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Yeshiva Gains Draw in First **Debate** Trial

The Yeshiva College Debating Team, in its first encounter of the season, debated Columbia University to a draw, Thursday, November 19, on the topic "Resolved: The United States Should Adopt a Policy of Free Trade."

Debating for Yeshiva and upholding the affirmative were Joseph Kaplan '56 and Fishel Pearlmutter '55. Mark Bunker and Brad Davis of Columbia upheld the negative side. Dr. Karl Adler, assistant professor of Psychology, judged the match.

This opening debate marked the twentieth anniversary of the Debating Society and the tenth anniversary of Dr. David Fleisher as coach of the team. In connection with this event the Debating Society is planning an anniversary dinner to which approximately one hundred alumni members have been invited.

Aid Statistics

Yeshiva University will spend \$455,294 to provide scholarship and maintenance aid during the 1953-1954 academic year, revealed Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of the University. This amount will provide financial support to 1625 students; 85% of Y. U.'s total enrollment.

Dr. Belkin declared that although the University has made a concerted effort to limit student aid in view of rising expenses, the total of scholarship aid is now at its highest point in the institution's history.

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Dean's Reception

The Dean's Reception, originally set for November 22, has been postponed in order to give the program committee sufficient time for the preparation of the evening's entertainment, it announced by Manuel was Gold '55, chairman of the Student Council Committee for the Dean's Reception.

Eranos Hears Dr. Guterman

Acting Dean Simeon L. Guterman was the featured speaker at the first Eranos lecture of the semester, on November 17, in R.I.E.T.S. Hall. His subject was "Religious Tolerance in Roman Times."

The speaker stated that though Rome was tolerant of the religious beliefs of her subjects, her concept of tolerance was at variance with our own. To explain this statement, Dr. Guterman briefly outlined the history of religious development in the Roman Empire. He declared that as the Romans conquered cultures different from their own, they permitted their subjects to retain their own religious beliefs and indeed, enforced them. As time went on, the various polytheistic faiths of the Empire were blended into that of the conqueror. Nevertheless, the Romans permitted each group to maintain its own religious system believing that it was necessary for the masses.

The Jews, continued Dr. Guterman, with their peculiar religious beliefs, "cashed in on this concept of religious tolerance." Among the examples, cited by the speaker, of privileges extended to them were exemption from service in the army and sessions held on the from Sabbath.

Stevenson to Receive Honorary **Degree at Special Convocation**



Adlai E. Stevenson

Charles H. Silver

Smoke Seeps From Stern's At Freshman-Senior Frolic

By George Siegel

The annual Freshman-Senior smoker, where the Seniors drink "Pepsies," and the Freshmen drink beer, and where the Seniors discover their hidden talents to the Freshmen's misfortune, was held at Stern's Cafeteria, Thursday, November 12.

Now, ordinarily billows of smoke seeping out from Stern's

Faculty Studying New Marks Plan

The Faculty Committees on Scholastic Standing and on Tests and Measurements have undertaken the task of formulating a plan for the distribution of grades, revealed Dr. Simeon L. Guterman, acting dean of the

would not attract anything but adverse comment from the Ladies Auxiliary, but since it was well past closing time and no blintzes were on the fire, the dusky cloud was unique enough to lure close to 100 upper and lower classmen into the Cafeteria.

When I came rambling in with my draft card in my hand (I had to prove I was of age), Ray Kes-

Yeshiva University will bestow the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws on Adlai E. Stevenson, Sunday, December 13, at a special convocation to be held at the Waldorf-Astoria, before a limited audience. Mr. Stevenson will be presented for the degree by Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein, professor of Homiletics and Sociology, and will be cited by Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of the University. Following the convocation, ex-Governor Stevenson will be the

guest of honor at a dinner in the hotel's grand ballroom, which marks the twenty-fifth anniversary of the establishment of Yeshiva College.

