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Frosh Attend Talks ArrangedByEranos

Dr. Linn Stresses Language Studies; Literary Aspects Seen By Dr. Braun

Dr. I. Linn, associate professor of English, and Dr. S. B. Braun, associate professor of French, spoke before the Freshman class on November 26, and December 3, respectively. Their addresses were part of a series of lectures jointly sponsored by Dean M. Isaacs and the Eranos Society.

Stressing the position of English as one of the Western Germanic sanguages within the framework of the Indo-European family, Dr.

Co-opModernized;

All Stores Painted

of its management and the Ad-

ministration, the Co-op Stores

are in the process of complete

renovation and modernization.

"The painting, the installation of

fluorescent lighting, and the re-

ceipt machines are an indication

of the new spirit of cooperation

between the Administration and

Co-op Managing Board," declared

Saul Bahn '53 and Sidney Ten-

brands of radios, shavers, and

typewriters may now be pur-

chased at substantial discounts,

and a Swank jewelry line has

been added to the main store's

stock. Mr. Bahn further an-

nounced that Co-op will launch

a special sale to be held Decem-

ber 20-26, featuring Sunbeam

Shavemasters at seventeen dol-

lars and Tork Shabbos clocks at

The main store will be open

12 to 1 and 4 to 5, as well as

ten minutes before each hour

during college sessions. The

candy store will be open during

As a result of the consolida-

tion of the concert bureaus of

Yeshiva College and Talmudical

Academy, there is this year, for

the first time, a Yeshiva Uni-

versity Concert Bureau. Headed

by David Hieseger of T. A. and

Judah Wohlgelernter '52. The

Bureau supplies tickets for ra-

dio and television shows, dis-

count slips for Sunday concerts

of the Philharmonic - Symphony

Society, and reduction tickets to

swimming pools, movies, thea-

ters, concerts, and recitals.

the Teachers Institute recess,

nine dollars.

All nationally - advertised

nenberg '53, co-managers.

Through the combined efforts

Linn was nevertheless insistent upon what he called "the living core of Latin, which has nourished the English language, prefixes, stems and suffixes, since the Renaissance."

Language Development

Professor Linn indicated other contributions to the growth of English, especially the influence of French after the Norman Conquest. "For a well rounded knowledge of English," he said, "a study of the sister tongues is not only desirable but essential."

Speaking on the topic "Language and Literature," Dr. Braun regretted the tendency "to separate colloquial or spoken language from the literary medium" because the two are closely related.

Language and Literature

Language as the vehicle for expressing ideas by sounds, Dr. Braun said, is synonymous with speech which in turn gives rise to literature. Literature conserves and standardizes speech as well as adding many new words to languages.

With regard to translation of foreign literature, Dr. Braun said "translations miss the true genius and flavor of the original language." The Italian saying that, "A translation is a traitor," expresses the idea very well, Dr. Braun remarked.

Manfred Fulda '51, president of Eranos, acted as chairman of both meetings.

Masmid To Offer Rebate On All Ads

The quota for this year's Masmid, the senior yearbook, will be \$2900, it was announced by William Wealcatch '52 and Simon Auster '52, co-editors. The money will be raised by a Student Council grant and the solicitation of ads.

"Masmid will continue its policy of offering a 20 per cent commission on ads brought in by lower classmen," Mr. Wealcatch stated. He also announced the innovation of a policy wherein seniors will be offered a commission on all money collected in excess of the senior quota of \$30.00.

The following appointments were announced: Stanley Siegel '52, business adviser; Jack Adelman '53, literary staff; Hyman Shapiro '53, business staff; and Joseph Levine '55, art staff.

Meet Cadets;

The Yeshiva College Debating team held West Point to a draw in the first official debate of the season, on Saturday evening, November 24, at Yeshiva.

Represented by Joseph Erushalmy '52 and Gil Rosenthal '53, Yeshiva upheld the negative of the national topic, "Resolved: That the Federal Government Should Adopt a Permanent Program of Price and Wage Controls."

In rendering his decision, the judge, Mr. Louis Orgel, a prominent attorney, said that "both sides have done an admirable job," and that the evenly matched cases warranted a draw decision.

Mr. Rosenthal, president of the Debating Society, announced that a program of debates with metropolitan colleges is now being scheduled.

S.O.Y. To Publish Codes Anthology

The Knesset Bet Yitzchak, the Halachic journal sponsored by the Student Organization of Yeshiva, will include articles by fourteen Roshei ha-Yeshiya and members of the student body in its first annual edition, Manfred Fulda '52, president of the S. O. Y., announced. The name of the journal is modeled after Halachic anthologies of famous Torah academies in Europe and Yeshivot in America, he said.

Mr. Fulda announced that the following members of the Yeshiva faculty have consented to write: Rabbis Joseph Arnest Isaac Borenstein, Aaron D. Burack, Avigdor Cyperstein, Samuel Gerstenfeld, Jeruchem Gorelik, Michael Katz, Abraham Paleyeff, Aaron Shatzkes, Joseph B. Soloveitchik, Moses Tendler, and Samuel Volk. In addition, Rabbi Jacob Lessin, spiritual advisor, and Rabbi Meyer S. Feldblum, supervisor of the high school dormitory, have agreed to make contributions.

The editorial board of the Halachic journal consists of the S. O. Y. Executive Council with Fred Klein '54 serving as business manager.

Y.U. Debaters Yeshiva Will Spend \$235,000 On Aid

Student Assistance Figures Released; College Scholarships At All Time High

Yeshiva University will spend over \$225,000 during the academic year 1951-1952, the highest amount in the institution's history, to provide maintenance and scholarship aid for its students, Dr. Samuel Belkin, president, announced last week.

Dr. Belkin stated that this financial aid will be given in the form of full or partial tuition, dormitory, and maintenance scholarships.

