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# **Prospectus**

- 1. Yeshiva College is not a secular college in the same sense as any other American college, for the college is primarily a Yeshiva college and, therefore, when any problem arises that pertains to activities whether they are extracurricular activities of the entire student-body or activities of the individual student, one must judge such activities from the Yeshiva viewpoint. Every college permits and often encourages certain activities of a student-body, either because they have their value from the standpoint of physical education or intellectual gymnastics, or as a form of expression with a view of their usefulness in later life.
- 2. Since I have been associated with the Yeshiva and the College I objected to Dramatics as an extra-curricular activity for the following reasons: First, Dramatics is not an activity revealing or reflecting the personality of the traditional Yeshiva man. Second, we have no desire to develop students who will use Dramatics as a form of expression in life after they have left the four walls of the Yeshiva. Talents which we do not want our students to use after they leave the Yeshiva, we cannot encourage in the Yeshiva. Third, Dramatics more than any other of the students activities caused a great deal of bitul Torah and even disturbed the academic studies. Finally, through its publicity it has given a wrong stamp on the nature and essence of the Yeshiva, and Yeshiva men. My objection to Dramatics for the last nine years are well-known to the students, administration, and particularly to the Dean of the College to whom I voiced my disapproval in my earliest association with the Yeshiva College. I am glad that the student-body saw fit to remove it from the extra-curricular activities.

#### The Yeshiva Man

- 3. Above all you must remember that you cannot consider yourself a Yeshiva man in your actions the first half of a day, and a College man in your actions, the second half of a day. If this were the case then our entire experiment would be a failure. In all our activities we must bear in mind that we are Yeshiva men, and whatever is not befitting the dignity of a Yeshiva man is not befitting to the College man. The institution, as a whole, cannot be departmentalized lest we create a split personality. The Yeshiva ideology must guide the entire life of the student. I am sure that the student-body understands that fully.
- 4. We are not opposed to any extra-curricular activities such as they exist now, but in every activity the dignity of the entire institution and particularly the Yeshiva must be the first consideration. We have no intention of curtailing extracurricular activities as they stand now. There is nothing wrong in playing a game of basketball or any other of the physical or intellectual sports; on the contrary they are to be encouraged, but with whom we play may sometimes be of great significance for the meaning of the institution and what may seem excellent "publicity" to some members of the student-body may prove the opposite to the institution in its entirety. All your clubs may render good service to the student-body but the persons you sometime invite to address you may merely misrepresent the essence of our institution. It is for this purpose that I have appointed the Inter-Departmental Faculty-Student Committee on Extra-Curricular Activities so that no unnecessary blunders be made. This is not a "censoring" Committee but one which will be mutual understanding reach agreements satisfactory to all concerned. In fact, the student-body of the Yeshiva College has greater freedom of expression than students of secular colleges. I am rather proud of this fact because it

reveals our sincère confidence in our student-body, and I am sure that you will live up to our expectations.

5. If Dramatics has been removed then it does not mean the "abandonment. of the ideal of synthesis" but on the contrary it rather emphasizes that our activities must be in accordance with the Yeshiva ideology which is the real meaning of synthesis. On other occasions I have defined our concept of synthesis in very clear terms. We prefer to look upon science and religion as separate domains which need not be in serious conflict and, therefore, need no reconciliation. If we seek the blending of science and religion, and the integration of secular knowledge with sacred wisdom, then it is not in the subject matter represented by these fields, but rather within the personality of the individual that we hope to achieve that synthesis. We shall create a real synthesis if our approach to our lives in general, to our activities in particular will be judged from the Torah viewpoint and only when our secular knowledge will be used for a higher purpose, for a Yeshiva mode of living. Only then shall we creat an ideal personality and unifying principle in pursuit of knowledge. It is, therefore, our duty not to secularize the Yeshiva, but make the Yeshiva the guiding principle of our lives.

6. The Yeshiva College, and the other departments will continue to grow, but the Yeshiva wil always remain the guiding spirit. As the leading Jewish institution in the world to-day, we shall always have critics. It has always been my policy, however, that while all the periodic criticism leveled against us by some outsiders are not necessarily true or significant, and often false, still we must not assume that because the criticism comes from outside sources therefore it must necessarily be wrong. We should rather constantly re-examine our acts and endeavor to correct and improve them for the future of Orthodox Jewry in America depends upon you and that is a great responsibility.

