

## Announce College Tuition Hike; Figure Set at \$700 per Year

Tuition at Yeshiva College will be changed from eighteen dollars per credit to a flat rate of seven hundred dollars per year, beginning September, 1956, announced Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of Yeshiva University. This new rate represents a total of 75 per cent per credit increase in tuition over the past six years.

The new yearly rate represents a charge of \$21.88 per credit for a student carrying an average load of 16 credits per semester. The change in tuition thus raises the charge per credit by almost four dollars, and raises the yearly rate for an average load by \$124.

### Reason Given

Explaining the reason for the increase, Mr. Joseph Ellenberg, assistant bursar, stated, "Colleges and universities throughout the country have been faced with the constant problem of increased operating cost. Yeshiva University, because of its double curriculum, has been especially hard pressed to maintain its high educational standards in the face of these costs."

The increase in tuition is the third since 1950. In July, 1950, tuition was raised from \$12.50 per credit to \$15 per credit. The charge per credit was changed from \$15 to \$18 in July, 1952.

## Plans for Y.U. Radio Station Now Awaiting Final Approval

By Elias Herschmann

Plans for the establishment of a radio station at Yeshiva are now awaiting final approval. The idea, which was demonstrated for the first time in the Student Council election campaign of May, 1955, received much praise from the student body.

The station will operate on a wired-wireless closed circuit system. Broadcasts will be received only by radio sets located inside the main building. However, the station's transmitters will be constructed in such a manner that should it become desirable to lead broadcasts into other buildings of the University, this could easily be accomplished.

### Numerous Advantages

The advantages of such a station to the Yeshiva student will be numerous. It will increase interest and participation in student activities. Serving as a University educational medium, it will bring lectures, debates and seminars to the student. Cantorial and classical selections will also be presented.

Present plans provide for broadcasts to be presented Monday through Thursday from 9 p.m. to 10 p.m. The station would thus in no way interfere with school hours.

### Located in Tower

Subject to all rules and regulations of the Federal Communications Commission, the station will be located in a tower of the Main Building. It would be operated by qualified students. In the event of emergency or fire drills the station will be converted into

## Nine Students Get T. I. Scholarships For Israel Study

Nine fifth and sixth year students of the Teachers Institute have received full scholarships to study in Israel for five months in the seminar conducted jointly by the American Hebrew Teachers Colleges and the Jewish Agency, announced Dr. Hyman Grinstein, registrar of T.I. They will leave at the end of the summer.

The scholarship recipients are: Arnold Asher '57, Edward Berger '58, Abraham Bichler '57, Jerry Feld, Tsvi Ingber '58, Joshua Glatzer '57, Jack Nussbaum '56, Morton Seewald '58, and Jacob Steinhorn '58.

The scholarship winners will receive 16 credits for work in Talmud, Hebrew and a combined course in Early Prophets and Archaeology.

## Lighting Inadequate In Most of Building Con Edison Reveals

The Consolidated Edison Co. of New York, after a survey of the illumination levels of various places in the University, reported "that all of the areas, with a few exceptions as noted, are inadequately lighted."

The Con Edison report lists the location, its purpose, maximum illumination readings found there and the minimum recommended levels of illumination. The minimum recommended for a particular spot was the average lighting requirement over the entire area. Readings recorded in the reports show the highest level of the area, and not the average.

### Readings Highest Level

"Readings were usually taken directly under a fixture where they would be the highest," the report stated. "The lowest level found in a great many of the areas surveyed approached zero foot candles of artificial illumination," continued the report.

The maximum reading obtained in the Reading Room of the Gottesman Memorial Library was 30 foot candles. The minimum recommended level of illumination there is 50 foot candles.

"The center section of the main floor of this library has daylight illumination only," Con Edison reported. "Seeing conditions become very poor when daylight is inadequate." The report "recommended that a properly designed fluorescent system . . . be installed."

### Install New System

According to the report, the maximum reading obtained in the gym was one-fifth of the minimum recommended level. Con Edison also recommended that the lights, which are now semi-recessed, be recessed fully, including wire guards.

Out of a total of 45 locations investigated, only seven were found to have adequate lighting.

"In some of the classrooms and offices where incandescent lighting is now in use," the report concluded, "a fluorescent system (Continued on page 6)"

## Appropriate Funds For Commentator

Student Council has appropriated funds to be used for microfilming all back issues of THE COMMENTATOR, announced Paul Rogoway '57, editor-in-chief. The purpose of this action is to preserve the issues in an inexpensive and convenient manner.

"It is hoped that all future issues will likewise be microfilmed in order to maintain a complete record of Yeshiva's history as recorded in THE COMMENTATOR," stated Mr. Rogoway.

## Club Hour Scheduling Procedure Reaffirmed

The Student Faculty Relations Committee has reaffirmed the established procedure for scheduling of administration requested events during Club Hour.

In view of the misunderstanding which arose regarding the scheduling of a Sophomore assembly during the club period, Professor Abraham Hurwitz, chairman of the committee, speaking for Dean Simeon L. Guterman, stated that "the administration will definitely confer with Student Council at least one month in advance to seek their approval before such affairs can be held. No event which does not meet with the approval of Student Council will be scheduled during the Club Hour."

## Set May 9 as Date For S.C. Elections; Candidates to Talk

Student Council elections for Executive Council and class officers will be held Wednesday, May 9, between 12 and 5 p.m., at the Co-op Store. All prospective candidates must have their petitions in the Student Council mailbox of the College Office not later than Thursday, April 26, at 2:30 p.m.

Candidates for the Executive Council will present their platforms and qualifications to the student body at an assembly to be held Thursday, May 3, at 2:30 p.m. in room 404 of the College. All club meetings will be cancelled to enable every student to attend.

Petitions for Executive Council candidacy must bear a minimum of 75 signatures, while a minimum of 35 is required of a candidate for a class office.

## Debaters to Oppose Columbia On Question of Israeli Arms

The Yeshiva University Debating Society has accepted a challenge by the Columbia University Debate Council to debate the topic, "Resolved: That the U. S. Should Supply Israel with Arms."

The debate will be held before the Four Square Club, Tuesday, April 24. Three Municipal Court justices will comprise the board of judges. Yeshiva will uphold the affirmative.

