Bears have played the Blackbirds before, in 1940, and were crushed to the tune of 79-17. A large crowd of Yeshiva enthusiasts saw that contest and an even larger crowd is expected this year.

The Blue and White's squad is composed of seven freshmen and two sophomores. The team has depth and is capable of putting on a good show.

Seniors Trounce Juniors For 21st

Blowing through a stubborn junior defense, the feisty senior quintet came through again for their twenty-first consecutive win, by a score of 22-16, Dec. 20.

Led by the consistent play of Jack Green, who was high scorer with 13 points, and Irving Friedman, the visitors fought hard to get the ball and get the win. It was a well played game, and the players proved to be one of the toughest opponents in the league.

Climbing first place again with this contest, and the ‘44 men have the honor of being undefeated in three and a half years of play.

If they win their next three games, Athletic Manager Weismann plans to have them play the varsity in a scrimmage. 'A game between the letter-men and the neophytes should prove of interest to all,' says the manager.

Second in the intramural race were the Profs with nine wins and one defeat, while those undying juniors are resting comfortably in the cellar.

Mites Bounced By Powerful Drew Quintet

A powerful Drew University quintet proved the quint for the 21st straight time Wednesday night before a容量 capacity crowd at Yeshiva University. The Blue and White's 19-12 victory over the Bears brought the chase of the quint down to a contest between the Blue and White and the Bears.

The Blue and White's 26-7 victory over the Bears will be in the forefront of the quint's season. The Bears, who have a fine team, are expected to give the quint a tough time.

Nathan Friedman

The quint is in the process of compiling a fine record. The quint is expected to remain in the forefront of the quint race for the remainder of the season.

Thriller Expected

In Cathedral Fray

One of the most eagerly awaited contests of the season is the contest between the Quentin and the Blue and White club. The contest will be played at the Cathedral College, Feb. 1, which will take place at the Yeshiva High School. The Blue and White will be in the lead at the Cathedral College, Feb. 2.

The students of the two schools are looking forward to the contest with great interest. The contest is expected to be a close one, with the Blue and White having the edge in the first half of the game.