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Yeshiva Third Changes In Faculty In Federation Announced By Dean Chess Meet

Harry Yanofsky '43, representing Yeshiva College, tied for first place in the Daniel Levine Memorial Intercollegiate chess tournament, sponsored by the United States Chess Federation, which took place December 26, at the Manhattan Chess Club. However, Kelvin Plesset and David Roskind, both of City College, also had scores of 4½-1½ and the judges awarded first and second place respectively to these two under the Swiss system of scoring. According to this system, in case of a draw, the player whose opponents place higher in the tournament is awarded the decision.

Yeshiva defeated Langkjaar of Princeton, Panoff of Penn. and Stern of Temple and drew with Cohen of Cornell, Kurelmeyer of Columbia, and Plesset. The Penn, Temple, and Cornell games were adjudicated by Anthony Santasiere, North American open chess champion and Fred Peinfeld, noted chess expert. Yanofsky, who is president of the Yeshiva College chess club played out the final round against Plesset to forty-seven moves.

Yanofsky Receives Prize
Milton Finkelstein, Intercollegiate Chess League president, presented Yanofsky with a copy of Frank Marshall's book, "Fifty Years of Chess".

Yanofsky began his chess playing at the age of nine under the tutelage of his brother, Abraham, chess champion of Canada, now in the Canadian navy. In 1941 and again in 1942 he was champion of Winnipeg and in a demonstration of simultaneous playing held in Neepawa, Manitoba in 1944 he played 28 games winning twenty-seven and drawing one.

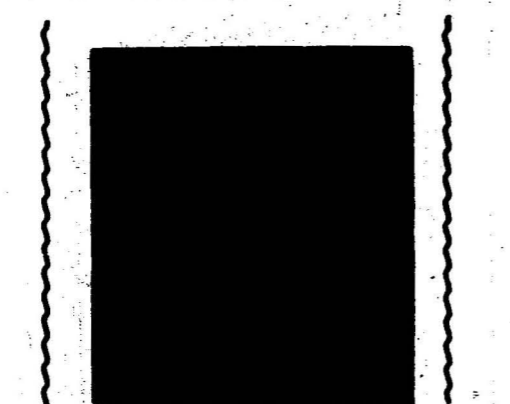
Reduced Rate Is Now Available For March Of Drama Repertory

Through a special arrangement with Miss Eleanor Fitzgerald of the Dramatic Workshop of the New School for Social Research, Michell Geller '46, co-director of the Yeshiva College Concert Bureau, has been able to obtain 50% reduction on the March of Drama Repertory. This means that Y.C. students will be able to obtain two tickets to four plays at the price of \$5.00, or two tickets to eight plays at the price of \$9.00, or one ticket to four plays for \$3.00 or one ticket to eight plays for \$6.00.

These plays are presented every Saturday and Sunday evening. Some of the outstanding plays presented are "Androcles and the Lion" by G. B. Shaw, "Twelfth Night" by W. Shakespeare, "Mourning Becomes Electra" by E. O'Neill, "Lulu" by Aristophanes, "The Cause of It All" by L. Tolstol, "Marriage Proposal" by Anton Chekhov and many others.

Modern Lang. Group Hears Dr. Rosenberg

Dr. Ralph Rosenberg, assistant-professor of German at Yeshiva College, has just returned from Chicago where he addressed the Franco-German literary-relations section of the Modern Language Association of America. His talk was on "Ludwig Boerne and the French" at the association's meeting held from the 28 to the 29 of December. Mr. Boerne was an early nineteenth century German-Jewish writer who spent his last years in Paris. He wrote essays interpreting German culture to the French.



Dr. Abel

The new courses will include English 46, advanced composition; Philosophy 31, political and social philosophy; Fine Arts 3, a glee club; Chemistry 17, biochemistry; Sociology 13, community organization.

"Agudah Attitude Is Misunderstood" Says Rabbi Elias

A large audience of Yeshiva students gathered in Riets Hall on Tuesday evening, December 25, to hear an address given by Rabbi Joseph Elias, a prominent leader of the Youth Council of the Agudas Israel Organization. This was the first in a series of forums to be sponsored by the Yeshiva chapter of Agudas Israel.

