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## Varsity Show December 26

Rehearsals Begin  
On "Plot Sickens"

The forthcoming varsity show, "The Plot Sickens," which was scheduled for the week end of December 19, will instead be presented on the evening of December 26, in the Nathan Lampport Auditorium.

"The change in date is due to student employment in the Post Office during the Christmas rush," Samuel Jaffe '43, chairman of the Social Committee, explained.

The two act playlet, written by Jerome Robbins '43 and Myron Reiss '43, will be supplemented by a "surprise" that will be presented between the acts.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Harry Shumer, all necessary scenery, stage, and lighting equipment has been made available to J. Shelley Appbaum '44, production manager, who is in complete charge of stage and lighting effects.

At the committee's last meeting, Nathan Rosenbaum '45 was named business manager, while Jaffe was elected to act as Master of Ceremonies.

Tickets for this year's affair will be placed on sale at the beginning of next month at 15 cents to students and 35 cents to all outsiders.

"With the major parts already assigned and rehearsals under way, this show promises to equal if not surpass the entertainment value of our previous efforts," Robbins, co-author and director of the production, stated.

## Mr. Braun Speaks On French Theater

Traces Its History  
And Development

At a joint meeting of the Dramatic Society and the French Club last Thursday night, Mr. Sidney Braun, instructor in French, lectured before a large audience on the "Development of the French Theatre."

"The director in a play today has become most important," he declared. "This conclusion is obvious when we view the change from romanticism to realism in the French Theatre as a direct cause for engendering the use of individual poetic expression. Consequently the dramatists lose influence while the actors and the directors occupy a position of first importance."

The speaker traced the history of the French Theatre from the miracle plays of the 14th century to the classicism of Racine, the Romanticism of Hugo and finally the realism of the modern writers.

"The development of the latter," he said, "was due to Monsieur Antoine who founded the Free Theatre Movement in France and the Theatre Guild of New York. It was at this theatre that Romain Rolland presented his plays before the public."

In conclusion, Mr. Braun prophesied the rebuilding of the former Paris of culture to a new Paris of even greater prestige and influence.

# Student Body Unanimously Protests Dorm Curfew; Urges Further Negotiation

### Student Leaders Rebuffed By Deans

In an unprecedented move, representatives of the Yeshiva College and Yeshiva Student organizations met last Thursday night, in special joint session, and unanimously denounced the new dormitory curfew ruling adopted by the Committee of the Deans, at its last meeting.

The ruling follows

As from November 16, 1942, all students living in the dormitories are required to be within the building by 12:00 P.M. At this hour all entrances and exits of the Yeshiva College will be closed. A porter, who will be on duty all night at the West 187th Street entrance, has been given strict instructions not to allow any student into the building, unless the latter presents a special identification card which will shortly be issued to every dormitory student.

After discussing the implications of the curfew, a committee consisting of the executive officers of both S. O. Y. and Council was appointed to open negotiations with the deans and present the students' case to them.

The following Sunday, negotiations were formally opened. Student representatives held a long discussion with the deans in the course of which all student proposals were rejected. The result was a deadlock.

Undaunted by this impasse, student leaders called for a general mass meeting of the student body for Monday night.

(See column 4 for assembly story.) It was felt that through the medium of an assembly student opinion on the ruling will be clearly shown and, consequently, a definite course of action could be adopted.

### Text of Resolution

November 16, 1942.

We, the students of Yeshiva and Yeshiva College, in special assembly, hereby express our unalterable opposition to the general attitude of the administration toward student problems and to the ruling of the deans affecting dormitory curfew, as inconsistent with the natural sense of personal responsibility and individual conduct inherent in the Yeshiva and Yeshiva College student.

We strongly urge that negotiations between the Deans and the students be re-opened immediately.

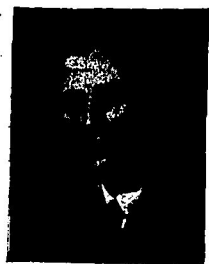
### Not a "Nay" Was Heard

The student body of Yeshiva and Yeshiva College displayed a united front against the new dorm curfew last Monday night. Over two hundred students assembled in the Harry Fischel Synagogue and unanimously adopted a resolution expressing their "unalterable opposition" to the regulation.

The assembly was held under the joint auspices of the Student Council of Yeshiva College and the Student Organization of Yeshiva.