### Win and Lose

In its last two debates on the national topic, Yeshiva debaters beat Northeastern University, Sunday, March 18, and lost to N.Y.U., Wednesday, April 11.

Joseph Chervin '58, and Abraham Shapiro '58, successfully defended their right to negate Northeastern's affirmative case without presenting a case of their own. Yeshiva, after breaking down Northeastern's arguments, declared that only the affirmative must present a plan.

In a debate held simultaneously with the Varsity Yeshiva-Northeastern match, the Pre-varsity Yeshiva debating team also defeated Northeastern. Yeshiva upheld the affirmative.

Contracts for the Pre-varsity tour of the Philadelphia area are now being drawn up, revealed

Joseph Singer '58, president of the Pre-varsity.

## Collections Behind For Charity Drive

"The Y. U. Charity Drive has raised \$1800 so far, far below what was expected," said Joel Schreiber '57, co-chairman of the Drive.

Stern College for Women is leading all the institutions of the University in per capita contributions for the Drive, which will end some time in May.

"It is very important for the students to cooperate and give as much as they possibly can," said Mr. Schreiber. "The contributions are lagging and only by the full cooperation of everyone concerned can the Y. U. Drive be a success."

## Oratory Contest

Jacob Heller '56, president of Student Council, has been selected to represent Yeshiva in the annual *Journal-American* Oratorical Contest, announced Professor Abraham Tauber, judge of the tryouts. The topic of the contest is "John Adams."



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## S.C. Presidential Aspirants Present Election Platforms

Two students have announced their candidacy for the presidency of the Yeshiva College Student Council. In order to help the student body become more familiar with the candidates, THE COMMENTATOR has asked each of them to submit a statement.

### Josef E. Fischer

The tasks of President of Student Council can be categorized under two basic headings. The first is that of safeguarding student rights, toward which end I will unstintingly devote my energy. The second includes enlarging the extra-curricular program.



These are some of the steps I would like to see implemented next year: student pressure for greater University cooperation with athletics (including a refurbishing of the gym); a complete Student Council appraisal of curriculum with specific recommendations;

Greater contact with the alumni, whose experience would benefit the student body; greater emphasis should be placed on Building Repair and Food Committees.

My administration would work very hard to obtain a Phi Beta Kappa chapter. Similarly, honorary fraternities should be brought in. The Student Council should support a scientific and/or a literary annual.

I feel I have the ability and experience to carry out such a varied program. I have served as:

1. Vice President of the Sophomore Class and President of the Junior Class.
2. Managing Editor of THE COMMENTATOR.
3. Member of Fencing and Debating Teams.
4. Organizer of the Accident Insurance Plan, hospitalization and fluorescent lighting conversion plan.

I sincerely hope you will carefully consider both and vote for Joe Fischer for President of Student Council.

### Nat Lewin

History has shown that a Student Council President proves his worth not in the sometimes outlandish innovations he can conjure up and implement, but rather in his ability to realize basic improvements in the status of the student body which he represents. The program which



I intend to follow, if elected, is founded on this principle, and leans but lightly on "new angles," which too often are designed to capture the votes of the unwary.

I will certainly try to strengthen and accent the basic Student Council services: the Food and Building Repair Committees, Club and Class activities, demands concerning curriculum and curriculum planning, improvement in the Gottesman Library as well as continued cooperation with the Pollack Library, the expansion of Assembly and Fireside Chat programs and strong Council stands on any and all issues concerning student welfare and student rights.

I will also work for expansion of Council publications (beginning with a literary journal and possibly expanding to Club publications) and for closer cooperation with other student organizations within the University.

However, originality is but a minor consideration in the criteria for student leadership. In view of my realistic program for energetic student leadership, and on the basis of my wide experience in student government, I seek your vote in my campaign for the Student Council presidency.

## Wit's End

By Joshua Miller

No one can deny that the politician is a man whose spirit is endowed with a special fire of ambition and an inner drive to reach notoriety. In order to give the reader an insight into his many faceted personality and perhaps to throw light on his motivating forces, THE COMMENTATOR has obtained exclusive permission to interview one of our most illustrious politicians.

### The Call

We called on our hero at the ungodly hour of 9:30 in the morning.

"Hey Xie, wake up." (The candidate, for obvious reasons will be referred to as X. Your reporter, however, is on very intimate terms with him, and uses his nickname, on occasion).

"Come on, Xie, why weren't you at minyan this morning?"

X pushed his head out from under the pillow, his usual position while asleep, and muttered, "Oh lord, it's you already. Lemme alone. Wanna go back to sleep. Got to bed at four o'clock last night, uh, I mean s'morning. Making those #%! posters and putting them up. Got scotch tape "ick" all over my fingers."

"Well, you have to get up now. Another day, another vote," we said encouragingly. "Hey! What are you doing?"

### The Rise

In a supreme effort, our illustrious candidate had managed to rise to a slouch in front of his mirror, and was now twisting his face into a horrible set of contortions.

"What do you think I'm doing? I'm exercising! If I hadn't started doing this months ago, my lips would be laid up with charlie horses. I'm grinning all day now, you know. You fellows don't know what I have to go through. Do you suppose a life the like of mine is just peaches and cream?"

"Do you think I adore going around the halls, approaching every freshman I see and blurting out, 'How do you do, my name is X, then shaking a hand sticky or dripping with the remains of an ice cream pop, and ingratiatingly but wholeheartedly murmuring, 'I'd appreciate your help?'"

"And if the freshman is the inquisitive sort, he then proceeds to stump me with an all inclusive interrogation: 'Why?' What do you answer to a freshman with a question like that? I say the only thing I can think of—'Vote for me. I'll explain it to you later'."

### Balance Needed

"I've got to be both aggressive and obsequious, and to keep a correct balance between the two is getting to be more than I can handle.

"Do you know that yesterday a fellow came in here saying that his roommate wanted my notes? I didn't even know the guy, but before he left I had cornered him into borrowing a pair of my argyle socks.

### Close Call

"Last week that balance I was talking about almost went down (Continued on page 6)

## We Trust

Now that the misunderstanding regarding the scheduling of administration requested assemblies during Club Hour has been corrected, we trust that in the future no reaffirmation of the established procedure will be necessary.

Student Council and the administration have always expressed a willingness to cooperate with each other. It is only through mutual cooperation that the better interests of Yeshiva can be served.

