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MARVIN BIENSTOCK ELECTED PRESIDENT

The annual elections for Hillel officers to serve from September until January are now over. For the office of President, a run-off was necessary and the results of the balloting have shown Marvin Bienstock is the choice of the voters.

Other results of the election are as follows: Vice President, Eleanor Jacobs; Secretary, Helen Selinger; Treasurer, Joan Spencer; Reps-at-Large, Bob Coppock, Si Kroll, and Lee Ragins.

The large number of voters that came to the polls has shown a rising interest in Hillel and its activities which, it is hoped, will be continued into the next semester.

ANNUAL AWARDS & INSTALLATION BANQUET

The annual awards and installation banquet will be held May 22 beginning at 6 p.m. The dinner will be followed by installation ceremonies and dancing till 12 p.m. The full program will include the presentation of awards for service to Hillel during the last year.

The affair is open to all Hillel members and their guests and those who are interested. The affair will be dressy. Sign-ups are now being accepted and will continue up through May 19. You must make your reservation in advance, and a discount will be given to all those who pay before the closing date. The price will be \$1.00 for members and \$1.10 for guests.

WELFARE FUND DRIVE ENDING

The United Jewish Welfare Fund drive which has been underway since the beginning of March, is drawing to a close. Thus far, we have come half way in attempting to meet our student goal of \$2,000. However, not all of the volunteer solicitors have returned their money. At this point, all that can be said is that we owe a debt of thanks to those who have worked on the drive, and that we would appreciate your donation if you have not yet given.



Milton Mayer, author of "They Thought They Were Free," a history of Germany from 1933 to 1945, will speak at the Hillel Sabbath services, May 13, at 8 p.m. on the subject of his book.

Mayer wrote of the "little man" in Germany and in the Nazi party during Hitler's rise and fall of power. He is a sometime professor of adult education at the University of Chicago, special representative of the Great Books foundation and lecturer for the American Friends Service committee.

CALENDAR FOR MAY

May 13—Friday, Mr. Milton Mayer, author, lecturer, world traveler, will speak on his novel, "They Thought They Were Free." 8 p.m.

May 15—Sunday, 11 a.m. Brunch. Speaker: Dr. Rappaport on "Diplomatic Relations Between the U.S. and the Near East."

6:30 p.m. Interfaith Affair with Congregationalists at Plymouth House.

8:30 p.m. Graduate Group affair. Dr. Marianne Bonwit will speak on "German Post-Nazi Literature."

HILLEL'S BIGGEST DAY — MAY 21

On May 21, at 3 p.m., Hillel will hold what may well be the biggest event of this year. Under the leadership of Marilyn Barth of the Social Committee there is being held a huge picnic and hot dog roast and what-have-you at Joaquin Miller Park in Oakland.

With the exception of the installation ceremonies, this will be the last major social event of the season, and a full schedule of activities has been planned. These will include swimming in the public facilities which are available, sports events of all kinds, a hot dog roast, a dance under the stars, more refreshments, and many other activities for everybody.

Reservations should be made in advance and must be in by Friday the 20th. There will be sign-up sheets in many of the houses and reservations will also be taken at Hillel. The exact cost has not yet been determined but will be in the neighborhood of 75c per person. The affair is stag or drag and transportation will be provided for those who need it.

Remember, this is not the big one, it's the biggest one. Bring your friends and tell everyone about it. See you there on May 21.

May 20—Friday, Speaker following services. Dr. Vere Loper of Congregational Church. Topic: "An Interpretation of Protestantism."

May 21—Saturday, Picnic at Joaquin Miller Park. Starts 3 p.m.

May 22—Sunday. Installation and Awards Dinner 6 p.m. Members \$1.00; Guests \$1.10. Discount of 15 cents if reservations paid for by May 19.

May 27—Friday, Carl Shapiro, poet, will speak following 8 p.m. Services.

June 3—Friday. Rabbi Morris Goldstein will address the group on "A Guide for the Religiously Perplexed." 8 p.m.

The Rabbi's Message

The chief news event in this issue of the Call is the announcement of the result of our recent election of student officers. We shall have opportunity to pay tribute to those



who have served so well in the past, as well as to welcome our new leaders at the cost supper on May 22, which will be in the form of an Awards and Installation Banquet to be followed by a dance.

Words of congratulations and tokens of esteem for services rendered are most appropriate. I am sure they are appreciated by those who receive them. What is much more important, however, is the character and intensity of the support which we give to the efforts of our officers, representatives and committee chairmen. I know from personal experience that when an individual puts a great deal of himself into a communal task, the only reward which he wants is that other people who share his concern should come forth with enthusiasm to carry on the common task.

