

Rabbi Wolf Gold Launches Mizrahi Forum Series; Discusses Religious Zionism

Large Audience Hears Eminent Zionist Leader

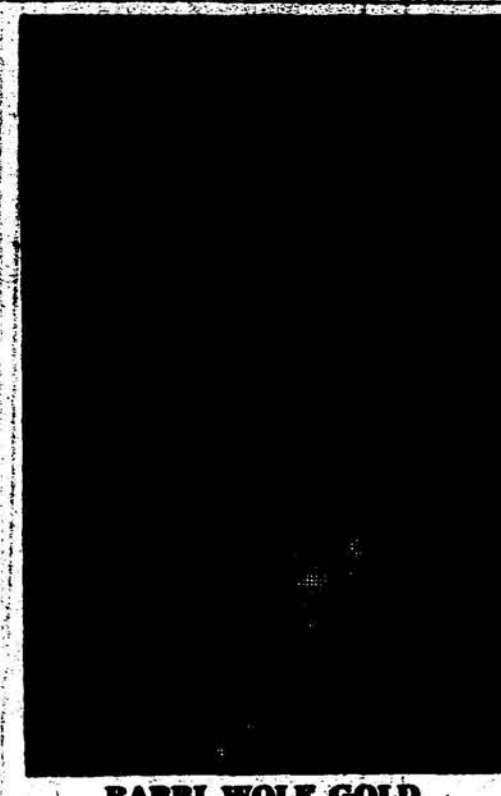
Rabbi Wolf Gold, chairman of the World Executive of the Mizrahi, addressed an audience of over five hundred gathered in the Harry Fischel Synagogue last Friday night on the topic, "Jewish Nationalism." This address, sponsored by the Mizrahi Organization of Washington Heights, was followed by a Talmudic discourse to the student body Saturday night through the arrangement of the S. O. Y.

Discussing the philosophy of Mizrahi, Rabbi Gold noted the general differences between the accepted interpretations of nationalism as opposed to the Mizrahi's conception.

"Many years ago someone came to America and was so impressed by the multitude of nationalities, races and religions that he titled this great country the melting pot of the world. But the Jew knows no melting pot. The only unifying influence which binds together the Jew of every country is the Torah."

Directing his remarks to the Yeshiva students in the assemblage, Rabbi Gold then stated, "It is you, the students of the Torah, whom we want in our Mizrahi organization. With the Bible as our banner we shall regain our Holy Land, and who, if not the Yeshiva students, should play a leading role in the redemption of Eretz Yisrael?"

Rabbi Gold's second address was delivered before the student body gathered in the cafeteria Saturday afternoon. At this Oneg Shabbas, which was sponsored by the S. O. Y., Rabbi Gold presented the personality of the sage, Eleazar ben Hyrcanus, and brought biblical references in the analysis of his character.



RABBI WOLF GOLD

Standing Faculty Committees Set Up

Standing faculty committees for the current year were appointed at the last faculty meeting, Professor Jacob I. Hartstein, secretary, announced.

Faculty-Student Relations Committee — Dean Isaacs, Drs. Churgin, Litman and Damon. Jacob Walker, Joseph Karasick and Murray Margolies are the student representatives.

Committee on Admissions and Scholarships—Profs. Isaacs, Brody, Litman, Hartstein and Mr. Levine. Committee on Courses and Standing—Profs. Churgin, Damon, Ginsburg, Hartstein, Margalith, Isaacs, Litman and Mr. Braun.

Committee on Awards and Functions — Profs. Damon, Hartstein, Isaacs, Jung, Klein and Mirsky.

Faculty-Student Committee Recommends Rule Revision

I. R. S. Hears Dr. Goldstein

Speaker Calls For Jewish Membership In United Nations

"Ignorance of wartime conditions makes it impossible for Americans to realize the tremendous tragedy of this world conflict," declared Dr. Isadore Goldstein, noted journalist and lecturer, and guest speaker at the second meeting of the International Relations Society on Friday, October 30, in the Dormitory Social Hall.

The speaker sketched a short history of anti-Semitism before and after the advent of Nazism and showed the detrimental effects of disunity on our aggressive spirit as an organized people.

"Outbursts against the Jews in the first quarter of the twentieth century were not officially supported by the various European governments. With the triumph of Nazism, however, a new era developed with anti-Semitism as a plank of governmental policy."

1939 marked the institution of a new policy characterized by wholesale executions, mass deportations and forced labor. Now life "hung by a thread", and survival from one day to the next evoked inward rejoicing.