Tuition scholarships totalling \$157,980 have been alloted to 547

students averaging \$288 per student. These figures break down as follows:

Tuition Statistics

College, Total Registration..... 483

Of a total bed capacity of 438,

dormitory scholarships have been

granted to 236 students at a cost

Maintenance aid in the form of

weekly allotments for food and

other sundries at a cost of \$50,000

have been granted to 149 stu-

Dr. Belkin paid tribute to the

University's Women's Organiza-

tion, which, he said, is perform-

ing an outstanding job in pro-

viding scholarship and mainte-

nance aid for needy students at-

tending the University. "The

Women's Organization has, for

many years now, been consistent-

ly rendering a greatly-needed

service by supplying a large

share of the University's scholar-

ship fund needs," he stated.

Full tuition (\$15 per

High School Students

Full tuition (\$350

per year)

· Total ...

credit) __

of \$30,000.

dents.

Partial tuition

Total ___

Full scholarships

Partial scholarships ...

Total

Partial tuition ...

Total Registration

Mr. Nathan Goldberg, associates professor of Sociology, proposed the question, "Whither American Jews?", initiating this year's series of Fireside Chats. in a talk held on Thursday evening, December 6, in Riets Hall. These lectures are scheduled for every second Thursday evening, announced Leon S. Levy, '52,

Karl Adler, professor of Music, who will recount some of his experiences in representing Jewish organizations and affairs in South Germany during the Nazi regime, in a talk entitled, "My Experiences as a Spokesman for German Jewry to the Nazis." This chat will take place on Thursday evening, December 20.

The final speaker for the fall term will be Mr. Sidney Pleskin.

T I Assembly Sees New Israeli Movie

A film on Kibbutz Kfar Darom and a lecture by Rabbi Alexander Rosenberg, vice-president of the World Mizrachi Organization, on "Israel and its Problems," highlighted a Teachers Institute assembly held on Tuesday, November 27, in Room 404.

This showing marked the American premiere of this documentary film which was produced in Israel. The movie depicts the birth and development of the nearly self - sufficient kibbutz. The narrator is Nathan Stepansky '44.

Fireside Lectures Set By L. S. Levy

chairman of Fireside Chats.

The second speaker will be Dr.

Mr. Goldberg's talk will be reviewed in detail in the next issue.

S. O. Y. Organizes Lost-Found Dept.

The Student Organization of Yeshiva has organized a Lost and Found Bureau to serve the entire University, Manfred Fulda '52, president, announced. "The bureau," he stated, "will facilitate the efficient recording of the recovery of lost articles and the prompt return of the items to their owners."

Mr. Fulda added that part of the bulletin board in Riets Hall will be reserved for the posting of lost and found articles.

The committee, to whose members lost articles may be returned, include Mr. Max Baer, dormitory supervisor, Joe Holstein '54, representative of the Teachers Institute, Gershon Brounstein '52, College representative, and Simcha Lent, High School representative. Eugene Geller, the other High School representative will also channel lost articles to the correct source.

Bookworm Appreciates Dappled Travelogues As Finis To Drab, Bibliographic Subsistence

By Perry London

Browsing among the shelves of the college library one day, an apple caged in one cheek and my tongue in another, I chanced upon a post-Paracelsus volume on Chemistry. I clapped my hands in boyish glee, my innocent eyes dancing madrigals within my head. Trembling with anticipation, I removed the apple to an empty shelf, the better to ah! and umm! upon the awesome tome, and was indeed about to open it, when suddenly I heard a joyous, high-pitched "Bingham,

you old slob, how are you! Oh, poor Bingham, you don't look well!" I drew myself out to my full breadth and, turning in what must have been a kinesthetic masterpiece for sheer control, carefully gathered spittle in my mouth, only to drown my bib in astonishment at what I saw.

'Meets Bingham

Seated on the stem of my apple was a short, fat worm. Further back on the shelf was another, longer and thinner than his colleague. He lay on a dusty gynecology text, a sort of makeshift

bed, and was covered with a patchwork blanket of pamphlets. This one obviously was a bookworm. This was Bingham. He turned a despairing look upon his interrogator and with a gentle sigh rejoindered, "Not well, but good, Wilbur. I don't feel well, I feel good. Do you see?"

"Come now, Bingham," said Wilbur, "you can hardly do both."

"You don't understand," gasped Bingham. "If one is ill, one doesn't feel badly. That's improper."

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The Library—Again

Again, as in our editorial of two issues ago, we are forced to remark on certain situations in the library which require immediate attention. At the same time, we note with satisfaction that students are being paid to work in the library and that the library is obtaining secretarial services as of Monday, December 10.

One of the things to be rectified is the dire need for new card catalogue shelves. In their present overcrowded state the library file cannot be properly used.

Another problem which brooks no delay is the location of the Judaica on the University's libraries. Perhaps the volumes necessary for college work should be transferred to the Pollack library so that they may be accessible to students in the evening. If this is impossible these volumes should be duplicated.

Action on these two points will do a lot to increase the utility of the libraries. They are stop-gap measures that cannot wait for a long term plan to be evolved.

The "Excellent Performance"

A Commentator reporter, in the process of interviewing a member of the administration concerning Civilian Defense regulations and drills, was amazed to hear that the administration felt that "the Yeshiva students and faculty should be congratulated on their excellent performance during the city wide air raid drill."

We are inclined to agree with that statement as far as it concerns the members of the faculty who were well-briefed on their duties and instructed on their specific areas of surveillance. Theirs was a commendable execution of duty. However, we find ourselves in vehement disagreement with the statement insofar as it concerns the student body.

To the major portion of the student body the drill was but "time out for a smoke" or "a well-deserved recess" from classes. We know of several flagrant violations of drill-rules which many students will relate quite unabashedly. Students did not stay in the exact areas of shelter. One could barely hope to hear a drum beat in the din that abounded in the hallways.

The above is a sad commentary on what is considered a successful drill or an "excellent performance." The student body should become more cognizant of the gravity of the situation and stop to reflect.

Give Us The Business

It has been brought to our attention that for a long time Yeshiva students have requested the formation of a business course. This course would benefit Yeshiva students for several reasons. Of primary consideration are the following facts: 1) As rabbis and teachers, students will be dealing with businessmen and they should have some acquaintance with business law, problems, etc.; 2) Certain aspects of bookkeeping and a knowledge of office machinery are essential to the teacher; 3) Such training would offer some students the opportunity of supporting themselves on a part-time basis during the year and a great many more could seek employment with this training during the summer months.