Rabbi Joseph Elias presented an ideological and political analysis of the Agudas Israel: "Our organization plans to mobilize the Jewish people in Eretz Israel and the Golah, in the spirit of the Torah. Agudas Israel is founded on the first rule of Judaism, formulated by Saadiah Gaon, that 'our people exists only through the Torah'."

Accomplishments Cited
"Today's picture of the Agudas Israel's attitude towards Palestine is a ridiculous misrepresentation", said Rabbi Elias. He proceeded to inform the gathering of the many and varied accomplishments of the organization in Palestine both in the purchasing of land and in the support of many religious educational institutions. He also mentioned the Agudas Israel's orthodox labor movement, with an active membership numbering approximately 9,000.

Rabbi Elias claimed that the Agudas Israel desires to enter the Jewish Agency, "if the agency will limit itself to the political and economic problems and make no decisions that contradict the law of the Torah. Only the fact that they refuse to obey the decisions of the Torah makes unity impossible."

Professor Rosenberg, the only member of the Yeshiva faculty to be invited by the association to speak this year, was chairman of the bibliography and reference committee of the Franco-German section and was reelected to that position this year. He has delivered two other addresses before the association on "Anglo-German Early Reception of Georg Buchner in America" and "Doctoral Research in Franco-German Literary Relations in America." The first paper was already published in a philological magazine while the second is now being printed in another language journal. His last paper is part of a monograph on and which he intends to develop further.

The Modern Language Association has over four thousand members and is divided into sections for each language. Any language teacher may join if he or she cares to do so. In each division there is an elected chairman who invites three members, on the average, to read reports of interest to the section's members each time they meet. The association was founded in 1886 and its "Publication of the Modern Language Association" contains scholarly articles of interest to modern language teachers and students.

Memorial Edition Is Published by Scripta
The two concluding issues of the 1945 volume of Scripta Mathematica will be combined into a large memorial issue dedicated to the late Professor David Eugene Smith of Columbia University. Professor Smith was a founder of the Mathematical Society and a good friend of Yeshiva College.

Some of the most prominent scholars in the country have already sent in articles for this special edition. Professors Raymond Clare Archibald of Brown University, Louis Charles Karpinski of Michigan, Lao Geneva Simons of Hunter, and California Institute of Technology's Professor Eric Temple Bell are among the contributors.

Professor Jeruthiel Ginsburg, editor of Scripta Mathematica, announced that due to the great demand by interested Yeshiva students, a special feature explaining various coin problems will be published soon.

Alumni Gathering Greets Veterans

Robbins Memorial Contest Renewed

The Jerome Robbins Memorial Contest in the Short Story, in honor of the memory of Jerome Robbins '43, who was killed in action in France, was opened for the second year when a group of classmates and friends met on December 25, the first anniversary of his death, and announced that a prize of twenty-five dollars would be offered for the best short story written this year by a Yeshiva College undergraduate. The judges will be Professors Klein, Linn and Fleisher of the Department of English.

As stated, the rules require that the story be original and the manuscript preferably, but not necessarily, typed. The contestant is to identify himself by a pen name only, submitting his real one, together with his pen name, in a sealed envelope, which will be opened after the judges have announced their decision. More than one story may be submitted by a contestant but each must bear a different name de plume. The contest will close on Tuesday, April 30, when all manuscripts must be in the Dean's Office.

Additional details may be had on application to Professor Irving Linn in the English Department office.

Teachers Institute Issues Eighth Horeb

The eighth volume of the "Horeb", Teachers Institute's semi-annual publication devoted to research in Jewish history and literature, will be issued during the latter half of January. Dr. Pinkhos Churgin, editor of the "Horeb" and dean of the Teachers Institute announced.

Featuring various articles covering diverse periods in the history of the Jewish people, the current issue of "Horeb" will prove as interesting to the layman as to the scholar. It will include an article by Dr. Yehudah Rosenthal on Polemics against the Old Testament in the era of the Gaon Saadiah, as well as an original essay by Dr. Israel Atlas on Foundations Of Jewish Laws of Damages. Dr. Abraham Weiss, a member of the faculty of the Teachers Institute writes on different aspects of the Mishna of the tractate Kidushin. Of especial interest to all will be Dr. S. Mendelsohn's article, in which are collected little known liturgic poems by two of the greatest Hebrew poets of all time, Ibn Chayyath, a poet of the eleventh century, and Israel Israel Nadjar, of the sixteenth century. Other contributors to this issue of "Horeb" are Dr. Joshua Bloch, Dr. Gershon Churgin, Dr. Michael Hagar, and Mr. A. R. Malachi.