"In order to achieve results, the united power of five million American Jews should press the Supreme (Please turn to Page 4)

Yeshiva Library Gains Large Collection

Over five hundred Hebrew, English, and Yiddish volumes were donated to the Yeshiva Library by Mrs. Stella Shelvin, widow of Bernard Shelvin, former member of the Z. O. A. administrative committee, noted Hebrew and Yiddish author, political observer, and music critic of the "Jewish Morning Journal."

The collection is extensive particularly in the field of Zionist literature, boasting Herzl's diaries and collected writings, Nordau's complete works, and many other valuable pamphlets on Zionism.

New Scholarship Fund Established

A \$2,500 scholarship fund, to be known as the Louis N. Margolin Memorial Scholarship, was recently established for Yeshiva College undergraduates in memory of the executive director of the Millinery Industry.

Over 115 millinery firms and friends of the late Mr. Margolin contributed to the creation of the fund with Mr. Nathan Markin as treasurer.

In presenting the fund to Dean Isaacs, Mr. Markin stated, "We felt assured that the memory of Louis Margolin would be most honorably perpetuated at an institution of learning such as Yeshiva College which he always encouraged."

W. L. CROSS BANQUET

A banquet honoring ex-Governor Wilbur L. Cross of Connecticut on his eightieth birthday will be held at the Taft Hotel in New Haven, February 21. It is being arranged by the Jewry in the State with Judge Samuel Mellits and Rabbi Meyer Feldman of Bridgeport as co-chairmen.

The proceeds of the affair will augment the W. L. Cross Scholarship established in 1938.

Dean Isaacs, Walker To Draft New Plan

A complete revision of the faculty ruling restricting student extra-curricular activities at Yeshiva College, was recommended to the faculty by the Faculty-Student Relations Committee at its meeting last Sunday. The decision was mainly effected by student protest, culminating in a student council resolution and an editorial in "Commentator."

It was generally conceded at the meeting that the wording of the ruling was ambiguous and open to a variety of interpretations.

The committee designated Dean Moses L. Isaacs and Jacob Walker '43, president of Student Council, to collaborate on the drafting of a new ruling, embodying, in large part, recommendations offered by the student leaders and recognizing the justifiable right of the students to have a voice in decisions affecting their welfare.

The committee further agreed that supervision and jurisdiction over students engaged in extra-curricular work should be exercised by the Faculty-Student Relations Committee, instead of the administration alone, as called for in the passed faculty law.

This provision will make for greater elasticity in the treatment of students whose unchecked college activities may hamper their scholastic standing.

Thus, what might have eventuated into a student faculty crisis has been averted by the prompt action of the Faculty-Student Relations Committee.

The final decision will be made by the faculty at its next meeting.

'Yom Ha-Dean' Loses Its Solemnity As Students And Deans Celebrate

Yeshiva College students acquainted with the laws and traditions of Israel would have been shocked—and pleasantly so—to observe one of our holidays make a reappearance on Monday evening last.

Dean Sar's reception for the new entrants into our institution turned out to be a "Yom Ha-Dean." Not only was Dean Sar present, but also on hand to act as hosts were Deans Belkin, Churgin and Isaacs.

Reviewing the students sitting behind lily white clothed tables bedecked with California's best representatives, Dean Sar set the boys at ease with the assurance that the deans wouldn't act in their official capacities. "We have not come here to make speeches but to welcome you and to acquaint you with your administrators," were Dean Sar's calming words sounding the keynote of the evening's addresses.

Dean Sar set a good example for the other speakers with his short but informative remarks. Dean Isaacs in his welcoming statement urged the newcomers to avail themselves of the consultation with the deans.

Dean Belkin emphasized the nec-

essity of the unity in all departments of Yeshiva. He reminded the audience of the statement of Dr. Bernard Revel, of sainted memory, that Yeshiva is the "synthesis of learning."

Dean Churgin expressed the desire to make this student-administration reception an annual affair and something that would lend itself to the mutual friendship between faculty leaders and the student body.

Acting upon the suggestion of Dean Sar, the first problem was put before him by a freshman who wanted to know how to meet the deans personally. Dean Churgin immediately countered with the suggestion that all new students rise, announce their names and meet the administrators. It is dubious whether Dale Carnegie could have made friends with the deans more effectively. Yet, some of the students might welcome some tips on how to influence the honorables.

This reception serves as food for thought for future ones. The deans, the refreshments and the songs were received by the newcomers with open hands, open ears and open mouths.

Gunga Din had nothing on our deans.

Y. C. Dinner December 13

December 13 is the scheduled date of the annual Yeshiva College Dinner at the Hotel Astor. It was recently announced by Mr. Jacob Salzman, executive financial director of Yeshiva. The Honorable Samuel Levy, former president of Manhattan Borough, Mr. John Block, of Kriby and Block, Resident Buyers, and Saul Cohn, president of City Stores are announced as honorary chairman, chairman, and associate chairman respectively.