## Let There be Light

A serious deficiency in University lighting facilities, first revealed by a Student Repair Committee report last year, has been pointed up in a report submitted by Consolidated Edison.

Acknowledging the health hazard of poorly lit classrooms, hallways, offices and gymnasium, Dr. Belkin and Treasurer Louis Levine have assured us that proper measures will be taken to improve the situation. The correction of this dangerous condition, to which all students are exposed daily, should be foremost among any plans for University improvement and expansion. The very nature of the situation warrants that action be taken without delay.

## Thanks

We are pleased to note that a wholehearted effort is being made by the administration to furnish our library with books purchased on the basis of an evaluation in terms of curriculum. It is reassuring to see that our constructive criticism in years gone by is now being acted upon.

## Religious Guidance

The course now being offered in marital laws is an example of the many accomplishments of the Religious Guidance Committee since its inception this year.

We congratulate the Committee on its work thus far, but it is regrettable that the brunt of the burden is resting on the shoulders of its chairman, Rabbi Moses Tendler. With more effort on the part of the other members, the guidance program can even more successfully fulfill a need long existent at Yeshiva.

## A Disgrace

It's a shame that a student of Yeshiva College seems to have stolen a valuable paper circulated as an exhibit by Dr. Menachem Brayer at his lecture on the Dead Sea Scrolls. We strongly urge the student to practice common decency by returning the paper immediately.

## Quality for Quantity

The recent rise in tuition to \$700 per year represents a 75 per cent increase over the past six years. This new rate presents an impossible financial burden to some students, especially now that the dormitory fee has been raised to \$350.

In view of these facts, we call upon the administration to adopt a more liberal scholarship policy.

In addition, we sincerely hope that with the added income the University will be able to improve and increase its present facilities and to offer services to the students and faculty commensurate with the new rates.

## A Hope

As Israel enters its ninth year of existence, we experience feelings of both joy and apprehension; joy because it has withstood the pressures of the world for eight critical years and apprehension because it is now confronted with a crucial situation in the Middle East.

We hope that the feelings of apprehension will soon be dissipated, and that future Israeli Independence Days will inspire only feelings of gratitude to the Almighty.



# Spotlight on R.C.A. Controversy

By Paul Rogoway and Nat Lewin

One of the most controversial problems on the Orthodox Jewish scene today is the question of affiliation with groups of rabbis and congregations which include representatives of the Conservative and Reform movements.

The question was raised at the eighth annual Mid-Winter Conference of the Rabbinical Council of America, held February 6 and 7, in Atlantic City. At that time, Rabbi David B. Hollander and Rabbi Emanuel Rackman discussed the topic of "Separation versus Integration."

In early March, Rabbi Hollander posed the question to the R.C.A. Halacha Committee. The question specifically concerned affiliation with the Synagogue Council of America, which consists of representatives of Orthodox, Conservative and Reform rabbinic and lay organizations. The Council charter includes a unanimity clause which gives veto power to any of the six constituent organizations.

The Halacha Committee reached no decision but agreed to meet one week later to discuss the subject.

In the meantime, eleven *roshei yeshiva* from major *yeshivot* in the U.S. issued a ban against affiliation with organizations which include Conservative and Reform movements.

Just before Passover, the Metropolitan Region Executive Board of the R.C.A. voted to direct its membership to withdraw from the New York Board of Rabbis.

Thursday, March 29, a special meeting of the Executive Committee of the R. C. A. was called to discuss the problem.

The committee voted (22-4) to temporarily maintain the status quo and thus remain in the Synagogue Council. Also, the group unanimously overrode the decision of the New York Region of the R.C.A. to withdraw from the N.Y.B.R.

The question has been withdrawn from the agenda of the Halacha Committee in accordance with a written request submitted by the Chairman and Co-chairman of the Committee.

The question is scheduled to be the main topic of discussion at the annual R.C.A. convention

which has been advanced from July to June.

THE COMMENTATOR believes that this problem is of great importance to every Yeshiva student and to all of Orthodox Jewry in America. We therefore present herewith the two opposing sides of the question. Rabbi David B. Hollander, president of the R.C.A., presents the separatist viewpoint, while Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein, a member of the R.C.A. Executive Committee and past president of the N.Y.B.R., states the reasons for opposing withdrawal.

## Must Abide by Halachic Ruling Asserts Rabbi David Hollander

Explaining that the proposal to require members of the Rabbinical Council to withdraw from the New York Board of Rabbis and the Synagogue Council is not a new measure, Rabbi David B. Hollander disclosed that for the past fifteen years he has voted against the entry of Rabbinical Council members into the Synagogue Council. Seven years ago, at the annual R.C.A. convention in Atlantic City, Rabbi Hollander delivered a major talk, expressing substantially the same views. "I have personally stayed out of the New York Board of Rabbis, although having been contacted and requested to join," he said.

### Matter of Opinion

"When I first spoke on this proposal at the Mid-Winter Conference of the Rabbinical Council," Rabbi Hollander continued, "the proposal was just a matter of opinion and could be accepted or denied. However, it is now an halachic restriction and cannot be evaded. Until it is shown *halachically* that this restriction is invalid, I cannot see how any Orthodox Jew can violate it."

He further asserted that the restriction is not a recent decision on a point of law, but merely a reaffirmation of the established point which forbids any kind of rapport with a minister "whose whole career is dedicated to and based on teaching other people to violate the Torah. Otherwise he would be in the Orthodox group, for the Orthodox do not exclude any Jew no matter how far he has drifted."

### Bans Conservatism

"As religious as a rabbi may be, if he is under the banner of Conservatism, then he is opposing Orthodoxy," said Rabbi Hollander, "and it is impossible to associate with him on the synagogue, rabbinical or educational level. For the Orthodox and Conservative rabbis cannot have anything religious in common—they must work at cross-purposes. The danger to Orthodoxy is greatest when the Conservative rabbi is supposedly traditional-minded because he becomes window dressing for his entire movement."

Rabbi Hollander differentiated between "separatism" on the synagogue, rabbinical or educational level, and "separation from the people." "Jewish laymen are not Conservative or Reform by conviction," said

Rabbi Hollander. "Their choice is more a matter of convenience than of ideological deviation. We have an obligation to the Jewish laymen already in Conservative and Reform synagogues to point out to them that they are misled."

