

KOLANU

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OPEN MEETING

Sunday, December 4, 1955, the first open business meeting of Hillel took place. The meeting proved to be an important one, as many new ideas were gotten from our members. Much of the meeting's discussion revolved around the lack of any orientation for freshmen joining Hillel. It was generally felt that this lack of orientation has caused Hillel to lose many Jewish students on campus as members. There was discussion about a Freshman

Council for the purpose of orientating new students, but no decision was made on this project. However, it was decided that some sort of orientation board be set up in time for the mid-year membership influx. Another problem brought up was "How can we regain the interest of those freshmen who were enthusiastic at the beginning of the year, but are not so now?" An attempt to solve this problem was made through the decision to have a freshman mixer sometime after Christmas. Both personal contact as well as postal contact will be used in an effort to make the affair a big success. (At a freshman meeting Sue Brav was made Chairman of the affair and the various committee-heads were chosen.) Also taken up at the meeting was the idea of having a dance group for those members interested in learning Israel dances. Phyllis Scheinbaum took the head of the dance group which should start to function in the very near future. Finally it was decided that Hillel should have a newspaper as a means of expression for its membership. Allen Ehrlich was put in charge of the paper. The meeting was then adjourned, but the spirit of the discussions could still be felt throughout the group. Another open meeting will be held very soon. Let's have everyone at the next meeting.

OUR NEWSPAPER

I'm quite sure that you are all aware that this is the first edition of Hillel's newspaper. Due to the attempt to get this first edition out before the Christmas vacation, the paper's articles do not represent as broad a cross-section of Hillel's membership as desired. However, we do want and encourage everyone to write articles for the newspaper. The paper has been given the name "Kolanu". "Kolanu" is the Hebrew word meaning "our voice". The newspaper is yours. We want every individual member to take pride in it and feel it is his by contributing to it. "Kolanu" will cover progress in all of Hillel's undertakings. There will be reports on all the various groups, the services and one in, the athletic programs, as well as editorials, poems, book reviews, etc. which we hope to receive from you during the year. There will always be room for your article in "Kolanu". Here is the tool with which you may express yourself. It is being offered to everyone. What will be done with it? Let's hear your voice!

The Editor,

Allen Ehrlich

Gen of the week: Phyllis Ritter at open meeting: "I know from personal experience that the best means of contact is by mouth."

HAPPY HOLIDAY

"Kolanu" would like to take this opportunity to extend to everyone its best wishes for a happy and safe vacation. Live it up, have fun, and we'll see you next year.