The resolution calls for the re-opening of negotiations between the administration and student body in an effort to arrive at a satisfactory solution to the problem. It was strongly felt that not only was the curfew itself objectionable but that the undemocratic manner in which it was presented to the students and the utter neglect of student opinion deserved condemnation as well.

The assembly was opened by Jacob Walker, president of Student Council, who, in a stirring speech,



outlined the steps taken by student leaders and their rebuff by the administration. He related the story of the negotiatory procedure in sufficient detail to indicate clearly that it represents a complete reversal on the part of the adminis-

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## You Can't Stop Library Progress!

Among the rare editions received by the Yeshiva College Library during the past few months are the Dictionary of Dr. Samuel Johnson, a lexicon of the early seventeenth century, Ovid's Metamorphoses, Vergil's Aeneid, the poetical works of John Milton, the Works of Justinian, and the first editions of Wilhelm Meister and Horatio Alger.

A manuscript written by Dr. Edmund Lasker, international chess master, was obtained with the aid of Prof. Jekuthiel Ginsburg, head of the Mathematics Department. Copies of this manuscript are in the possession of only two other institutions in the world.

"More than one hundred books are being added to the circulation (Please turn to Page 4.)

### Meet The Faculty

## Brooklyn Prodigy Gets '4th Degree' At Y.C. As Cub Probes His Past And 'Little Present'

By Nathan Rosenbaum '45

B.A., M.A., Ph. D.—and this interview comprise four degrees to which Dr. David Fleisher, newly appointed sophomore English instructor, has stood up with the unflinching courage befitting only a staid son of Brooklyn—which fact he cannot dodge.

Dr. Fleisher received his baccalaureate from New York University and his masters degree and doctorate from Harvard. The subject of his thesis described Shelley and his intellectual background.

The education of the pride of Brooklyn, does not merely consist of formal secular training. He was graduated from the Etz Chaim Yeshiva in Boro Park and later attended the Teacher's Institute of The Jewish Theological Seminary. Dr. Fleisher put

his education to practical use by acting as representative of the Y.M.H.A. during his college career. It was not long before he was appointed to the Speaker's Bureau of the Jewish Educational Committee under whose auspices he has lectured extensively on "The Influence of The Bible."

While attending N.Y.U., Dr. Fleisher, a recipient of the Carnegie Travelling Fellowship, was enabled to travel abroad, studying at the University of Grenoble in France and the University of London.

Dr. Fleisher is possessed with a keen sense of humor which probably has Geoffrey chuckling in his Canterbury grave. The ideal idol of the English 3 class has a boyishness about him which pervades the very atmosphere of the fourth floor, and

brings into the somewhat aged lecture hall a spirit of intellectual gaiety which is making history sit up and take notice.

Dr. Fleisher's fatherly gaze of two weeks ago, disclosed a secret which longed for the chance to be revealed. It wasn't long before the doctor, taking stock of himself gurgled out to his class that he had just been presented with a little dividend. A burst of applause shook the very ceiling and the walls almost came a' tumbling down as Dr. Fleisher blushed childishly, amazed at his prowess of oratory at that sunny moment. Pappa Fleisher took the welcome of the little minor like a major.

The entire student body extends a hearty "good luck" to Dr. and Mrs. Fleisher on the arrival of little Michael Lawrence.

## Hold Dr. Revel Convocation

Prominent Rabbis  
Eulogize Late Leader

"Dr. Bernard Revel, of sainted memory, founder and first president of the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary and Yeshiva College, still lives in the spirit of the institution he created." This statement by Rabbi Aaron D. Burack sounded the keynote of the convocation held last Wednesday, Armistice Day, in the Harry Fischel Synagogue at 12 noon.

Rabbi Burack emphasized the fact that Dr. Revel had struggled perseveringly towards the establishment of an institution which would disseminate the lofty ideals of Torah throughout the American Jewish community. In spite of his premature demise, at the age of 54, Dr. Revel realized the aim of his life by demonstrating that Torah can be transplanted to the American Continent, he concluded.

Rabbi Samuel K. Mirsky elaborated on Dr. Revel's sincere desire to prove "that Torah is not a product of political subjugation but is capable of thriving in democracy as it did under tyranny."

"Dr. Revel prepared America as the future home of Torah and his handiwork, the Yeshiva, signifies the unity of Judaism," he added.