"The Personnel Committee, composed of State and national dignitaries, important merchants, together with the Board of Directors, is making an energetic effort to insure the spiritual and financial success of the affair," stated Mr. Salzman.

He further stated that a patriotic program featuring leading stars, the Glee Club and the orchestra of Radio City Music Hall, will provide the entertainment.

Erno Rapee will be musical director, and Leon Leonidoff is senior producer through the cooperation of G. S. Kysell, who succeeded the late W. G. Van Schmus as managing director of Radio City.

The guest speakers for the dinner have not as yet been announced.

Dr. George Stefansky Masters History Of Ideas; Natural Science Next

The broad-shouldered gentleman before me spoke earnestly. Calmly and lucidly, he discussed himself and his work.

Born in Prague before the turn of the century, Dr. George Stefansky well recalls the once-free and again-to-be-free city of Prague. It was at the famed University of Prague that he received his degree of Doctor of Philosophy in 1922. "The Essence of Romanticism" was the subject matter of his doctorate thesis.

In the days of German cultural sanity, Dr. Stefansky received the Scientific Prize of the University of Berlin for his "Introduction to the Philosophy of Schelling." On command from the Prussian Academy of Sciences, our well-dressed scholar edited the posthumous works of Schelling in three volumes.

The history of ideas formed the chief field of concentration for Dr. Stefansky in his work as one of the editors of the "Epoch" the

outstanding journal on that subject and in his work with Conrad Burdach on "From Middle Ages to Reformation," the standard volume on that period.

In regard to professional positions, Dr. Stefansky occupied chairs in the History of Ideas at the Universities of Berlin, Muenster and, with the advent of Aryan cultural rejuvenation, at the Swiss University of Geneva.

Since coming to this country in 1939, Dr. Stefansky has taught at City College and, now, Yeshiva College. His completed manuscript of "The Structure of the Lawless World" in German awaits publication in Switzerland. The well-mannered doctor is now occupied with a book on the relations between the natural sciences and civilization.

Our new Professor of Comparative Literature infuses in all a greater respect for the creative mind and the true gentleman.

THE CRISIS AVERTED

Well, the progressive step was the one taken and the prompt settlement of the faculty ruling dispute was truly a mutually satisfactory one.

The manner in which the difficulties were ironed out at the Faculty - Student Relations Committee meeting last Sunday, proves conclusively that Yeshiva College is the type of school in which all parts are moving together in one direction—forward. The representatives of the faculty and student leaders spoke to one another on an equal footing, and all discussion was free and candid.

The student leaders of course agreed that some sort of check was necessary to prevent over-indulgence in extra-curricular activities at the expense of curricular work, and their alternate plan took this into consideration.

But they also insisted on having student representatives on any committee which would decide the status of students, giving each case individual attention, rather than a blanket ruling which might prove harmful to student activities.

The faculty representatives on the other hand, were under the impression that we had rejected the power of the faculty to make rulings. It was immediately explained and clarified to them that students aren't in the habit of "rejecting faculties", and what was objected to, was the ruling as it stood. For it was eventually conceded by all that the original faculty plan was very hazy, and the various possible interpretations were far too many and confusing for advantageous results. We trust that the rest of the faculty now also understands our point of view.

With the final decision of the Faculty Student Relations Committee, another bump has been straightened out in the road towards healthy harmony and cooperation between teacher and student.

ACTION!

Last Monday, Jews all over the still civilized parts of the world, celebrated the twenty-fifth anniversary of the Balfour Declaration. This little piece of paper has created more explosions, more heartaches, more hopes, than have any other documents in such a short space of time.

What it means to the British we're not quite sure. But what it means to millions of unfortunate Jews throughout the world we know and feel very deeply. To other brothers who are suffering so much, the Balfour Declaration, if carried out fully, means a new life in their own land. No more the badge of shame, no more the cringing before the whip, no more the life worse than death.

We students must take up the fight for our brothers. We must not cease in our efforts to have the Balfour Declaration fully recognized, to see that the "best endeavours to facilitate the establishment in Palestine of a National Home for the Jewish people" will be used.

Enough of this equivocation, enough of this procrastination; when it is a question of the life or death of millions, there is no time for polemics or pedantry, but action!

COMPLAINT DEPARTMENT

Many letters have been written us condemning the neglect to equip the reading room with blackout curtains. As the room cannot remain open at night, students are falling back in their reading assignments, and will later have to stagger so much more work into their already over-crowded hours. There are rumors to the effect that the curtains should be here soon. Empirical evidence either proves or disproves the authenticity of rumors.

