

Interfaith Service Feb. 21 Christians and Jews Will Co-operate in Religious Service

Representatives of all religious groups on the campus will gather at Hillel at 8 p.m. Friday February 21, to participate in an Interfaith program, sponsored by this Foundation. The program, which is the first of its kind ever to be staged at Hillel, will be held in conjunction with National Brotherhood week, February 21-28.

The purpose of the meeting, according to Rabbi Gordon, is "to offer an opportunity for our Christian neighbors to become better acquainted with Jewish traditions, and hence to better understand our point of view.

"It is part of a nation-wide program directed toward the betterment of inter-religious understanding and tolerance in this country. Hillel groups throughout the United States are striving toward this end."

Next week's meeting will begin with a short Hebrew-English service which will enable visitors to obtain an insight into Hebrew ritual. Rabbi Gordon then will begin the discussion with a brief introductory speech, after which the floor will be thrown open for questions and general discussion.

Christian Groups Participate

Invitations have been extended to the Inter-church council and the Inter-faith council, as well as to all other student foundations, to co-operate. Efforts are being made to secure Stanley Honer, president of the Inter-church council, and Lenore Greenberg, chairman of the Inter-faith group, to begin the discussion from the floor with brief expositions regarding the work of their respective groups.

Hillel plans to make the Inter-faith program an annual event, extending an opportunity for members of all faiths to mingle and engage in informal discussions regarding their religious beliefs.

The evening promises to be one of the most educational and entertaining of the semester, and students are urged to attend. Hillel members are invited to bring their friends.

FINAL DEBATE TEAM CHOSEN BY COACH Term Schedule Set

After final eliminations, six men were chosen to represent the Hillel debating team and speaker's bureau. The team coach is Sanford Goldner. Appearances have been scheduled throughout central and southern California.

On Wednesday, February 12, the team presented a problem-solving debate before the Committee of Fifty of the San Francisco Lodge of B'nai B'rith. On February 19, they will debate in San Mateo before a combined Jewish group. Later in the season they will travel to Los Angeles, where they will speak for various organizations.

Members of the team are Harry Gershon, Bernard Charlup, Ralph Kramer, Mel Goldstein, Al Silverman, and Mendel Herzberg.

Phi B D Becomes Pi Lambda Phi

Pi Lambda Phi will soon replace the Phi Beta Delta insignia now that these two fraternities have merged. This news was announced recently by Ray Altman, president after his return from the Phi Beta Delta convention in Chicago.

The newly formed organization has 33 chapters, making it the largest as well as the oldest national Jewish fraternity in the country.

The Pi Lambda Phi house here retains its title as Tau Chapter. It is located at 2250 Piedmont Avenue.

Dr. Frank Munk Will Speak: "World War or Revolution"



DR. FRANK MUNK

Economist to Address

Sunday Supper Forum

Honoring Hillel by delivering here one of his eagerly awaited Bay district series of speeches, Dr. Frank Munk will lecture at the Supper Forum on February 23. His subject will be: "World War, or World Revolution?"

The eminent economist from Oregon's Reed College, Dr. Munk came to this country from Czechoslovakia and has attracted recent attention with his book, "Economics of Force."

A large crowd is expected for the dinner, starting at 6:15, and the following forum initiated by Dr. Munk's discussion at 7:30.

Prices for the entire evening are 35 cents for Hillel members, 50 cents for others; 25 cent admission will be charged non-students desiring to attend only the forum.

March 16 Date of Purim Carnival

"It's more fun to be on the inside of a booth at the Purim Carnival than on the outside looking in," is the opinion of the social committee planning the affair of March 16th.

Amusement booths can be sponsored by any organized house, Hillel committee, or by any group of people who want to organize for that purpose. The tents may be placed on the grounds around the house, pending on the weather conditions.

Because there is only another month in which to plan for the affair, participants are asked to bring their suggestions to Hillel as soon as possible. Hadassah Goldberg is in charge of the Purim festivities.

Goldberg Announces Sunday Night Social

Another of those very popular Sunday Night Socials will be held at Hillel on Sunday evening, March 2nd. The purpose of these socials is to bring together the young Jewish crowd of the University at an informal, friendly gathering.

Sunday night dates are scarce, so nearly everyone comes stag—although they usually go home in pairs. Hadassah Goldberg announces that there will be dancing to all the latest recordings—even ASCAP. Songs, games and refreshments, and a marvelous time is guaranteed for all.

Community Chest Renders Hillel Aid

The B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation at Berkeley, which has been a Community Chest beneficiary for several years, was again granted an allocation for the current year.