Representing the student body was Abraham Zuroff '41, president of the Students' Organization of Yeshiva, who portrayed Dr. Revel as the modern Rabbi Abuhu, "leader and spokesman of his nation," whose sole aim in life was to establish a "spiritual center from which would emanate faith and Torah."

## Council Appoints New War Board

Organizations  
Granted Charters

At a regular meeting on the evening of November 15, the Student Council appointed Harold Kanatopsky '43 and Sidney Steiman '44 as the student representatives on the projected Faculty-Student War Council. The latter will coordinate the activities of all students with relation to the war effort. Kanatopsky and Steiman will function as co-chairmen of a committee composed of representatives from the separate war councils of every class. Unity and concerted, organized effort is to be effected through the work of this new group.

Several organizations were chartered at this same meeting. However, no political clubs were granted franchises. They will, nevertheless, be subject to Clearing-House regulations.

Before Council adjourned, unanimous approval was voted to the engagement of Mr. Bernard Sarachek as varsity basketball coach.

## THE COMMON DENOMINATOR

This business of the dormitory curfew boils itself down to one fundamental question: What are the rights and privileges of the members of the student body of this institution? Was the academic freedom which the students enjoyed, and violated so seldom, truly a freedom, carried over from generation to generation, grown secure with use, or merely a legal fiction subject to the whims of whoever had the power to revoke it?

To quote from a pamphlet issued by The Civil Liberties Union: "... There are problems which lie sometimes in deliberate abuse by some students. But ... the only sound way out lies in cleaving to the standard of responsible leeway for students to grow, by doing and discussion, into responsible citizenship, to develop themselves and their fellows by responsible experiment. Around that principle, not around repression, regulation should be built".

We students truly prided ourselves, and the administration, on the rights we enjoyed. While students in the other schools are often subject to one type of pressure or another, we, here, have been treated as free students—and what is more important, as free, responsible human beings.

We feel that somewhere along the line the common denominator of Yeshiva and all it stands for is now being relegated to a subaltern position.

In discussion of the curfew itself, the mass meeting held last Monday night in the synagogue proves conclusively enough that it is objected to universally. The unanimous objection of all present resolved itself into two main points: 1.) the general policy of the administration, and 2.) the curfew as a solution.

### DISCUSSION — NOT REPRESSION

We notice that the trend is towards the exclusion of student representatives even from the discussion of measures which vitally affect the students. In this case there was not even any attempt made for negotiations with the student leaders, let alone a consultation beforehand to discuss the merits or demerits of the curfew. It was categorically set down by the administration that this was only a matter of "administrative policy", and the students had nothing more to do with it but accept. To "go back to the dormitory" and forget about it, was the answer to the student representatives.

Is this the proper method of handling disputes? Do not the students, through their leaders, possess the right to talk over with the administration of problems vitally affecting them? Is not democracy just this right?

Is not the relation of the administration to the student equivalent to the relation of the government to the citizen—and cannot the citizen discuss and object to measures which he feels are unfair? We repeat, around the principle of doing and discussion, not around repression, regulation should be built.

It was argued by the administration, that as things stand now there is no formal responsibility governing the student body, that nothing can be shown which might prove to the outsider, for example, that the student knows how to live away from home. The unanimous opinion of the student body is that this is no argument; on the contrary, they are proud of the fact that with no formal regulations to govern them, conditions in the dormitory have been better than average. The freedom hitherto vested in the student living in the dormitory has never been abused to an extent warranting such action, and if it has been abused, the individuals involved should be dealt with individually, and harshly. But the general rights of the students should remain intact.

The meeting of the students expresses their viewpoint. The least that the administration can do, is to agree to reopen negotiations with the student representatives and thrash this thing out in the manner to which the students have been accustomed.

### ... OF WAR AND STUDENTS

In conjunction with a nation-wide appeal to college students to interest themselves more in civilian defense while they are still in college, may we too add our few words of appeal to the student body. While we are still able to enjoy the luxury of education, we should not ignore the duties "around the house" which are of great importance. It is incumbent upon those who have not already done so to engage in anything and everything from giving blood to air-raid wardening. The reply that it looks "all clear" on the horizon of international events is no answer. It is the wounded animal which is the dangerous one; likewise, it is the nation which is suffering many defeats that will stake everything one one last chance — and for this last chance of our enemies we must be prepared. So kick in, fellows, and do your duty.

## In The Editor's Mail Box

Editor, "Commentator",  
Yeshiva College,  
New York City.