#### Growth of The College

7. The fact that certain courses were removed from the required list, and freedom of choice in electing courses is given to the student-body shows the immense growth of the College, and its liberal spirit. In the early days of the College, primarily due to financial difficulties, we lived on a "borrowed faculty". and they were few in number. The College had to adjust the student program and limit the courses of the College so that it might fit the hours of the particular teacher. In the early days of the College, students used to complain that they were not given the opportunity to select courses but the courses were forced on them, and their complaints were justified. Since the Executive Committee which consisted of Dr. Churgin, myself and Dr. Isaacs, chairman, came into existence in 1939 we worked with the main goal in mind of developing our own faculty and not live on "borrowed time", and since Dr. Isaacs became the Deag of the College, the College is acquiring more and more mature stature with its own faculty, a greater number of courses, as well as more convenient hours so that the student-body may have the freedom to choose a great number of their courses. Furthermore, along this progressive line we may receive greater accreditation in the academic world. For this purpose we have in the last few years more than doubled the budget of the College. We are still making all efforts to enlarge our faculty, and add more fundamental courses.

I believe that our student-body is improving in quality, and in fact we cannot accept half the number who eagerly apply to enter our school. Finally, we are not interested in curbing the activities of the students, but it certainly is our duty to guide the life of our students.

# **Prof. Litman SpeaksBefore Student Body**

"I don't deny the importance of means employed to reach the ends. But—they are important only insofar as they are means to an end." This was the theme of the speech delivered by Dr. nder Litman, philosophy, before the student assembly in the Harry Fischel Synagogue, on Wednesday, December 28, 1944.

#### Student Council

Vice-president Leo Landes, '45, opened the meeting and introduced Dr. Litman. In his opening remarks, Dr. Litman declared that in contemporary religious and philosophical literature we are confronted with the distinctions of the ends of human life. "The end not in the sense of death, but in the form of purpose."

He continued to say in effect that some individuals have taken the ends and have postulated them as means. Others have taken the means and converted them to ends." Fascism, then, must be defined as the centralization of the means of human existence. . . Anyone who wor-



ships these means as an end finds himself by definition in the camp of fascism," Dr. Litman emphasized.

"We know how to fight for the means but we do not seem to know how to fight for the ends. We are fighting fascism overseas while at the same time we haven't the spiritual conviction to fight it at home. Categorizing ideas by their geographical locations does not answer any question. What we should do with Germany depends on what we do for ourselves."

# New Honors Announced

The college faculty unanimously voted to raise the requirements for graduation with honors at its meeting, Sunday, December 24. Dean Moses L. Isaacs announced that the honors will be granted on the following basis. The graduate's credits will be converted to numbers with A equalling four, B three, C two, D one, and F zero. The requirements for graduation summa cum laude will be a minimum average of 3.8 with unanimous approval of the faculty. The requirements for magna cum laude and cum laude, are an average of 3.6 and 3.4, respectively, together with a majority vote of the faculty.

#### Percentage Reduced

Dean Isaacs revealed that the requirements were raised to bring the percentage of graduates with honors into closer conformity with the percentages found in other colleges. Approximately fifty per cent of the last graduating class received honors, whereas under the new system, this number would have been reduced to twenty per cent.

## Emergency Vaad Hatzalah Requirements Drive Hits "Chai" Mark

The emergency Vaad Hatzalah campaign in the Yeshiva has succeeded in raising over eighteen thousand dollars as of Tues-January 2. Through the efforts of Mr. Abrams' office, close to two thousand dollars were raised. 'The Yeshiva College alumni aided the campaign by collecting over one thousand dollars from its members. The Student Organization of the Yeshiva and the Yeshiva College Student Council appropriated \$180 and \$100 respectively for the Vaad Hatzalah. The bulk of the funds, however, were brought in through the concerted efforts of the student body. The campaign was organized and carried out by Sy Eckstein '44, chairman of the emergency campaign committee, with the assistance of Samuel Blech '45, Harry Samson '43, and Irwin Metchik '45.