The concern of our Hillel Foundation is for the affirmative Jewish life of students on this campus. That is why we place emphasis in our program on religious, cultural and educational values. The way to express our thanks to those who have worked so hard in the past and the way to welcome our new leaders is to build the future program of our Foundation through the personal participation of each one of us.

As we approach the end of our first semester together I want to say that it has been a joy for me to work with such a fine group of willing, conscientious and perceptive students. It is my hope that the work of our Foundation will flourish during future semesters.

Let us strive together to deepen the content, as well as to broaden the scope and increase the volume of our work together. We are the Jewish community on this campus. The health and strength of our tradition will depend upon how well we prepare ourselves for future leadership. The doors of the Hillel Foun-

NOTED POET WILL SPEAK

Carl Shapiro, poet, visiting lecturer, and Pulitzer Prize winner, will be the speaker following the services on Friday evening, May 27, at 8 p.m. Although his topic is not definite, it will be about the Jewish author in America.

A LOX AND BAGEL BRUNCH

When? May 15 (a Sunday morning).

What Time? 11 a.m.

Cost? Members 75c; Guests 85c.

Where? At Hillel, of course.

Guest speaker will be Dr. Armin Rappaport, Assistant Professor of History at the University of California, whose topic will be of great interest to everyone. Dr. Rappaport will speak on the "Diplomatic Relations Between the United States and the Near East."

Dr. Rappaport's special field of interest is in the diplomatic history of the United States and, he has written the book "British Press and Wilsonian Neutrality."

He studied at Yale University, where he took his Master's degree, and at Stanford University, where he received his Ph.D. degree. He has been a member of the faculty of the University since 1949.

VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

The Hillel-sponsored volley ball tournament will be concluded within the next two weeks. Originally, one tournament was scheduled, but since losing one game meant dropping out of the league, a loser's tournament was started. The idea is that the winner of the loser's tournament will play the winner of the winner's tournament for a trophy.

At present, the finalists in the winner's tournament will be the Sammys and the ZBT. Their game will be played at 7 p.m. on May 12.

In the loser's bracket, the Medical students will compete against the winners of the Kappa Nu - Delta Phi Epsilon game for championship on May 19. These two winning teams, each in their respective tournament, will battle it out for the championship at 7 p.m. on Thursday, May 26. Why not come by and watch?

dation are the portals through which we hope an increasing number of Jewish students will pass in quest of opportunity for service in our common cause.

Faithfully yours,

Joseph Gumbiner

INTERFAITH AFFAIR WITH CONGREGATIONALISTS

To further knowledge of another religion, an unusual program has been planned by Hillel in coordination with the First Congregational Church of Berkeley and its Plymouth House Student Foundation. Scheduled for Sunday night, May 15, and Friday night, May 20, the interfaith services promise to be a rare and worthwhile experience. All Hillel members are invited to the Plymouth House (Durant and Dana) on Sunday at 5:30 for a complete supper (only 25c). Following the meal will be a service and discussion beginning at 6:30 where Rabbi Gumbiner will speak on "Basic Elements in Jewish Belief." Both groups will contribute to a bull session after this service.

At our Sabbath evening program Dr. Vere Loper from the First Congregational Church will address our group with a talk on "Interpretations of Protestantism." Much can be learned and gained by Hillel members and the visiting students from this outstanding speaker and discussion leader. Hillelites are urged to attend the Sabbath program and the informal bull session that will follow. If Hillel members are unable to attend the Sunday supper at the Plymouth House, they are invited to join in the evening's program and service later.

GRADUATES, ATTENTION!

May 15 is a very busy day at Hillel. Not only is there a brunch in the morning and an interfaith affair at 6:30, but there is a graduate-sponsored program taking place at Hillel at 8:30 p.m. Speaker for the evening will be Dr. Marianne Bonwit, whose topic will be "German Post-Nazi Literature." Her discussion in the field of prose, drama and verse will include such literary figures as Thomas Mann, Herman Broch, and Bertolt Brecht, as well as others. There is no admission charge, and all students are invited.

RABBI GOLDSTEIN WILL SPEAK

Rabbi Morris Goldstein of Temple Sherith Israel in San Francisco, will be our guest speaker at the Oneg Shabbat following services on Friday, June 3rd. Those of you not studying for finals will enjoy hearing his 8 o'clock lecture on the topic, "A Guide for the Religiously Perplexed."

Terry's Column

If you're one of those people who will be slaving away in class all summer while your friends are tanning themselves in Palm Springs, then you might find consolation in what I have to say. The Hillel Foundation will be open for business during the vacation.