Chas. Silver, Chairman

Charles H. Silver, a trustee of the University and a member of New York City's Board of Education, has been named Chairman of the dinner. Mr. Silver is also President of the Beth Israel. Hospital, Vice-President of the Alfred E. Smith Memorial Foundation and an active member in many other organizations.

Mr. Stevenson, who is wellknown as Governor of Illinois from 1948-52, and as Democratic candidate for president in 1952, is an alumnus of Princeton University. He holds honorary degrees from many prominent institutions including Princeton, Weslyean, Northeastern and Bradley Universities. The ex-Governor's address at the dinner will be broadcast over radio station WMCA from 9:30-10:00 p.m.

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Rabbi N. Bulman Lectures Jewish **Philo-Ethics Club**

The topics of "Anthropology vs. the Chosen People" and "The Nature of Jewish Uniqueness" were discussed in a lecture delivered by Rabbi Nathan Bulman, advisor to dormitory students, at a meeting of the Jewish Philosophy and Ethics Club held Thursday, November 19.

"That the Jews are unique because of definite historical destinies does not violate any scientific law whatsoever," declared Rabbi Bulman, upholding the belief that Israel is a "chosen people." "Evidence of Israel's uniqueness becomes apparent in a comparison between Jewish History and the histories of all other nations," said Rabbi Bulman after citing specific examples supporting his ideology.

In his capacity of dormitory advisor, Rabbi Bulman initiated an Oneg Shabbat which consists of a talk on the portion of the week followed by refreshments and zmirot.

The Dean's address followed a regular meeting of Eranos, the Classical Language Society, at which Manfred Fulda '52 presented membership certificates to frater of Eta Sigmi Phi, the Classical Language Honor Society.

T I Office Names Three Appointees

Rabbi Baruch N. Faivelson '35, has been appointed Assistant Registrar of the Teachers Institute for Women, and Mathew Clark has been named Assistant Registrar of the main branch of the Teachers Institute, announced Dr. Pinkhos Churgin, dean of the Teachers Institute. Dr. Churgin also announced the appointment of Mr. Morris Benathen as Supervisor of Student Teaching.

Rabbi Faivelson, instructor of Hebrew at the Talmudical Academy of Brooklyn is a graduate of the Teachers Institute and of Yeshiva College. Mr. Clark, an alumnus of T. I. '48, holds a bachelor's degree from the College of the City of New York and a Bachelor of Religious Education from Yeshiva University.

College. The results of their study are expected to be revealed during the Spring semester.

"At present there is no written regulation concerning grades," explained Dean Guterman, "for we are confident that the instructors will issue grades in accordance with established and approved educational practices."

Dr. Guterman also revealed that he expects those committees to work out a plan to institute periodic tests for students to compare their standing with students at other colleges.

The entire study is the result of comments on the aboveaverage grade distribution at the College by the Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools, of which Yeshiva has been a member since 1948. This is an accrediation group which includes among its membership most of the leading institutions in the East.

Chesterfield Appointee

David Mostofsky '53, was chosen the Chesterfield campus representative at Yeshiva College for the fifth consecutive year, it was announced by the Campus Merchandising Bureau, Inc., advertising representatives of the cigarette firm.

tenbaum '54, the affair's master of ceremonies, was just finishing having dinner with Benito, Dinner music was amply supplied by Aaron Dobin and his one-man band.

I proceeded to make a tour about the crowd, bouncing from one can of beer to another, and noticed one freshman in particular who seemed to be quite confused by all the smoking going. on. I watched him take a cigarette, hesitate, place it in his mouth, and take it out without inhaling. Then he closed his eyes, clenched his fists, and called up his courage-but could only manage to repeat this maneuver. When he closed his eyes he saw, no doubt, his mother looking askanse with an accusing finger aimed at him. When I walked away he was still struggling. This boy had will power.