Hillel is one of several campus organizations receiving Community Chest support. However, it is the only Hillel Foundation in the entire country which participates in a Community Chest.

HILLEL CALENDAR

Thursday, February 20, 7:30 p.m. — CURRENT AFFAIRS CLUB.
Friday, February 21, 8 p.m. — INTERFAITH SERVICE.
Sunday, February 23, 6:15 p.m. — SUPPER FORUM — DR. MUNK.
Tuesday, February 25, 4-6 p.m. — AFTERNOON SOCIAL.
Thursday, February 27, 7:30 p.m. — HILLEL INSTITUTE CLASSES.
Friday, February 28, 8 p.m. — SERVICE, ZIONIST FORUM.
Sunday, March 2, 8 p.m. — SUNDAY SOCIAL.
Thursday, March 6, 7:30 p.m. — CURRENT AFFAIRS CLUB.
Thursday, March 13 — PURIM.
Sunday, March 16 — PURIM CARNIVAL.

Notes on Jewish News

SOVIA — Rumania's Jews were caught helplessly in the middle during the recent bloody civil war raging in Rumania.

Of the 4,000 or more lives lost in Bucharest approximately 2,000 were rebel guardists, 600 soldiers and 1,400 civilians. At least 1,000 of the latter were Jews who were murdered by an Iron Guard Army while another battled the Rumanian army in the center of the city. Jewish leaders believed their dead throughout the whole country would exceed 2,000.

GENEVA — The Nazi authorities in Belgium have expelled some 40,000 Jews from Antwerp and West and East Flanders and interned them in concentration camps at Hasselt in the Limbourg province. The 40,000, who comprised almost the entire Jewish populations of these communities, were taken from their homes with virtually no warning.

WASHINGTON — Concluding its two-day session recently, the National Conference for Palestine unanimously adopted a resolution urging establishment of Palestine as a Jewish commonwealth, supporting America's "all-out" aid policy for Great Britain, criticizing the Churchill government's failure to abrogate the White Paper restricting Immigration and land sales, and urging eradication of all racial, religious, and national discrimination at the termination of the war.

A meeting of delegates from youth organizations represented at the Conference voted the establishment of a National Youth Conference for the U.P.A. designed to encourage participation of Palestine-minded youth in the 1941 fund drive.

Speakers called for "all-out" support of the Jewish homeland by raising of the U.P.A.'s quota of \$12,000,000 towards the total Palestine budget of \$13,640,000.

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Refugee Problems at Zionist Forum

"The Refugee Today and Tomorrow" will be the subject of discussion as well as a film to be presented at the Student Zionist meeting Friday, February 28. The March of Time film will be followed by a discussion of Arab-Jewish relations in Palestine. A social hour will conclude the meeting.

Sol Friend was elected president of the Zionist Forum at the last meeting. He succeeds Irving Sherman who graduated last semester.

Attending the last meeting were approximately 50 people, many of whom participate in a short but heated debate following Rabbi Gordon's address, "Is Palestine Doomed?" Refreshments and social dancing completed the informative and entertaining evening.

**DRAMATICS? YES!
ORGANIZATION MEETING
Thursday, Feb. 20
7:30 P.M.**

RUTH GOLDNER, Director

Hillel Institute Has Successful Meeting

On every Thursday evening, a meeting of the Hillel Institute is held at Hillel. At the meeting of February 6, there was a very interesting discussion on problems of the Far East, featuring a March of Time motion picture on the Philippines.

Three classes are held on alternate Thursday evenings. One is Sunday school teacher training, one on Jewish Community Problems and the third is a Hebrew class. Future discussion topics include the "Lease-lend" bill, Labor in Defense, and others.

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Recently we have added a new feature to our library in the form of daily cable dispatches from the Jewish Telegraphic agency. These dispatches cover the latest news of the entire Jewish world.

On our shelves can be found books on Jewish history and culture which may help you to solve your own individual problems as Jews. The library has many recent stimulating books on economics and political science. Or perhaps you feel in a lighter mood and would like to be entertained by an engrossing biography, an exciting piece of fiction.

Among recent additions to our book collection we would like to mention Hans Kohn's "Not by Arms Alone," Abraham Flexner's autobiography "I Remember," Meyer Levin's new novel "Citizens," and Benjamin Gitlow's "I Confess."

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Graduate Reception Named Huge Success

With a large crowd in attendance, and the evening very much enjoyed by all, Hillel's first graduate reception was recognized as a grand success. Sunday, February 9, was the date of this inaugural graduate get-together which inspired numerous compliments ranging from just plain "swell" from an electrical engineer, to an English major's fluent "This reception was the occasion of my happiest evening at Hillel and one to the repetition of which I shall look forward with keen interest."