Another letter to the editor calls "for an energetic protest on the part of the student body to remedy the disregard for decorum by both students and librarians in the library. This is really a deplorable situation and the Librarian should take his brood in hand. By all means strict rules should be put into effect, and trouble-makers should be shown the door.

Everyone knows what cleanliness is next to. It might not be such a bad idea to have some of that around here. Most of us have read the impassioned appeals on the part of Sam, our patriotic porter, and he deserves much more credit than most of us are wont to give him. With the labor shortage as it is these days, the work of many falls upon the shoulders of few. If we all joined in keeping the premises cleaner and neater, the general effect would be much pleasanter from the esthetic point of view, and from the laborer's point of view much more appreciated.

Maybe I'm Wrong

By Murray Margolies

When King Omar, whom men called the Wise, lay on his sick bed dying, his two sons were summoned to appear before him.

"My sons," the ancient monarch began, "I shudder at the thought of your coming into possession without effort of the mind. This, therefore, have I done. I have divided the land in two parts, each with its mountain and valley. You, my elder son Abdula, will seek to win the hearts of the people of the North, and if they but will it, the kingdom will be yours. You, my younger son Ishmael, are faced with a like task in the land of the South. May fortune smile upon you both." Whereupon, the good king returned the soul to Him, who is its master.

Now after the days of mourning had passed, Abdula set out to the valley of his province which was in the North. When he came there the people said to one another: "Behold, the son of Omar is with us. Let us hearken to his voice, for his sire was wondrous wise. Perhaps he will make lighter our burden and cause our suffering to be less."

Hearing this, Abdula went about from man to man saying: "I will heal your wounds and minister to your needs. Release the cares from your minds and I will make them my own." Upon these words, the people were filled with joy and all said: "Let us make him king, for he speaks our language." And Abdula reigned in the valley of the North. But the burden of the people was not lightened and their suffering not made less.

Now Ishmael, who was the younger, had set out to the land of the South and when he came there he climbed its mountain without delay. When he reached its peak he saw that it was bare of people and thereupon he shouted down to the valley in which were many people, saying: "Behold, O ye dwellers of the valley, how great is the misery in which you live. The valley is your home because you have not the will to abandon the worm eaten caves of your ancestors. You are fearful of climbing from your depths of despair to the mountain of strength and security. Know ye not, O dwellers of the valley, that with a long rope you can all pull as one until you reach the top of this mountain safely?"

When Ishmael concluded, the people who were below looked at one another and said: "This son of Omar speaks queerly. Surely he does not know what he is saying for his language is not ours." And the spokesman of the lot stepped forward and replied: "O son of Omar, thou who art on the peak of the mountain: Thou speakest gibberish for we understand you not." Whereupon Ishmael said: "The fault, O ye valley dweller, lies not in the tongue but in the ear."

And the people of the valley turned from Ishmael and went their way. And Ishmael was left a lone figure on the peak of the mountain even to this day.

American Orthodoxy In Review

An Interview With Rabbi Wolf Gold

Instead of an article on some phase of Orthodoxy per se, I'm going to digress this time and acquaint the reader with a very interesting personality.

It is indeed a fascinating experience to interview interesting people, and it was truly a thrill to personally come face to face with such a personality as Rabbi Wolf Gold. The flame of the zealot, the ideas of the scholar, and the speech of the orator par excellence have all manifested themselves in this man. His features are strikingly Herzlesque, and after being with him for only a few moments, one is sure that the love of Zion exist no less in Rabbi Gold than it did in Herzl himself.

I had just got through listening to his magnificent discourse on Rabbi Eliazar ben Hyrkanus. The previous evening he had expounded the philosophy of Miz-rachi. What more could I ask him? And how could my writing capture his spoken word? Nevertheless I started with the usual question, asking his opinion of us.

"I find the present Yeshiva student more serious, generally, than those I met in years before. He is more idealistic and seems to be more aware of his surroundings. If this spirit is a permanent one, I am sure that as rabbis or laymen, their influence will be positively felt."

Turning to the question of Zionism, Rabbi Gold answered that he couldn't understand how orthodox Jews can reject Zionism. "Zion is an integral part of our religion, and true Judaism is such only when the concrete desire for Palestine is included.

"Those orthodox Jews who reject Zionism are unconsciously being assimilationists. They are reconciling themselves with the Diaspora, and the 'Jerusalem' of their prayers is merely an abstract notion, something meaningless. The Jew has been able to withstand persecution and suffering during the course of history because the hope of returning to Zion was always so strong with him. 'Tomorrow we shall all be in Eretz Yisroel' he would say, and this phrase became his second nature."

All this while Rabbi Gold didn't pause for a moment—his eyes flashing, his hands gesturing, and his words filling one with wonder.