### States Aim

Rabbi Hollander further stated that the primary aim of "separatism" is to isolate the Conservative "rabbi," and not so much the Reform "rabbi," who "is less dangerous, because—until recently, at least—he did not seek to cloak himself in traditionalism."

"In regard to the Conservative 'rabbi,'" he said, "We just want to identify him for what he is—that he is teaching a religion which is not Judaism. The greatest single factor for Orthodoxy's loss of the laity is its failure to speak clearly concerning Conservatism, which is not Judaism."

### Combination Confusing

"As a result of the fact that Orthodox, Conservative and Reform band together in rabbinical associations and act cooperatively in matters that are internal, the typical layman fails to see the line of demarcation," Rabbi Hollander declared, "and will turn to the Conservative synagogue if it is more available or convenient. In this way, we have lost our congregations and our authority as rabbis."

Rabbi Hollander pointed out that the Conservative and Reform movements are bitterly fighting the "separatist" action with "denunciatory letters, editorials and 'red herring' phrases such as 'ghettoism' and 'isolationism'." The fact that such a vigorous campaign has been instituted to prevent the Orthodox withdrawal from the union of the three groups indicates that Conservative and Reform movements stand to gain from such a union."

### Doubts Possibility

He further questioned the possibility of achieving "mutual respect" between Orthodox and Conservative rabbis, and declared, "How can you respect a transgressor who also teaches others to transgress? By respecting such a person, one desecrates the memory of our Sages, who have told us not to respect such a man. Therefore, 'mutual respect' is either no more than a phrase or it is not in keeping with the spirit of our Sages. Nowhere do we find an attitude of respect on the part of our

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Rabbi David B. Hollander

## Orthodoxy Shouldn't Retreat, States Rabbi Joseph Lookstein

"Basically, I believe this controversy is one of separatism versus coalitionism," disclosed Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein.

Rabbi Lookstein explained that in the American Community the Jewish people have learned the lesson of cooperation and coalition and have abandoned the "never successful method of isolationism and separatism."

### Cites Examples

The lesson, he insisted, was learned through the experiences of Zionism which was one of the first manifestations of the concept of cooperation of all the elements in Judaism for the sake of the Jewish People. The outstanding instance of separatism was in the German-Jewish Community of Rabbi Samson Raphael Hirsch."

### Needed Official Status

He further explained that in Rabbi Hirsch's day and circumstance there was reason for this separation. Reform Judaism was the only Jewish group officially recognized by the German government, and Rabbi Hirsch found it necessary

to establish the official status of Orthodoxy.

### Only Can Gain

"But in no other Jewish community, certainly not in the English speaking world, is there any more justification for it," he added.

"At any rate," Rabbi Lookstein continued, "only good can result from coalition. We can only stand to gain by such cooperation, we cannot lose. We can gain by impressing upon the American Jewish community the power and validity of the traditional point of view. Only by meeting with the laity of all groups can we make American Jewry realize that the Orthodox rabbi is the one who best reflects and best represents the traditional rabbinate."

### Kashrut, Sabbath

He quoted instances of benefits that resulted from cooperation. "The kosherization of hospitals, homes for the aged, orphan asylums and the practice of *kashrut* at most public functions as well as the recognition of the Sabbath as a day of rest in Jewish public agencies can be credited to cooperation among all elements in Jewry," Rabbi Lookstein asserted.

When asked his opinion of the halachic decision recently issued by eleven *roshei*

*yeshiva*, Rabbi Lookstein replied that "it is binding only upon those who asked for it and upon those who are willing to abide by it."

He referred to similar decisions issued with regard to Zionism in "early days" and said, "Those who wanted to, abided by them. It did not make sinners of those who did not."

### R.C.A. Authorities

With regard to the Rabbinical Council itself, Rabbi Lookstein insisted that "it turns for its decision to those whom it has designated as its authorities. Until those who have been so designated decide, the Rabbinical Council need not feel bound by what others have ruled."

In answer to the contention that withdrawal from the New York Board of Rabbis and the Synagogue Council will improve relations between the Rabbinical Council and the Union of Orthodox Rabbis and similar organizations, Rabbi Lookstein stated, "The attempt to bring about an understanding with the

Union of Orthodox Rabbis antedates the problem raised by the New York Board of Rabbis or the Synagogue Council."

### Refused Identification

"The Union of Orthodox Rabbis had refused identification with the Rabbinical Council long before there was any kind of affiliation of that body with any other organizations." Rabbi Lookstein insisted that the separatist rabbinical organizations do not welcome or look with favor upon the admission of "younger rabbis" into their ranks, for a variety of reasons.

### Not Sanction

Rabbi Lookstein explained that belonging to such organizations as the Synagogue Council does not constitute sanction for Jews to join the Conservative or Reform movements. "We are influencing the other segments to become more Orthodox," he said. "They must observe *kashrut* and support our educational institutions. We must meet them head on in the arena of public life.

"I am not afraid for Orthodoxy," Rabbi Lookstein continued, "I am proud of it. I know we can triumph. American Jewry will understand us better than it will understand the Conservative or Re-

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Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein



## Letter to the Editor

To The Editor:

The enclosed letter, recently sent by Student Council to the President of the United States, may be of interest to the student body.

(Signed) Jacob W. Heller  
President, S.C.

Mr. President:

We, the Yeshiva College Student Council, the official representative body of the students of Yeshiva College, the first college under Jewish auspices in the United States, wish to express our grave concern over our country's present foreign policy concerning the Middle East, which policy we consider to be morally indefensible.

Israel, the sole guardian of true democracy in the Middle East, is now menaced by the forces of Arab totalitarianism equipped with Communist arms. The United States, universally recog-

nized as the protector of liberty and freedom, cannot abandon its sister democracy across the seas in this moment of crisis. The United States, which has played so great a part in the creation of the State of Israel, and which has aided Israel in its later development, is now under the moral obligation of bolstering the defenses of Israel in its battle for survival.

We, the Yeshiva College Student Council, therefore strongly urge the United States government to avert the threat of war so recently precipitated by the influx of Communist arms into the Arab states, by granting Israel's request for arms to defend herself in the event of attack.

In order to further guarantee the maintenance of peace in the Middle East, we strongly urge that the United States take a firm stand and assure the Middle

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Sages toward Jews who misled Jews in regard to the validity of the Torah."