#### Classes and Contributions

The most remarkable successes were met by the classes of Dr. Belkin, Rabbi Lifshitz (Chulin), and Rabbi Gorelick, each of which raised over \$1,000. The following is a list of the classes, and their respective chairmen, who collected the most in the various departments of the Yeshiva: Beth Medrash downstairs; Chulin -\$1017 (Auerbach), Dr. Belkin's-\$1013.25 (Pressman), Yoreh Deah - \$756.16 (Fishman), Yeshiva proper; Rabbi Gorelick's-\$1175.05 (Poupko), Rabbi Kanatopsky's-\$656 (Bahn), Rabbi Borenstein's \$526.30 (Schiff). Teacher's Institute; Class Four-\$288 (J. Coopsmith). These figures include money turned in up to and including January 2. Final standings of the classes will not be known until the conclusion of the campaign. Rabbi Gorelick's class contributed over \$450 on Wednesday, jumped to first place, while Rabbi Lifshitz's class is in second place, with Dr. Belkin's class running a very close third.

The president of the four student councils of the institution announced that the campaign would be extended until January 9, with the hope of attaining a goal of \$\$25,000. The emergency campaign was originally scheduled to last eighteen days, from . December 11 until December 29.

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#### **Mens Sana**

The President has assured the student body that the recent ban on dramatics will not extend to the other extracurricular ativities. This reassurance was offered in that spirit of good faith which has characterized all of Dr. Belkin's dealing with the students. His sincerity and devotion have never been questioned.

It was that same spirit which animated his informal meeting with the Student Council last Thursday night. It is that same spirit which animates our acceptance of his pledge and our trust in his good judgment. May the future warant our present faith.

In Corpore Sano

The Yeshiva College and the S. O. Y. Councils have urged the appointment of a nurse for the dormitory. Last year Mrs. Ginsburg served in that capacity, but no one has yet succeeded her. This has led to needless aggravation of the health situation. The immediate appointment of a nurse is called for. The fortunate fact that this year the number of dormitory illnesses has not yet reached the usual high pecentage, is not sufficient basis for complete reliance on the verse, "G-d watches over fools."

There has been much discussion of a proposed dormitory curfew, especially for the younger students. We feel that the money needed to employ a night watchman for a curfew would be as well expended, if not better, on a nurse.

#### **Cum Laude**

The new system for honors is a welcome change from the somewhat helter-skelter methods of former years. It sets down a mathematically rigid, unform procedure which will standardize and simplify the confusion that has existed. Now the student can know what's what.

This measure accords Yeshiva with the practices of most American colleges, and places honors on a more desirable and noteworthy plane. There will be fewer "cum", "magna", and "summa" degrees, now, but the "laude" will be more meaningful.

#### Le Flambeau

Good things seem to make their way slowly and unobtrusively. The Flambeau is a case in point. In its own modest manner it has earned a name for Yeshiva in the field of French studies. Its consistently high level of content and format has gained respect and commendation from the leading academic lights in American universities.

The value of the Flambeau as a means of expression for our own student body should not be underestimated. Under the aegis of Mr. Braun, who has served as an inspiring guide and not as an insistent pedant, it has taken French out of the clasroom and put it into invaluable practice; a culture has gone to work. On all counts, Le Flambeau deserves its name.

#### The House of Wise

The recent split between the Rabbis Wise and Silver is Letters To The Editor no doubt regrettable. The entire Jewish press has pointed out the tragedy involved, and all have lamented this woeful division in the ranks of Zionism. But the issues involved are of long standing; and though the present may not have been the time to bring them into the open, they deserve attention once the matter has been brought to a head.

Wise has always represented minimalism. The word "evacuation", for instance, has been contaminated for him because Jabotinsky used it. This political myopia has led him to reject any forthright and outspoken stand where the Jewish cause required stepping on some sacrosanct toes.

Silver, however, has maintained a consistent, outspoken program. The charge of Revisionism leveled at him at the Goldstein meeting which was held last week is, we feel, not a charge, but a merit. The Mizrachi and the Pole Zion, too, have supported his position, recognizing in it the only hope for our political redemption.

We wonder if the issue is not one of Silver and Wise, but of national life or death.

