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Rep. Javits Urges Federal School Aid

Expansion of federal aid to education to include scholarships for technical and professional training so that young men and women of merit should not be denied an opportunity to acquire a profession because of lack of financial resources was urged here by Representative Jacob K. Javits (R-N.Y.)

Mr. Javits and Representatives Arthur G. Klein (D-N.Y.) and Abraham Multer (D-N.Y.) were the principal speakers at Yeshiva University's Charter Day Dinner at the Essex House November 14, 1948.

Mr. Javits declared that another critical problem to which we must devote ourselves is the elimination of discrimination due to race, creed, color or national origin in educational opportunities and particularly in the opportunity for a college or professional education. Federal aid to education and Federal scholarships for professional education must be conditioned upon the non-discrimination in educational opportunities by any institution cooperating in the federal program, he said.

The dinner marked the third anniversary of the granting of University status to Yeshiva by the State of New York.

T.I. Rally Spurs Zion Food Appeal

"Every one should consider it his personal obligation to help feed the deprived children and fighting youth of Israel" declared Rabbi Meir Schochatman, a leader of the Poale Mizrahi in Israel at a Teachers Institute assembly held on Wednesday, November 17, in support of the "Food for Israel" campaign now being conducted at Yeshiva.

Stressing the necessity of the food drive, Rabbi Schochatman gave as an example the aggravated situation in Jerusalem, where at one time a glass of water sold for ten lire. "There is no limit to the aid you can give," he said.

Horeb Publishes Its Tenth Volume

The tenth volume of Horeb, Teachers Institute annual devoted to research in Jewish History and Literature, is due to appear this week. According to the Editor, Dr. Pinchus Churgin, Dean of the Teachers Institute, the forthcoming four hundred page issue will feature a series dealing with research in the fields of Rabbinics and Medieval Jewish Literature and Jewish History in addition to a comprehensive index for all ten volumes prepared by Dr. Joseph Noble. Included among the contributors are Dr. Abraham Weiss, Professor of Rabbinics in the Bernard Revel Graduate School, Dr. Hyman Grinstein, Registrar of T.I., Dr. Gershon Churgin, Associate Professor of Hebrew, and Dr. Solomon Wind, Lecturer in Talmud.

Med. School Forecast By Sept. 1952

The establishment of a Yeshiva Medical School by September, 1952, was urged by Dr. Elihu Katz, president, Society for the Advancement of Pre-Medical Sciences, November 21, at the Society's second annual dinner, at the Hotel Astor. He proposed the launching of a six million dollar drive, one million of which would be slated for actual school expenses, the rest being a reserve fund.

The other speakers included Hugo Rogers, Borough President of Manhattan, Samuel Levy, chairman of the University's Board of Trustees, and Dr. Anthony Bassler, former Dean of the Fordham University Medical School.

Need Urgent

"It is common knowledge," Dr. Katz declared, "that existing medical schools are exceedingly overcrowded and cannot admit many eligible and desirable students." The recent report of the President's Commission on Higher Education, he recalled, predicted a critical doctor-shortage by 1960.

"The high standards of intensive instruction that has always characterized Yeshiva University are now being practiced and maintained. Year by year the faculty, student body and curriculum will grow so that the present Freshman Class, of whom approximately twenty are preparing for medical training, will be ready for graduation in June, 1952. This will mark the completion of four years of intensive training and preparation for the study of medicine, which in turn will naturally create the need for a medical school."

Kandel To Manage Y.U. Fund Appeals

The appointment of Monte Kandel as director of finance of Yeshiva University was announced here by Dr. Samuel Belkin, president. Mr. Kandel, who has been active in various phases of social work for 27 years, was formerly executive director of the co-ordinations committee for the Ft. Ontario Refugee Shelter and until recently director of fund raising and community relations for the H.I.A.S.

A graduate of Columbia University, he was district office administrator for the New York City Department of Welfare from 1935 to 1939. He served on the fund raising staffs of the United Jewish Appeal and the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies in New York City.

A veteran of World War I, he succeeds to the post left vacant by the resignation of Herman Sanders, who has assumed a leading executive position with the United Jewish Appeal. In his new post, Mr. Kandel will activate the nation-wide seven and one-half million dollar campaign for funds by Yeshiva University.

I.R.S. Prexy Talks At Pa. Conference

Melvin Bunim '49, President and Seymour Zahn '49, Vice-President, represented Yeshiva College at the Middle Atlantic conference of College International Relations Societies. The conference convened at the Pennsylvania State College from November 19-21.