More meetings, with even still more graduate students in attendance, are anticipated. This type of gathering is new to Hillel, and has only recently been inaugurated in several Mid-Western Hillel campus clubs.

While it is taken for granted that those who attended this first meeting will be eager to attend future ones, the next meeting should be swelled by the ranks of those graduates who did not attend the reception, but who have heard of it through friends.

Among the many highlights of such a group meeting is the pleasant ratiocination that the intellectual intercourse of the lofty graduates will not be disturbed by the presence of their lowly inferiors, the undergraduates.

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Your roving reporter just returned from an extensive tour of the campus and suburban hangouts and is bursting with news. The ex-Phi B.D.'s pinned a new nugget Harold Hyden—that heart-breaker from Oklahoma. While at the Pi Lambda Phi house I also heard that Vernon Heyman took a carload of Phi Sigs to the basketball game down on the farm, but his favorite, Eva Gordon, was not along!!

Over at the A.E.Phi house Juliet Gottheim is seriously considering the study of law. I wonder if the attraction is at Hasting's? Rut' Hochfeld, of the same house, talks so much about Portland and does so well here that we wonder how good that northern town must be. Flo Rosenwald recently celebrated her birthday (which fell on a Sunday) by spending almost the entire weekend with Z.B.T. Pete Frank (Alias Goldstein) . . . Al Swartz, Z.B.T., has set a record for the least amount of studying to be done in a week. An A.E. Phi from UCLA spent her between semesters vacation here, and now Al has to spend all of his time catching up on back studies.

Dr. Bernard Harris, '38, K.N., will pass out cigars in early May. His wife, former Adele Reiss, ex. '40, is a dead ringer for Heddy Lamarr. Speaking of anticipations, why is Miriam Slater so busy knitting things of pale blue these days? I'm told blue is for baby boys.

Leon "Butch" Seidel spends almost all of his time at Barbara "Andy" Anderson's, and he is so obliging that he kisses all the other girls good-night, too.

Will someone please tell me if Millie and Harriet Templar always have "open house." A bunch of fellows from Davis were here for a basketball game but being without funds, the Templar sisters put them up for the night. The boys slept on the living room floor.

I see from my wanderings that Mrs. May "Gropet" Polz is back on Campus, auditing classes in psych and dietetics. Betty Casper is sporting a new blond curl in front, and I do mean BLOND!! And Harry Silver is nursing a long bright red mustache. I hear that Saul Lissaur made the grade with Reva Brodsky. Wanted to date her for so long he finally got to

take her for a ride on the merry-go-round. Now they are often seen together. Other constant duos are Florine Frank and Jerry Lerner, clarinetist in the Cal. band, and Florence Ash and her Bernie.

Marty Heinstein has been spending his hours at Hillel writing those long letters (it takes him three hours apiece) and now he is very interested in a ride to L.A. Do the letters and the ride concern the same girl, Marty, and if so, why don't you stop advertising for a millionaire?

If anyone knows the answers, will they please tell me why Norm Firestone, Dick Bachenheim and Dick Cohn were so VERY anxious to meet Edith Savin the day of our opening reception? What was Beverly Figenberg doing under the car all alone in the snow? What was Sid Foster doing over at State Teacher's College on opening day? Was it a blonde or brunette this time, Sid? And who was that handsome swain who was so interested in Janice Schark after the last supper forum — which was a huge success. And my last query, who was the cute S.F. high school gal that Joe Gold was so attentive to at the recent Councilette dance at the Palace Hotel?

Now I must go out and gather more news for the next issue, and if by that time I haven't been sued for slander, I will have lots more to tell you, but until then, so-long for now.

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SPORTS

Ben Danning

The lid is off on another season of intramural sports, and Hillel has entered teams in softball, ping pong, bowling, badminton, swimming, and track, in addition to volleyball and horseshoes, which are holdovers from last year.

In an effort to make this year the best ever, intramurally speaking, Hillel urges all prospective athletes to sign up immediately by getting in touch with Ben Danning, Berkeley 3687-J, or Bernie Minsky, Berkeley 4529. Softball, swimmers, and badminton players especially are needed.

Prospects for the semester appear bright what with Bob Roback, Butch Seidel, Bernie Minsky, Al Morris, and Ben Danning, erstwhile gridiron heroes, returning to form a nucleus for the softball and track teams. Milt (Ping) Waldman, and Morrie (Pong) Schultz promise to form a strong table tennis duo along with finalists in the impending Hillel tournament.