Although no advance programming has been planned, I will be here, thru fog and smog, and will be anxious to have you come in and let me know what kind of affairs you would like to have. Office hours will be 9:30 to 5 o'clock and we will be closed on weekends. However, should you plan activities for Sunday or in the evenings, the building will be made available to you.

Some possibilities for a summer schedule include talks by visiting professors, outdoor activities, such as picnics and swimming parties, planning Friday evening services, and various cultural programs.

If you plan on being in the Berkeley area, please come by the building and give me your name and address. In this way, I'll have a summer mailing list, and I'll be able to let you know what events are forthcoming. I hope you'll take advantage of our opening the building for the first time during the summer, and I look forward to seeing you.

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Editorial

This is the last issue of the paper for this year, and there is much to say in retrospect. This has been a year of experiment for us on the staff, and we feel that in many respects we have been successful. There are still many faults, not the least of which is the problem of ads, but without the worries and the mix-ups it would not have been the same.

To those who will succeed us we can only say that through our work on the Call we have grown closer not only to the members of Hillel, but to the purpose of the Foundation itself in that we have learned while we worked; it has been hard, profitable, and enjoyable.

The kind comments we have received from you have helped us in our work, but there is something more to be said at this time. In the same way that we have gotten so much out of the paper, so can each of you find a place in Hillel to make your own advances both in learning and in fun. Hillel serves you only as you serve it and take advantage of all that it has to offer you. Start early next year and find out just as we have—that association with Hillel can be one of the high points of your life at Cal. — Marv Bienstock.

Note from the printer: It has been a pleasure to work with Marv. He caught on to the problems of printing a bulletin of this kind quickly enough. Hope his successor will be as good. And Terry, too, has been a great help. Many thanks to her.

L.S.B.

LOOSE SCHMOOSE

During Spring break a few lucky Hillel members took off to Saratoga for the annual Hillel convention.

Among members attending the week-end lectures and discussion groups were Marv Bienstock, Joan Spencer, Eleanor Jacobs, Stan Gross, Meyer Scharlack, Lee Barr, Ivan Silverberg and Bob Coppock.

AEPHl is proud of its two new Phi Beta Kappa members, Lila San-kowich and Sandy Sherman. Stan Loeb of I House is also a recipient of this award.

Congratulations of another kind are in order for Marcia Kantor of E.B. and Dick Elephant, ZBT, who just announced their pinning.

Hillel member have some fascinating plans lined up for this coming Summer. Sue Benjamin is one of the lucky nominees to go on the PIC tour. Selected as an alternate for this trip to the near East is Sylvia Lyman.

Betty Koster, president of the Continental, will hold down a reporting job with the Emmanuel Bulletin in San Francisco while Bobi Rose will tour Europe. Arlene Schwartz will be studying at the Sorbonne, and Julia and Blain Kling will attend the University of Pennsylvania, where the latter will continue his studies in Asiatic History. Moti Sloan will return to Israel while Shirley Benedict will see Mexico.

Among the ranks of Hillel alumni, Ann Blumenfeld (Kalechman) is awaiting the new arrival this month, while Mrs. Hal Auerbach (Dorothy Greenfeld) will have her second next month.

Merle Horn (Robinson) will be teaching out at Lakeside in S.F., while Larry Kahn is stationed in S.F. with the coast guard. Jerry Teller is studying at UCLA and Mr. and Mrs. Ben Otsop (Muriel Josephson) are also making their home in the land down there.

WANTED STUDENTS

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See Terry

HILLEL LIBRARY STILL GROWING

One hundred and sixty new books have been added to Hillel's Sieroty Library since last September. The library is open for study or reference anytime the building is open, and is one of the few quiet places to study. Books may be withdrawn from the library only when the librarian, John Bodger, is here — between 3 and 5 p.m. on Monday and Friday, and between 1 and 3 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

"Ancient Judaism" (1952) is the crowning volume of Max Weber's classic sociology of religion. Salo Baron and Joseph Blau, of Columbia University, co-edited the recent "Judaism: Post-Biblical and Talmudic Period" (1954) combining talents of historian and philosopher. "Landmarks and Goals" (1953) is the latest volume of essays by Abraham Neuman, president of Dropsie College for Hebrew Learning, Philadelphia. Martin Buber, professor of social philosophy at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem, is the author of two recent additions to Hillel library. He calls "Israel and Palestine" (1952) "the history of an idea," and Zionism a religious idea and not a political enterprise. "Israel and the World" (1948) he calls "a discussion of the encounter between 'The Spirit of Israel and the World of Today.'" Rabbi Allan Tarshish, of South Carolina, is the author of "Not by Power: the Story of the Growth of Judaism" (1952).

Kurt Klapholz, Rabbi of Shaare Zion Congregation in Brooklyn, has written an interpretation of contemporary problems in the light of the eternal truths of religion, called "Spiritual Awakening" (1954).