### Fear Alienation

Many Orthodox rabbis, according to Rabbi Hollander, have refused to adopt the "separatist" point of view because of the fear of alienating the Conservative donors of large sums of money to *yeshivot* and Orthodox causes. "But by getting money from them," he insisted, "the Orthodox rabbi is paying heavily." He believes that such acceptance of money adds to the confusion in the mind of the layman, and might cause him to desert an Orthodox synagogue in favor of a Conservative one.

For the same reason, Rabbi Hollander minimized the accomplishments of the New York Board of Rabbis, such as the establishment of *kashrut* at public functions. "Had the Orthodox rabbinate attempted such a move by itself, it would have succeeded as well," he declared. "By succeeding with the New York Board of Rabbis we take a loss, for the layman will confuse the Reform or Conservative 'rabbi' with the Orthodox one, since the Conservative and Reform 'rabbis' are apparently helping Orthodox Judaism. As a result of that alleged gain, the Conservative element has achieved status in the eyes of Orthodoxy."

### Refutes Claim

Rabbi Hollander refuted the claim that since the sole purpose of the Synagogue Council is to present a united front to the non-Jewish world, the Orthodox faction should not withdraw from the Council. As proof that the Synagogue Council is also concerned with internal Jewish affairs, he cited the recent Synagogue Council "Back-to-the-Synagogue" campaign and the

distribution of halachic questions to its three component members.

Reflecting upon the controversy, Rabbi Hollander asserted, "Never have I been so disillusioned with some colleagues as during the fight—not because they have differed, but because they have shown bitter intolerance and fanaticism on this issue, the like of which no 'fanatic' Orthodox Jew has ever displayed."

Rabbi Hollander revealed that great pressure was exerted on him not to submit the question to the Halacha Committee of the Rabbinical Council and, once submitted, to withdraw it.

### R. C. Not Bound

"The Executive Committee of the Rabbinical Council has stated again and again in executive session that it is not necessarily bound by the decision of the Halacha Committee," disclosed Rabbi Hollander. The reasons given are: 1. that under the constitution of the Council, the Halacha Committee is just a committee and its report need not as a matter of law be accepted, and 2. that since the Executive Committee is composed of ordained rabbis, it can also pass judgment, and does not relinquish its right to do so.

Rabbi Hollander maintained that withdrawal from the New York Board of Rabbis, the Synagogue Council and similar organizations would lead to closer relations with the Union of Orthodox Rabbis. He pointed out that the attitude of the members of the U.O.R. has changed considerably during the past ten years, largely because of a change of personnel.

"As the situation now stands, a grotesque paradox is revealed. Those who defend halacha are said to be destroying Orthodoxy, and those who claim to be defending Orthodoxy are opposing halacha," concluded Rabbi Hollander.

## From Color Scheme to Page for Notes College Catalog Full of Innovations

By Martin Fingerhut

To the incoming Freshmen of September, 1956, who will, in all probability, never see the 1956-'58 College catalog, this article is humbly dedicated.

To go into all the innovations of the new catalog starting with a new color scheme for the cover and ending with a neat page for notes, would be a Herculean task which neither space nor time allows. Instead, we would like to list just a few of these new additions and to explain how each goes a long way toward improving on the old catalog.

The first step forward was its early date of publication. Of course, this was at the expense of having no catalog at all for 1955-'56, but there never has been a great undertaking in which it was not found that it was necessary to remove certain minor obstacles. Let us now objectively review the good book itself.

### Youth Movement

On page seven of the new catalog, we notice the first great change; we are now left to but idly speculate as to when our faculty members received their various degrees. This is obviously Yeshiva's answer to cries calling for a youth movement in the faculty.

At the end of the listings of the faculty is a special segregated space in which our Bible teachers from R.I.E.T.S. and T.I. are listed. The reason for their segregation is not clear, but it may be that the author of the book wished to donate his efforts to the drive for synthesis.

On page eleven, we come to a very important and interesting observation (listed in parenthesis). That is, that the growth of Yeshiva has paralleled that of Harvard, Yale and Princeton, which also began as theological seminaries. I am sure that our sister universities will be interested to note a newcomer to their ranks which has so many things in common. Besides our common origin, we have kept pace by raising our tuition for the forthcoming school year. Perhaps we can even grow some ivy on the building to cement our relationship.

### Omission

Turning the page, we see one of the few instances of innovation by omission. It seems that our main building, which has always been described as a shining example of Moorish architecture, having four stories to boot, has faded into anonymity.

This omission is of great importance, we believe, as yet another proof of Yeshiva's expansion and adamant refusal to have any connections with the past, especially in the field of architecture. (Another example of this Yeshiva ideal of looking forward optimistically and without reservations is the announcement of the new dormitory which "is scheduled for completion by the fall of 1956." Any bets?) We also note with interest the

introduction of a new course into the College curriculum—Mathematics 39, 40—Probability.

### Nice Try

On page nineteen, under the heading of attendance, we are advised that students should hurry back to school immediately after vacations and holidays. Failure to do so, "is regarded as interfering with the collective interests of the College." The importance of this problem speaks for itself. Indeed, We do not choose to further comment on the success of this proclamation other than to say that the effort was noble.

Oh yes, lateness is now officially half an absence. Further down on the same page, we note with great sorrow the passing of



the Tentative A which was so conspicuous in the last catalog. Another unique characteristic of Yeshiva has bit the dust.

### Third Decimal Point

We Yeshiva scholars used to feel that there was a tendency on the part of the administration to favor natural and abstract sciences over the social sciences. We now have absolute proof of this. On page twenty, one notes with a great deal of apprehension that averages will now be computed to the third decimal point. We have always maintained that it is only a small jump from the third decimal point to the slide rule, to higher mathematics.

In conjunction with this, on page twenty-three we are told that tuition will now be \$350 per semester. That, based on an average of 16 credits, comes out to \$21.875 a credit. In the light of this raise and the increase in

living expense from \$1870 to \$2455, we have also taken note of a new innovation following student finance—a Student Loan Fund.

Turning to a brighter side, guidance (p. 25) is given a much more prominent display in the new catalog. Freshman Orientation features "College socials" for the incoming freshmen. (It must be a typographical error.)

### Co-curricular Activities

Further down the page, we find a listing of what is called "Co-curricular activities." A slight investigation reveals that they are what used to be known as extra-curricular activities. We would like to comment on this change in names, but we can't decide just what "co"-curricular means.

