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Council Approves Increase In Student Representation

An increase in representation for each class in Student Council and a limit on the positions that any single student may hold were approved by the Yeshiva College Student Council at its meeting, Tuesday, March 22. The changes were incorporated in a set of "Standing Rules" adopted by Council in lieu of a constitution.

The increase in class representation was effected by creating the new office of Class Representative-At-Large. Thus, four additional representatives will be elected in the forthcoming elections, raising the number of students on Council to fifteen.

Approve Rule

The Council also approved a rule preventing any student from assuming more than one of the following posts simultaneously: President, Vice President or Secretary-Treasurer of Student Council; Class President, Vice President, and Representative-at-Large; School Athletic Manager, Editor-in-Chief of COMMENTATOR, Editor-in-Chief of Masmid or Manager of Co-op.

At the same meeting, Council urged the establishment of a standard aptitude test to be given to all entering freshmen or new students at the College.

In an earlier meeting held Tuesday, February 22, a motion was passed requesting the introduction of an elective course in Contemporary Jewish Problems. This action was taken as a result of the discussion of such a course at the meeting of the Alumni Association Executive Board.

Ring Price Lowered

Council also decided to reduce the price of Senior Class rings and instructed the president, Howard Spear, to charge minimum jewelers' prices for the rings.

Seymour Steinmetz '56, was appointed chairman of the Student Activities Committee, Frank Hellner, vice chairman, and Joseph Singer '58, secretary-treasurer. Council also approved the appointments of Stanley Fischman '56, and Julius Berman '56, to the Awards Committee.

A charter was also granted to the Pre-Law Society.

"Dr. Faustus" First Dramatic Showing

Dr. Faustus, an adaptation of Christopher Marlowe's original play in three acts will be presented in Lamport Auditorium today, promptly at 2:30 p.m.

Adapted by Louis Wohl '57, and Melvyn Lieberman '57, the play stars Joseph S. Kaplan '56, as Dr. Faustus, and George Siegel '57, as Mephistopheles. Dr. David Fleisher, professor of English, is coaching the players.

Technical direction is by Mr. Lieberman, assisted by Jay Rothchild '57. Walter Hulkower '55, will serve as stage manager.

All clubs have been cancelled for the performance.

Drive Nets Third Of Goal; Request Renewed Effort

The Y.U. Drive has, to date, collected \$1600, which is approximately one-third of the quota set by the student officials of the Drive, announced Joseph S. Kaplan '56, chairman of the Drive. "It is rather surprising and sad to note the apathetic attitude which the student body takes in permitting the drive to lag so seriously in view of the tense situation extant in Israel. We hope that every student of the University will take cognizance of this fact and redouble his efforts on behalf of Israel and the Drive," declared Mr. Kaplan.

In line with the increased efforts being put forth by the Drive leaders, two new co-chairmen, Howard B. Linzer '56, and Frank Hellner '56, have been appointed. Their task will be to further publicize the Drive throughout the University.

The Y.U. Drive office, located in THE COMMENTATOR office, is now open to collectors every day.

Appoint Fischman Yeshiva's Delegate To Student Assoc.

Stanley Fischman '56, has been appointed Yeshiva's delegate to the National Students Association, announced Howard Spear '55, Student Council president. Mr. Fischman's appointment followed the resignation of Fishel Pearlmutter '55, former N.S.A. delegate.

A pre-med student at Yeshiva, Mr. Fischman is a member of the Executive Committee of the Dormitory Council and Yeshiva's chapter of Young Democrats. He also serves as a member of the Student Council Awards Committee, the Co-op staff, and THE COMMENTATOR feature staff.

Dr. Freed Awarded Senior Plaque; Honored for Service to Students

By George Siegel

Erev Yom Kippur nineteen years ago, the late Dr. Bernard Revel first president of Yeshiva U. telephoned Dr. Alexander Freed and asked him to come to Yeshiva College as an instructor in Hygiene. Thus, the student body received one of its staunchest friends. This year's graduating class, at a meeting Thursday, March 24, showed its appreciation to Dr. Freed for his loyalty to the students and service to the school, awarding him the senior plaque by acclamation.

When notified of his selection, Dr. Freed declared that he was very pleased at the honor bestowed on him by the seniors. "I hope it illustrates," said he, "that the times I have fought for students' rights I have acted in the capacity of friend and that the students realize this." Most Yeshiva men are aware of the role that Dr. Freed, now an associate professor, has played in raising questions of student rights and protesting unfair treatment of individual students.