The Lure of the Free

Peering through the rifts in the smoke, I wondered what most of all attracted students to the "pufferoo." The entertainment was fine. Nothing classical, you know, but amusing. We were shown an abundance of talent; Gus Goldberger '57, at the piano; Howie Newman '55, at the drums; Mortie Green '55, singing a la Joan Crawford and Ray Kestenbaum, as M.C., not be confused with the chairman of the (Continued on page 4)

IRS Represented **At Model Council**

Neil Hecht '54, president of the International Relations Society and Sheldon Rudoff '54, vicepresident, comprised the Yeshiva delegation to the model United Nations Trusteeship Council meeting held November 21, at Fordham University. Messrs. Hecht and Rudoff represented the government of the Soviet Union at the council.

The council, made up, of representatives of nineteen colleges from the Metropolitan area, discussed two problems currently before the U.N.: the unification of the Ewe people in British and French Togoland and the participation of indigenous inhabitants in governing trusteeship territories.

H. K. Menon, chief Indian delegate to the U.N. and guest speaker at the session, emphasized what he termed India's "objective and pragmatic' view of world affairs.

The Yeshiva delegation was commended by the "Secretary-General" of the session for being "very well-informed" and for "faithfully representing the Sovlet views."

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The Fate of Imaginative Planning

Last year, Student Council devised a plan calculated to increase extra-curricular activities by allocating one school hour a week exclusively for club meetings. This plan, by which all students, both resident and commuting, would have had greater opportunity to participate more actively in the activities of their choice, was approved by the student body in a referendum. As a result, the hour from 2:30 to 3:30 on Thursday afternoon was cleared of classes and designated as "Club Hour."

The slack attendance at club meetings in spite of this innovation has become increasingly evident in recent weeks. Many clubs are not attracting quorums despite the convenience of the hour. Many students, who surely must have corresponding interests with at least *one* group which meets at this time, find it more pleasant to roam about the halls, read bulletin boards, or go to sleep.

Already there are voices raised to abolish the club hour. Most of the students who advocate such a move are those who have never given the club period a chance; who have never bothered to attend a club; who have flashed the same cynicism with which they greet any new idea. How can *they* judge a program in which they have never participated?

It seems that we are merely being provided with another illustration of the difficulty in implementing imaginative planning in the face of student apathy.

Mizrachi Preș. States Israel Views; Tells Problems of Diaspora Jewry

By Michael Rosenak

EDITOR'S NOTE: This article is the first in a series of interviews with leaders of major religious Zionist movements.

"It is our purpose to work for the implementation of our ideal of 'the People of Israel, in the Land of Israel, living according to the Torah of Israel.' We work towards this end . . . not by protest and not by isolation from others but by working together with all constructive elements . . . at the same time maintaining our own identity in order that our specific goals may be woven into the fabric of Israel and of the American Jewish communi-This was the main idea tv." which Rabbi Max Kirshblum, recently re-elected president of the Mizrachi Organization of America, tried to impress upon me during a discussion of his views on a "smoggy" Sunday morning.

According to Rabbi Kirshblum, the aim of the Mizrachi is twofold: first of all, to build the State of Israel according to the principles of the Torah, and secondly to strengthen Orthodox Judaism in the United States. Both, he declared, are equal in importance and must be integrated so that we can "bridge the gap between ourselves and Israel." However, he emphasized that the American Mizrachi is fully autonomous as regards American Jewry, since a unique and tragic condition of Jewish

degeneration is in progress here. While in Israel, all groups, regardless of philosophy, are motivated by a love of the Jewish people and aim to preserve it, in the United States, "fully one third of American Jews are committing spiritual suicide without even realizing it." Rabbi Kirshblum even admitted that the American and Israeli branches of the Organization may at times disagree about certain questions, even political issues, since those in Israel "see things through different-colored glasses." He stressed his conviction, however, that "no Jewish community will ever be spiritually more advanced than Israel is, and it is our job to advance that spirituality."