Our "Varsity" Swimming Team will be glad to note that its usual intercollegiate schedules and competition will continue. Our Track Team has fallen through as a result of its inability to find suitable opponents. The French Club will also be delighted that the "La" Flambeau is commencing publication. I'm sure the Le Flambeau welcomes the competition.

### Housing Problem

On page 26, under Housing, we are told that the proposed dorm will occupy "an entire square block site." We feel that this statement will be of particular interest to those residing in the large apartment house on one of the corners. We also note that a certain physical education course in net skills is still not recognized in the College catalog. This is probably because the administration finds it impossible to conceive that anyone can teach net skills down in the dark room which we, out of respect for age, call a gymnasium.

### No Register

Another omission is the student register which for years has been placed in the back of the book as filler space. It was a fine idea to do away with this excess and to put in its place

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## Orthodoxy Should Not Retreat, States Rabbi Joseph Lookstein

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form movements. Orthodoxy is on the march; we shouldn't retreat."

### Induction Ceremonies

Concerning the induction of the officers of the Synagogue Council, which was held in Temple Emanu-El, Rabbi Lookstein insisted, "The issue was inflated out of all proportion. Handled properly, that induction would have taken place in an Orthodox environment, or in a neutral one."

"It is important for Reform and Conservative rabbis and laymen to realize that just as there is a need for cooperation between Orthodox and non-Ortho-

dox groups, there must be and understanding by the non-Orthodox of the deep feelings of Orthodox groups," he added.

### Denounces Council

Rabbi Lookstein denounced the American Council for Judaism "not because they are Reform Jews, but because they are not Jews—because they are anti-Jewish."

"Isolation means security to those who isolate themselves, but it cannot serve to attract the masses to the isolationists' way of thinking. The sect gives security to those within it, but it does not, exert any influence on those outside of it," concluded Rabbi Lookstein.



**On the Sidelines**

**'Hats Off' to Fencers;  
Thanks to Nat and Marty;  
What Happened to Soccer?**

By Julie Landwirth

Amid all the din and clamor of the phenomenal past basketball season which has already become a byword in Yeshiva sports, the Fencing Team went on in its own fabulous way to rack up a 10-1 record, and did it for the second successive year.

In two years time, they have faced twenty two teams and lost but twice, once to Brooklyn in '54 and once to Columbia. The masked marvels somehow manage consistently to hold winning cards in a deck stacked against them from almost every angle. The only thing they've had in common with the teams they faced is the color of their uniform, even that has sometimes being doubtful.

When Yeshiva fences a school like Drew or Brooklyn or Columbia or Cooper Union, a comparison of equipment is often peculiarly hilarious. Practice sessions are relatively ridiculous as compared to the long hours every opponent puts in. It sounds like the basketball story all over again, but the reason the fencers find themselves poking others off the strip is the same as with the Mites: coaching and spirit.

The only way to describe Art Tauber and keep within a reasonable word limit is to say that all around he's the tops. He makes winning fencers out of men who've never heard of foil, epee or saber. What's more, he's the sort of modest individual who is displeased with his team being nicknamed "Taubermen." The team traditionally exhibits the sort of enthusiasm that makes winning a must.

So from all this comes a saber team of Katz, Peyser, Danzger scoring 22-7 each over the year. Captain Morty Wertheimer, Siegel and Fischer spurring the epee team on with the latter tallying 17-11. In foil, Rothman, Berger, and Chill were the cogs with Danny Chill staying on to the intermediate semifinals of a pretty classy amateur tournament.

The boys did a terrific job against very tough odds. Their feats certainly deserve a belated "Hats Off!"

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While we're tipping our derbies, we should do it also for a couple of fellows who have devoted a great deal of time toward the success of the Basketball Team. It certainly is in place to recognize a good job when it is accomplished and Nat Geller and Marty Elefant are two '56 grads who can be so accredited. As team managers, they have shared the responsibility for the efficient running of the Y.U.A.A. athletic schedules.

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Just an aside, but once upon a time there was a group all excited about soccer. It would be nice to see this collapsed interest flare up again.

**Sports Personalities Attend  
Dinner for Coach Sarachek**

As a way of paying tribute to Bernard Sarachek's twenty year association with basketball, a dinner in his honor was arranged. The affair was held at the Concourse Plaza Hotel, April 18.

Those gathering to fete "Red" comprised a 'Who's Who' in the world of basketball.

**Celebrities Attend**

Chairmen Dave Weiss and Sam Lefcourt called upon Marty Glickman to act as master of ceremonies. Glickman introduced Sam Ellner, Sarachek's coach at Stuyvesant High School, Maurice Podoloff, president of the National Basketball Association.

Among the N.B.A.'s former and current stars who honored "Red" are Danny Finn, "Red" Holzman, and Jerry Fleishman; and from the fabled Scranton Miners, Bob Kelly, John Azary and "Dolly" King.

**Boosters of Athletics**

Gracing the dais were Mr.

and Mrs. I. Cummings, who for years have been among the most prominent boosters of Yeshiva athletics. Rabbi Lookstein was scheduled to speak on what Mr. Sarachek has done for athletics at the College. Rabbi Avrech and Dean Guterman also attended.

Various groups with whom "Red" has been and it at present affiliated read the "This is your life" skit to him. They include the Grand St. Boys, Flatbush Jewish Center and the Workman's Circle.

**Attends N.Y.U.**

Sarachek attended New York University, and, during the second World War, served as Red Cross Division Director overseas.

The great progress of the Yeshiva Basketball Team, demonstrates "Red's" tenacity and savvy of the game. He has steadily built and rebuilt the teams, and today Yeshiva certainly is one of the leading small colleges in the country.

**Seniors to Tourney;  
Subdue Soph Team  
In Exciting Contest**

With a trip to the St. Peters College Intramural Tournament at stake, the seniors and sophomores clashed last Tuesday, April 10, to determine Yeshiva's tourney representative. The older quintet copped the honor by winding up on the tall end of a low scoring ball game, 32-25.

The prize package made for spirited play, and within seconds after the opening buzzer the sophs had jumped to a quick 4-0 lead. However, the stronger, bigger senior squad bounced right back, and at the close of the first period the score stood 7-6, in favor of the second year men.