### From The Faculty — POST-WAR GERMANY

by Dr. Aaron Margalith

Continued from last issue. What is necessary, however, is the understanding of the background against which any plan is to be laid, and the establishment of a theory on which such a plan must be based. To achieve these ends we must give full weight and consideration to a few basic facts.

German People Are Criminals

It is not necessary for us to answer the question whether the whole German nation should be considered criminal, or whether it is by nature corrupt or has become so by a series of circumstances, self-created or created for them, during the last century or more. But we cannot blind ourselves to the fact that, with insignificant exceptions, the best German minds have been full of evil plans and designs, that the German hearts beat in full harmony with their minds and that the hands and feet of the German masses unquestioningly and all-too-readily perform all that is asked of them. There is no evidence of any organized underground movement in Germany, and whatever opposition to Hitler did appear originated among the military. The German officers however, did not rise against Hitler because his aims and methods were repulsive to them, but because he failed to deliver that which was expected of him.

Therefore no distinction should me made between Nazis and Germans. They should all stand equally guilty before the international bar of justice.

#### New World Order

While we have been speaking about treatment of the Germans, it is not really they that have first call on our interest. Unfortunately the seventy million Germans are so many hard and unpleasant facts which we dare not ignore. But our primary aim is to free the world from the chronic fear of another German avalanche. If in order to assure the other nations their natural existence and their free development in a free world it should be necessary to go as far as to suspend for a longer or shorter period the national existence of the Germans, we should not be enjoined from doing it by a concern for German sensibilities. Our policy should be decided by what we consider to be in the best interest of the world and not by what would be best for Germany.

The end and purpose of all postwar planning is, of course, the establishment of a world order would make war an

anachronism. We must therefore not lose signt of the fact that war comes about as a result of the unhappy coincidence of three forces: a cause, will to fight, and capacity to wage war.

#### Aggressor Nations

The causes of war are due to some basic weaknesses in the mental and emotional makeup of man. It has been the ideal of reformers throughout the ages to help man overcome these weaknesses, and, in spite of much evidence to the contrary, it must be conceded that some success was made in this direction. In the last century or so many wars were averted either through diplomatic channels or through some of the newly created international agencies. War has gradually become recognized for what it really is. evil, stupid, costly and futile. Mankind was grouping for methods to abolish war, and methods could have been found and put into practice if all nations were in this attempt together and wholeheartedly.

Unfortunate, there are some nations, notably Germany and Japan, who see war not only as a necessary weapon of national policy, but consider it to be a virtuous weapon essential to the formation of national character and to the achievement of alleged national destinies. In the case of Germany this destiny in its ultimate consummation, was to be no less than world domination. The Nazis have expressed these aims more crudely but they have been German since Bismarck and before. Thus German ambition will remain as a cause of disturbance, even if other causes were to disappear entirely.

#### Germany's Soul

The capacity to wage war can be said to exist when a potential belligerent considers himself as having at least an equal chance of ending the war victoriously. but capacity has now become a relative term. In the future the possession of an industrial plant, an army, a navy or an air force, may not be essential for the conduct of hostilities. The evil genius of the German war lords has already given many an example of devilish weapons whose violence and destruction increase daily. It would be no violation of reason to imagine similar weapons a generation hence with its evil potentitalities multiplied a hundredfold. A third act in World War series would definitely be the finale to modern civilization.

#### is, of course, a sine qua non prerequisite and would demand the patient exertion of the world's best brains for years to come.

Secondly, as an immediate step in preventing the recurrence of another war, the highest possible reparation should be exacted from Germany and Japan. (Incidentally, what has been said of Germany is equally true mutabis mutandis, of Japan). Only the physical capacity of the German man and the German land would put a ceiling to such reparations.

Therefore no matter how much

we may reduce Germany's ca-

pacity to wage war in the near future, it would still be no deter-

rent for another war in the more

odistant future. The Thirty-Years

War was a greater calamity to the

German people than the present

war could possibly become. Yet

the recuperation of the Germans

is so great that in a comparatively

short period they were once again

on the political and military stage

of Europe. It is the German soul,

the source of the will to fight,

that must be attacked, cleansed

Post-war Germany

done to the Germans after the war

is over there must come a three-

fold answer. Firstly, the general

world atmosphere must be puri-

fied so that the political, social

and economic germs of war could

not live and flourish in it. This

To the question what is to be

and reconstructed.