Mr. Bunim delivered an address at the Sixth Plenary session of the conference. He stated that we must not fear Russia and that "Fear never won a war or a peace." Mr. Bunim explained that the cleavage between the two countries is a natural one and should cause no alarm. "The world community will gain by the co-existence of seemingly opposed theories each striving in its own way to gain for man the highest and the best nature can offer."

The conference was addressed by such leading scholars as Drs. Clyde Egleton, P. Morreson and Herbert Fels, the last named a former Economic Adviser to the President. Such themes as the U. S. and the Soviet Union in the U.N., imposing economic relations between the two countries, and Atomic Control were discussed.

Talpioth Honors Halachic Sages

The eighth volume of Talpioth will be published soon, Rabbi Samuel Mirsky, the editor, announced. The new issue will contain as central themes articles on the seven hundredth anniversary of Menachem Hamelel and the hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the Gaon of Vilna, discussing various aspects of their careers, in particular their common opposition to pilpulism and contribution to modern educational methods.

The issue will include a number of articles by Y.U. faculty men including Drs. Belkin, Solovitchik, Finkel and Mirsky and special articles by two graduates, Drs. Asher Siev and Bernard Bergman.

Talpioth is also organizing a lecture series on the draft of the Israel constitution by Prof. Clyde Egleton, noted authority on constitutional and international law. These will be given in N.Y.U. because of its central location.

Cercle Will Hear Lycee's Director

Pierre Brodin, director of Lycee Francais and dean of the Ecole Libre des Hautes Etudes in New York, will address the French Club on December 2 in the Dormitory Social Hall, Ishmael Cohen '51, announced. Dr. Brodin will speak on "France, Eté 1948."

Cercle Francais met on November 18 and heard "La Peau de Banane," a recorded French play.

Arthur Abramson '48, editor of Le Flambeau, Yeshiva College French publication, announced that the magazine is expected to go to press early in December. He urged all tardy contributors to turn in their articles immediately.

Drama Is Readied For University Nite Varsity vs. Alumni, T.A. vs. Faculty Billed For Student-Alumni Reunion

"Flesh and Faculty", an original play by Joseph Yoshor '49, will be presented at the combined Alumni Day-University Night celebrations to take place on Sunday, December 5. Directed by the author, the play features Wilfred Solomon '51 in the lead as a college dean, Max Frankel '49 as a Professor of Chemistry, and Nathan Gordon '51 as a Professor of Psychology.

Mr. Yoshor denied that the play is based on events or characters from Yeshiva College. He emphatically declared, "Rumors to the contrary notwithstanding, 'Flesh and Faculty' is a farce-comedy about an imaginary college dealing with professors and students in the abstract. It is an attempt at investigating the universal qualities which characterize the two species."

The evening will open with a basketball twin bill at the Yeshiva gym. Talmudical Academy's varsity will face the faculty and Yeshiva College undergraduates will meet the alumni. Following the show, a reception will be held for members of the alumni and their guests in Riets Hall.

"The purpose of the evening," stated Donald Geller '49, Chairman of the Alumni Committee and Vice-President of Student Council, "is to foster closer cooperation between the alumni and the student body."

The complete schedule of the evening follows:

5-6 Talmudical Academy Varsity-Faculty game.
6-6:45 Supper.
6:45-8 College-Alumni game.
8:15-9:15 "Flesh and Faculty".
9:30 Alumni Reception in Riets Hall.

Library To Obtain Bound Periodicals

The Yeshiva College Library has inaugurated a program in which all magazines on constant call by students are being bound. Harpers, Current Events, Chemical and Physics Abstracts, and Journals of Philosophy and Psychology are among those included in this program. This project was started last May and will be completed in 1950.

A union catalogue which will list all books in the various libraries of Yeshiva University is now being completed. This catalogue will direct students to books now scattered throughout the University library system.

Dr. A. M. Margalith has been appointed by President Belkin as acting chief Librarian of Yeshiva University. All libraries are working towards consolidation to give the student bodies maximum service. Dr. Joseph Yanish has been appointed Librarian of the Pollock Graduate Library.

Alumnus Appointed
Menachem Bloch, who graduated from Yeshiva College last year, is now teaching Hebrew 7-8 at Talmudical Academy, it was learned.