"Do you realize that seventy six per cent of our commandments are those that apply only to Eretz Yisroel? Can I call myself a complete Torah Jew in the full sense of the word when these commandments go unfulfilled? Can I therefore call myself a complete Jew if I have no concrete desire to regain Palestine once again for myself and my people? No, only on our own land can we really live as true Jews as the Torah willed it. 'He who lives outside of Eretz Yisroel is as if he has no G-d', the Talmud tells us, and therefore it is our duty to go back again to our land, to our G-d."

With these words the interview was ended. There was no time to find out about the man himself. But does one really need to find out about the man to know what type of person he is?

In The Editor's Mail Box

To the Editor of "Commentator."

Dear Sir:

Thank you very much for your kindness and consideration in sending me the "Commie" this past week. As a newly elected rabbi in a strange town, it sure is a treat to read of the "old home" news.

If you desire, you may also print the official announcement of my engagement to Miss Sylvia Weiss of Scranton, Pa. Miss Weiss is the sister of Arthur Weiss, class of '41.

Best wishes for a successful season.

RABBI MORRIS SCHNALL.
Congratulations!—Ed.

To the Editor of "Commentator."

Dear Sir:

Indeed, a great advance was made when the reference section of the library was moved up to room 427. But we are unable to make use of the room from the hours of 7-10 because of blackout regulations.

I seem to be shouting into thin air when I ask, When will they get blackout curtains?

CHARLES WEINSTEIN.

POET'S CORNER

BEACH NOCTURNE

The sand
Sinks as I
Press against Nature
And grasp
The grains
Soon to slip
Through slits
In clenched fists
That grasp
Yet cannot hold
The seductive,
The elusive
Searched and
Sought for
By ever-seeking,
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25th Anniversary of Balfour Declaration

Mass Meeting Demands Jewish National Home

Demands for the establishment of a Jewish National Home in Palestine by Wendell L. Willkie and for the proclamation of a Jewish Commonwealth as one of things to be recognized and that the democratic war aims by these policies be declared now!" Senator Elbert D. Thomas of Utah, ranking member of the Military Affairs Committee, evoked the cheers of an audience which packed Carnegie Hall, 57th street and Seventh avenue, last Sunday night. The occasion was a mass meeting under the auspices of the American Emergency Committee for Zionist Affairs and the American Palestine Committee, held to commemorate the 25th anniversary of the issuance on November 2, 1917, of the Balfour Declaration, in which the British Government pledged itself to facilitate the restoration of a Jewish Homeland in Palestine.

Willkie's Plea

Based on Recent Trip

In his message, wired to the organizations sponsoring the meeting, which included the Freed World Association, the League of Nations Association, the Church Peace Union and the Committee for the United Nations, Mr. Willkie pointed out that his plea was based upon a survey made on his recent visit to Palestine in the course of his world tour as President Roosevelt's emissary.

"Your case for a National Home has always rested upon historic rights and international law," Mr. Willkie stated. "Hitler's program of extermination of the Jewish people has made it a case for the conscience of mankind. The doors of Palestine will have to be opened for the homeless Jews of Central and Eastern Europe who will survive this war. The extent of that emigration must be measured by the needs of the Jewish people. While one cannot foresee the exact organization which will follow this war the establishment of a Jewish National Home in Palestine in fulfillment of the promise contained in the Balfour Declaration must find its rightful place in the new world order of tomorrow."

Thomas Calls Jewish State "War Aim"

Senator Thomas, principal speaker of the evening, went further, asking for the establishment of a Jewish Commonwealth in Palestine "as one of our war aims" which should not wait for the end of the war.

"We ask for the recognition of the fighting Jews of Palestine as our Allies," Senator Thomas said. "We propose recognition of the Jewish national home as one of the United Nations. We expect not merely the reaffirmation of the Balfour Declaration, but its full and complete implementation. We seek the establishment of a Jewish Commonwealth in Palestine as one of our war aims and peace aims. We ask that the Jewish people be given direction over its own affairs in its homeland."

We demand a free hand for the Jewish people to build a democratic Jewish Commonwealth. We ask, moreover, that these things be recognized and that the democratic war aims by these policies be declared now!" The Senator drew a parallel between the recent war-time settlement among the United Nations in which extra-territorial rights in China were abolished, with the necessity for the immediate settlement of the question of a Jewish Commonwealth, without further delay.