Dear Sir:

Just a word from a graduate who wants to thank you for sending him the "Commentator". I don't skip a word in the paper and make it my business to read every line. However, I didn't write this letter just to praise you for my prime purpose was to offer a suggestion.

In three issues of Commentator, I have seen plenty of ads about war bonds but I have yet to see a single mention of Yeshiva men in the armed services. I know of two '41 men who are sacrificing their normal existences to serve with the army. I imagine that there are many many more that I don't know about.

Now, you ask, what can "Commie" do to help make life happier for our boys? Here are just a few suggestions:

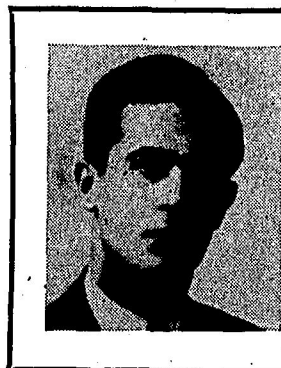
1. Prepare a list of friends of the Yeshiva in every state so that Yeshiva men away from home will always have a place to go where the "Welcome" mat is at the doorstep.
2. Encourage correspondence to boys in the army by publishing their addresses.
3. Make sure that a copy of "Commentator" is sent to them wherever they may be.

Let's give our Yeshiva boys in khaki the treatment they deserve.

Sincerely,  
Meyer Heller '41.

#### Editor's Note:

We've taken your suggestion. See page three for honor roll. Future Commentators will contain more.



## Maybe I'm Wrong

By Murray Margolles

Close up on the heels of his historic "Century of the Common Man" speech, our remarkable Vice President, Henry Wallace, has again given utterance to a penetrating analysis of present trends. Two telling paragraphs stand out in a speech rich in content and sound in principle upon which the expenditure of a few lines will not prove amiss.

Said the Vice President: "Some in the United States believe that we have overemphasized what might be called political or Bill-of-Rights democracy. Carried to its extreme form it leads to rugged individualism, exploitation, impractical emphasis on States rights, and even to anarchy."

"Russia, perceiving some of the abuses of excessive political democracy, has placed strong emphasis on economic democracy. This, carried to an extreme, demands that all power be centered in one man and his bureaucratic helpers."

Now were it not for the fact that the speaker happens to be second in command in the world's greatest capitalist state, he would surely be labeled a Communist on the basis of these words. Undoubtedly the Honorable Martin Dies and Representative Rankin who speak for "the white Anglo-Saxons of the South" are already preparing to do so. It is the contention of the present writer, however, that the above quoted statements of Mr. Wallace should constitute truths for anybody regardless of creed or shade of opinion.

That, war conditions aside, forty millions in this plenteous land have been suffering from sub-standard living conditions is an indisputable fact. That the worst sort of industrial and agrarian exploitation of toilers for bread has been the economic rule in this country is a truth equally established. That racial and religious economic discrimination has long been in practice in America is likewise undeniable.

In the U.S.S.R. there is a dictatorship, and a ruthless one at that. There are some unmistakably bloody pages in its twenty-five year history. And yet perhaps that ruthlessness and that blood, as ex-Ambassador Davies points out, accounts partially for the Soviets' Gargantuan resistance of Hitler's brutal hordes.

It is now a question which should come first, political or economic democracy. It is of course agreed, that both constitute the ultimate goal for enlightened men and women everywhere. But to this writer, at any rate, it seems that political democracy can only then be meaningful if economic democracy underlies it. A disproportionate distribution of economic strength tends to nullify an apparent political equality. Who knows, perhaps this fact accounts for the re-election of Hamilton Fish and the defeat of George W. Norris? At any rate the matter is well worth thinking into, and it is intended to develop the issues further in a subsequent article.

## American Orthodoxy In Review

### "Shimush" Plan Proposed By Rabbi Jung

Looking over the course of Jewish history, one almost consistently finds that the conduct and behavior of Israel were contingent upon the caliber of its leaders. Able leaders created a healthy Judaism; weak and disinterested leaders, a falling Judaism. What has been a truism is no less so now. Therefore, one can correctly assume that the status of many Jewish communities in America is due to a great extent to the lack of able, militant, idealistic leadership.

In his series of articles, the writer's premise has constantly been that leadership manifests itself not only in the rabbinate, but also in the laity. If these two groups have not been too successful in fulfilling their duty to the community, now, above all times, is there a crying need for the leaders to understand the situation, and fight for the supremacy of the Torah.