Dean, Maj. Siegel, Dr. M. Karlin Talk

A galaxy of alumni members, rebbetins and aspirants, assorted freshmen, and faculty members crowded into Riets Hall, on Sunday evening, January 6, for a welcome home social for alumni members returning from the war. After a heated basketball game between the Yeshiva varsity and the alumni, the assemblage cooled off on Bonnie sodas and chocolate-covered raisins provided by Jimmy Gordon '44, and his assistants.

Nate Rosenbaum '45, the evenings' master of ceremonies, introduced Dr. Meyer Karlin '37, president of the Yeshiva College Alumni Association. Dr. Karlin stated, "Our boys were all over the globe, and alas, some were buried where they died. To you that have returned, we hope you will never again have to don a military uniform. We shall fight our battles on a higher level."

Dean Isaacs Speaks
Then Rosenbaum introduced Dean Moses L. Isaacs, who in his opening remarks said his special respects to a "Wits End." "In the past five years," the Dean stated, "we have had parties to wish 'Tscholem Le Shalom.' I'm very happy that tonight we all gathered here to wish them a 'Boaschem Le Shalom.'"

Next on the program was the cage star of the evening, Rabbi Abraham Avrech '40, who brought greetings from many alumni members he had met in the south.

Major Norman Siegel '34, told of the assistance he had received from members of the alumni in the South Pacific, in his duties as a chaplain. He mentioned that his last official function was to promote "Moe" Kruger '38 from a corporal to a sergeant.

Finally, after the M.C. had almost exhausted his quota of gags, the long-awaited social trio arrived. Isy Haitowitz '48, Israel Kurman '48, and Melvin Gopen rendered "Sentimental Journey" with all the effects of a scenic railroad. As their encore, they "tapped" out "I'll Buy That Dream." Mrs. Irving Koslowe then entertained with beautiful soprano renditions of Yiddish and Hebraic melodies.

Robbins' Poem Read
Nate Rosenbaum brought back memories of another day as he read from his column on the last alumni affair. At that time, Jerry Robbins '43, read his own monologue "Wait for Me World." Herman Tannenbaum '45, then read the work which was published in PM, May, 1944. The audience rose for one minute of silent tribute to the memories of Chaplain Louis Warfield '37, Private Jerome Robbins '43, and Private Leonard Kleppstein, who died in the service of our country.

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A Review Of "The Harvard Report On Education"

By Dr. Alexander Brody

Ed. note: This is the first part of a historical and cultural analysis of the much-publicized Harvard Report on Education by Dr. Alexander Brody, Associate Professor of History at Yeshiva College. The concluding article will follow in the next issue of The Commentator.

1. Search For Unity

The Persian Wars, according to the history textbooks, produced a division among the Athenians between the innovators and the conservatives. A "fierce and tumultuous individualism" released by increased opportunities for wealth, leisure and political power weakened civic loyalty, while the growth of knowledge and the critical spirit challenged the institutional basis of social and moral life. The impact of social change was reflected also in the educational system. A demand arose for a new education—an education that would fit the individual for expanding opportunities and personal achievement. A new class of teachers, the Sophists, appeared in the land. They professed knowledge in all fields, opposed nature to custom and taught that man is the measure of all things.

The conflict between the new and the old produced intellectual uncertainty and the problem of the reconciliation of the individual and society became acute. Educational theorists or philosophers sought to formulate a new basis for social and moral life—one which would conserve the worth of the individual and at the same time, the worth of society. Socrates arrived at the fundamental principle that knowledge is virtue. Plato accepted the Socratic notion of rational knowledge as the guide for belief and conduct, but sought to pattern knowledge after preexisting and absolute ideas. Aristotle derived the idea of good from concrete particulars, and made happiness or goodness, rather than knowledge, the aim of life and the basis of the reconciliation between the new and the old.

Continuity of Problems

It would be reading history backwards to trace the components of the modern social and educational problem in the crisis which faced fifth-century Athens. Today it is industrialism, science, and the pervasive influence of technology which make the reconciliation between the individual and the social so acute. Nevertheless, each age offers a striking example of the formal continuity of certain problems arising out of the relations of the individual to society.