"It is not to the Zionists and to the Jews alone that I address myself," he said. "It is to the responsible statesmen of Great Britain and America and the United Nations. The more differences between the Allies which can be settled while we are still at war, the easier will be the making of the peace and the more just will be the peace when the time comes for writing the treaties. We have just had an example of how that can be done. In the case of China, an old problem and a standing grievance has been settled by the agreement reached between the democracies to end extra-territoriality in China. In the same way I propose that the problem of Jewish homelessness, the status of the Jewish people and its future after the war, the problem of Palestine, be settled now * * * This is the first year of the war for us in America. It is the fourth year of the war for Britain. But it is the tenth year of the war for the Jewish people * * *

Wagner, McNary Send Messages

The audience which filled Carnegie Hall and overflowed into the surrounding streets, applauded a message from Senator Robert F. Wagner, Co-Chairman with Senator Charles L. McNary, of the American Palestine Committee, which together with the American Emergency Committee for Zionist Affairs, sponsored tonight's mass meeting.

"The pledge of the Balfour Declaration," he wired the meeting, "is sealed by the blood and the suffering of millions of homeless and oppressed Jews. Its future is fortified by the incredible achievements wrought in Palestine by hundreds of thousands of permanent settlers. That work must go on with full and free immigration, now and after the war * * * The goal of a Jewish Commonwealth in Palestine will be fulfilled * * *

Sunday's meeting marked the beginning of a month's commemoration of the Balfour Declaration, to take place during November, which has been designated by the American Emergency Committee for Zionist Affairs as "Balfour Month," in honor of the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs in the British Cabinet in 1917, who issued the famous affirmation of Jewish aspirations for a National Home in Palestine.

Bernard Sarachek To Coach Revamped College Varsity

Interview Proves He's a Regular Guy

Our new coach, Red Sarachek, is a strapping well-built fellow, an looks like the sort of person you'd expect a coach to be. Unfortunately, he possesses the virtue of extreme modesty and to get him to talk about himself is a tough assignment.

His ruddy complexion, curly brown hair and square set shoulders would make any girl's heart skip a beat. But too late, for the new coach is a married man and has a baby daughter. Only basketball runs a close second to his home life.

Coach Sarachek launched his basketball career way back in his freshman year in high school by making the varsity team at Stuyvesant. Reluctant as usual in relating the highlight incidents of his basketball years, Coach Sarachek modestly acknowledged that he was on the city championship team at Stuyvesant, and later on the undefeated freshman team at New York University. In his first year at N.Y.U. School of Physical Education, Sarachek was convinced that he had chosen the right major by showing proficiency in football, basketball, baseball and tennis. Our new coach was a member of the N.Y.U. varsity five when it attained national fame during the years 1931-33. But a college was just a stepping stone to his professional career. At the completion of his training he broke into pro-league ball and played for such teams as Wilkes-Barre, the Brooklyn Dodgers and now the Jewels.

When asked to give his opinion on the season's prospects, Coach Sarachek answered frankly and with a sharp glint in his eyes, "I want the boys to enjoy their practice and team play. But hard work crammed into our few practice periods is expected from all members. In that way we should develop a hard hitting winning team."

Playroom Has Face Lifted

The grand opening of the playroom, although scheduled to emerge from its obscurity sporting a completely new face, appeared last Thursday evening with a few scars removed and a face-lifting job partially begun.

In spite of the fact that complete alterations were not ready for the big nite, Irv Fredman, Athletic Manager and genial host of the evening, allayed our worst fears fears with his "that which is not, is soon to be."

The program for the evening included a ping-pong tourney which featured four games going on simultaneously. An enthusiastic crowd participating in nite's fun watched some top-notch ping-pongers smash their way to victory amid the hum and swish of swinging paddles.

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ON THE SIDELINES

By Bernard Reiss

The big story of the day is that except for the formality of signing on the dotted line, Sarachek is ours, which means that you don't have to be a sports connoisseur to realize that here is something out of the Yeshiva world. Just watching him at work will indicate to our basketball neophytes that here is a man who knows his "stuff".

But the fact that we've obtained his services should not be a green light to sit back and watch him coach miracles into the team. With the material available in the institution, there can be no doubt that Y. C. can build a well knit efficient team that can offer a serious threat to the more ranking ball clubs. We would like to see some of our old standbys report to practice to make for an all-out concerted effort.

At a time like this when big plans are being formulated for the team's success, we should not in the mad rush of events forget or overlook some of the smaller details that help to make a team what it is.

On the basis of past experience we've seen that the team plays a superior brand of ball when urged on by a large turnout of Yeshiva fans. Remember the John Marshall games?

The publicity angle, therefore, is an important factor.

Irv Fredman and "Red" Kasten, taking this into consideration, are now discussing plans to establish a permanent mailing list of Yeshiva devotees who will be informed of the dates of our games and urged to attend.

Secondly, with a nearly complete schedule representing an impressive array of outstanding teams, it should be easy enough to attract a large outside crowd. Attractive posters strategically placed both in Yeshiva and outside ought to turn the trick.