We feel that such a course should be offered as an elective for one year with an allotment of two credits to be listed as an unattached course. It should include a general survey of business techniques, an elementary study of bookkeeping, a basic knowledge of business law, and a study of basic business machines, with an emphasis on typing.

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'Yeshiva Is Leading Jewish Institution' Declares Max J. Etra, UOJCA President

By Al Hoffer

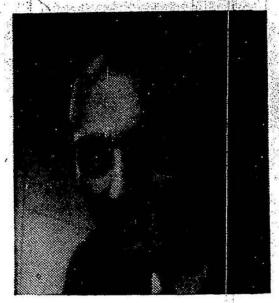
Thrusting our left arm through the sleeve of our room-mate's best jacket and snatching up, with our right, a note pad, a pencil, and a Latin grammar (it was before the mid-term), we scurried off to the Fifth Avenue offices of Etra and Etra. Mr. Max J. Etra (the first or the second half of Etra & Etra, either way), tall, dark-haired, with a significant look on his face, as he puffed a fine Havana cigar, is a civil attorney, civil, too!

Impressed by his seriousness, we ventured weakly (unlike Commentator which ventures biweekly) to inquire if Mr. Etra had any hobbies. Whereupon, his laconic reply was, "Who's got time?" Foolish of us to ask, recalling that Mr. Etra, besides being the vice-chairman of the Board of Trustees of Yeshiva University and a member of the Beth-Israel Hospital Board, is president of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America, of the Yeshiva University Synagogue Council, of Kehilath Jeshurun, of . . .

Born in Austria, Mr. Etra was brought to this country in his infancy, and later attended City College and Fordham Law School. Even in school he showed himself a man of manifold interests. While on the topic of school, he reminisced about the time that the City College Student Council chose him to head the Student Discipline Committee. When Dean Brownson was asked to approve, he said, "This man cannot serve in that position. Nobody will ever be found guilty!"

Commenting on Yeshiva University, Mr. Etra called it "the leading institution under Jewish auspices in the United States, to which every Jew must look." He explained that the delay in the establishment of the University's Medical School is due to the fact that "it takes time to acquire title to property and until then, architects cannot complete their building plans. Moreover, it will also require time to assemble a staff in keeping with Yeshiva University standards." As to the

financial angle, he added, "We don't have sufficient money to build, as yet, but I feel that the American Jewish public will contribute sufficient funds. The American Jewish public will not fail to meet its greatest challenge."



Max J. Etra

building plans. Moreover, it will At this point, Mr. Etra began also require time to assemble a fingering his rather sharp letter-staff in keeping with Yeshiva opener and eyeing us menacingly, University standards." As to the so we thought it best to . . .

Books, Worms, Bookworms

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"But one surely doesn't feel good!"

"He certainly does."

"That's nonsense. Many's the time I've been ill and felt terrible."

"Of course. So do we all."

"This is perfectly ridiculous, Bingham. If I feel badly, how can I feel good, and if good, how terrible?"

At this point, I joined the conversation, deftly flicking Wilbur to the floor and taking his place in nonchalant fashion on the apple.

"Enough of this nonsense," said I. "Worms don't talk, especially on grammar."

Figures, No Math

He gave an impatient shrug. "My dear young man, I'll thank you not to discuss my relatives, and anyway, if walls have ears, conferences are bee-hives, and hens have parties, there is no

good reason why worms shouldn't

speak—especially bookworms."
"But those are only figures,"

"Speaking of figures, how's this," said he, executing a neat cheesecake. Working quickly, we managed to bury it and say a short prayer before returning to the house, where Lord Blurpcahr was anxiously awaiting us. "See here, Bingham," said he, "Where's Cheesecake? I thought you figured on his coming." No, m'Lord," said Bingham, "we'll have to figure a new angle." In the midst of his 97° pirouette, Bingham stopped and, hanging in the air, looked dolefully down upon me, his nephridia trembling audibly.

Deathbed Confession

"Do you know what it means to freeze on empty shelves, to gnaw on empty bookcases? Has your home ever been the chief hunting grounds for the private collections of myriad bibliophiles? Have you ever been crucified on an emboss of gold-dust paint?" He raised his young typhlosole heavenward and sighed, "The end, I think, is near."

"Don't talk like that, Bingham!" I cried. "There must be some way out."

"Maybe for an earthworm. If I were willing to eat dirt, there's enough given one around here to raise a family on. But for a bookworm, well. . . ."

"Then why not leave?"

"I never thought about it. I suppose so." And now a light came into his eyes, and the vibrations of his crop were like the fresh laughter of a spring brook. "You know, a lot of my books have gone downtown, Morningside way. Perhaps I could follow them there, track them down. What an adventure. Travel lengthens a worm. See strange sights, learn new things, further develop my ganglia. Indeed," and majestic music played as we rose to lock arms and point our cellophane teeth bravely towards a new dawn.

Letter To The Editor

Jerusalem, Israel

Dear Editor,

There are only two obvious indications of the trying conditions under which the students of Hebrew University have, and still do, study. One is the maturity of the student body (especially as compared with the average age of a Yeshiva student), accounted for by the minimum two years military service which nearly everyone undergoes. The other is the seriousness of the students regarding their ultimate objectives, either academic or commercial. Even in the liberal arts department (where I am now studying) one finds very few people who are going to college for the heck of it, because of parents' wishes, etc., or people who don't know what they're going to be when they graduate.

Apart from the foregoing, this school is pretty much like any other. Cutting classes is unheard of because no attendance is taken, but bull sessions abound and people take off suddenly for the local movie; just as they do back home. (Sorry, Dean Isaacs, but it's true!). There are plenty of extra-curricular activities, one of the most active of which is the classical society.

Under the guidance of Prof. Schwabe, who is both head of the department and rector of the University, the society made a two-week excursion to Greece, visited many historic places, and recorded important and interesting material of the classical period. A summary of the events of the trip was given at a party in Jerusalem, to which I was invited, along with some other dignitaries, including the Prime Minister, a devoted and well-informed classicist.