The unity of the Middle Ages rested upon membership in a universal community under immutable law. The men of the Renaissance found the principle of unity in the humanistic ideal of the individual. Eighteenth- and nineteenth-century liberalism sought in competition the mechanism by which to equate individual and social interests. In natural reaction to individualistic liberalism in America in the early twenties, Dewey and his followers went to the opposite extreme. Politics and ethics were to be judged by the test of social consequences, and mind and character became mere attitudes of participating responses to social situations. Today we know that competitive individual-

ism operated to the advantage of the few at the expense of the many, while the overemphasis on the social obliterates the individual. Democracy must avoid the chaos of individualism and the tyranny of totalitarianism. The crucial problem of democracy is to discover and adopt a via media between the values of freedom and social control.

Unity and Diversity Reconciled

This problem of democracy furnishes the starting point for the Harvard Report on Education. The Harvard educators are deeply concerned over the clash of interests between opposing groups and classes in America. They would like to resolve the contradiction between the traditional American ideals of individualism, born of the days of the pioneer and the frontier, and the contemporary age of science and economic interdependence. Hence they emphasize those aspects of democracy which make for common values, common standards and common responsibilities. But unity must be conditioned by diversity, and the necessity for common belief must be reconciled with "the equally obvious necessity for new and independent insights leading to change." That is, the sense of pattern and direction deriving from heritage is to be balanced with the sense of experiment and innovation deriving from science. For the habit of forming objective, disinterested judgments based upon exact evidence is "of par-

ticular value in the formation of citizens for a free society".

Hence the Harvard professors are in search for some "overall logic", some strong "not easily broken frame" within which American culture and may fulfill their at once diversifying and uniting tasks. This logic must be wide enough "to embrace the actual richness and variegation of modern life" and, "it must also be strong enough to give goal and direction to this system." It is evidently to be looked for in the character of American society, "a society not wholly of the new world since it came from the old, not wholly given to innovation since it acknowledges certain fixed beliefs."

Unity Basis of Report

The ideal of unity in democratic society must be implemented by intellectual unity. For democracy is peculiarly dependent on a common view on life and on the integrative work of the schools. This is the basic theme of the Harvard report. But how is unity in the educational system to be achieved? What method or substance gives meaning and coherence to all parts of the curriculum? By what fields of study can the proper traits of mind and character be developed? Here one meets a multitude of conflicting solutions. There are those who insist that religion is the source of intellectual unity. Others seek the solution in the tradition of western culture as embodied in the great writers of the European and American past. A third solution is the functionalist approach. It cast off the formal divisions of knowledge and tries to organize knowledge around actual problems of contemporary life. Finally, the pragmatist solution sees in science and the scientific outlook this saving unity, urging that what is common to modern knowledge is not so much any over-all scheme as a habit of meeting problems in a detached, experimental, observing spirit. Is the concept of education to be torn asunder in these divisive ways? (to be continued)

The Student Loan Fund

When the establishment of a Student Loan Fund to be implemented by the students themselves was announced last year by the Ladies' Organization of Yeshiva and Yeshiva College, the student body of the entire institution was grateful for the generous service extended to them. It satisfied a need long felt at the school. The uses of this fund were limitless, and the students were quick to take advantage of it. A committee of three students was selected by the president of the S.O.Y. to take charge of the project; all that was needed for a loan up to ten dollars were the signatures of two of the three members of this committee. The student then presented the signatures to Miss Angell, and the necessary amount was immediately forthcoming. Loans over ten dollars needed but the personal approval of Prof. Hartstein.

For some reason unknown to anyone concerned, the current president of the S.O.Y. has washed his hands of the fund this year, causing it to fall into obscurity. Thanks to the good offices of Miss Angell and Prof. Hartstein, loans may still be obtained, but only after securing Prof. Hartstein's approval. The manifold duties of the good professor make it difficult to see him, so that a student with a pressing need for a loan may not be able to arrange it in time.

Surely it is not a lack of manpower that keeps this student committee from functioning. We see no other valid objection to the S.O.Y.'s handling of the fund. We appeal to the public-spiritedness of President Green and ask him to fulfill his duties as president of the Student Organization of Yeshiva in this case by again setting the Loan Fund machinery in operation.