Which brings us to the Yeshiva again. In previous columns the advisability of seminar courses was discussed, and it was suggested that they be held for all students under the auspices of the Rabbinical Council of America. The suggestion will be taken up at the next meeting of the Council, and we may see action.

In discussing this problem with Rabbi Leo Jung, another

suggestion was put forth by him which should prove invaluable if carried out—"shimush". This plan would make it compulsory for the musmach to serve in a capacity as assistant rabbi for a certain period of time before taking over the leadership of a community. Through such means, he will learn first hand of the practical problems facing the rabbi, and thus being already solidly aware, he will know how to tackle these problems when they arise in the future. He will also then be able to detect the weak points of the community, their causes, their manifestations, and, with the help of his superior, work out solutions.

Not only will such a method lead to the betterment of the community, in that even the beginner will have had experience, but this will have a favorable effect upon the future leader himself. During this period, besides being able to participate in all phases of communal leadership, he will be able to prepare himself, and overcome his own shortcomings through pertinent experience, reading, and research. In the long run, the idealism which is so important for the good leader will also have more of a chance of surviving the exigencies of the rabbi's life.

What about the layman? A type of "shimush" for him is also very necessary, insists Rabbi Jung. Every graduate should be offered the opportunity to acquaint himself with the spiritually more successful synagogues and use them as "laboratories". He should feel free to ask the rabbi any question which may confront him, as a future lay leader in the community, and should also have the opportunity to go "behind the scenes" of the workings of the synagogue, organizations, and the other parts constituting the successful orthodox community.

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# A Modest Proposal

For preventing dormitory residents of Yeshiva College from coming and going unrestricted and unguarded.

By DEAN JONATHAN RAPID

Of late it has become apparent to some people that residents of the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary Dormitory are wont to keep unseemly hours and to come and go without supervision. These people feel that this procedure is inadvisable and regrettable and have proposed various devices with which to combat this disenheartening state of affairs. I shall now therefore propose my own thoughts on the subject and hope that they will be found adequate.

I have been assured by many people who are in a position to be fully acquainted with the matter, and have gathered from books written on the subject, that the best type of supervision is to be found in a country called Hunland, and I humbly suggest that we adapt their method with modifications required by our clime and position.

The first step is the acquisition of rope, no thicker than the ordinary ship's hawsers. Chairs would of course be preferable, but due to the stress of the national emergency, and because we are all primarily interested in the preservation of this our democracy, we shall use rope as an adequate substitute. Then a length of rope, not longer than four feet be tied to the four corners of the bed. Since there are only 250 beds in the entire dormitory we require but 1000 feet of rope for the entire operation. At 10 o'clock every night, each resident of the dormitory will be tied to his bed by the four lengths of hawser, by

each of his hands and each of his feet. It will require but two porters on every floor to handle the matter efficiently, making a total of eight porters, which I am told the institution can hire in sufficient numbers.

The second step is to acquire 10 lengths of the same kind of rope of approximately 100 feet each, two for each floor of the dormitory. Every morning each student will be required to stand at attention in front of his door and the length of rope will be passed through his wrists, which shall be tied by a small length of line rope, which is so small a matter that I need not go into the expense involved, and in this manner be taken to the minyan classes dining room and so on.

Since it is not my intention of depriving the dormitory residents of freedom of movement, I would deem it advisable to allow them to freely occupy their rooms for one hour each evening. Between 9:00 and 10:00 would be best. Furthermore, since I wish to allow the student all possible liberty, permission should be granted to visit a sick blood relation, or a moribund friend if accompanied by a special porter, a squad of which shall be appointed for this very reason.

I profess, in all sincerity, that I have given this matter much thought, and believe that my outlined plan will give adequate supervision. To some it may seem lenient, but I am filled with an unabounding confidence in my fellow creature and in the deep sense of responsibility which moves him.

## Quints Shaping Up Nicely

### Kalb and Doppelt Spearhead Team's Offensives

Thus far this season, the Quints have held three practice sessions under the supervision of Coach Bernard Sarachek. To say that they looked good would be deliberately misrepresenting the facts. To assert, however, that their chances of developing into a smoothly-working contingent are promising, would be wholly in line with the truth. In Sarachek's opinion, the boys have definite possibilities which, through plenty of hard work and bustle, can be brought to the fore and made to pay off in the form of a protracted victory column.