However, we shall not be able to achieve peace, or gain a reasonable basis for the expectation of it, unless simultaneously with the other processes a third one is also adopted. The German nation must be treated as a pathological case, a patient who has shown repeated symptoms of criminal tendencies. The psychiatrists-most-likely-have-the-right name for this disease. Let us hope they also have the correct therapy.

#### Guiding Principle

As laymen we know that the treatment should be bitter medicine to the patient, and may be protracted beyond any period that we can now visualize. It is relevant here to remember that it took forty years in the desert for the Jews to get rid of their slavery completely before they were able to think and act as a free nation.

Nothing short of the full acceptance of such principles would be worth the additional sacrifices involved by our insistence on unconditional surrender. We shall soon have the opportunity to formulate policies which will decide the fate of many generations to come. We dare not fail. The guiding principle in our future treatment of the Germans must be the assurance of peace to mankind. In the past it has been the German plan to fit Europe and the rest of the world to her own designs. This process must now be reversed.

To The Editor:

The entire membership of the Ezras Torah Fund, which aids thousands of unfortunate families of rabbis, sages and scholars abroad, extends its belated Chanukah greetings and its deepest appreciation and gratitude to the Yeshiva leaders, the Teacher's Institute and the student-body for the approximate sum of \$800.00 collected for the Ezras Torah during the past year.

The tireless efforts and contri-

The student body wishes to express its heart-felt condolences to Mordecai, Aaron and Judah Feinerman on the loss of their father. May they be comforted with all the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

butions of the Yeshiva students to the Ezras Torah are specially cherished and evaluated; firstly because of their limited means, and secondly because they are showing such great love and compassion for the suffering leaders of Israel everywhere. By dedicating themselves to these great sufferers overseas, where the pulse of Judaism beats highest, they are getting the proper training which is so important for them, as the future leaders of Israel.

May the Almighty reward you all, and may Peace and Victory soon reign all over the world.

Thanking you for your cooperation, we remain,

Very sincerely yours, Rabbi Y. E. Henkin, Sec'y.

Musical Program 1. Overture to Barber of Se-

ville-Rossini. 2. Largo al Facotum from

the Barber of Seville, sung by

3. Vesti La Grubba from Pagliacci, sung by Caruso. 4. Symphonic Suite—Schehe-

rezade-Rimsky Korsakoff. Intermission 5. Prelude to First Act of La

6. Prelude to Third Act of

Traviata-Verdi.

7. Symphony No. 8 in B Minor( Unfinished)-Schubert.

La Traviata—Verdi.

#### On The Sidelines

Fans Suffer Disappointment At Cathedral



By Bernard Weisberg

It's pretty rare that the supporters of any basketball team are disappointed when their idols walk off the court with a 55-36 victory in their laps, but there was definitely a tang of disappointment in the air after Cathedral's agony had ended, rivalling the odor of the bay rum that Bedo used to keep his hair down. And the funny paht of it is-pahdon my Bohston accent-that this was not the case at the Hofstra affair when the Quints won by a 65-26 blitz.

MEMORIES: It all goes back to one cold winter nite last year when Yeshiva and Cathedral first met and fought it out cheek to jowl, sneaker to sneaker. Ah! how well I recall that titanic struggle, the tension that electrified the air as the two teams matched each other's efforts point for point; the Mites pu'ling away time and time again only to feel Cathedral's breath hot on their necks as they narrowed the gap to one point; the roar that arose taxing the already hoarsened throats of Yeshiva fans as a long pass found Met Friedman in the clear with seconds to go; and the groans that followed when Mel missed the crucial lay up and no one anywhere near him. Then came the overtime period with its alternating flashes of hope and disillusion for the Yeshiva fan. The Quints leading by six points, trying to freeze the ball; Cathedral going ahead by one point to win. Many a tear dropped into the aisle as we sat on the bus, after the game, recounting our

The return match was also a thrilling battle, one to remember, but one which cannot be repeated here because of space limitations. Let it suffice for me to say that as a result of the two set-tos the team's fellow-travellers journeyed into the wilds of the Bronx with high hopes of witnessing another see-saw affair. That is why disappointment was rife. I'd just like to add another note to the effect that on the record it's put down as a victory no matter how large the margin. Just let 'em keep on winning, that's all I want!