Meets Ben-Gurion

I was introduced to Prime Minister Ben-Gurion who expressed pleasure at the arrival in Israel

of a student from the U.S. to study Greek. It immediately struck me that no other place in the world is there a labor leader with so positive an attitude towards what is commonly referred to as "highbrow, useless, formalistic, and unnecessary studies." But then again Israel is a country full of anomalies, and the premier is no exception. The party, incidentally, broke up at 2 a.m. after the professors and the students and Ben-Gurion (more of the latter than the former) had themselves a rolicking good time.

Getting back to the school itself, I find very few people who have any notion whatever about Y.U., yet they seem rather interested. I think it would be wise if Commentator started to include Hebrew U. on their already distinguished mailing list.

PHILIP FINKELSTEIN '51

Mr. Finkelstein, a recent alumnus, is attending the Hebrew University on a Mazer Scholarship, granted by Y.U. He is studying the classics.—ED.

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The introduction of such a course would not be an added expense to Yeshiva's overtaxed budget. There are several members of the faculty who are qualified to give such a course. And it would not imply hiring an additional instructor. Business machines may be found in various University offices that are not in constant use. These could be employed for demonstration purposes by qualified handlers.

It has been argued that Yeshiva is a Liberal Arts College and that a course in vocational training should not be included in the curriculum. However, we feel that in keeping with the true spirit of a liberal education, we should also include a course which would serve to acquaint the student body with one of the vital facets of civilization.

Do You Agree?

The Commentator, in continuing its policy of reporting on news of general Jewish interest as well as items of local importance, features, in this issue, two articles on the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America. We have covered the U.O.J.C.A. convention and have also seen fit to print an interview with Max J. Etra, newly elected president of the Union.

We trust that our readers will inform us, pro and con, concerning these articles and bring to our attention any pertinent comments on our policy of publishing such items in addition to Yeshiva news.

The "Incomplete" Story

In order to implement the recent decision of the faculty to terminate incompletes, we feel that certain steps must be taken by the Administration to insure the just implementation of such a decision. By establishing a rigid schedule aimed at a better organization of the college records, the Administration has obligated itself to safeguard the success of their new plan.

The student at Yeshiva, bearing the burden of a double program, is usually confronted by a host of examinations scheduled for and several papers due in the same week. The recent announcement notifying the student that he has been deprived of the right to fall back on an incomplete where his schedule does not permit him to complete all his work, makes his task all the more difficult.

We therefore propose: 1) that the College office notify all faculty members to submit tentative dates of examinations in their respective classes; 2) that these dates be subject to the approval of each class in order to rectify any conflicts; 3) that within one week after the deadline for these dates to be submitted to the College office, they be posted on the College bulletin board as the final listing of end-terms examinations; this posting should take place no later than one month in advance of final week; and 4) that the deadlines for grades be extended for one week beyond finals to allow students to complete term papers and reports without incurring penalties.

We hope that the Administration, realizing the importance of the problem to the student body, will attempt to rectify the matter along the lines which we have proposed.

UOJCA Will Seek To Establish DisciplineOf Orthodox Jewish Life and Education

By Michael Rosenak

"Little more than fifty years ago, a small group of Jews who believed in the eternal truth of Jewish tradition assembled. Out of that meeting has grown a great organization which today. daily represents and serves its five hundred affiliated congregations and the hundreds of other orthodox synagogues in the United States and Canada . . . the Union continues to battle for the revitalization and normalization of Jewish personal and community living." - THE UNION: Judaism on the March.

New York City, the city of conventions, was host to another national meeting during the November 22-26 weekend, though this one was unique in that it featured neither silly hats nor Times Square parades. It was an attempt to recognize and solve the manifest problems that face Orthodox Judaism in this country. This convention—of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America—held at the Riverside Plaza Hotel, in various synagogues, at Yeshiva University, and even in Schreiber's Restaurant, had as its aim the gathering of "the most representative and authoritative assembly of Orthodox Jewry in American history" to set the 'direction for the future of American Orthodoxy."

The convention started on Thursday evening with an address by the Honorable William B. Herlands, past president of the organization. He discussed the progress made by each branch of the Union. Besides the biennial presidential report, the delegates heard telegrams from President Truman and Governor Dewey in addition to an address from Chaplain Oscar Lifshitz

Purpose of Synagogue

On Friday morning, rabbis and community leaders were given the opportunity to discuss synagogue and community problems. Workshops to discuss varicus aspects of Jewish life were established, encompassing synagogue standards, adult education, youth activities, synagogue administration, and others.

In the Synagogue Standards Workshop, for example, Rabbi Mendel Lewittes of Montreal, emphasized the two-fold purpose of the synagogue in providing a place for communal prayer and as a place designed for instruction in Jewish life. He also treated such important subjects as the late Friday evening service. On the question of the "mechizah," Rabbi Lewittes claimed that this was one of the unquestionable necessities of the Orthodox Synagogue though he expressed doubt as to whether the separation between men and women had to "reach the ceiling."

Education of Girls

The Youth Activities Workshop, directed by the organization's Youth Consultant, Abraham Stern, centered its discussion on ways of bringing Jewish youth within the fold of observance without uprooting it from its native American soil. Mr. Stern cited examples of highly successful "youth shabbosim," synagogue - housed scout groups, and advanced classes for girls. On this last subject Mr. Stern spent a considerable length of

time claiming that the Jewish education of girls is completely neglected though "they are the future mothers in Israel."

After a buffet luncheon, the delegates were given a chance to prepare for Shabbat after which they attended services at the West Side Institutional Synagogue. At an Oneg Shabbat on Friday evening, Dr. A. Leo Levin, Prof. of Law at the University of Pennsylvania, and former editor of The Commentator, talked on "Jewish Observance in Jewish Institutions." He expressed his conviction that the Jewish com-

Rabbi Oscar Fassman, president of the Hebrew Theological College of Chicago, the guest speaker, urged Orthodoxy to be steadfast and predicated that the Reform and Conservative movements would blend in the future.