Scripta To Publish New Math Works

Professor Ginsburg announced that the forthcoming issue of Scripta Mathematica will contain two articles discussing the relations between Mathematics and Art. Many illustrations of abstract mathematical concepts will highlight the stories. Editors of some other publications who have had the opportunity to examine the pictures have asked for permission to use them.

Scripta is also preparing for publication another book in the series called Scripta Mathematica Library. The new addition is "Steiner's work on Geometric Constructions with a Ruler," translated and edited by Professor Raymond Claire Archibald of Brown University and Professor M. Starke of Wellesley College.

Other books of the same series will be announced later.

Yeshiva Students To Donate Blood

In addition to the food drive now intensively conducted by the Yeshiva Zionist Actions Committee, the group is organizing a periodic visit to the Israeli blood bank, the chairman of the committee announced.

The first group of students who have decided to donate blood in this campaign, will leave from the front entrance of Yeshiva, on Friday, December 3.

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The Late Dr. Revel

This month marks the eighth anniversary of Dr. Bernard Revel's death.

Most of us have never had the pleasure of knowing Dr. Revel in person. But we cannot help meeting him; the college is his handiwork; the entire Yeshiva bears witness to his efforts.

But to know Dr. Revel better, we must have a recourse to oral and written records of his days. We who have easy access to the latter like to read the account of his prophetic last shiur, believing that it captures some of the essence of our late president. Dr. Revel says, in part:

"My life's work, my life, is Yeshiva. And the students are Yeshiva, and Yeshiva, the students. You, and all you who came before you and those who shall come after you, are my life.

"Even if someone would deter you from the task I have set before you, tell him in my name that you must continue. The Yeshiva is yours to build."

We consider this a challenge to try to make this the kind of an institution of which Dr. Revel would have been proud.

We consider it our most priceless heritage to fight for the things for which we think Dr. Revel would have fought.

N. M. M.

The University At Waltham

As of this semester Yeshiva willingly forfeits a distinction. She is no longer "the only University in the Americas under Jewish auspices." Our brethren in Waltham have opened up Brandeis University. We felicitate them and wish them success in their enterprise.

While setting up their school, our Waltham coreligionists have said certain things which make us suspect that they misunderstand the character of Yeshiva. They have boasted of creating the "first NON-SECTARIAN university under Jewish auspices." Yeshiva, they imply, is sectarian. But that does not jive with the Albany-granted-charter. Under that, we clearly have to be non-sectarian. Are we really? Certainly the faculty has always been non-sectarian. Up to now, no non-Jewish applicant has appeared with the large knowledge of the Hebrew language which the University requires. If such a student appeared, we see no obstacle to his acceptance.

By calling Yeshiva "sectarian," the Brandeis founders impute to her (unwillingly, we trust) certain ill-famed qualities, such as cultural narrowness and academic bigotry. Yeshiva, heir to the Talmudic give-and-take attitude, is nothing of the sort. Her sons have never been engirdled by any mental straight-jackets. Her studies have never been circumscribed by doctrinal indexes. In spirit and curriculum Yeshiva has always deserved the epithet, "non-sectarian." Last year, the gentlemen of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Universities, who visited Yeshiva and accredited her, affirmed that this was true.

Mr. Ribalow writes in Hadoar (with oversimplification, we fear) that the difference between Brandeis and Yeshiva is that the former is a university for Jews, while the latter is a university for Judaism. That makes it sound as though one is a fiery crucible and the other, a fragile museum pot. Actually Yeshiva is ever-cooking, ebullient. She introduces her sons into the complexes of Western culture, and at the same time gives them a comprehension of the Jewish verities. We fear that the students at Brandeis will be served up these verities in a strained and vitaminless form.

Though we are skeptical of the institution's philosophy, we stretch out a hand of friendship to our sister university. We took early cognizance of her birth. In the 1948 Year Book of the Yeshiva's Council of Organizations, Yeshiva hastened to call itself the "first" American University under Jewish auspices, not the "only" as usual.

Now names don't mean much, you'll say. But they do. Friends have the knack of calling each other by the right name. And friendship with Brandeis is something we desire.

J. Y.

Year Of Warfare Alters Yishuv's Views Towards Spiritual And Material Values

By Rabbi Moshe Klein

A year has passed which will add volumes to the history of the Jewish people. Much change has taken place in the mental and physical structure of the Yishuv.