The Mizrachi President spoke at length about the youth movement, the Mizrachi Hatzair, composed of the younger elements in the Mizrachi and the Women's Mizrachi. He declared that the young people whose enthusiasm this group had enlisted "seem to be cut out of the same material as Mizrachi is and are identified with religious Zionism without any 'class' strings attached."

Having seen his statement in the New York Times concerning the "Big Four" stand on the Kibya incident, I asked the rabbi whether he would elaborate on this question. Without condoning the affair, he stated that the position of the United States on this question is "one of the manifestations of spiritual smog in which America seems to be living at the present time" but that he was certain that "the basic sense of fairness in America will ultimately triumph." However, Rabbi Kirshblum admitted that "it's another round for appeasement."

In our discussion of the forthcoming resignation of Ben Gurion, Rabbi Kirshblum remarked that the Mizrachi would have little to say about the appointment of a new premier, but it, as well as the whole of traditionallyminded Israel, was very satisfied with President Ben Zvi. Citing an example of the President's respect for tradition; he related that the latter, a regular attendant at the late Supreme Court Justice Assaf's Talmud lecture, had refused to have the shiur moved to his house upon his election, saying, "Greater is the honor of the Torah."

Talking about the Bar-Ilan University, which, he'declared, is developing so rapidly that "those who have been there a few months ago and seen it again now, cannot believe their eyes," the Rabbi was led into a discussion of Yeshiva University which he described as "one of my two communal loves." Citing various Yeshiva graduates who hold positions of leadership in the American Jewish community, he said that "very few people are

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Prohibition Days Still in Effect at Yeshiva Discloses Yale Survey on College Drinking

By Nat Geller

Editor's Note: The Yale Center of Alcoholic Studies, Yale University, completed a survey of college drinking earlier this year. In their study of the drinking habits of Yeshiva men, they discovered that we do little drinking outside of drinking for sacramental purposes. The following is the response of one Y.U. student to such a disclosure. According to the Yale Survey on. College Drinking, which is merely a synonym for "The Guide to Better Bars and Taverns," Yeshiva University is drier than Dry Gulch, and its students are still laboring under the misapprehension that the twenty-first amendment was never ratified. More probably (and this is a cause for many ills), this belated prohibition is due to the fact that Yeshiva men haven't taken enough Philosophy courses.

"Shades of the Eighteenth Amendment!" will cry the boys is wrong. But it must be remembered that a Martini is not a Martini without an olive, and these Organic Martinis do not contain olives.

What is true, of course, is that Yeshiva U. has hit a new low in the consumation of fermented sugars or yeasts. But, where there is seven years low there must be seven years high. The drought that has hit Y.U. is, naturally, not a devastating one. There are those who are known in the survey as Sacramental Purpose Drinkers, which means "Indulgers known only to God." Then there are those known as Toleration Drinkers, which may be defined as "those who tolerate drinking as long as someone else pays for the drinks."

A Welcome Change

The lack of stimulation toward positive Jewish thinking among dormitory students, as evidenced by the absence of any organized *Shabbat* program and, in many cases, the indifferent attitude of the dormitory administration toward the personal problems of individual residents have, in the past, contributed to difficulties in dormitory life. However, since Rabbi Nathan Bulman has assumed the duties of dormitory advisor the residents find, at long last, recognition of their problems and the attempt at their solution.

The Oneg Shabbat program, introduced by Rabbi Bulman, serves as an example of this recognition. Discussions of the portion of the week in the light of modern-day problems have proven to be very stimulating and the *zmirot* have engendered a new Shabbat spirit at the dormitory.

Especially welcome is the willingness displayed by the Dormitory Advisor to cooperate with the students. This friendly, interested approach could well be emulated by administrative officers throughout the institution. The results would undoubtedly be beneficial to all involved.

Stevenson Convocation

(Continued from page 1) Ex-Governor Stevenson joins a group of eight others, prominent in government affairs, who received the Doctor of Laws degree from Yeshiva. They are: Bernard Baruch, Dr. James Conant, Governor Thomas E. Dewey, Justice Learned Hand, Attorney General Nathaniel L. Goldstein, former U.S. Ambassador James G. Mac-Donald, and the late Chief Justice Harlan F. Stone.