On Monday morning, a Jewish Education Institute was held at which Day Schools and Talmud Torahs were discussed. This, as well as all other activities of the day, were held at Yeshiva University. After a luncheon honoring congregation presidents, a concluding Plenary Session was held. Here the resolutions which



Among the outstanding Jewish leaders who participated in the five day convention of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations of America are, left to right:

Top row: William B. Herlands, former UOJCA president; Rabbi Joseph B. Soleveitchik, professor of Talmud at Yeshiva; Herman Wouk, noted author; Benjamin Mandelker, convention chairman. Second row: Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of Yeshiva; Rabbi Oscar Z. Fasman, president, Hebrew Theological College, Chicago; Rabbi Joseph Lookstein, professor of Sociology at Yeshiva; Rabbi Alexander Rosenberg, Yonkers, New York.

Bottom row: Rabbi Leo Jung, professor of Ethics at Yeshiva; Dr. Jacob Hartstein, dean of the Graduate Schools at Yeshiva; Rabbi Herbert S. Goldstein, New York; Max Etra, newly elected UOJCA president.

munity should receive assurances that those institutions that are supported by it, observe Jewish law. He severely criticized the Federation of Jewish Philanthropies and especially the "kosher-trefa" system planned for the Long Island Jewish Hospital.

Living Judaism

After Shabbat, during the course of which special UOJCA services were held at several synagogues, a business session was held. The delegates heard Rabbi Joseph Lookstein, principal of Ramaz Hebrew High School, declare that "we have one hundred and seventy eight houses of living Judaism, the day schools, throughout the United States."

Rabbi Gordon explained the scope of the Union's activities. He showed how individual communities are aided by field workers, advisors, and even by the organization of new synagogues where none exist. Besides these community activities, he added, the Union organizes groups through regional units to take joint action on vital issues. Rabbi Gordon also talked about the Union's publications, including "Jewish Life" and numerous pamphlets on Jewish belief and practice; the Kashruth division with its nationally famous "U"; and the armed forces division which makes it easier for the Orthodox serviceman to maintain his traditional practices.

Schools Discussed

At the banquet Sunday night,

will guide the organization for the next two years were passed.

Resolutions Adopted

The resolutions included among other things, the following:

- a. Every effort should be made to bring the message of Orthodox Judaism to youth, especially on the college level. Rabbis should make it clear that Orthodox Jews are not allowed to worship in Reform or Conservative Temples.
- b. Every community is urged to set up Adult Education. The Union will cooperate in every such venture.
- c. If the Long Island Jewish Hospital will persist in its "kashruth" plan, it will be responsible for disunity in the Jewish community.
- d. It is the responsibility of the Union to establish discipline and bring about cooperation in Jewish life locally and nationally. To this end, it will seek coordination of all Orthodox bodies, including educational agencies.

The passing of these and other resolutions was followed by the election of Mr. Max J. Etra, attorney and president of Congregation Kehillath Jeshurun, as president of the Union. A prominent leader of the Union declared after the conclusion of the convention that it had organized the "offensive" of Orthodoxy for the next two years and expressed confidence that the Union would achieve its aims.

Air Raid Drills

"The Yeshiva student and faculty bodies should be congratulated on their excellent performance during the city-wide air raid drill," stated Professor I. Young, head of the Guidance Department. The drill, which occurred on November 28, was a test of the new Civil Defense regulations recently instituted at the University. The regulations are as follows:

- 1. All school personnel should respond either to building signals, initiating shelter area drills, to public air-raid sirens, or to both.
- 2. The alarm is a series of two consecutive rings followed by a brief pause sounded in every classroom and corridor including the dormitories. (Ring-Ring-Pause). (Ring-Ring-Pause). . . . The allclear will be indicated by a quarter of a minute continuous bell ring.
- 3. There will be two air-raid warning signals for the general public. The first or red signal is a three minute warbling signal of sirens. It signifies that an attack is probable within eight minutes. The second or white signal is a series of three one-minute continuous siren signals separated by two minutes of silence. It is the
- 4. Become familiar with the location of "Shelter" signs in the halls, particularly those nearest the rooms you are apt to be in during the day or night.
 - 5. When the red signal sounds,
 - a. Go at once to the nearest SHELTER area.
 - Do not carry books or other belongings. Leave them behind.
 - Stay away from glass.
 - Avoid windows.
 - Remain absolutely quiet.
 - Do not leave SHELTER area until the Floor Warden gives instructions to do so. FLOOR WARDEN can be identified by white arm band marked "WARDEN."
 - Every member on the faculty or administration in the building at the time should consider himself "On Duty."
 - 6. If a sudden dazzling light is seen while in building . . .
 - 1. Do not gaze at light.
 - Stay where you are.
 - Drop to the floor underneath desks, chairs, or tables, with with backs toward window.
 - Cover all exposed parts of body, head, neck, face, hands, legs, etc.

Y.C.Sociological Society Hears Talk On Jews and Capitalism

Ivan Robert Rozen '53, spoke before the Sociological Society on Thursday, November 29, on "The Relationship of the Jews to Modern Capitalism." Mr. Rozen especially criticized Werner Sombart's book "The Jews and Modern Capitalism" through the use of historical evidence, scientific methodology, and the frequent application of Max Weber's analysis. "Capitalism is not only the de-

personalization of business transactions as reported by Sombart, rather it is the national application of labor in bourgeois industrial enterprise. The Jews have not been the founders of this latter type of capitalism and have only recently engaged in it. Even then, because of outright discrimination, and other forms of social pressure, these people were forced to enter the marginal industries," said Mr. Rozen.

"Historical evidence," Mr. Rozen claimed, "proves conclusively that the only type of capitalism the Jews engaged in was what Weber termed 'Pariah Capitalism.' This was brought about by both inner and outer causes. The Jews themselves did not wish to associate fully with their neighbors, and they were outcasts from society due to their lack of participation in the church service. Because of this ostracism they were forced to enter those professions shunned by the respected members of the community.

It was announced that Mr. Hyman Shapiro, '53, will speak on "Sex and Temperament" at the next meeting of the Sociological Society to be held on Thursday, December 13, at 8:15 p.m. in Room 443.

Phi Beta Kappa

Dean Isaacs announced that for the present a chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, the national honor society, will not be formed at Yeshiva. However, he expressed the hope that Yeshiva might join several years hence.