Close Harmony Credit

With the removal of dramatics from the list of school activities there has been created a noticeable vacuum in the extra-curricular life of the student body. It is this fact that lends a special significance to Dean Isaac's announcement that a course in chorus work or group singing will be offered this coming semester, listed as Fine Arts 3, under the tutelage of Mr. Nallin. While it is not the policy of The Commentator as a rule to urge the students to register for particular courses, we do feel justified in so doing in this particular instance.

Not only will this course enable the students to add prestige to the institution by possibly appearing at school affairs, such as commencement exercises and the annual dinner, but it will provide a much-headed outlet for student expression. A Glee Club can be made into a permanent institution at Yeshiva. There is certainly no lack of "tonorial" talent among us, for the propensity of the Yeshiva student for vocal expression is well-known to anyone who ventures within hearing distance of the building. Add the material benefit of the credit offered for the course to the indescribable pleasure obtained from group singing, and we see no reason why Fine Arts 3 should not be a success.

Welcome Alumni!

The spirit and good-fellowship displayed at the Alumni affair held in conjunction with the annual Alumni-Varsity basketball game spoke well for future relations between the students and their "big brothers." As we pointed out before in this column, cooperation between the two groups is a must if Yeshiva University is to become a reality; and mutual goodwill built upon such get-togethers is a firm basis for such cooperation. May we bid a belated welcome to the Alumni and hope that more occasions may present themselves when we can join with you in celebration.

No Sociological Comments On Atom By Mr. Goldberg

It was a biting cold day, and I trudged in a deep snow through the Yeshiva University Campus to the Administration Building. I entered and took the elevator because the stairway wasn't working. I alighted on the third floor to search for Mr. Nathan Goldberg, lecturer in sociology, whom I was to interview. I didn't know him by sight, but I knew those sociologists. They are the men who spend thousands and thousands of dollars doing research on community structure to find out where the saloons and pool-halls are, when any street-cleaner could tell them for nothing.

After inquiry, I located him. I extended my hand in greeting and said, "Have a 'coke,' Mr. Goldberg (or how to make friends at Yeshiva)." I found him to be a good-hearted, sincere person as his students had previously informed me. I also discovered that his field is not only general sociology, but that he has also studied widely the particular sociology of the Jews on which he lectured at the Jewish Teachers Seminary in New York. Until December, he was on the research staff of the Yiddish Scientific Institute and at present is chairman of a lecture series there entitled, "The Jewish Community in the United States," which in-

cludes every subject from "who originated buying things wholesale" to "What Dinty Moore's recipe for gaffite fish is."

Sociology And The Rabbi

After receiving his master's degree at the University of Pittsburgh, he continued his studies in sociology and psychology at Columbia and the New School for Social Research.

Mr. Goldberg remarked, "I don't wish to seem chauvinistic, but I feel that the study of sociology is essential to the American rabbi. His functions have undergone almost complete change. The chief duties of the rabbi in Europe were of a religious nature, but his present-day position demands an adequate understanding of community structure and sociology." He also mentioned that there is an extreme scarcity of able workers in the field of Jewish sociology.

Before I departed, I asked, "Mr. Goldberg, do you have any statement to make on the atomic bomb?"

He answered laconically, "No comment."

I was stumped. "Do you mean to say," I gaped, "that you refuse to make any statement on the atom-bomb?"

Well, that's Mr. Goldberg for you.
 E. K.

Mites Skid Into Tailspin Drop Three Tilts In A Row

Virginia Union

In the first of a pair of interracial basketball games, Yeshiva lost to Virginia Union University of Richmond, Va., 46-40, at the 15th Regiment Armory, Saturday evening, Dec. 22.

The Mites, whose play has been inept the past few games, made this game an exception. Yeshiva's loss can be attributed to several bad breaks viz., balls tottering on the basket, baskets being nullified and the loss of Jerry Abrams through 5 personal fouls.

Foul Play

In the first quarter the Blue and White aided by Sy Friedman's ball handling and Stan Doppelt's scoring broke through Virginia's zone to lead 13-10. In the second quarter Virginia headed by Jimmy Buchanan, a local boy from Jamaica, surged ahead, to lead 20-19 at the half.

Virginia pulled further ahead at the beginning of the second half by scoring 9 consecutive points to make the count 29-19. Buchanan again was the Yeshiva menace scoring 6 of those 9 points. A one-hander and 3 fouls by Doppelt, a set by Sy Friedman, a one-hander by Jerry Abrams, and a foul by Friedman tied the score at 29-29.