Consider then the power of publicity, its advantage to the team and remember it pays to advertise—I hope!

Brings Long Experience To Aid of Quints

By MYRON L. REIS

After three weeks of untiring effort, the Yeshiva College Athletic Association finally succeeded in bringing the highly regarded Bernard "Red" Sarachek to Washington Heights, to pilot the revamped quinhooplets for the '42-'43 season.

With the coaching reins in the hands of so adept and experienced a mentor, and with the material at hand considerably better than any Yeshiva has been able to come up with in recent years, the chances for a successful campaign loom ever brighter and more promising. This, despite the fact that the current schedule will pit the mighty mites against some pretty sleek basketball talent, in the form of several crack Army quintets, Queens College, and very probably, L.I.U.

Sarachek has been at the helm of one of the classiest club fives in the city, The Workman's Circle, for a number of years. His record there is indeed an enviable one, and if he can even approximate that victory average with the Blue and White, it will be a job well done.

Height, a perennial quinhooplet non entity, is happily in evidence this year. Not abundantly so, but enough to make an appreciable difference in defensive play, and to heighten our effectiveness under the boards. Jack Green, rugged Junior center and the veteran Marshall Friedman, stand over six feet, while Skinny Katz, and Stan Doppelt are just a shade under.

Although he was officially hired Tuesday evening, Sarachek has had opportunity to view the boys in action at several of their practice sessions. He reserved comment, but in general his attitude seemed favorable.

Y. C. Pawn-Pushers Will Meet N. Y. U.

In a practice match for the Eastern Intercollegiate Chess Meet, the Yeshiva College Chess Team will face the N. Y. U. team on the evening of November 5 at N. Y. U. Uptown. This will be the "rubber" match between the two schools, two previous engagements having been split.

Rabbi Michael Katz '44, captain of the team, will pit the following lineup against the Violets: Katz, S. Zaitchik '44 N. Cohen '43, L. Zion '45, A. Mandelbaum '45.

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Yeshiva Gets Hot-Foot

Five o'clock on Thursday afternoon and all was seemingly well at Yeshiva. Classes were continuing as usual. Suddenly—a thick, black cloud of stifling smoke curled up high and pierced the dusty atmosphere of the coal bins. The craned puffs of soot danced crazily to the melody of clanging fire engine bells.

The metallic vibrations of the gongs which echoed and re-echoed throughout the steel girdered walls of the building rang in the ears of the Yeshivaites. Professors halted in the midst of expounding theories and stood dumb-founded while eager students rushed to the windows in breathless expectation.

A few of the more daring scholars scurried down the well-trodden flights of stairs leading to the hot-house. There, with smoke filled eyes, they beheld a tremendous heap of smouldering coals—complete with its satans. But these devilish characters in blue uniforms were wielding shovels instead of pitch forks, as they cleared away the charred residue.

No one ever realized that four hundred tons of coal piled high in our boiler room would have the audacity to prove the theory of spontaneous combustion. Why even the horn-rimmed bespectacled engineer would have scoffed at the idea. But now he knows full well that the bottom layer of bituminous refused to tolerate the briquettes of anthracite lying heavy on its head. It shrieked forth its anger and Yeshiva's basement became a depot of charcoal and brimstone. Yet three hundred and fifty tons of potential heat were salvaged from that black pit where pandemonium reigned.

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Stumping The Experts In Lands Of Faith; Israel Lerner: "It Pays, Too"

As announced in "The Commentator," it would simply read "Trying for the third time, Israel Lerner '43 stumped the experts of Information, Please." However, to Lerner, a winning question was prized much more than a mere mental victory over Kleran, Adams, et al. As the realization of one of his earliest ambitions, it vindicated all his efforts, the success of which was doubtful from the very outset.

Lerner listened seriously to the pronouncement, "Wake up America: time to stump the experts," and proved that when a Yeshivaiter decides upon a course of action, the subsequent conclusion is usually successful.

Truthfully, it can now be disclosed that Lerner had despaired of having his question accepted. It had been submitted about a year ago, and as the program is scheduled for broadcast on Friday evenings, he was unable to endure the agony familiar to "quiz-program contributors," i.e., crouching over his radio waiting hopefully for the glorious words, "The next question is from Mr. Israel Lerner..."

Unknown to Lerner, at the time, these words did grace the air-ways three weeks ago. His knowledge of this good fortune came last week when he received a fifty dollar United States War Bond. This was only an sugar of things to come. Uncle Sam's postman brought twenty-four volumes of the senior edition and six volumes of the junior edition of the 1943 Encyclopedia Britannica, a carton of Lucky Strikes, and a book case, all through the courtesy of Lucky Strike Cigarettes. Lerner would not be too astonished if he were the recipient of a package containing Mr. Clifton Fadiman, master of ceremonies.