"Ha-Measef," New TI Paper, Printed

A new weekly newspaper in Hebrew, "Ha-Measef," has made its appearance in T. I. under the editorship of Ithamar Rozen, Otto Newman '54, Joseph Mogilner '55, and Bialik Lerner '55, it is being published alternately as a news bulletin and as a mimeographed newsletter.

The aim of "Ha-Measef" is to present school news, editorials, literary articles, and entertaining sidelights, all in Hebrew, for the improvement of the general student knowledge of the language and its culture, and to strengthen student ties with Israel.

The first two issues included editorials for improving the school spirit and the Hebrew culture in T. I.

The news bulletin is posted on the T. I. Student Council Bulletin Board outside Room 442.

Y.U. Women's Divisions To Hold Opera Benefit

To provide scholarship aid for students attending Yeshiva University, the Manhattan and Brooklyn divisions of Yeshiva University's Women's Organization will hold their annual benefit on Saturday evening, December 15, at the Metropolitan Opera House. The opera will be a premiere performance of Puccini's "La Boheme," with Richard Tucker and Eleanor Steber in the leading roles and Alberto Erede conducting.

Math, Ethics Contributions

Dr. Jekuthiel Ginsburg, professof of Mathematics at Yeshiva, and Dr. Leo Jung, professor of Ethics, have contributed volumes and periodicals to the Pollack Library, it was announced by Sol Zeides, assistant librarian. The professors have made available material dealing with various aspects of their respective fields. It was further announced that a collection of reprints of articles written by Dr. Henry Brown, scientific assistant of Plant Pathology for the U.S. Department of Agriculture, has also been added to the library.

Two new periodical subscriptions have been added to the magazine collection. Etude, a publication dealing with music in its various phases, and the Journal of Clinical Psychology will take their places on the magazine shelf beginning this January. Students will also have the continued benefit of all other periodicals since all subscriptions have been renewed.

A. Y. S. U. Support Pledged By Fulda

"The Student Organization of Yeshiva has decided to throw its full-fledged support behind the work of the American Yeshiva Student Union, the counterpart of the Israeli Chever Peilei Hamachaneh Hatorati whose task it is to organize Torah schools in Israeli Ma'abarot," announced Manfred Fulda, '52, president of S. O. Y., after a rally held in Riets Hall on Tuesday evening, November 27.

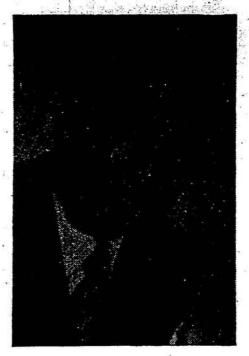
Rabbi Judah Weisberger, field director of Torah Umesorah, and chairman of the A. Y. S. U., and Abraham Hirsch, a student of the Yeshiva Chaim Berlin who spent four and one-half months in Israel under the A. Y. S. U. plan to have American Yeshiva students work in the Ma'abarot, addressed the rally

Rabbi Eliezer Horowitz '49, has been appointed to head the Y. U. committee to raise funds for the A. Y. S. U.

French Society To Hear Lecture By Dr. Delatour

Dr. Gottfried S. Delatour, lecturer in Sociology of Yeshiva, will speak before the French Club on Tuesday, December 11, at 8 p.m. in the dorm social hall. His topic will be "French Sociology."

Library Adds Mayor, Dr. M. Kogel Receive Y. U. Awards



Mayor Impellitteri

IYSC Distributes Yeshiva Pamphlet

The Inter - Yeshiva Student Council has distributed ten thousand copies of a new pamphlet, entitled "The Story of The Yeshiva High School," throughout the United States, declared Victor Solomon, co-chairman of the

The pamphlet, which was recently published, attempts to portray the benefits of the Yeshiva high school, and will "serve to help the IYSC in approaching more students to continue their Jewish studies at Yeshiva high schools."

The primary aim of the IYSC . is to foster Yeshiva high school graduates and popularize the Yeshiva high school idea in Jewish communities of the United States and Canada.

Victor Solomon of Yeshiva has been elected chairman of the council for student year 1951-1952.

S.O.Y. To Institute New Sermon Plan

A plan whereby senior students will deliver a sermon to the Minyan every Shabbat has been instituted by the Yeshiva in cooperation with the Placement Service and the S. O. Y., upon the recommendation of Dr. Samuel Belkin, announced Manfred Fulda, '52, president of S. O. Y. Under the proposed program senior students will be criticized on their sermons and will be advised in their preparation by a member of the administration.

Distinguished service awards were presented to Mayor Vincent Impelliterri and Commissioner of Hospitals, Dr. Marcus D. Kogel for their efforts "in advancing the health and welfare of our city," by Yeshiva University, Sunday, December 9, at the University's 23rd annual Scholarship Fund dinner at the Waldorf-Astoria. Mayor Impellitteri was instrumental in effecting a union of the Bronx Municipal Hospital and the proposed Yeshiva University Medical School. Dr. Kogel is a member of the Advisory Council on Medical Education of Yeshiva University.

Secretary of Labor Maurice Tobin was principal speaker at the dinner, and Charles H. Silver, vice-president, American Woolen Company, acted as dinner chairman. Dr. Belkin, president of Yeshiva, stated that proceeds of the dinner, which marked the 23rd anniversary of the opening of the University's College of Arts and Sciences, will be used to provide scholarship and maintenance aid for needy students. A large part of the scholarship fund of more than \$235,000 was raised at the dinner.

A musical program, featuring Jan Pearce and Roberta Peters of the Metropolitan Opera, and members of the New York Philharmonic Orchestra was pre-

Vote Kestenbaum To Faculty Comm.

Leon Kestenbaum '53, has been named student representative on the Faculty Committee on Student Affairs, in accordance with the agreement made between the student-faculty relations committee and the Student Council, drawn up in May of last semester and concluded on November 12. A summary of the agreement appeared in the May 31, 1951 issue of Commentator.