INTRAMURALS: Speaking of disappointments, there has been a noticeable decline in attendance at the intramural tussels. The games are no less thrilling than last year's, so I venture that it is the publicity angle that hasn't been handled as well as it should. We are taking steps to remedy that situation. These intramural games are really a wonderful way of getting in some relaxation for an hour or so, both playing and watching. They should appeal especially to those students living in the dorm who find it difficult to forego an entire evening's study to travel and wtach the varsity. You can yell for your own class and boo the opposition to your heart's content. And sometimes you can even see some good basketball.

By that I mean to say that you don't have to watch basketball as played by Hank Luisetti to get a kick out of it; watching silent Sorsher hook one in, for instance, can be just as satisfying . So watch the bulletin boards for announcements of future contests.

SCHEDULE: The first game of 1945 will be played against the Columbia Naval Officers Jan. 3 at the Columbia gym. The Officers have a good team this year and will be a tough nut for the Mites to crack. Following this we play host to Cathedral, Hofstra and Pratt on the 6th, 9th, and 13th respectively . . .

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# Quints Roll Up Two Wins; Top Hofstra, N. Y. Cathedral

#### Offense Effective; **Defence Defective**

The Yeshiva varsity rode roughshod over a weak Hofstra quintet Saturday evening, December 16. rolling up a score of 65 to 26 in the victor's spacious home court at the High School of Needle Trades.

An opening set by Stan Doppelt, two fouls by Doppelt the younger and a lay up by Bedo established a lead which Hofstra was never able to approach. After Hofstra's initial tally Marv Fredman pushed one in from under and Sid Adler of homogenized fame followed this up immediately with an easy two points on a fast break. In a series of feints, delayed lay ups, and with an assist from his brother Stan, Manny Doppelt chalked up seven more points for Yeshiva. At the close of the period the score stood 21-4.

#### Subs Satisfy

Yeshiva's favored position offered Coach Kraditor an opportunity to give the second team some much needed experience under fire. Joe Beinhorn quickly sank a long set from the side and Shiah Sass showed great promise, proving his worth in grabbing the ball off the boards. Hofstra, however, quickly capitalized on the little Mites' buck-fever, scoring eight points in the first few minutes of play. The first team, back again, needled more speed into the fray with Fat Friedman and Stan Doppelt each on the scoring end of fast breaks. In addition Fat Friedman sank a set and pivoted nicely on another to end the half 36-14.

The cheering squad, accompanied by some musically minded sports enthusiast on a harmonica, several heartening cheers which considerably enlivened the intermission.

Yeshiva was off again at the whistle with the two Doppelts connecting for ten markers between them, and Mary Fredman pivoting in a shot to close the scoring for the third period. The Mites missed a number of tries and led at the whistle 47-17.

#### Doppelts Lead Scoring

Hofstra opened the final period with a valiant lay up, but Yeshiva countered with a set by Beinhorn, his second of the evening, and a lay up by the elder Doppelt. Hofstra, calling on some reserve strength, scored again. Once more the Mites countered, this time with a long one by Shiah and a one hander again by

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### Seniors Top Frosh In Intramural Tilt

The seniors, led by Marvin Sorcher, took a threatening freshman team on Wednesday night, December 13, by the score of 17-12. Although they held the lead throughout the game, the seniors were kept especially busy with the fast breaks executed by a frosh squad composed of Abe Shapiro, Isadore Haitowitz, Alvin Fredman, Ralph Harary and Merrill Rubin.

Martin Sofer, together with Simon Schiff and Pinky Peyser, held the frosh at bay during the first half in the best defensive playing exhibited by the seniors this seaso'., while "Tiptoe" Korchak, after flying in for two points, was sidelined because of an ankle injury. The second half found the seniors working offensive plays with Manager Nissel keeping possession of the ball and weaving the anxious freshmen into a frenzy. High scorers for the evening were Mary Sorcher '45 and Abe Shapiro '48, with seven and eight respectively.