Union Grabs Lead

Fredman who had not been playing up to par all night came through with two baskets. A Friedman set sent the Mites ahead 35-29 with 7 minutes remaining. Murray and Buchanan for Virginia scored 8 points between them to give Virginia a 37-36 advantage. At this point Dillworth, another local boy, came through with a basket to further Union's lead and from then on they were never headed. Frantic efforts by Gewirtz and Kalb to stave off defeat failed as the final whistle blew with Virginia ahead, 46-40.

Morgan State

For the third successive time Bob Applebaum's scorebook had a tale of woe to relate to Blue and White rooters. The win-starved Mites trekked to Philadelphia's Olympia Stadium on Thursday evening, Dec. 27th, in search of their elusive third victory, but once again they came a cropper as Morgan State College of Baltimore administered a 53-37 trouncing. With Sy Friedman sidelined by illness and Captain Hy Pomerantz playing with a heavily taped side, the Quints' chances for victory went abogging, but the Sarachock five let the Bears know they had been in a ball game.

The tangle, with last season's C.I.A.A. champion, second of a brace of interracial contests on the Mites' slate for the 1945-'46 campaign, found the Yeshivamen stepping into fast company both literally and figuratively.

Led by the speedy Allan Burke, whose set-shooting had the mesh singing a lively tune, the Negro champions sprang into a 5-0 lead at the outset. A set by Jerry Abrams and a pivot shot by Marv Fredman drew the Mites close on the heels of the Southern collegians. Morgan then displayed some of its gonfalon-copping form and its lead soared to 21-10 proportions. The Quints, not yet convinced that the setto was destined for the red ink side of the record book, fought an uphill battle but the halftime whistle found them on the deficit side of a 25-17 count.

Bears Dominate Play

When the two aggregations returned to the hardwood after the breathing period, the Staters proved themselves the quintet with the staying power. Coach Hill's hoopsters dictated the course of the court action in the second stanza and scored almost at will, as they went about amassing their 32-37 victory margin.

Ermon Jones who countered 15 tallies led the Morgan scorers followed by Captain Burke's 12. Marv Fredman with 11 points headed the Mites' scoring column.

Cathedral

Yeshiva's Blue and White livid cagers fell upset victims, 37-45, at the hands of N. Y. Cathedral on the Central High School of Needle Trades' court, Saturday evening, December 15th. Overconfidence on the part of the home five loomed large as a factor in the defeat, as the Mites' bogged down offense failed to click.

Cathedral opened the game by chalking up four successive foul shots plus a duo of buckets by Bob Martin. The lead was short-lived, however, as Yeshiva overtook them to sport an 18-17 advantage at the quarter.

The West Enders led by Mooney and Bob Martin, the evening's high scorer with 16 points, let Yeshiva know they were still in the ballgame. However, their efforts in the initial half were insufficient and the Mites led at the intermission, 23-25.

The early moments of the second half found the lead shifting back and forth. Midway in the third quarter Cathedral wrested the lead from the Quints and maintained it down to the final wire.

Punch-Drunk Vets Mellowed By Age And Varsity Squad

By Gabriel Schoenfeld '41

It was a pleasing sight to see the old faces and the new punches, take over the Yeshiva basketball court once again. And once more they maintained their perennial form—and bowed to the younger and more agile varsity. The final score was 43-32.

The play was rugged and the action furious; the fight intense and the cheers plentiful. Old Stars like Abe Avrech, '38, Sam Rosenblum, '38, thru '42, Irv Koslowe, 20th century, led in the scoring. Their respective totals were 11, 8, and 6. A frantic spurt by Norm Goldklang, Middle Ages, netted him 5 big points.

Yeshiva's Mortals

Former Captain Sam Meyer outdid himself as he displayed the talent that made him one of Yeshiva's mortals, by netting two big ones, as did Irv Jarot, Hal Esterson, and former Y.C. president, Jack Green.

Other valiant participants were Nat Lipchitz, whom we believe

Interracial Tourney

The Junior quintet featured the Neophytes 30-24, and the Seniors defeated the Sophs 20-9, in a doubleheader played Thursday evening, December 20, on the Yeshiva court. This was the second game for all the teams in this year's round-robin intramural tournament.