25th Year

Dr. Belkin reported that the dinner will start a year of academic and public celebration to signify twenty-five years of outstanding service by the College. of Organic Chemistry. "Nonsense," they say. Wherefore do the condensors smell of an aromatic compound known only as FERMENTED YEAST — Danger? And wherefore has a gallon of ethyl alcohol gone to? And where else can it be said that Martinis are served in test tubes?

Obviously they have a point, and obviously, the Yale Survey



SHADES OF "MOTHER" PURVIS. For the first time at the University of Oregon, there's a housemother in a men's dormitory. Mrs. Katherine DePue, who was formerly a fraternity housemother in Maryland, says it's too early to tell if the men resent her presence in the dorm.

PRANKSTERS? Early on a Sunday morning, a fiery cross was spotted burning in front of the Zeta Beta Tau Jewish fraternity house at the University of Nebraska.

Eyewitnesses said the cross, about four feet high, appeared to have been soaked in gasoline or oil before being placed on the Jewish fraternity's front lawn. Flames were said to have shot 10 or 12 feet into the air.

Police said it was "probably the work of pranksters."

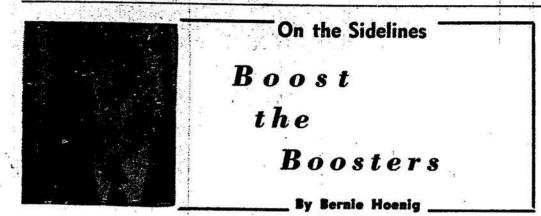
HEARD THIS ONE BEFORE? The Dean of Princeton University's Graduate School of Liberal Arts has ruled that all his students must wear academic gowns to dinner.

Students held a meeting and voted to have the order rescinded, but Dean Hugh Taylor said, "There are certain things that votes do not decide."

WORKING HIS WAY THROUGH COLLEGE. A student at New York University has discovered a new way to work his way through school. Standing about in Washington Square, he realized he was averaging 80 cents an hour—panhandling. Nevertheless, the drought has left its mark. For how can one sing "Du ligst mir im Herzen" through a mouth full of dry pretzels? How can one: sing "Gaudeamus" when all that's left of the classical tradition is a few clenched fists raised in empty gesture? How can one sing the "Torentilla" when all the Scotch is still in Scotland?

Men of Yeshiva U., ask not for whom the bell tolls . . . it tolls for you! Arise, and rekindle the torch of Classical tradition! Wash down your pretzels with beer . . . soup-up the "Torentilla" with Scotch . . . and chant "Gaudeamus" through a mouth full of gin. We must be the living proof of this renaissance. Let us bond together, and carry our symbol, a pocket-size distilling unit, to the farthest corners of the campus. WEDNESDAY, NOV. 25, 1953

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Within the period of one week, the second quarter of a century of Yeshiva University sports will be launched. On the same day, the first candles of Chanuka will be lit and the various Yeshiva athletic teams will once again begin to wonder in which direction the *dreidel* will spin, and just what the future has planned for them. Will they have a good season, and will they get the decent and proper support from the students that has long been due?

Today the issue of spirit and support is more important than it has ever been at Yeshiva. Not only is it a matter of attending games and supporting the teams, but it now stands out as an obligation on the part of the student, a sort of repayment to the people working behind the scenes for the sports program. And there are indeed many such people. I refer specifically to the Yeshiva University **Boosters** Club.

Late last year, Athletic Director Bernie Sarachek organized a large group of men to sponsor the expanding athletic program. The main objective was to raise extremely needed funds for equipment, supplies, gymnasiums, uniforms, fees, and other essentials for a smooth working program. When Red finally hung up the telephone and ended weeks of meetings, there were fifty-seven men on the Club's committee. Rabbis, businessmen, doctors, lawyers, writers, athletes and prominent sport figures made up the core of this fine unit. The basic idea and aim of the Boosters Club is that "the students of America's first University under Jewish auspices should enjoy the full benefits of a proper physical development and that Yeshiva's athletic teams should be able to hold their own against colleges throughout the country."