Amidst the encouragement of the spectators Jerry Abrams netted a push-up and Hy Pomerantz cashed in on a free shot to close the contest. Final score, 65-

#### Yeshiva (65) G. F. T.

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#### Fast Break Again Proves Powerful

By Lewis Ginsburg

A hot and cold Yeshiva quintet trounced an overestimated New York Cathedral varsity to the tune of 55-26 at the Cardinal Hayes Gym Wednesday evening, Dec. 20th. Flaunting a powerful scoring attack, the Blue and White turned an anticipated thriller into a one-sided rout. The Mites consistently weak defense accounted for a goodly portion of Cathedral's tallies.

Cathedral opened the game's scoring with a gift toss to grab a 1-0 lead. An angular shot from the side by big Bedo Scharfstein dropped through the hoop and sent the Mites into a lead which they never relinquished. Sparked by Stan Doppelt, the visitors methodically rolled up 10 more counters to hold a 12-4 advantage. Then Cathedral's erratic scoring punch began to tell as they narrowed the margin to 12-10. Just prior to the end of the quarter kid Doppelt clicked with one of his patented "delayed" shots. culminating the scoring for the opening stanza.

#### Cathedral Threatens

Cathedral inaugurated the scoring in the second quarter by caging a charity toss. At this point the Mites unleashed a scoring drive which could not be headed. The Doppelts, Fredman, Scharfstein, and Adler found the range to swell Yeshiva's totals, but Cathedral, led by speedy Bob Martin, retaliated with 5 markers. As the half ended the count stood 27-16 for the Blue and

Cathedral took advantage of the Mites periodic third quarter lapse with three quickies to put themselves back in the ball game. The Quints, not to be outdone, lashed back and dazed the home five with the fury of their attack. Bedo Scharfstien drew the plaudits of the partisan crowd by denting the mesh with two consecutive sets from mid-court. His tallies gave impetus to a drive which found Stan Doppelt, Sam Rosenbloom, and Mary Fredman on the scoring end. Cathedral's Phil Dunn tallied his aggregations lone bucket for the remainder of the period, the Blue and White maintaining a 41-24 advantage.

#### Defense Ragged

The 4th canto was marked primarily by the raising of both quints' scoring totals . Each had shot its bolt defensively and lacked all semblance of a defense under the boards. Cathedral racked up 12 markers, and the Mites found the hoop for 14 points. Mary Fredman, Stan Doppelt, and Sammy Rosenbloom added to their scoring honors in the waning minutes of play. The Quints walked off the court after the final whistle with a 55-36 advantage to make it 5 wins against 1 loss. Scoring honors for the evening fell to Stan Doppelt with 16, while Fredman and Rosenbloom registered 10 each.

The niftiest bucket of the evening was pulled by Hy Pomerantz as he feinted out his man and

9 8 26 pivoted one in.

## Chairman Spurs War Fund Drive

Joseph Gershbaum '45, chairman of the combined War Council of Yeshiva and Yeshiva College revealed that the Talmudical Academy with its sale of \$30,000 in War Bonds surpassed by \$5,000 the sales of the College. The drive is still on, and any member of the Yeshiva College War Council or Mrs. Wiesenthal will accept orders for bonds.

The Red Cross and War Department have asked the public to donate five pints of blood for every member of a family unit in service. The Y.C. War Council will try to surpass this quota by donating ten pints of blood for every Yeshiva and Yeshiva College chaplain in the armed forces. Prospective donors are urged to contact either Garshbaum or Alex Soled.

## Spare The Strap; Spoil The Teacher

The whir of the dreidel suddenly ceased in room 306 one fine Cahaukah morning. Sammy Bloom had signalled that Dr. Klotz had just left the office and was rapidly approaching his classroom. The class cast a last anxious glance at the program written on the blackboard, and with the first creak of the opening door burst forth into a song of welcome.