Reviewing last semester's accomplishments, Hillel's volleyball sextet waded through four straight opponents to place themselves at the top of the American league trophy race. Hillel needs only to defeat the winner of the Forestry-Navy contest to clinch the league championship.

Turning to football, Hillel, after losing the opening game of the season, turned on the heat to capture six in a row, only to lose a heart breaker to Forestry, 2-0, and wind up in second place.

Horseshoes found Hillel winning two out of three to remain in competition, while two consecutive losses on the basketball court eliminated them from that sport.

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Have you noticed it?—Hillel's running much more smoothly this semester! The crowds are beginning to drop in again. Looks as though the trek up the hill isn't so bad after all.



Tuesday afternoons especially are becoming "Hillel afternoons" . . . Socials alternate with movies, corn pops and coffee hours . . . Drop in next Tuesday and dry your feet by our fireside . . .

Purim is just a few weeks off, and plans are already afoot for something new and different at Hillel: a Purim Carnival. The date is March 16th; put an X on your calendar for that Sunday.

This academic year (1940-1941) marks Hillel's thirteenth anniversary — our "Bar Mitzvah" year. A Bar Mitzvah celebration is scheduled for the first week-end in April; and in that connection there will be also a pilgrimage to Hillel which will bring visitors from all parts of the state . . . Perhaps at that time we can start the ball rolling toward acquisition of a permanent home for Hillel, better planned, better equipped and better located. The fine new Hillel building at Penn State came as a result of just such a pilgrimage; so while we are by no means "counting our chickens" we do have hopes . . .

Looking over this old world of ours these days is hardly a pleasant pastime. And when the world is dislocated, minorities (i.e., Jews) suffer. Not in 500 years has the cloud over European Jewry been so thick. The hope for survival of the Jewish people as a vital and creative force rests today with only two Jewish communities: Palestine and the United States. Most of the American-Jewish leaders of 1950-1960 are now in college — some of them at Cal. Hillel offers an opportunity, especially through the Hillel Institute and through "bullsessions" with the Director, to clear away some of the cob-webs from our thinking on Jewish matters. Several scores of students have already taken advantage of these opportunities. Have you?

Theodore H. Gordon.

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AN APPRECIATION

Three years ago, as a Freshman,
I attended my first Hillel function
— the Passover dinner. I can't re-
member at this date what we had
to eat or whether I met any good
looking girls, but I do recall a
warming, personal sidelight.

We had just finished giving
rounds of applause to the Jewish
dignitaries who had sponsored the
dinner, when there arose among
the students a cry for the house
mother. After a good deal of coax-
ing, she made a rather embarrassed
appearance only to be chased back
to her kitchen duties by three
cheers of 150 Hillel erudites.

That was my first introduction
to Mrs. Martin.

Since that night I have worked
and chatted many an hour with
both Mr. and Mrs. Martin. I have
come to know Mrs. Martin inti-
mately and grown to respect her
deeply. If I weren't the typical
college cynic, I would say that her
motherly interest in my personal
problems has done much at times
to buoy lagging spirits.

Many others who have been part
of Hillel for a few short years have
known the same kindness as I have.
Everybody who has been in any
way connected with Hillel for the
past 10 years has gotten to know
the Martins and the Martins' worth
to Hillel.

The Martins, however, are to
leave Hillel at the end of this se-
mester. We do not doubt that the
reasons for their leaving are well-
intentioned. But we do despair at
their leaving whatever the cause
may be.

Hillel will not be the same with-
out the opportunity of dropping
into the kitchen to hob-nob with
Mrs. Martin.

M. Feinstein, '41.

A CHALLENGE TO JEWISH YOUTH

There is a final challenge which
must be faced by intelligent Jewish
leadership. It is a challenge which
has been created because some of
the best brains in Jewish life have
become so concerned with world is-
sues that they have completely lost
their concern for Jewish sur-
vival . . .

We have learned that Jewish
survival is intimately bound up
with the survival of the democra-
tic dogma . . . But many ardent
spirits have gone to extremes. Since
the battle for minority integrity
must be fought on the democratic
front they have simply abandoned
all devotion to Jewish institutions,
to Jewish culture, to Jewish sur-
vival values in order to fight on
the wider world front. From the
way they speak one would imagine
that the good fight cannot be con-
tinued except through desertion
from the Jewish ranks!