Among several fine arts books, Jacob Epstein's "Let There Be Sculpture", and Isaac Kloomok's 1951 life of the Jewish painter Marc Chagall, are outstanding. There are more than 200 paintings of Israel reproduced in "New Lights and Old Shadows" (1954) by Lionel S. Reiss. The library also has a portfolio of prints of A. Raymond Katz's paintings of the Ten Commandments, which are on the walls of the Downtown Synagogue in Chicago. Hillel also has a portfolio of original lithographs by Saul Rabinov.

Those studying Israeli folk dancing will find several books on this subject. "Palestine Dances", gives complete directions for each dance, with photographs to illustrate, words in Hebrew and English, as well as mu-

sic. There are several collections of Jewish songs. Ruth Rubin's "Treasury of Jewish Folksongs" (1950) gives music and words in Yiddish and English for hundreds of songs.

"Yiddish Proverbs" (1949), edited by Hanan Ayalit, also translates into English maxims of humor, truth and poetry. Nathan Ausubel has edited both a "Treasury of Jewish Humor" (1951) and a "Treasury of Jewish Folklore" (1948). Another excellent, and popular book, is Gaer's "Lore of the Old Testament" (1951).

"Moses" (1951), by Sholem Asch, and Franz Kafka's "Penal Colony" (1948), are outstanding among the newer fiction. Isaac Singer's "Family Moskat" was translated from the Yiddish in 1950. "Unambo" (1950), by Max Brod, is a novel of the war in Israel. Zelda Popkin's "Quiet Street" (1951) has just been added to the shelves. Charles Angoff's novel "In the Morning Light" (1952) tells of the Americanization of a Russian-Jewish family in twentieth-century Boston.

Hillel library has many excellent reference works, notably "The Jewish Encyclopedia" and the more recent "Universal Jewish Encyclopedia" (1942). New reference books include Harper's "Bible Dictionary" (1952) and the first two volumes of "The Interpreter's Bible" (1953). Hastings "Encyclopedia of Religion and Ethics," can also answer practically any question in its fields.

PATRONIZE OUR ADVERTISERS

Nobel Prize Winners Visiting Israel

Two Nobel Prize winners have arrived in Israel for a one-month visit as guests of the Weizmann Institute of Science, says the "Israel Digest."

They are Professor Felix Bloch, physicist of Stanford University, at present Director General of the International Committee for Nuclear Research at Geneva, and Fritz Albert Lipmann, professor of Biological Chemistry at the Harvard Medical School and head of the Biochemical Research Laboratories at the Massachusetts General Hospital.

Prof. Bloch is advising the Weizmann Institute on the construction of its new Physics Institute. He received the Nobel Prize for Physics in 1952.

Prof. Lipmann won the Nobel Prize for Medicine and Physiology in 1953.

HILLEL REGIONAL CONFERENCE

Eight students represented the B'nai B'rith Hillel Foundation at Berkeley at the annual regional conference held in Saratoga, Friday through Sunday, April 29 to May 1.

The leadership conference was highlighted by keynote addresses given by Rabbi Henry Rabin, on the past three hundred years of American Judaism, and Rabbi Saul White's speculations on the future of the religion and culture in this country.

These key speeches were used as a basis for morning discussions. Also, a eulogy of Einstein was given on Friday night, following services, and a mass "evaluation" discussion was held Sunday morning.

Folk dancing and singing were in evidence everywhere. Songs were sung at every meal. The appearance of two guitars and a banjo helped stimulate singers at every opportunity.

Not in evidence was sunshine. Blue sky seldom appeared, and there were several small rainsqualls.

The conference allowed members of various groups from Seattle to San Diego to meet and exchange views. It also allowed discussions under the leadership of the directors of several of the foundations and counselorships.

Camp Saratoga, at which the conference was held, is located off highway 9 above Saratoga and is bordered by a virgin stand of redwoods. The camp is directed by Rabbi Wolli Kaelter. Delegates from our Foundation included: Meyer Scharlack, Ivan Silverberg, Marv Bienstock, Stan Gross, Bob Coppock, Lee Barr, Joan Spencer, Eleanor Jacobs, as well as the Rabbi and Terry.

The main purpose of the conference was not to train potential leaders in specific techniques for use in the Foundation but to give a general background and atmosphere of the religion to the visiting students.

From Your Social Chairman

This is thank you from me to all of those who have worked so hard this semester and last, in order to make the social program the success I feel it has been. I wish I could list all your names, but there just isn't room enough, so let me instead thank you again and urge you not to stop now, but to continue your fine work into next year.

Marilyn Barth.