What is most striking and certainly heart-warming about this club is the fact that most of its members have absolutely no direct ties or connections with Yeshiva. They are mostly "outsiders" who are working ardently for the welfare of the Yeshiva students; for our welfare. Included among the members are Chairman David Weiss, Barney Ain, Sam Hartstein, Bernie Sarachek, Haskell Cohen, Lou Eisenstein, famous professional referee, Ed Gottlieb and Lester Harrison, basketball coaches of the professional Philadelphia Warriors and Rochester Royals, respectively.

And so the Yeshiva University Boosters Club continues to work for a better sports program. Already over five hundred people have been contacted to aid Yeshiva's athletic activities. The response has been quite wonderful. On December 9 the Club is holding a dinner meeting in R.I.E.T.S. Hall. Marty Glickman, noted sports announcer, will be the guest speaker, and problems and suggestions relative to the program will be discussed.

The Yeshiva Boosters Club gives much, understanding that there will be no material return for their work and that there is little glory associated with it. It is certainly the job of the Yeshiva student to show this Club that its work is not in vain. We should realize that "it's time for a change," and that the athletic program deserves a great increase in support. This is the year to prove to them that we have changed.

GUTMAN and MAYER

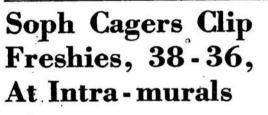
Mites Prepare For Coming Campaign

By Seymour Essrog

Basketball once again returns to Yeshiva University when the "Mighty Mites from Washington Heights" open their fifteenth season, Wednesday, December 2. against Cathedral College, their traditional rivals. The Mites will go on to play a nineteen game schedule during the 1953-1954 season. Despite a lack of depth and scarcity of overall height, Yeshiva completed last season with a 10-10 record, their best since 1945.

Gone from last year's varsity are the graduated Marvin Hershkowitz, Yeshiva's all-time scorer, and fiery, hard fighting Morty Narrowe, hero of last year's Kings College upset. However, Coach Bernard "Red" Sarachek has eight lettermen returning, including Abe Sodden, last year's top scorer and rebounder. Several promising freshmen have also been added to this year's edition of the Yeshiva hoop squad.

Sodden, Yeshiva's 6'4 center, is expected to be the big offensive gun for the Blue and White. Filling the role as playmaker will be the smooth-working and fast Eli Levine, captain of this year's aggregation. An excellent competitor, Levine is the



Scoring a basket with ten seconds left in the game, the Sophomores opened the 1953-1954 Intra-mural backetball season by edging out the Freshmen 38-36. The contest was played Tuesday, November 17, in the Yeshiva gymnasium.

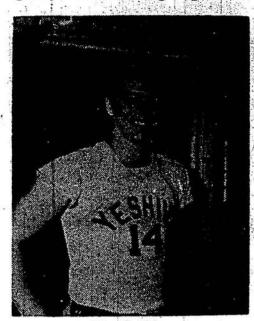
Following the opening jump, the Freshmen five quickly moved into a solid zone defense, holding the favored Sophomores to one basket in the first quarter, while racking up 12 points.

In the second quarter the Sophomore quintet came fighting back and trailed at the close of the first half 25-14. The rest of the contest saw a see-saw battle, with both squads playing equally well. With five minutes to go in the tilt, Sophomore Fingerhut plowed through the tiring zone defense to put his squad ahead for the first time in the evening, 33-32. Marty Gerbitz followed up with a two-pointer and the speedy Sophomores took a three point edge. With ten seconds to play Sophomore Jerry Freidlander broke a 36-36 tie to give his team the close decision. High scorer for the Freshmen, was Al Helfer with 17 tallies, and leading the Sophomores was Jerry Freidlander with 18 points.