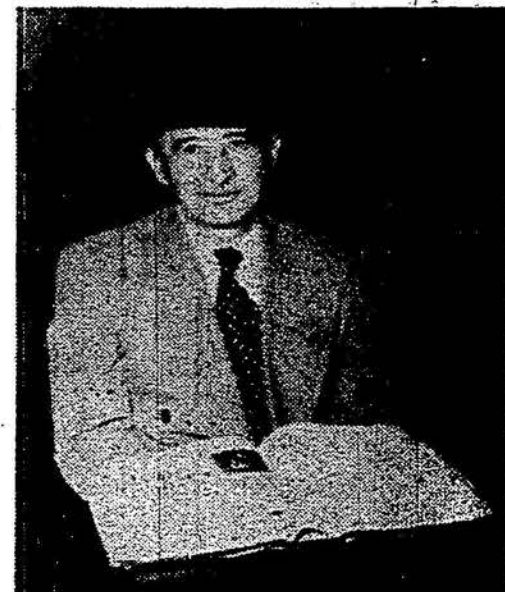
Changing Grades

One of the more recent issues concerned the ruling of the college office that instructors were not permitted to change grades if errors in judgment were found. Dr. Freed quickly became involved, objecting to this ruling because "any instructor, as a man, has the right to admit to a mistake, and there is no justice in making the student suffer for the error of his professor." This year, Dr. Freed gave his hygiene students tentative grades to facilitate the changing of them if necessary.

Dr. Freed also recalls an incident of several years ago in

which he fought to procure a *cum laude* for a graduating student when, as a result of the student's being in disfavor, that honor was denied him. Dr. Freed said that he prevailed upon Dr. Belkin on behalf of the student and was "very happy" over the president's part in insuring justice for the student.

Dr. Freed is in the peculiar position of having represented the students both as a faculty member and as a student. Prior to



Dr. Alexander Freed

studying medicine at St. Louis University, he was a student in R.I.E.T.S. while the seminary was still on the East Side. Even as a student there, he remembers being quite outspoken.

Dr. Freed is a noted Hebrew scholar, expecting to publish soon a three volume work on Hebrew two-letter roots and a dictionary of Hebrew homonyms.

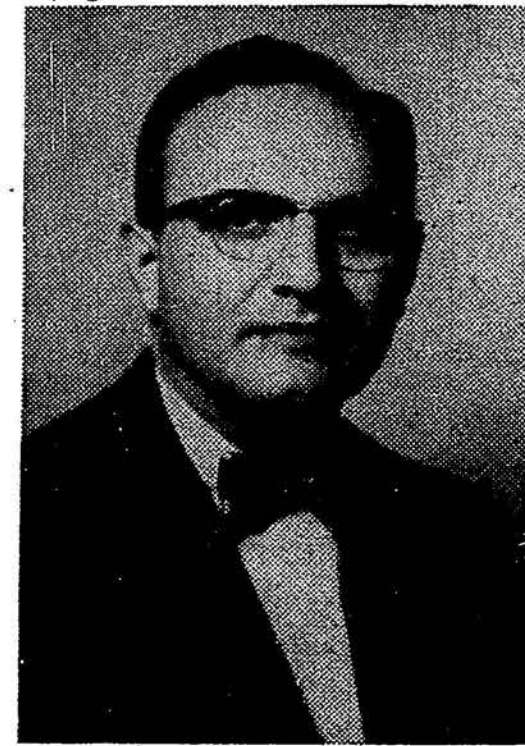
Three Program Plans Submitted to Faculty

Three alternate proposals for curriculum revision were presented by the Faculty Advisory Committee to the general faculty at its last assembly, Wednesday, March 16. The faculty voted to postpone discussion on the plans until its next assembly which was held last night.

Reliable sources reported that the faculty's vote to postpone discussion followed Dean Guterman's statement that Dr. Belkin had returned the original recommendations for further study after they

Religious Tolerance Discussed by Dean At Fireside Chat

"Although we have made tremendous progress in religious freedom for the last 200 years there still must be an eternal vigilance to maintain it," stated Dr. Simeon L. Guterman, dean of Yeshiva College, at a Fireside Chat held Monday, March 21, in the Dorm Social Hall. Dr. Guterman spoke on "Religious Liberty," emphasizing that liberty grows out of tolerance. There is



Dean Simeon L. Guterman

hardly anyone today who does not accept religious tolerance, for religious liberty is an index of civilization, he said.