**Game Nip and Tuck**

Most of the second period was nip and tuck, both teams trading

**Senior Superiority**

Seniors	G	F	P	Sophs	G	F	P
Fingerhut	4	1	9	Witkin	1	0	2
Fingerhut	3	1	7	Quint	1	2	4
Dobin	2	0	4	Shapiro	2	1	5
Hoffman	0	0	0	Frucher	2	0	4
Gerbitz	1	3	5	Roth	3	4	10
Kwestel	2	0	1				
Berman	1	1	3				
<b>Totals</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>Totals</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>25</b>

baskets. A clutch three point play by Sophomore Shapiro gave his team a 13-12 edge. Seniors Marty Fingerhut and Marty Gerbitz countered with a drive and a jump shot to grab a 16-13 advantage at the halfway mark.

The third period opened with four straight foul shots by the sophs, making the score 17-16. That, though, was the last time they were to enjoy a lead. The upper termers hit for seven straight points to take a commanding lead, 23-17.

The sophs pressed for the ball in the fourth quarter, but bad passes and forced shooting were their undoing, as the seniors padded their lead to the final 32-25 score. Next stop, St. Peters College.

**Netmen Beat Maritime  
Before Rains End Play**

A steady Yeshiva University Tennis Team swamped the New York State Maritime Academy squad last Friday in a match cut short by the notorious April showers.

The mariners, though naturally quite used to wet conditions, couldn't manage to win a match from the Yeshiva landlubbers, but



**RACKET SQUAD:** Shown above is the 1955-'56 Yeshiva Tennis Team, left to right, front row: Zal Schrader, Paul Rogoway, Captain Herbert Hoffman, Irv Aronson, Maier Sadwin; back row: Danny Harris, Seymour Hoffman, Jerry Quint, Simmy Schreiber, Bill Levin.

**Tennis Team Drops  
Year's First Match  
To Pratt Institute**

The Yeshiva Tennis Team dropped its first match of the season, 6-3, to a strong Pratt Institute squad Friday, April 6, at the Pratt courts.

Pratt took four of the six singles matches as Irv Aronson, Herb Hoffman, Jerry Quint and Seymour Hoffman all were bested by their opponents.

**Rogoway, Schreiber Win**

Paul Rogoway and Simmy Schreiber came through with Yeshiva's only victories of the day. Rogoway, playing in the no. 5 position, subdued his opponent, 6-1, 6-2. Schreiber, no. 6 man, dropped the first set, 6-2, but came back to win the next two, 6-1, 6-0, to take the match.

**Doubles Not Completed**

Pratt's no. 1 doubles combination downed Aronson and Rogoway in the only completed doubles match of the day. The no. 2 and 3 doubles matches were called in order to give the Yeshiva netmen time to reach their homes before the Sabbath. The teams split the points, thus giving Pratt a 6-3 victory in the match.

the final score was officially set 6-3. The Y.U. netmen took four singles matches in the contest, while the remaining two singles matches were not completed, and all three doubles matches were rained out.

**Singles Victories**

Captain Herbert Hoffman, Jerry Quint, Seymour Hoffman and Zal Schrader triumphed for the Blue and White.

Herb Hoffman, playing in the no. 2 position, played a steady game as he defeated Jack Benyo, 6-2, 6-3. Quint, the no. 3 man, collected his first victory in a Y.U. uniform, besting his opponent, 6-2, 6-3.

Playing in the no. 5 position, Seymour Hoffman pulled through a 6-4, 6-2 victory over Earl Mochler. Zal Schrader emerged victorious in his first intercollegiate match, downing Maritime's no. 6 man, 6-2, 7-5.

**Uncompleted Matches**

In an uncompleted match, Irv Aronson dropped the first set, 6-3, to Phil Russakis, Maritime's no. 1 man. The score was 4-4 in the second set when play was halted.

Paul Rogoway, no. 4 man, was leading his opponent, 4-3, in the first set when the rains came.

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# Joseph Cassius, Yeshiva Coach, Seeks Democratic Nomination

Mr. Joseph Cassius, assistant in physical education at Yeshiva College, is conducting a campaign to obtain the Democratic Party nomination from the eleventh congressional district to the House of Representatives.

Due to an election law which prohibits those who have not enrolled as Democrats in the previous elections to circulate regular designating petitions, Mr. Cassius has to compete as a write-in candidate. The New York primary will be held Tuesday, June 5.



Joseph Cassius

Mr. Cassius served in the Marine Corps during World War II for four and one-half years. In 1951 he graduated from Southern Methodist University and began postgraduate studies at the University of Kansas and the S.M.U. Graduate School. He is now completing his Ph.D at Yeshiva University.

A celebrated wrestler, Mr. Cassius is also a recognized Judo authority. He is also a member of the Jewish War Veterans and the Teachers' Guild.

## Wit's End

(Continued from page 2) the drain. I had to stop smiling as much as I did. I accidentally laughed at the corniest of jokes, dropped from one of my professors—it was almost disastrous to my popularity.

"But I don't give up, I'll never give up. I don't want the office just to satisfy my ego. I have no ego. I'm just sure that I'm the best man. I'll leave no stone unturned in my quiet but telling effort to uncover as much filth about my opponent, as I can."

We were more than impressed.

## Letter to Editor

(Continued from page 4) East countries that any active aggression will be met with swift and strong intervention by the United States.

We feel certain that American Jewry, as well as every American citizen, realizes that the above requests form the only course in which the United States may uphold its position as the leader of the free democratic world and recognize its moral obligation to the State of Israel.

Very respectfully yours,  
Yeshiva College Student Council

## Faculty Notes

**Dr. Ralph P. Rosenberg**, professor of German, has received a second Grant-in-aid-of-Research from the Language Association of America. He has been extended an invitation to read a paper on Heinrich Heine, whose centenary is being observed this year, at the December meeting of the Association in Washington, D. C.

Professor Rosenberg is chairman of the Manuscript Committee of the main Germanic Section of the M.L.A.A., and is a member of the Nomination and Advisory Committee of the Franco-German Literary Relations Section of the Association. Dr. Rosenberg was recently elected to membership in the Steering Committee of the Humanities Group in New York.

Among Professor Rosenberg's recent publications are "American Doctoral Studies in Germanic Cultures, 1873-1949," which appeared in *The Yearbook of Comparative and General Literature*, and a review of Buckner's "Danton's Tod" in the *Germanic Review*.