I am not exaggerating this dan-
ger. I experience it constantly in
my own work on university cam-
puses. It is my task to stimulate
the cultural and religious loyalty
of our students to their Jewish
heritage. I find whole groups of

brilliant, dedicated, able young peo-
ple enlisted in the ranks of anti-
Jewishism, giving their energies for
Chinese relief, for the defense of
Negroes, for publicizing the plight
of share croppers, for other superb
worthwhile causes. I join them in
these causes. The masses of Jews
belong in these ranks. But when I
ask for their interest and their
energy and their consecration for
our own Jewish causes, they cry
out, "How can we worry about Jew-
ish questions? How can we be
concerned with Jewish cultural
groupings? The world is in flames
and we must give our energies to
fight the large battle."

I am heartsick when I see the
dedication of these young people
for every cause except our own.
I believe they can be helped in the
larger battle from the inspiration
of Isaiah and Jeremiah and Hillel
and Spinoza and Tchernichovsky.
To save the world must we abandon
our next door neighbor? To win
the democratic battle must we sac-
rifice the individual units that lend
richness and profundity to democ-
ratic diversity?

(Dr. Abram L. Sachar)

THE MAIL BOX

This column is at your disposal
for any gripes, peevs, bouquets,
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To the Editor:

Dear Assimilationist: You can-
not solve a problem by merely
touching it. Your suggestion of-
fers no solution to this problem —
the Jewish problem . . .

By calling yourself an Assimila-
tionist, you confess that you feel
you're being different from others
and thus you try to assimilate.
Others have tried it before! Did
they succeed? The Jewish history
has proved that the Jews cannot
assimilate themselves. That's why
there are still Jews in the world!

When do we start realizing this
fact? Why don't we stop fooling
ourselves and try to be what we
really are: Jews!? Why don't we
stop showing the world that among
us are people who are ashamed of
their own kind who try to run
away from themselves?

The walls of our Ghetto will
never disappear when we try to
imitate the Gentile world. Let us

instead create an atmosphere of
our own; let's be proud of what
we are. Thus everybody can re-
spect us.

This is, if not the only way,
surely a better way to create a
basis for mutual friendship be-
tween Jews and Gentiles.

Helmut Goldschmidt.

Some of Our Hillel Committees

A glance at Hillel Committees
reveals:

The Forum committee is well or-
ganized, and has worked out plans
for future forums. Suggestions
have been made for an evening
devoted to Jewish music. There
is the possibility that Professor
Ernest Bloch may be secured as
speaker. In addition, forums on
problems of labor and racial mi-
norities with prominent speakers
are in the offing.

The Social Committee has an
elaborate program for the semes-
ter. Fortnightly Sunday Socials and
Tuesday afternoon socials spon-
sored by the organized houses are
on the agenda. The big event of
the semester's program will be the
Purim Carnival to be held in the
middle of March.

**The
INSIDE STORY**

By Alex Eckstein

American Jewry emerged from
the last war as the largest and
most powerful Jewish Community
in the world, charged increasingly
with the responsibility of Jewish
leadership. Our brethren caught in
the ever widening process of Eur-
opean decay, disintegration and
persecution looked to America for
relief, reconstruction, and rehabili-
tation.

This tremendous task was dis-
charged primarily by two agencies
— the Joint Distribution Commit-
tee concerned with relief on the
continent, and the United Palestine
Appeal directing its activities to-
wards Jewish reconstruction in
Palestine. These organizations car-
ried on their activities more or less
successfully, along two divergent
lines. One looking towards the
rebuilding of a Jewish National
Home in Palestine which would
absorb a certain number of the
haunted and driven millions devel-
oping with them a progressive,
rejuvenated community, while the
other performed a desperately
needed task of overseas relief. The
two groups clashed frequently,
these clashes representing conflicts
between a philosophy of charitable,
condescending, and paternalistic
philanthropy — and one of positive
reconstruction.

Several years ago the two
groups finally worked out a com-
promise on basis of which they
were to carry on a united cam-
paign with a unified effort directed
towards both objectives outlined
above. During the short-lived exist-
ence of this United Jewish Appeal
we witnessed much back-of-the-
scenes maneuvering which attempt-
ed to cut the budgets for recon-
struction and to stifle any progres-
sive Jewish education in the various
communities all over the country.
The final result of such an unhappy
marriage was a foregone conclu-
sion; the recent statement of Rab-
bi Silver and Wise announcing the
divorce of the two agencies, was
not really a surprise. It is to be
regretted that the so-called united
could not be sustained, but unity
must have a basis and the people
united must have a common goal
and ideal. These common goals and
ideals are lacking in the Jewish
Community to-day. So long as
Jewish leadership is practically
self-appointed, this leadership can-
not help but represent the narrow
views of the few instead of the
common strivings of the many.