Mr. Kestenbaum, a native of Brooklyn, is an upper junior in college, majoring in philosophy. He is active in Student Council, is president of the upper junior class, and has served on The Commentator as feature editor, and is currently serving as news

Flambeau Lauded By Leading Profs

"Le Flambeau is a fine, technically perfect, interesting French, yearbook," declared Dr. Pierre Brodin, dean of the Ecole Libre, in one of the many lauding and complimentary notes that were received by the French Department. Praise was also lavished on "Le Flambeau" by Professor Morris Shazin, head of the Language Department of Queens College. Dr. Harry Kurz, of the same school, was of the opinion that this is one of the finest French yearbooks published in this country. The well-known French philologist, Dr. Raphael Levy, of the University of Texas, stated, "this is as fine a French publication as I have ever seen." Among others who wrote in praise of the Flambeau were Dr. S. M. Weitzman of Boston University and Dr. Donald Frank of Columbia University.

Faculty Notes

Dr. Karl Adler, head of the Music Department, conducted a broadcast of the American Music Festival on WNYC as well as an outdoor concert at Central Park Mall.

Dr. Pinkhos Churgin, dean of the Teachers Institute, was re-elected to his third term as president of the Mizrachi Organization of America, at the thirty-first annual convention of the Mizrachi, held November 16-18, at the Breakers Hotel in Atlantic City.

Dr. Jekuthiel Ginsburg, head of the Mathematics Department, heads the Academicians Council of the projected Bar-Ilan University in Israel.

Mr. Nathan Goldberg, associate professor of Sociology, is the author of "Echoes of Cultural Change," in the September-October issue of Orthodox Jewish Life. The article is an inquiry into the significance of changed reading preferences among American Jews.

Dr. Arnold Lowan, professor of Physics, spent two summer months at the Naval Ordnance Laboratory, Silver Springs, Md., as consultant to the Aeroballistic Research Department. On September 12th, he spoke before an audience consisting of representatives of the Naval Ordnance Laboratory and other government agencies.

Pace Hands Yeshiva First Setback In Close Contest; Mites Sight Webb, Sink Same 59-50, In Hoop Opener

Davidman Leads Heighters In Scoring With 16 Tallies

In its basketball debut for the 1951-52 season, Yeshiva University whipped Webb Naval Institute 59-50, at the latter's court in Glenn Cove, L. I., Thursday, November 29.

Although the Mites racked up their first victory, their performance was far from impressive, with an overall pattern of awkwardness and sloppy ball handling marking the contest. Ruby Davidman was high scorer for Yeshiva with sixteen points and was the victor's defensive mainstay.

Penetrating Webb's zone defense, Yeshiva led 18-14 at the end of the first quarter, and minutes later enjoyed a nine point margin over the Sailors, 26-17. A great deal of spark and hustle was supplied by freshmen Citron, Freundlich and Gewirtz. With several minutes to play in the first half, baskets by Webb's Manuel and Sutter whittled away the Y.U. margin, until they trailed by only one point, 31-30. After Manuel's score on a free throw, Sutter scored on two fast breaks to give the Long Islanders a 35-32 lead as the half time buzzer sounded.

With 15 minutes, 30 seconds to go in the second half, and Yeshiva trailing by seven points, Ruby Davidman scored the Mites' first field goal of the period. The Heighters finally climbed back into the contest when Freundlich tied the game with two free tosses, making it 41-41 as the

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Davidman	6	4	16	Demge	-		(4)
Freundlich	0	3	3	Lawson	1	1	3
Krieger	1	0	2	Manuel	5	5	15
H'shkowitz	6	3	15	Townshend	3	0	6
Narrowo	5	0	10	Sutter	5		18
Forman	1	0	2	Sutter	100	•	1450
Staiman	1	0	2	Hedges	0	0	0
Gewirtz	1	0	2		-	_	_
Morhaim	0	0	0	TOTAL	18	14	50
Citron	1	0	2				
Sch'ch'lter	0	0	0				
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TOTAL	24	11	59				

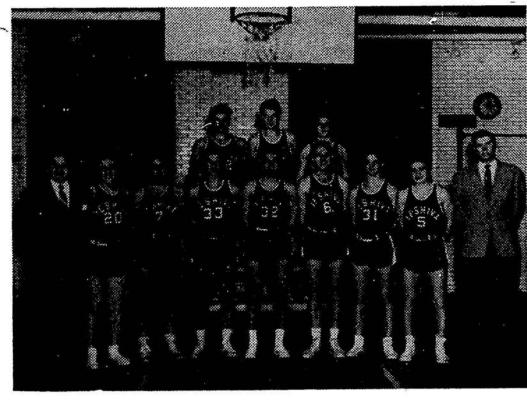
clock read two minutes to play in the third quarter. Navy stars Sutter and Manuel then plowed consecutive shots through the basket giving Webb a 45-41 lead at the completion of third stanza.

Coming from behind in the final period, Yeshiva put on a great scoring splurge to recapture the lead and gain its first victory of the season. After two foul throws by Davidman, Gewirtz, a surprise second half starter, tied the game with a short jump shot, and Narrowe's tally put the blue and white back in the lead. Thereafter, it was the Mighty Mites soaring away, playing their best quarter. Hershkowitz sealed up the victory by scoring three consecutive field goals. The final period ended with the Y.U. hoopsters tallying 7 field goals and 4 free throws, to Webb's 2 and 1.

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CANTOR NÓACH SCHALL The Mighty Mites of Washington Heights



Bottom row, left to right: Bernard (Red) Sarachek, coach; Irving Forman '54; Marvin Hershkowitz '52; Larry Staiman '54; Ruben Davidman '52, co-captain; Nathan Kreiger '52, co-captain; Morton Narrowe '54; Elihu Levine '54; Arthur Stein, assistant coach. Top row, left to right: Abe Morhaim '54; Jay Citron '55; Charles Freundlich '55.

Hershkowitz Sparks Mites; Leads In Scoring, Rebounds

Making a bid for two successive victories, Yeshiva met Pace Institute at the Downtown Athletic Club, Wednesday, December 5. The Mites lost

The game was not well played by either team and it was only because of the exceptional shooting of the Pace setters that they copped the contest. Pace netted 25 field goals in 59 attempts for a .424 shooting average. The Sarachekeers had to be content with a .304 percentage, sinking 21 out of 69 shots.