## Lighting

(Continued from page 1) could be installed without doing any additional wiring, as the outlets are properly located and the wattage load would be substantially the same.

### \$1500 Estimate

The Student Council Building Repair Committee estimated last year in its report that it would cost \$1500 to install an adequate lighting system.

## No Bachelors Allowed

A course in marital laws, sponsored by the Guidance Committee, is being given Tuesday nights from 8 to 10 p.m. Registration is limited to students planning to be married this year.

Rabbi M. Karp will teach the fundamentals of marital halacha in the first four lectures, the first of which was held last Tuesday, April 17.

# Recommend Plans For Hospital Care, Medical Insurance

All students of Yeshiva University will be given emergency treatment and, if necessary, hospitalization by the Jewish Memorial Hospital without any inquiry as to ability to pay, revealed Josef Fischer '57, chairman of the Student Council Medical Insurance Committee.

The Committee has also recommended a plan, of the Blue Cross type, to be entered into with the hospital. Under this plan, out-of-town students would pay a flat yearly rate for limited hospitalization and medical insurance.

Student Council has approved the Committee's report on accident insurance, and has submitted it to the administration for study. This plan provides 24-hour coverage on all accidents occurring on campus, including intramural sports. The cost of the plan would be four dollar per student for the 10-month school year. There is no minimum percentage of the student body that must sign up.

# Senior Varsity Show Tickets Go on Sale at Co-op Store

## Tension in Mid-East Subject of Address By Lawyer Zelikow

"The reason for the tense situation in Israel is that the Arabs were never reconciled to the establishment of Israel," declared Mr. Nathaniel Zelikow, speaking at an assembly held Monday, April 16, in Lamport Auditorium, to celebrate Israel's Independence Day.

At the outset of the assembly the audience stood for a moment of silence to commemorate the death of Moshe Pearlstein, a Yeshiva alumnus who gave his life in the defense of Gush Etzion during the War for Independence.

Giving a brief account of American policy and the situation in the Middle East, Mr. Zelikow, a member of the Public Affairs Committee of the American Zionist Council, analyzed the causes of the tension.

Tickets for *Otteleger*, the Senior Varsity Show, may now be purchased at the Yeshiva College Co-op Store, disclosed George Siegel '57, business manager. Prices of the tickets have been set at \$1 and \$2 for students and all seats are reserved.

"The production of *Otteleger* is on schedule and all indications are that it will be a success," declared Martin Greenhut '56, producer. Mr. Greenhut said further that the reactions of the student body and alumni have been "greatly encouraging."

*Otteleger*, a musical comedy written by Nat Geller '56, and Emanuel Federbush '56, will be presented at the Joan of Arc Auditorium, 154 W. 93 St., Manhattan, Sunday evening, May 20. With a "great demand" existing for seats, tickets will be limited to students, their personal guests and parents and alumni.

Additions to the cast are Phillip Schmidt '56, and Joseph Hartman '56. Paul Kolker '57, has been appointed chairman of the Publicity Committee and Joseph Chervin '58, has been added to the Business Staff.

The Yeshiva College Co-op Store is handling all ticket sales in the College. Blocks of tickets, however, may be obtained from Mr. Siegel or the Co-op Store.

## Club Notes

### Bio, Chem, Pre-med Societies

Dr. Isidore Danishefsky '44, biochemist at the Flower Hospital, spoke at a combined meeting of the Biology, Chemistry, and Pre-Med Societies on "Current Approaches in Cancer Research," Thursday, March 15.

"Cancer," said Dr. Danishefsky, "is caused by organic compounds known as coal tar hydrocarbons. These are compounds whose structures are normally stable, but when in cancerous cells they break down to form other compounds."

The doctor outlined three methods used in cancer research. The first method, carcinogenesis, involves studying the effects of coal tar on an animal; the second, chemotherapy, is the synthesis and analysis of a number of derivatives; and the third, which is being used currently, is cell metabolism.

Dr. Danishefsky ended his lecture by saying that if he would lecture again at Yeshiva he hoped the topic would be "Cure for Cancer."

### Le Cercle Francais

Le Cercle Francais and Pi Delta Phi, in joint sponsorship,

presented a lecture by Konrad Bieber, professor of French at New London College, Connecticut, Wednesday, March 21. The professor's topic was "Heinrich Heine, French by Election, Jew Despite Others."

Speaking solely in French, Professor Bieber discussed the life and work of Heine, and said that though Heine was baptized, he still felt Jewish. In 1830, Heine left Germany and settled in France, for he had been dissatisfied with the politics of Metternich. He spent the rest of his life in France, where he wrote many of his stories.

After the lecture, the Pi Delta Phi initiated Harold Friedlander '56, Larry Friedlander '58, Jay Braverman '58, and Herman Klein '58. The Yeshiva chapter, Alpha Omega, of the Pi Delta Phi, National French Honor Society, is presided over by Arnold Asher '57. To be admitted, one must maintain high grades in French and an interest in French studies.

### Jewish Philo Society

Rabbi Fabian Schonfeld, a rabbinical alumnus of Yeshiva University, and at present spiritual leader of the Young Israel of Kew Gardens, will address the Jewish Philosophical Society, Thursday, April 26, announced Alvin Bobroff '57, president of the Society.

The lecture will deal with the *Beliefs and Opinions* of Saadia Gaon, the first Jewish philosophical work of the period.

### Dramatics Society

The Dramatics Society of Yeshiva College has begun a new service, offering information, criticisms and advice on Broadway shows. Anyone interested should contact Louis Wohl '57, president of the Society.

The Dramatics Society is also planning a show to be presented next term.

## College Catalog

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such important information as a complete listing of all of the 12 institutions of the University, two blank pages for official "notes" and an index which tells us where to find out about "absence from classes, absence from tests" and other pertinent matters.

To reiterate, we find it impossible to enumerate all of the changes in the catalog, but we feel that all of the more important innovations have been mentioned.

The new catalog was well worth waiting for—it taught us to be patient.

## Congrats

THE COMMENTATOR extends its heartiest congratulations to Rabbi Jerome S. Lipsitz '52, upon his engagement to Miss Naomi Rothstein, Also to Martin Greenhut '56, upon his engagement to Miss Ruth Levine.

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