The Strap

Dr. Klots, never to be caught
off guard, reached for the strap



of his briefcase—the strap that has chastised thousands of desks of unruly students. Then realizing that there must be a motif, he settled down to await further developments. Stanley Coopersmith, representing the fourth class T.I., stepped forward and read a citation honoring the "Radak". A slow smile began to spread over Dr. Klotz's blushing countenance. To an observer looking through the window, it might have ap-

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**Meet The Faculty** 

# Dr. Schub Found To Be Not A Square And All Root

by Louis Firestein

After carefully reviewing my maxima and minima formulas, I tucked a Granville's "Calculus" under my arm, straightened my tie, and walked into the Scripta Mathematica office to interview Dr. Pinchos Schub. However, all my nervous preparations could have been dispensed with, for Dr. Schub quickly put me at ease with a few well chosen Talmudic quotations in a melodious Sephardic pronounciation.

Dr. Schub was born in Brest-Litovsk in 1900 and spent the first twelve years of his life there. He moved to Palestine in time to cele. brate his Bar-mitzvah. Then he studied in the Yeshivos of Jerusalem and received Smicha at the age of twenty from the chief rabbi of Jerusalem. Professor Schub ther attended the Beth Medrash Lamorim Ivri there, where he completed the five year course in a year and a half. In 1921 he came to the United States where he attended Harvard, Columbia and Clark universities, receiving his peared that Dr. Klotz had unearthed a new translation of Ibn Ezra's translation of Saadia Gaon on the sentence "And there was light." Coopersmith went on to describe the devotion of the students to Dr. Klotz and their appreciation of his devotion to them. He concluded his wellchosen words by presenting Dr.

The Gift A short period of silence followed the speech, Dr. Klotz announced. "Hamoreh mesader es macshevosov." Then with a voice quivering with emotion, and with moisture clouding his eyes, he thanked the class for the gift. He proceeded to give some of the highlights of his life. Dr. Klotz studied in Odessa under Bialik, Klausner, and other Maskillim. Later he continued his studies at the "Rebbiner and Lehrer Semonar" in Breslau. The class was spellbound as Dr. Klotz told of his relationship with some of the outstanding people in Jewish life. He praised the importance of Yeshiva as a "Mikdkash Meat" in

Klotz with a token of the stud-

ents" esteem.

the fight for Jewish survival.

Then he exhibited the present so all could see it—a briefcase without a strap.

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Professor Schub has been teaching at Gratz College for thirteen years and is also conducting classes at the University of Pennsylvania. At the invitation of the College of Commerce of Tel Aviv, Professor Schub again returned to Palestine during his sabbatical year in 1937.

When asked how many languages he could speak, Dr. Schub admitted to at least eight, but this interviewer strongly suspects that modesty prevented the good professor from telling the whole story, for it was with difficulty that the full scope of Dr. Schub's knowledge was unearthed. After much prodding, he finally admitted to a more than superficial interest in biomathematics and philology. The diversity of his intellectual interests support his conviction that mathematics is the mother of all sciences. however faint the resemblance of its offspring may be.

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# New Issue Of Flambeau Appears

The annual publication of the Cercle Français, Le Flambeau, has already been distributed. The new issue maintained the high standard set by its predecessors.

The magazine features an interview with Andre Spire, the eminent Franco-Jewish poet, by Charles Spirn '47, and Fred Ehrenfeld '46, editor-in-chief. Articles of Franco-Jewish interest formed the chief motif, as in former years, of the Flambeau. Among these was an article by Louis Tuchman '44, on the relationship between Anatole France and Mme de Cavaillet. Another article of great interest was "Trois Français, a Jerusalem" by George Schwartz '46, in which he describes the reaction of three Frenchmen to the Holy Land.

The editor himself contributed a poem, "Spleen," and Nahum Bronznick '44, was represented by a translation of Bialik's "Im Yesh Es Nafshcha Ladaas." An article, "L'Affirmation de Marcel Proust" by Allen Mand Baum '45, discussed the relationship between the artist and life.

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# Prof. Hartstein L. I. Department Head

Professor Jacob I. Hartstein, Director of the Bernard Revel Graduate School, has been named Acting Head of the Department of Psychology and Education at Long Island University, the university announced. At present he is assistant professor of Education and



Psychology, having risen rapidly since his affiliation with L. I. U. in 1938.

Professor Hartstein received his B. A degree from Yeshiva College in 1932, being a member of the first graduating class. In addition to his present position, he has held various administrative posts in every department of the Yeshiva. He is a member of the American Association of School Administrators and various other educational groups.

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