The first half was a close affair as indicated by the 30 to 28 halftime score in favor of Pace. Hershkowitz and Davidman sparked the first half drive offensively with 7 and 9 points, respectively, and with their fine rebound work. High scorer of the game was Pace's set-shot artist Martin Volin who canned 16 points. High man for the Heighters was Hershkowitz who scored 14 tallies, followed by Davidman with 11 markers.

In the third quarter Pace broke the game wide

open on five straight field goals while Yeshiva could score but once during that time. The fourth quarter opened with the Mites on the short end of a 49 to 40 score. The Blue and White could not buy a basket during the first four minutes of play in the final stanza until Larry Staiman hit on a long set-shot. Pace used a moderate freeze that was successful until there were but three

In Initial Contest For Top-Place In Practice Sessions

The Yeshiva Junior Varsity lost its first official game to the Pace "B" squad 43 to 38 at the Downtown Athletic Club on Wednesday, December 5.

After building a fair sized lead in the opening stanza the "Junior Mites" faded and finally lost out in a five minute overtime period. Josh Taragin, Leon Green, and Sidney Gewirtz sparked the Yeshiva attack, with the latter playing an excellent all around floor game. Pace's Acker was high scorer of the contest with 13 points. Sam Simon and Josh Taragin did yeoman work under the backboards, and it was the loss of Simon via the personal foul route which greatly handicapped the J. V. and resulted in their initial loss.

The score at the end of regulation play was 35 to 35. Yeshiva lead at halftime 20 to 11.

Bad Start

PACE	J.V.	(43)	YESHIVA	J.1	7. (38)	
FG FT Pts				FG F7			Pts	
Athanas	0	0	0	Gewirtz	3	1	7	
Roos	0	0	0	Green	4	2	10	
Mandler	2	1	5	Silver	2	1	5	
Caputo	4	3	11	Orlian	1	3	5	
Shaw	1	2	4	Mond	1	0	2	
Kennedy	0	0	0	Simon	0	1	1	
Lissmore	2	2	6	Krietman	0	1	1	
Acker	5	3	13	Taragin	3	0	6	
Jurgens	2	0	4	Giss	0	1	1	
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TOTAL	16	11	43	TOTAL	14	10	38	

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Hoop Intermurals

The Sophomores tied the Juniors for the lead in the intramural basketball standings as they defeated the Seniors by virtue of a forfeit on Tuesday, December 4, at the George Washington High School gymnasium. The Junior class registered its second consecutive victory by conquering a pesky Frosh five 41-35 on November 27.

The Sophomore-Senior contest which lasted two quarters, was a hectic affair in which the Sophs showed superiority in all aspects of play. Josh Taragin was high scorer with 13 points when the game was called.

In the Junior-Frosh affair, the class of '53 showed the nnesse that brought them last year's title as they led all the way. Paced by Julie Kreitman, who canned 17 points, they enjoyed

a 24-18 lead at half-time. Although he missed the first quarter, Walter Silver '53, controlled the backboards and scored 14 points. By virtue of his fine play in intramural basketball, Mr. Silver has been given the "Athlete-of-the-Month Award."

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Pace Edges J. V. Sophs Tie Juniors Y.U. Opens Tennis

Twenty-five candidates for the Y. U. Tennis team turned out for the initial practice sessions at the 15th Regiment Armory. Coach Eli Epstein remarked at the completion of the workouts, "The ability is here, but the need for practice cannot be overemphasized." The squad expects to enter inter-collegiate competition sometime in April 1952.

Stanley Siegel '52, captain of the team announced the appointment of Jerry Lifshitz '52 as manager and Aaron Borow '55, assistant manager. Practice is held Tuesday, 9:30 p.m., at the 15th Regiment Armory on 142nd Street and Fifth Avenue. Positions still remain open for new candidates. Regular team members will receive physical education credit. Tennis rackets may be secured at the court.

Yeshiva To Open Home Play Against Terriers

The Yeshiva quintet opens its 1951-52 home season Saturday, December 15, playing host to St. Francis of Brooklyn, last years Catholic Invitation Tournament Champs, at the Central Needles Gymnasium.

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TOTAL 21 11 53

	FG	FT	Pts	PACE	(5	7)	
Levine	3	. 0	6		FG	FT	Pu
Davidman	3	5	11	Volin	7	2	16
Krieger	2	. 0	4	McCormick	6	1	13
H'shkowita	5	. 4	14	Safran	1	0	2
Narrowe	2	1	5	DuBusson	5	1	11
Gewirtz	2	0	4	Cuneo .	3	1	7
Citron	1	. 0	2	Alvigei	3	2	8
Fr'ndlich	0	0	0	20			
Stalman .	2	1	5	TOTAL	25	7	57
Forman	1	0	2	YESHIV	A	(53)	
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minutes to play, when Yeshiva regained possession. Gewirtz then broke through and scored with an underhand lay-up, but it came too late to save the Heighters from their first setback of the season.

However, there were bright spots in an otherwise bleak picture. The Mites compiled a fine foul shooting average, sinking 11 out of 14 attempts from the charity line for a .786 percentage. Coach Bernie (Red) Sarachek's liberal use of some of his "freshman flashes" Gewirtz, Freundlich, and Citron added speed and hustle to the Y. U. lineup. Irving Forman's tally on a setshot which was actually called for from the bench by the coach gave the fans an amusing moment.

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GammaRhoSigma Y.U. Economic Society **Appoints Officers**

At the first meeting of the Gamma Rho Sigma Society, held on Thursday, November 10, Jack Goldman '53, Sheldon Rudoff '54, and Alex Hoffer '54, were elected president, vice-president, and secretary-treasurer, respectively, of the society. Mr. Goldman, upon assuming office, announced that the purpose of the organization was to create a classical museum at Y. U. which will exhibit pictorial and literary material depicting classical Greek and Roman Life.

The club is planning an exhibition in connection with Chanukah.

Chooses New Officers

The results of the recent elections of the Economic Society have been announced by Jack Adelman '53, newly elected president. Serving as officers are Milton Kain '52, vice-president; Irwin Witty '53 secretary; and Aaron Skaist '52, treasurer.

Plans are now being made to obtain prominent figures in the field of economics to address the society.

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