Captain Bodo Scharfstein of the Juniors opened the first contest with a one-hander and continued to rack up points throughout the game. Israel Paleyoff and Samuel Weigelanter with successive sets and layups during the tilt made a close battle of it. The Neophytes were overpowered, how-

ever missed this annual classic and Max Lipchitz, who did Joe Elgart also contributed his 6 foot plus frame to the Alumni's cause.

High scorers for the varsity were Marv Fredman with 23, and Stan Doppelt with 16 markers.

over, when abominable Mandel Fisch outdid the game at half to tally 9 points.

The Soph quintet, greatly strengthened by ex-varsity member, Andrew Blauvelt, dominated the second tilt most of the way. The Seniors needed opportunity after opportunity to score until the third quarter, when a set by Marvin Sarnber, an angle set by Mike Sanders and a layup by Stan Cooperman set them rolling.

Leading Scorers

High scorers for the Juniors were Bodo Scharfstein with a total of 12 and Mandel Fisch with 9. Israel Paleyoff was high for the Neophytes with 6 counters. Marvin Sarnber with 4 points and Stan Cooperman with 5 led the Seniors. Irv Hartowitz was high for the Sophs with 4 tallies.

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Youth Groups Are Solution To Acute Sabbath Problem

A special assembly was held by the Teachers Institute Student Council in December in conjunction with the T.I. administration. Dealing with the problem of Sabbath observance, one of the most pressing problems of the Jewish-American community today, this convocation was in keeping with the expressed policy of the T.I. student administration of holding frequent assemblies for the discussion and consideration of events and trends in current Jewish life.

Vice-president Chanoch Kelman of the Beth Hamedrash presided over the gathering and introduced the main speaker, Rabbi Harry Wohlberg, a well-known figure in Jewish circles and spiritual head of the Congregational Shomre Emuno of Boro Park. Asserting that only Palestine and America are left as centers of Jewish life, he insisted that the Jewish-American community is lacking in orthodox spirit and is therefore incapable of maintaining the Jewish traditional way of life. Rabbi Wohlberg pointed out that the Sabbath, one of the pillars of the Jewish religion, is flagrantly desecrated in Jewish circles throughout America, not out of economic necessity, but for trivial and petty reasons. "Indeed," he stated, "American Jewry has sunk to such a low level that whereas in Palestine the problem of the Sabbath is a negative one, one of dealing with non-observers and desecrators of the Sabbath, the problem in America is positive—the problem of furthering and extending Sabbath observance."

Youth Must Defend Sabbath
Stating that the most pressing

Jewish social question is guarding the sanctity of the Sabbath, Rabbi Wohlberg emphasized that the Sabbath is neither a "custom" nor a "ceremony" as some educators would have us believe, but an integral part of the Jewish mode of life intimately tied up with its outlook upon life and religion. He deeply deplored the fact that Jewish youth is permitted by negligent and ignorant parents to grow up without any knowledge of the inherent moral aspects of the Sabbath.

Rabbi Wohlberg made concrete suggestions as to how this difficulty may be met and overcome. He called for the formation of clubs and youth organizations designed to bring straying Jewish youth back into the fold, and indicated his willingness to be of assistance in the founding of such projects. "Above all," he insisted, "Jewish youths ignorant of their great cultural heritage must be shown that Judaism is not a religious burden, but rather an attitude towards the problems of life and a pleasant, soul-satisfying way of living."

The assembly, the final one of the term, was adjourned after the rendition of some inspiring Sabbath songs by the student body under the direction of Mr. Benjamin Stepanky.

T. I. Student Body To Publish Monthly

The initial issue of "Halakot", tentative name of the official Teachers Institute newspaper, will appear during the first week of February. This will be the first such paper in six years to be published by the students of the Institute.

Included in the paper will be news of T.I. activities, student council meetings and other such items of particular interest to the student body. Exclusive interviews with outstanding Jewish personalities and a column of students' opinion will be among its features.

Dr. Gershon Churgin, instructor in Hebrew at the Teachers Institute, is to be the faculty advisor.

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Classical Society Meets

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Junior Singing

Sunday night, December 16, the class of 1947 held an informal number in the dormitory social hall. The members volunteered their talents to make for an enjoyable evening. Among the entertainers were Hy Sky, with his clarinet and Norman Tversky who humorously described his recent journey from Philadelphia.

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