During the entire year, there was but one brief respite from the ever prevailing terror and trouble. That was during the night of November 29th, when news reached us of the establishment in principle of the Jewish state. Little by little, the Jews of Jerusalem emerged from their beds to fill the silent, desolate streets with joy. Children and grown-ups, singing and chanting, rode through the streets in all sorts of vehicles, from motorcycles to the British armored cars which had just previously emptied the streets. A particular feeling of safety was sensed by everyone.

First Casualties

The morning brought with it the news of the first Jewish casualties. That day, on our trip to Tel Aviv, our bus was pelted with rocks. On the way back to Jerusalem, the bus already took a side-route, sidetracking as many Arab villages as possible. The first serious news came when the trucks of Kfar Etzion were attacked on their way home to the kvutzah. Ten boys, with a lifetime of constructive work ahead of them, were lost—among them one of the leading figures of Haki-butz Hadati.

On an Erev Shabbat they were brought to rest. Eight o'clock in

Letters To The Editor

Dear Editor:

I see that the College library is binding its periodicals and magazines and making them readily available for the students' use.

I think the library should be commended for its fine work in bringing its reference files up to par.

Jack Alster

Dear Editor:

Out of the confusion of present day events concerning Israel, one fact emerges: an era in Zionism has passed. We must change our tactics and change our way of thinking. Heretofore, American Zionists have regarded the establishment of the Jewish State as their primary objective. Non-Zionist Jews thought only of raising money for rehabilitation and settlement of refugees. The state is now established; Israel will raise its funds through loans and selling bonds, and in due time the need for pushkah collections and other distasteful means of raising money will be gone. What then will be the connection between American Jews, Zionists and non Zionists, and Israel, when the *raison d'être* for their former interests in Palestine has disappeared?

There are two roads open; either they can cut themselves off completely from Israel, and thus hasten the process of assimilation, or they can tie themselves culturally to the new state. However, most people divorce Jewish culture from the Jewish

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ABOUT THE WRITER: Rabbi Moshe Klein is doubly an alumnus of Yeshiva, having been graduated from the College in January 1944, and receiving his ordination from the Seminary in January 1946. A former member of the Faculty of Talmud at the Brooklyn Branch of Talmudical Academy, he left for Eretz in October, 1947, to study at the Hebrew University as a recipient of the Mazer scholarship. When the Hebrew University closed down owing to the hostilities, he joined the American garin at Kvutzat Ein Hanatziv in the Emek Bat Shan, whence he writes his impressions of life in Israel.

the morning; when I arrived with a few friends to attend the funeral, there was already a huge crowd assembled in front of the Bikur Cholim Hospital. By the time the funeral got under way, thousands of people had gathered to pay their respects. They waited patiently throughout the morning, silently occupied with their thoughts. What a loss of valuable life! Little did people realize then how radically future events would change the mental attitude of the Yishuv towards the sanctity of life itself.

Changed Values

The Yishuv as a whole is no longer so completely stunned by the loss of life. The gradual evolution of the state of affairs from a series of incidents to an all-out war, and the ever-growing casualty lists, have perhaps made us callous to life. When a people is engaged in a struggle for its very existence, when its future for thousands of years to come is being determined, when the only alternative is life or death, life or constant insecurity, then nothing matters—not even life itself—if the goal is unobtainable.

The Yishuv has also changed in

a physical sense. First and foremost, we are no longer an occupied country. The British have left! The Jewish world understands this simple statement with all its ramifications without any explanation. But only those who have walked at night in the empty streets of Jerusalem who have heard the roar of a British armored car coming from behind, and have sensed the chill in their bodies as the car passed, not knowing whether it would open fire, only those can appreciate the wonderful relief caused by their departure.

The Great Lie

The most important change, however, is that we have become the majority not only within the boundaries allotted to us by the U.N. but in all of Eretz. For years we have been laboring under the great lie, that the Arabs comprised a determining majority in Eretz. Not only investigating committees, but also we ourselves believed it, and it thus became one of the factors causing our acceptance of partition. Now it has been revealed that there were never more than eight to nine hundred thousand Arabs in Eretz. By a conservative estimate, 350,000 have fled as a result of the fighting, leaving approximately four to five hundred thousand Arabs, concentrated in the central mountainous section.

On the other hand, another 100,000 Jews have entered Eretz, raising our population to approximately 800,000. We now comprise the majority of Eretz Israel. This fact must and will form the basis of all future diplomatic action on the part of the Israeli government.

(A second installment of Rabbi Klein's impressions will appear in the next issue of The Commentator.)

