Senior Awards Set On Objective Basis

Student Council Recommends System For Distribution Of Honors By Merit

In answer to a request by the Student-Faculty Relations committee, headed by Professor Henry Lieberman, the Student Council, at a meeting on Monday, November 12, proposed the following system for the distribution of graduation awards:

1. The heads of the various departments should meet early in the spring term with all the members of the committee. At this time the distribution of the awards should be chosen.

2. Accused to Be Defended

2. Should any department wish to defend a qualified candidate, it must present its case. A candidate who is accused of dishonesty shall be tried in the same manner as in a court of justice, and the entire case shall be presented and the student given the right either to defend himself or be defended against the character charges leveled.

By a close ballot, a two-thirds majority of the faculty will be necessary to ratify the disqualification of the student.

6. Service Awards—A general policy of rewarding service, in which all students will be eligible, will be decided on. The procedure must be the same as the aforementioned.

Dr. Flocb Reviews Social Linguistics

"Language is the story of human society," Professor David Flocb, professor of Classical Languages at the first meeting of the Yeshiva Club on Tuesday, November 11, in the main building, Dr. Flocb's lecture on "Field Phonology and Field Linguistics," generally sponsored by Professors M. Israel Young and M. D. Katz, opened the first in a series of four lectures intended for freshmen.

Professor Flocb emphasized the relationship between phonetics and phonology by proving that they are reciprocal. He also stressed that there is no consistent way of grouping the sounds of a language, since language is determined solely by the environment in which it is used. The lecture entitled "Speak American and you are an American," said Dr. Flocb.

Manfred Feld's presentation of the modern language was inaugurated as part of the freshman orientation program.

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Required Jewish Curriculum in College Discussed By Margalith, Churgin, Arfa

By Hershel Weinberger

"Do the required Jewish courses at our college," runs a topic of student discussion, "deprive you of the opportunity of receiving a well rounded liberal arts education?"

This question, which prompted a complaint that the credits earned by the required courses prevent students from taking other courses in their stead, was said before Professors Aaron Margalith and Gershon Churgin, and Mr. Milton Arfa for discussion. They were asked to study the situation and express their views to the student body about the student's interest broached to them. The topics which received attention were the following:

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The emphasis on Jewish View

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Elie Epstein Named Director Of Yeshiva Tennis Program

Professor Abraham Hurwitz announced the retention of Mr. Elie Epstein as acting coach of tennis at Yeshiva College. Mr. Epstein will devote his time not only to varsity tennis, but to any interested students, providing elements of the fundamentals of the sport. Mr. Epstein, renowned throughout the tennis world, has been the tennis professional at one of the prominent New York hotel resorts the past ten years. He has given instruction to the famous of the sport, A. T. L. Davis, former United States Lawn Tennis Association President, and member of the 1926 Davis Cup team; and Nancy Chang Kiser, a member of the United States federation team. He has given all studies with the young Yeshiva tennis coach. Mr. Epstein has written many articles on the fundamentals of the sport. His recent book "Tennis Class" has gained national recognition. He is reputed to be one of the tennis teaching greats in the country," said Stanley Siegel '52, acting captain of the Netsmen. Mr. Siegel was instrumental in arranging the services of Coach Epstein.

Several standouts of last year's tennis team were returning to the courts. Joseph Tauber, a smooth racket handler both at the net and baseline, and Stanley Siegel were back in their returning legerdemain.

Mr. Hurwitz, professor of Physical Education, urged the Yeshiva enthusiasts to turn out for first practice Tuesday, November 27 at 4. "The arrangement of the 15th Regiment's gym will be closed from 9:30 to 5th Avenue. "Rackets for those lacking them may be borrowed from the professor, "and physical education credit will be given to all in attendance at practice sessions."

Athletic Board To Slate Intramurals
Edward Jakubovitz '53, athletic director, stated that an athletic council has been selected. "It is the function of this council," he said, "to supervise all intramural activities and insure that all competition is fair." The athletic council, at its first meeting, will make preliminary proposals for intramural tennis, baseball, swimming, volleyball and ping-pong. The group also initiated plans for a Leg O'Mutton outing.

Y. U. A. A. membership cards will be distributed by commitment to their respective classes.

High School Loop Oversponsored By Y.U.A.A.

The formation of the first Jewish High School Basketball League this year, which was oversponsoring by the Yeshiva University Athletic Association, was announced by Mr. George Geller, director of Athletics.

Six teams will form the nucleus of the league. They include, Talmudical Academy of Manhattan, Rabbi Jacob Joseph School, Mesifta Chaim Berlin, Torah Vedusha, Talmudical Academy of Brooklyn, and Ramaz High School.
French Club To Publish 'Le Flambeau,' Hold Discussion Groups, Show Movies

At its first meeting of the year, held on October 26, the French Club mapped its program for the coming year and held its annual election. Ori Schonthal '54, was elected president and Ervin Birnbaum '53, vice-president. The remaining offices were filled by Herbert Krystal '53, secretary and treasurer, respectively.

In listing its activities for the coming year, the club announced that "Le Flambeau," Yeshiva's undergraduate French Journal, will function under the direction of Herbert Dobrinsky '54, editor, and Edward Jakubovitz '53, publicity manager. Also continuing is the "Cercle," which, as formerly, will feature lectures and conversational groups, the latter having been expanded to include three meetings a week to accommodate all those interested. New activities planned will include the organization of Pi Delta Phi, a French honorary society.

Dramatics Group Plans First Major Production

The prize-winning Broadway play, "Home of the Brave," has been selected as the initial production of the Dramatic Society this season, announced Sidney Gewirtz '54, president of the Society.

Mr. Gewirtz explained that the group was restricted in its choice of a play due to the necessity of obtaining a selection with an all-male cast.

The editors of The Commentator extend their best wishes to Herbert Shulman '50 on his recent marriage to Miss Chanah Hartman.