The question with which Lerner, in conjunction with Dr. Margalith, baffled the intellectual giants comprised four quotations from the speeches of four Presidents in times of national crises. Among the Presidents in question were A. Lincoln, W. Wilson and F. D. R.

If you're interested, the address is "Information, Please," 490 Lexington Avenue, New York City.

Dr. Goldstein's Speech

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War Council of the United Nations. Until we gain recognition as a member of the United Nations, our brethren who are yet living will remain unprotected," the speaker concluded.

Upon receiving his B.A. from the University of Vienna and his doctorate in law from the University of Innsbruck, Dr. Goldstein served as editor and correspondent of the Jewish Telegraphic Agency at Prague and Paris. The Medinath Ivrit and L'etat Juif were also under his editorship.

In 1936, the Berlin radio devoted two days to discrediting an anti-Nazi article circulated by Dr. Goldstein. A fugitive from the Gestapo, he fled Vienna after the fall of Austria, but he managed to escape to England where he joined the British Expeditionary Force.

After the fall of Dunkirk, the Jewish journalist was marooned in occupied France with the dreaded Gestapo on his heels for three months, until he managed to escape to unoccupied France where he was placed in one of Vichy's concentration camps.

YESHIVA NEWS

At the initial meeting of the Students Organization of Yeshiva Abraham Zuroff '41, president, welcomed the student representatives and outlined plans of the various activities for the coming year.

Fifty dollars were allocated toward necessary improvements in the Yeshiva Library. Zuroff announced that all registered members of the S.O.Y. may now draw books from the Library without the payment of the special Library fee.

Menachem Ribalow Joins Faculty

Menachem Ribalow, editor of the only Hebrew weekly in the country, "Hadoar," was recently appointed lecturer at Yeshiva College. Mr. Ribalow will lecture on contemporary Hebrew literature to be given on Friday at 9:30 a. m.

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Put Pressure On England

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Mr. B. Netanyahu, chairman of the executive of the New Zionist Organization, spoke on "The United Nations and the Jews" on the evening of November 2 in the Dormitory Social Hall.

Stressing the national and racial attributes of the Jews, the speaker decried attempts at assimilation as results of a lack of historical perspective.

"The common fate and destiny of the Jews will attain its full realization only in an Eretz-Israel possessing all the requisites of a true national state," were the words which formed the keynote of Mr. Netanyahu's address.

The Zionist "yes-man" policy with regard to the British Colonial Office also drew the fire of the former editor of the "Ha-Yarden." He asserted that the only means whereby the British government can be forced to fulfill its obligations to the Jews under the Balfour Declaration is through a powerful world public opinion.

"It is through the instrument of public opinion and public pressure that the drive to gain recognition for the Jews in the councils of the United Nations can be successfully prosecuted," concluded the speaker.

The meeting was held under the auspices of the Yeshiva chapter of the New Zionist Organization. Solomon Maimon '40 was chairman of the evening.

Club Notes

On Thursday, November 12, Mr. Sidney D. Brown, lecturer in French, will lecture in English before a joint meeting of the French and Dramatic Societies on the development of the French theatre.

At the initial meeting of the "Doubtful Verdict" which took place last night, plans were discussed for the publication of "He and He," the club paper. Arrangements have been made with Professor Lipson of City College to address the society at a future meeting.

The Social Committee has announced the forthcoming presentation of the second annual All-Varsity Show on Saturday evening, December 19. Jerome Robbins '43 and Myron S. Reis '43 have already completed the script for the show.

Tryouts were held last night under the direction of Samuel Jaffe.

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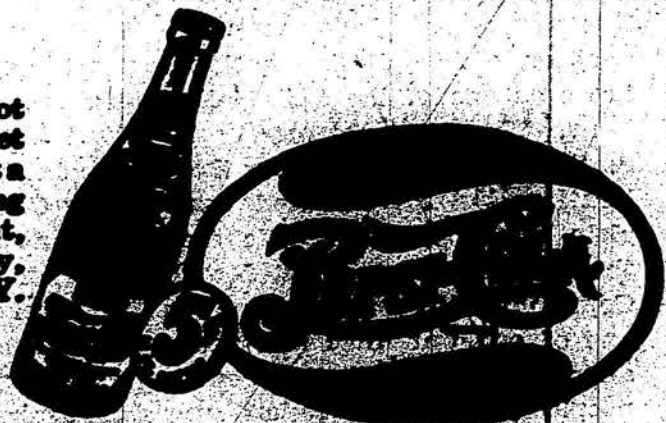


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