Of course there is a great deal of tedious labor ahead of the Blue and White if they are to shave off the numerous rough edges which hinder their offensive play, and equally as much effort must be expected to iron out their defensive difficulties. Passing is their chief nemesis. They can't throw accurately to save their souls. On the other hand, they are remarkably effective in their shooting. But ball handling is an integral part of any team's operation, and unless the boys improve in this respect, they will run into an abundance of unnecessary trouble. Needless to say, the only possible remedy is practice—as much of it as possible — and then some!

The first five as they shape up at this writing, will have Stan Doppelt and Red Kalb at the forwards, Blondy Perlow and Shimmy Katz at the guards, and either Marshall Friedman or Jack Green at center. Some old familiar figures may be seen cavorting in the Blue and White uniform this year, provided the second attempt to establish a Seminary Team proves fruitful. In this case there would be certain notable changes in the personnel of the starting team.

Worthy of special meritorious mention is Freshman Hy Pomerantz. Strong, fast, steady, and possessed of a reliable shot, he lacks only the polish and experience necessary to earn a starting berth. These should not be long in coming though, and in the meantime Hy is a very valuable man to keep in reserve.

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## ON THE SIDELINES

By Bernard Reiss

With only comparatively few practice sessions to their credit, the hoopsters will tangle with Webb in the season's opener on November 24.

Although this represents a departure from the traditional encounter with Brooklyn College of Pharmacy as the team's initial attempt for the season, it is a change worthy of commendation.

Webb has in past years been considerably weaker than B.C.P. both in offensive and defensive play, which means that the Blue and Whites, who still are not showing the smooth coordination that we'd like to see, will have a chance to taste the fruits of victory in their opening engagement.

But this is no reason to believe that this contest will be a push-over. Far from it. The history of Y.C.-Webb games has been one of give and take.

Last year when the boys forgot their history and thought that it would be all "take," an overconfident Blue and White aggregation slunk home to the tune of a 34-33 defeat.

Although this year's squad shows more potentialities than that of previous seasons, let's not make a similar blunder. To underestimate the enemy is an unpardonable crime, punishable at times by near or complete defeat.

On the home front, the Quintets will engage N.Y.U. Commerce for its first at home game. We can hardly stress enough the importance of a large turnout of fans, at least for home matches.

Irv Fredman our A.M. has done a good deal to provide for the team in a manner to which it is unaccustomed. He has secured the high-ceilinged, spacious George Washington Gym

for home games and also announces that the Cheering Squad led by Harold Miller '45 will be ready at the Commerce game to give the boys that extra "go" which may mean the difference between a win or lose game.

All of which reminds us that an advertising campaign so sorely needed to attract a large crowd shows no visible signs of being. In addition to which very little assistance is being given to "Mike" Reiss in his season-pass sale. Which, to say the least, can be very disheartening if not remedied soon.

The Knocks and Boosts department gives a two-star knock to playroom developments. If predictions for a completely renovated playroom are to be lived up to, the out-of-this-world enthusiasts should get busy on an in-this-world program.

Top honors with a record-shattering number of knocks goes to our beloved gym and facilities.

The ventilating system which is running part-time is giving the boys a part-time headache. They find that after a strenuous workout they are choked by half a mouthful of soot instead of a complete mouthful.

The smell—and we can almost say the taste—of sand in the air is nothing short of awful.

The deplorable conditions of the shower rooms opposite the gym leave much to be desired.

The mats reek with dust and filth.

This department has received a deluge of these and similar complaints. All of these defects are uncommon in that they should never have existed in the first place but now that they do they shouldn't exist in the second place.

## POET'S CORNER

### Variations on a Limb

Arm—  
Cool with the coolness  
Of night  
Yet warm with the warmth  
Of a sunlit soul,  
Entwines itself  
And holds and is held,

And the tresses creep  
Softly along its curve,  
As each vibrant nerve  
Senses and sensing,  
Stirs the waters of love  
In a once-stagnant  
Soul.

ALLEN MANDELBAUM.