Meet The Seniors



Jack Alster: "Stinky", as this unperfumed All American Boy is known by his friends, hails from Cologne, which fact accounts for his admirers' sighing "Eau" every time they see him. A veritable Jumping Jacques, this Beis Medrash L'chamolim boy invariably pops into classes just in time for the next class. Though favoring Homburger hats, Jack at times is reduced to wearing a Frankfurter, when his classmates get done with his crowning (Heights) glory. The only Yeshiva student with a commuter ticket to City, this alster—ran trotted back to Yeshiva this year, because he knows his oats.

A science major and budding agronomist, Jack intends to flower in Eretz.

Arthur Abramson: A Jersey City, N. J. recruit, this former medic doctored himself up with a mustache, which, together with his Samsonian growth of hair, makes him so much more presentable to Arthur Abramson. A French major and prospective French teacher, he is the only jobless member of the Placement Bureau. As a result of devout

attendance at mussar lectures which keep him up until all hours of the morning, he is usually too sleepy to attend the minyan. His extra-curricular activities consist of the editorship of *Le Flambeau* and beerfests at 2:00 A.M.

Milton Augenstein: A proud papa of a bouncing baby, Milton is a thorough-going chosid, peyes and all. Melech, as this salty character is known to Jewish speaking audiences, follows in the royal traditions of a rabbinic family and is engaged in studies leading to the Rabbinate. Though addicted to black hats and a kattan, he is far from being a somber character, rumors that he has an understanding with certain undertakers notwithstanding. Yeshiva's own Saint Augenstein, this home-made Zaddik really brings home the pay.

Joseph Beckerman: Better known as Yussuf Bucherman, this social creature forsook UCLA to carve himself a niche in Yeshiva, only to find himself in a rut with Shomer Hadati and Moshava, instead. A sociology major, he is Dr. Goldberg's favorite son in the

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On the Sidelines

Diary of Scribe
In Pre-Seasonal
Attack of Jitters

By Sol Blumenfeld

Annually at approximately this time, a Commie sport editor becomes saturated with tension. Speculatory expatiation has been the theme and any new angles are merely redundancies of paleozoic rumination. He fancies his anxiety analagous to Horsey Chaim's feelings while awaiting the opening fanfare at Jamaica, or Four-eyes Yosel's somatic acrobatics while expecting word from the draft board. With an opening encounter two weeks off, he marks time in a furiously impatient, apprehensive tempo, despite his rational self declaring the appropriateness of optimism and patience—all this because interest in sports is the strongest of addictions, and even the most hardened of veterans cannot overcome the physical and mental palpitations preceeding a great competitive extravaganza. Faith in his prognostications dwindles as the zero hour approaches, and when zero hour arrives it often assumes the form of an anti-climax. This scribe, as his brethren plying the same trade, has constantly sought, sometimes desperately, to reenforce his convictions and confidences. Conscientiously every Mor-day evening he has made the gymnasium his first stop in the basement extra-curricular circuit.

Amid the din of bouncing basketballs, surrounded by profusely sweating athletes, Red stands in his characteristically cockey manner, shouting the same basic facts which coaches the nation over think the foundations of basketball art. His discourse seems ridiculously simple and inescapably logical, yet he is continually plagued by a player muffing a "lay up", or committing an unpardonable error in defense. The sweating straining physiqués are trying unsuccessfully to cultivate something just beyond their grasp. Like artists they seek the ultimate perfection of their medium, and like artists they occasionally exhibit a subtle technique which inspires a smile or cheer among the sidelines connoisseurs. Finally a scrimmage is started and bleak skepticism surrenders to enthusiasm; enthusiasm in turn surrenders to delight. Astounded by the varsity's mysterious acquisition of energy, the peanut galleries gape as ten figures weave a wonderful pattern on the hardwood floor. The clashing bodies do not detract from the impression of celerity and agility displayed by the speeding dribblers. A leather sphere flies from player to player, from player to backboard, from backboard to player, and its flight is only broken as it slithers through the netting of the basket, making the gentle swishing sound so dear to members of the "fold". Coach Sarachek, however, scrambles over the court admonishing acts which seem trivial to aliens, but are cardinal sins in the bibles of experts.