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Mites' top defensive player. 6'3 Jay Citron, playing his third year under Sarachek promises to add rebounding strength to the team. While Marvin Teicher, speedy, hard driving sophomore



Abe Sodden

is expected to be a cog in this. year's attack, Sam Cohen, another second year man, could be the answer to the need of another scorer. Leon Green, Mickey Orlian, Jonah Kupietsky, Fred Anisfeld and Ralph Schuchalter, with a year of experience under their belts, also figure prominently in Coach Sarachek's plans.

Among the newcomers to the team are Herbert Schlussel, last year's Most Valuable Player of the Jewish High School League, Wally Pruzansky, Barry Hochdorf, Irv Listowsky and Charley Schwartz. All have been pleasant surprises in pre-season play and will see much action during the coming campaign.

New Hoopsters

Most noticeable about the Mites is the predominance of lower classmen. According to Coach Sarachek, who is starting his ninth year at the helm of the Hoopsters of Yeshiva, "With only one senior on the team, we are naturally young and inexperienced. However, this is a hustling and spirited group of boys who are eager to play ball for the College. We have no malcontents, and there is no evidence of a lackadaisical attitude towards playing. We are constantly improving and we may surprise some skeptics. Win or lose, our rooters will be proud of us."

Highlighting this year's schedule will be the classic game against Brooklyn College on Dec. 12, and the visits of the Lycoming and Kings College teams during February.

Swordsmen WelcomeCoach **Tauber Home From Israel**

By Morton Berger

Coach Arthur Tauber returned home from his trip to the State of Israel, to be greeted with a Welcome-Home-Party given by Yeshiva University's Fencing Team Monday, November 16, in the Yeshiva gymnasium. At the same affair, substitute coach Sam Rubinstein bade farewell to the team saying, "It is a well known fact that Coach Tauber is one of the best fencing mentors in the country. Those who know fencing expect great things from him. It's up to the Yeshiva squad not to let him down." Mr. Tauber expressed his grati-

Department to offer a critique of Israel's system of solving their veterans' problems. Throughout the trip, he visited the rehabilitation centers, studying the physical therapy programs. Discussions on these various aspects were held by Mr. Tauber with Prime Minister David Ben Gurion and President Yitzchak Ben Zvi.

Red Mogen Dovid

"The Red Mogen Dovid," stated Mr. Tauber, "is an essential phase of the government. The organization provides regular physicians on a twenty-four hour basis, ready to cope with any accident or emergency. They have been especially helpful in providing quick treatment for the vic- * tims of the almost daily border incidents." While inspecting the government facilities for solving veterans' problems, Mr. Tauber was particularly impressed with the treatment given to the disabled vet. "A parapalegic vet," he said, "is given a house, car and suitable pension. Useful work is also greatly encouraged for these veterans."

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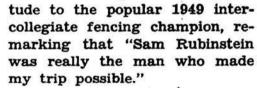
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Alfred Fulda



After teaching his squad new exercises from the French and Italian schools of fencing, Mr. Tauber told of his twenty-five days in the Land of Israel. The main purpose of the trip was to inspect the Red Mogen Dovid Organization and to report on its progress and need for funds. Traveling with the head of the Veterans Administration Hospital, Coach Tauber received a request from the Israeli Defense

and

Fri.-Sun.

There was no doubt that the young State of Israel left quite a favorable impression on Coach Arthur Tauber.



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New York City

Prof. J. Hartstein Smoker Resigns Deanship (Continued from page 1)

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must admit that one has never

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The resignation of Dr. Jacob L Hartstein as Dean of Yeshiva University's Graduate Division, was announced by Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of the University. Dr. Hartstein has resigned this post to assume the deanship of the Long Island University Graduate Schools. No successor has yet been named.