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Their Country



Chaplain J. H. Lief '32	Tech. Bernard Schrenzel '38
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Pvt. Irwin J. Zolt '36	Pvt. Herzl Freed '39
Pvt. Leo Usdan '36	Chaplain Norman Seigal '39
Pvt. Abraham Friedman '36	Pvt. Leo Levin '39
Sgt. Louis Henkin '37	Pvt. Theodore Gross '39
Tech. Aaron Kaplan '37	Pvt. Chaim Koenigsburg '40
Pvt. George Silver '37	Pvt. Norman Samson '40
Pvt. Moriss Hurwitz '37	Pvt. Leo Robbins '41
Pvt. Irving Stern '37	Pvt. Leon Rubinstein '41
Chaplain Louis Werfel '37	Pvt. Isaac Marienstrauss '41
Lieut. Robt. Marmorstein '38	Pvt. Morris Weinberg '41
Pvt. Herbert Hurwitz '38	

### BASKETBALL SCHEDULE 1942-1943

Date	School	Place
Nov. 18	Scrimmage	Home
Nov. 24	Webb	Away
Dec. 2	N.Y.U. Commerce	Home
Dec. 9	Brooklyn College of Pharmacy	Away
Dec. 16	N.Y.U. Arts	Home
Dec. 19	N.Y.U. Washington Square	Home
Jan. 6	N.Y.U. Engineers	Home
Jan. 9	*Queens College	Home
Jan. 23	Pratt Institute	Away
Feb. 8	Bergen Jr. College	Away
Feb. 13	Drew University	Away
Feb. 23	Brooklyn College of Pharmacy	Home
Feb. 25	Jersey Teachers' College	Away
Mar. 4	City Uptown	Away
Mar. 6	*Fort Totten	Home
.....	Brookfield College	Home
.....	Brookfield College	Away
.....	Alumni	Home
.....	Wagner College	Away

\*These home games will require special admission passes. All other home games which will be played at George Washington Gym will be free to students presenting a Student Card. Undated games will definitely be played. Dates will be announced later.

# Speechless Winer Speechifies In Pantomime; Dumb-Show

BEFORE—a deep, full, resonant baritone thundered and filled the air . . .

AFTER—a solemn, almost inaudible whisper issued forth . . .

No, this is not an advertisement for a voice culture school; instead, it is simply the condensation of a story of a Yeshiva boy and his childish treble.

Those of you who happened to encounter Gershon Winer in the halls were amazed and a bit bewildered by the bundles of verbosity which were stuck in his throat and which leaked out in a muzzled falsetto. If you wondered why he gurgled so, it can now be told that a growth attached itself to his vocal chord. The aforementioned vegetable growth was a flowery polyp which feasted on his honeyed voice. One morning Winer opened his oral cavity and discovered that he was mute as a mackerel. Quickly, he readjusted his blue yamulka, and rushed to the nearest hospital. But much quicker was his return. Ten times he retraced his steps, but finally the faint sounds of these undertones convinced him to undergo the scrapings of the scalpel.

The nurse tucked the speechless Yeshivaite in bed; the doctor yanked open his jaw bones and hacked away. After the harvest was reaped and mowed down, the curly-haired Canadian relaxed for two weeks to allow his vocal chords to unravel themselves. "It was a pleasant sensation to be away from the clanging of Yeshiva—for a while, anyway," squeaked Winer.

At first glance, Winer doesn't seem to show any signs of battle scars, but he swears that the physician cut away five pounds from his lily-white hides. It's rather hard

to understand how the Torontonian's gift of gab functions nowadays. When a professor throws a brain racking question in the direction of our tardiloquent, he simply flings high his hands and goes into a pantomime which would cause professionals no little embarrassment. But when one of the more intellectual lecturers would ask him "When was the War of 1812 fought?" or "How many toes would you have on your left foot if the big toe were cut off?" Winer would wag his tongue, smile, scribble down the answer on a piece of parchment, and wave the response before the bewildered instructor.

No one condemns Winer for his actions. But what most of his friends would like to discover is how he could coordinate his faculties of speech to address an Hashomer Hadati gathering.

Frankly, it has all of us puzzled. Whatever the reason for the sensitivity of his voice may be, we think it would be a good idea to perform similar operations on the vocal chords of all those dormitory residents who trip about the halls at 2 A.M. in the morn, shouting at the top of their voice.

## Students Protest Curfew

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tration concerning its attitude toward student problems. The speaker also reported that the Deans were outspoken in their opinion that the liberty of the student body is definitely limited even in matters critically affecting its welfare. Walker concluded his speech by calling on the assembly to express its opinions on the curfew in a free, democratic way so that student leaders will be enabled to act with perfect confidence in the knowledge that the students are solidly behind them.