Captain Denny Geller, the vertical Rip Van Winkle, awakes from his slumber and nimbly flying over the wooden expanse, shouts instructions for the play. Tall Art Stein grows in proportion as his huge frame leaves terra firma for a retrieve or a pivot shot. Lanky Rubey Davidman and Nate Krieger are paragons of deception. Perfect physiological coordination is exemplified by Howie Danzig, Chiel Simon, Abe Kupchik, and Danny Komsky. Enoch Novoseller, the team comedian, no longer reads newspapers, while Billy Tepper, a strong contender for Enoch's position, befuddles slimmer observers with his accelerated movements. Veterans Izzy Paleyeff and Milty Dryspeil drive like a car in 'first' under the boards. The practice is indeed a gratifying experience, and the sport editor pompously strolls from the gymnasium inventing superlatives he will never use.

Now the scribe is expected to go out on a limb, much as he dreads the act. He has metamorphosized into a pessimistic relativist, for he has realized that the varsity's success is inversely proportional to strength of the opposition. This annum the opposition is foreboding. He assures himself that he has witnessed outstanding ability and inexhaustible sources of potentiality, but nevertheless comprehends that this is a very poor hypothesis for prophecy. So he hedges with ambiguous generalizations, leaving loopholes for the post-seasonal "I-told-you-so's." Yours truly does sincerely predict—outside of won and lost records, and Dunkel rating sheets—an outstanding basketball campaign. It must of necessity be noteworthy, for it marks the beginning of a great era in our intercollegiate competitive role. Student-administration cooperation, unlike former years will be manifest. Under the Y.U.A.A. there will be a renaissance of Jewish sports, with Yeshiva as the nucleus. Unfortunately, I cannot expect all this to interest all of the approximately 300 sophists in our midst. They inevitably throw the oracular robe over my frail shoulders and squat on rickety double-deckers and cafeteria tables expecting me to spout prophetic certainties. Dear Fellow Sufferers: I refuse. I CAN predict upsets. I can foresee hair-raising last periods, and heartbreaking spectacles. There will be the joy of unexpected victory, and the double sorrow resulting from over-confidence. Eventually there will be the prestige of a successful season, and pride lodged in the hearts of the 1948-49 Yeshiva basketball varsity.

Add Courses
In Swimming
To P.T. Setup

After twenty years the George Washington High School swimming pool has finally been obtained for the use of Yeshiva students, by Doc Hurwitz. Swimming classes will also be held at the twenty-eighth street and sixtieth street pools.

The beginner, intermediate, and life saving classes will meet every Tuesday night at seven and seven forty-five, respectively. Sam Sklar and Jacob Schoenfeld will instruct the aquaters at the G. W. pool. In addition, Mr. Engelson, a leader of the Red Cross program in New York City, has volunteered to direct examiner and instructor courses at G. W. This will lead to the qualification of Yeshiva students themselves as examiners.

The twenty-eighth street pool class is under the direction of Larry Klepper. This class will meet every Tuesday night at 6:30.

The instructor and examiner students housed at the sixtieth street pool are under the direction of Bud Cohen, and will meet every Tuesday night at 7:45.

Sam Sklar, the coach of the Yeshiva University swimming team, announced that the team will practice every Tuesday night from 8:30 till 9:30.

Sophs Beat Frosh
In Overtime Orgy;
Seniors Shellacked

An agile Junior basketball aggregation soundly trounced a scrappy Senior outfit, 79-39, in an intramural game at the Yeshiva gym, to take over first place in the standings. The first half, highlighted by outstanding pivot play on the part of both teams, was hotly contested as the men of '50 led, 28-17.

Successfully employing a fast-break attack, the Juniors meshed the twine almost at will in a wild second half. High scorers for the winners were Dyen and Danzig, who countered 27 and 26 points, respectively. Sparkling in defeat was Paleyeff of the Seniors who garnered 15 points.

Sophs vs. Frosh

In a game which produced more than an adequate share of thrills and chills, the Sophomores finally edged the classy Frosh after two overtime periods, 44-43. Capitalizing on openings in their opponent's defense, the Frosh waltzed to a 28-11 lead at the intermission.

A revitalized soph team, spear-headed by Fredman and Dryspeil, took command of the action in the second half as they deadlocked the game, 38-38, as the gun sounded ending the game. After two gruelling overtime sessions, the Sophs ended up on top by the one point margin.

Sarachek Predicts
Rugged Mite Squad

By Hillel Dryspeil

The coaching of basketball teams is a task which involves a great deal of patience and understanding. If the team falls dismally in its games, the blame is thrust upon the hapless coach, while recognition is given only to mentors of winning quintets. In the latter case, anything done by the coach is accepted with a

the following year for service in the Red Cross.