A member of the Class of '32, Yeshiva College's first graduating class, Professor Hartstein has served the institution constantly since 1927, occupying among other positions, those of Secretary of the Teachers Institute, Registrar and Secretary of the Faculty of Yeshiva College, and since 1944, Professor of Education and Dean of the Graduate Division.

Mizrachi

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cognizant of the contributions of Yeshiva."

Rabbi Kirshblum came to the United States in 1923 from Poland where he had already acquired so thorough a Jewish education that he, though only fifteen years of age, was almost ready to enter the Yoreh Deah class. Due to his extreme youth, the Rabbi studied for a considerable length of time in a special class set up by Dr. Revel, of sainted memory, for students such as he who needed time to acquire experience and secular education. He was ordained in 1931, by which time he had served as voluntary preacher throughout the Young Israel movement, taught at the Young Israel of Boro Park, and attended City College. He then assumed the position of head of the Central Talmud Torah of Scranton, Pa. In Scranton, his enthusiastic work with the Mizrachi group there, soon brought the group and Rabbi Kirshblum to the attention of the national organization, which invited him to serve as national executive secretary a post he held for ten years. His Zionism, says the Rabbi, can be attributed to his father's influence, who left shekalim from early Zionist Congresses and shares of stock in the Jewish Colonial Bank to all of his children.

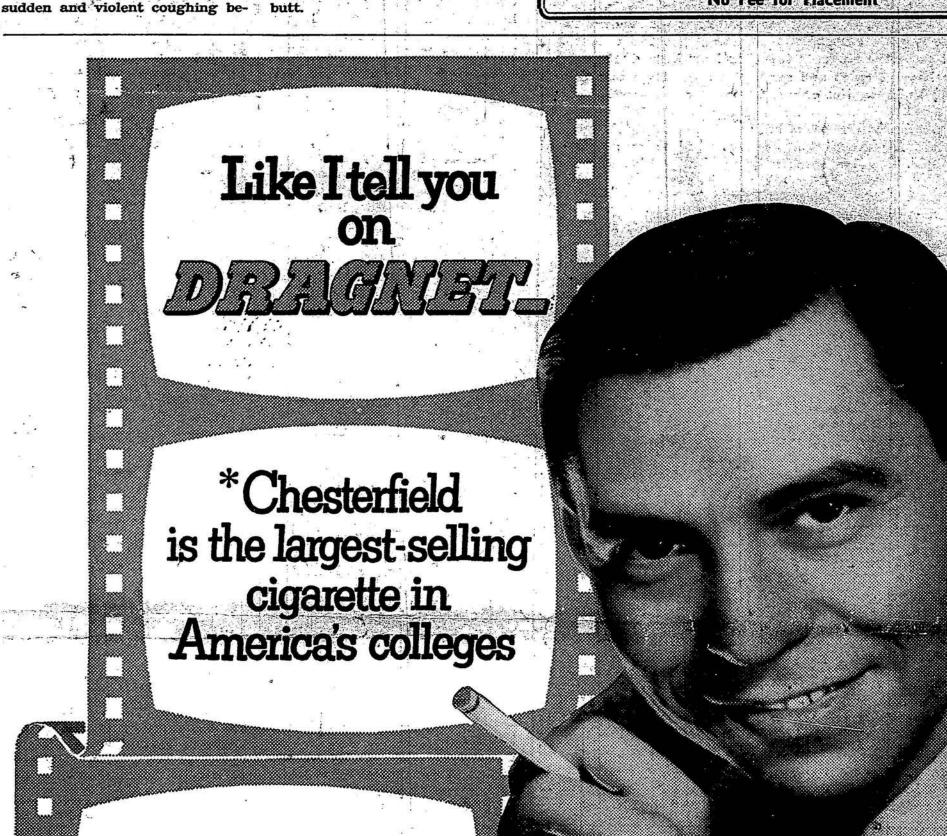
hind me. I turned around. Our freshman's mother had lost out. He was inhaling now. I looked at him sympathetically. Another smoker—another statistic. confused enough. (However, I

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