Abraham Zuroff '41, president of the S. O. Y., was the next speaker. He took as his main thesis the fact that the curfew regulation is but a manifestation of a general attitude on the part of administrative officials, leading to disharmony and disruption among the various organs comprising the body of the institution.

After the resolution was unanimously adopted, student leaders emphasized the fact that dormitory students should cooperate in the enforcement of the regulation until the matter will have been satisfactorily settled.

# Club Notes

Dr. Hugo Bergenthal, professor of German at City College, will address the annual Beer and Pretzel Party sponsored by the Deutscher Verein on Sunday evening, Dec. 20, in the Dormitory Social Hall. He will speak on "Saul and David—Interpretations in German Drama."

The first of a series of lectures dealing with Jewish affairs was delivered by Mr. J. L. Wohlman last night at 8:30 o'clock in the Dormitory Social Hall under the auspices of the Hebrew Club of Yeshiva College.

All musically inclined students having instruments are requested to be in the Lamport Auditorium at 8 o'clock Sunday night, Nov. 22, to cooperate in the organization of the Y. C. Band.

## Classical Society Formed

In response to frequent appeals from Latin students, plans for a classical society are now under way. All students who have completed three years' study of Latin in a high school and have received college credit for work in a classical language are invited to leave their names and addresses in Dr. Bernhard Floch's mailbox in the college office.

The purpose of the organization will be to broaden the interest of the students in ancient culture as the basis of modern civilization, thus promoting an understanding of contemporary problems and responsibilities. In accordance with this aim, lectures, talks, book reviews, reports of articles and results of scholarly research will constitute the program of the group. The project of the society will be the establishment of a small classical museum at Yeshiva College under the guidance of Dr. Floch.

## Theater Party

"The Yiddish theatre has not existed in vain as long as it can sponsor shows for high-caliber institutions like Yeshiva College," stated Miss Molly Picon as "Ay Is Das A Leben" approached its conclusion Monday night, Nov. 16, at the Molly Picon theatre, in a benefit performance sponsored by the Bronx Chapter of the Women's Organization of the Yeshiva.

Mrs. Waldman, president of the chapter, disclosed that the event, staged to raise funds for stipends, was a great success.

## AGUDAH MEETING

"Post-War Problems and Agudah Israel" was the topic discussed by Rabbi Alexander Rosenberg of Yonkers at a meeting of the Yeshiva Chapter of Agudath Israel Youth Monday, November 9, in the Science Lecture Hall.

The speaker emphasized that Agudath Israel must reassume its political place in order to represent Orthodox Jewry at the peace conference, and in all matters of Jewish policy.

In its first phase Agudah wished to organize Orthodox Jewry politically, there being no need to strengthen religious principles among the people. However, after the first World War the Agudah had to counteract the deterioration of Jewish life arising from conditions following the war, and the inroads of secular nationalism.

The third period, the speaker concluded, is the reopening of the political phase with the object of having Agudah represented at the Peace Conference.

## YESHIVA NEWS

With the slogan "Make Every Monday Ezras Torah Day," an extensive Ezras Torah Fund drive with a goal of \$1,000 is under way for the current year under the direction of Simon Eckstein '44, chairman, and Joseph Ellenberg '44.

All Yeshiva and Teachers Institute classes are cooperating in making this year's campaign a memorable success. School and class charts reporting periodic progress as well as E. T. F. campaign material have been posted throughout the building.

On the basis of the first collections held last week, Rabbi Shunfenthal's class took the lead for the largest class contribution in the school.

To Mr. Stuart Purvis we offer our condolences and sincere sympathy on the loss of his mother. She had given of her best energies to us, and she has left a void that can be filled only by our fond memories of her.

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## LIBRARY

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department every week," Dr. Margalith stated. Some of the recent donors were Mr. William Joseph, New York University; Prof. Morris Raphael Cohen, and Professors Damon, Klein, Lowan, Margalith and Safir. Among Mr. Joseph's contributions of more than one hundred books were "Documentary Selections on the Colonial History of the United States" and Bancroft's "Biography of the United States."

The catalogue case was donated to the library by friends of the late Joseph Berkman '44, in his memory.

The circulation department is open every school day from 12 to 3 and 7:30 to 9:30. The Van Schmus Reading Room, 437, is open from 2 to 10 daily.

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### \*ENGLISH TRANSLATION

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