"Red" returned in 1945 to a team which had passed its peak and was swiftly moving to a position of ineffectiveness on the basketball court. Quite experienced, having coached the powerful Grand Street Boys, the Mohawks and Clubs of the Workmen's Circle, "Red," was considered a coach whose opinions were to be reckoned with. Born in 1912, he had played for N.Y.U. and Wilkesbarre, and was the leading scorer in the Eastern State League, in 1938.

He was a man with responsibilities, married, and the sire of three offsprings. He took to his work avidly. But the Y.U. ball clubs were inept ones. His only comfort in the court game was his finely trained Grand Street Club, twice Metropolitan A. A. champion. His attempts to mold a powerful Yeshiva U. basketball machine were of no avail. Vainly, he utilized all the means at his disposal, attempting to imbue his Y.U. ballplayers with the fundamentals of good basketball. Unfortunately, the inability to win games was attributed to inadequate tutoring. This trend of thought was baseless, because it was the team, and not the coach, that was inadequate.

Things have at last, changed. This year's Y.U. team, in "Red's" estimation, is a "fast-moving, aggressive and up-and-coming" aggregation. It is composed of ballplayers experienced in hoop lore. It is a team fired with a winning spirit. Any slurring remark concerning coaching has been completely eradicated. The ballplayers realize now that "Red's" coaching is to be respected. They understand that the final appraisal of their coach is dependent upon the manner in which they apply his tutoring.



Coach Sarachek

shrug of the shoulders, indicating, that it is as it should be. His seemingly bad psychological moves are hastily forgotten, and his word is law. But the lot of the "losing" coach is one strained by uncomfortable incidents. Players and spectators quickly pass-the-buck to the coach. Trivialities are magnified, and the attributes of the coach are quickly forgotten, because of incessant mastication of his small, technical errors.

Yeshiva U. has had its good and bad basketball teams. The team featuring Rosenbloom, Scharfstein, Fredman and the Doppelts, is considered to have been the best in its history. It was unfortunate that their coach, Bernard Sarachek, who had tutored them in 1942, was forced to leave

Netsters Condition
For Tennis Season

Last Friday, Nov. 19, the Yeshiva University Tennis team held its first practice session of the '48-'49 season under the able direction of captain Herb Schulman and manager Boris Rackovsky. The team is preparing for a gruelling campaign. The season will be highlighted by matches with Queens and Drew Colleges.

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Y.U. Math Club Continues Series

Kurt Eisenman '52, addressed the Math Club on Nov. 10. He spoke on "Sub Series" and was received with great enthusiasm. On Nov. 18 Joseph Gold '49 spoke on Mathematical Logic. The talk dealt with deductive systems.

On the agenda for the next meeting are talks on "The point set theory" by William Frank '50, and "Peano's Postulates" by Seymour Haber '50. Mr. Frank's talk will deal with fundamental properties of sets of points, namely: Density, perfection, measure and dimensionality. Mr. Haber will cover the construction of ordinal numbers. All talks will be delivered on a popular basis.

Letters

(Continued from Page 2) religion and traditions. The religion is considered something that is extra-worldly. It will be the task of the Yeshiva and its graduates to show by a living example that our Torah is a Torat Chayim.

The division between religious Jewish groups are no longer in place. Extremists on both sides must accept the existence of a Jewish state as an accomplished fact. The sooner the religious groups come together, the stronger their influence will be. The indifference towards the Scriptures and the Hebrew language must be dispelled, and the Yeshiva boy must translate past history into present values.

Stanley Levin

Meet The Seniors

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Family course. A firm believer in planning ahead, Joe is making arrangements for his nuptials, time, place, and the girl yet unknown. But the latter is no problem—any millionaire's daughter will do. Considering college a waste of time, this crowned head of Keter Ramot is only awaiting graduation before going on to Hachshara and Aretz.

Donald J. Berger: Aside from possessing all the attributes of a first rate second-story man, The Commentator's chief locksmith also displays all signs of ripening into deanship at some American college. He shows great facility at plumbing, carpentering, painting, and associated liberal arts and sciences. One of the few T.I. grads who are still attending the T.I., this hopeful teacher was born on the 10th floor of the Royal Hospital in the Bronx, and is currently striving to attain greater heights. The Sunbeam in his parents' heart, this little shaver and math major finds sports un-

necessary and exceedingly tiresome, keeping in trim at the barber's.

Sol Blumenfeld: A ring-leader of the anti-Boro-Park Movement, this associate of Sol Poupko and lehavdil Charlie Bahn, is to be found in the Bio lab in the few moments he can spare time from his T.I. classes. An immaculate undresser, this Beau Brummel is seen in the best places and obscene in the worst. A former Stella member of the Y.C. basketball varsity, he was ruthlessly demoted to a two year term as Sports Editor of the Commentator. One of the founders of the Y.U.A.A. and an all-around ball player, he has been kicking, around Yeshiva, in all sports from throwing the bull to raising the roof. He ought to go far in life—the further the better.

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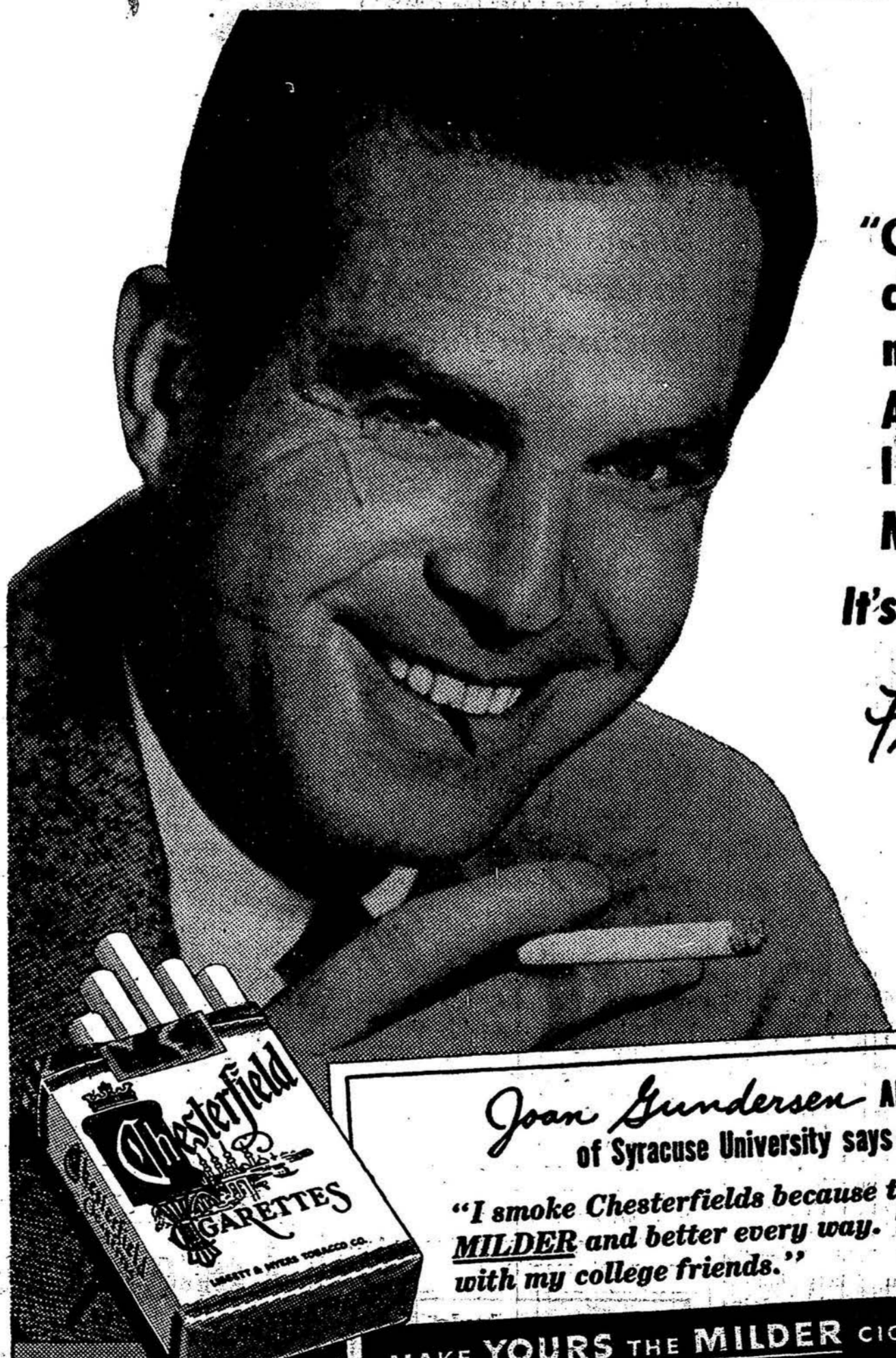
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