Going to the origins of religious tolerance Dr. Guterman said, "Religious liberty began in modern times in about the 18th century as an outcropping of the Protestant Reformation." He gave examples of such countries as France which, largely through the work of Voltaire, began to tolerate minority religions. Other countries which also established religious freedom after a long and bitter struggle were Germany, Italy and England.

Dr. Guterman described the beginnings of religious liberty in early American History as evidenced in Rhode Island. Although the first amendment of the Constitution provides for the separation of Church and State, there are many countries which have religious freedom although they have an established church, such as England. "We often find, in a country like ours with no established religion, the possibility of one religion getting so big that no one can control it," concluded Dean Guterman.

were approved by the faculty June 1, 1954. Dean Guterman stated that Dr. Belkin had rejected the faculty's vote for three reasons. They were: 1) the amount of required courses would be too great; 2) they would cost money which was not available and 3) the faculty's decision was not within the limits set by the Advisory Council. It was reported that the faculty desired clarification of Dr. Belkin's stand.

First Plan

Under the first proposal which was submitted to the various divisions for discussion March 1, all students would be required to take twelve credits in the Division of Natural Sciences, including at least six credits in laboratory science: twelve credits in French, German, Greek, Latin or Spanish and twelve credits in the Division of Social Sciences, in addition to present requirements. Teachers Institute students would have to take seventy-six credits of required courses and others would have eighty-six required credits.

The major features of the second plan are the requiring of one year of a laboratory science and one semester of a non-laboratory science (nine credits); the introduction of a scale of varying requirements in languages depending upon the length of study of the same language pursued in high school; and three semesters in the Division of Social Sciences. These requirements would apply to all students. Under this plan, T.I. students would take about sixty-seven credits in required courses and others would have seventy-seven required credits.

The third plan provides one set of requirements for Biology, Chemistry, premedical and pre-dental majors and a different set for all others.

Science Option

Among the requirements included under the science option are: completion of language requirements through the intermediate level (courses 1-2), two semesters in the Social Sciences, Hygiene 1-2 or Fine Arts 1-2, and Speech 1; 2. Students who do not receive grades of at least "B" in both Speech 1 and 2 and the approval of their Speech 2 instructor would also have to take Speech 3; 4. Total credits required under the science option are fifty-seven or sixty-one for T.I. students and sixty-seven or seventy-one for all others.

The arts option would require nine credits in Natural Sciences, (Continued on Page 4)

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Improving Educational Standards, No. 2 Faculty

This second editorial on improving educational standards at Yeshiva College will discuss Yeshiva's faculty. Many grievances have been voiced concerning instructors, some of which are listed below.

1—Students register for a course on the basis of the course's description in the College catalog. Some instructors, however, spend unreasonable lengths of time discussing irrelevant topics and do not cover the material described.

2—Among those instructors who do cover the material, there are some who give their classes nothing of themselves. They merely parrot a text, offering no new comments or observations. Their students would do just as well to read the text at home and stay there.

3—There are instructors who, although they cover the data described in the catalog, do so in a superficial manner.

4—Some instructors do not have a command of English and experience difficulty in communicating with the students.

5—There are instructors whose examination questions are ambiguous. In addition, they either do not cover the course material or cover the most minute details, leaving the important topics unmentioned.

6—A student is entitled to expect that his examination paper will be marked by his instructor. Students often express doubts whether certain instructors grade papers at all.

The existence of these faults results in poor instruction. The problem becomes still more acute when such instruction is found in the "one-man" departments which we discussed in our last issue, because in such cases students have absolutely no chance to receive good instruction.

We recommend that the administration see to it that instructors be made aware of their faults and improve their instruction. If it is found that a teacher cannot correct his faults, he ought to be replaced.

A Fine Choice

We wholeheartedly applaud the selection of Dr. Alexander Freed, associate professor of Hygiene, as this year's recipient of the Senior Plaque. Dr. Freed has long been a champion of honesty and fair play in student-administration relations. We are glad that the Senior Class has chosen to honor him for his work in behalf of the students.

Spring Is Here, or Yeshiva Faces Life

The weather bureau tells us that spring began March 21. But snowstorms in Chicago, floods in Cleveland, tornadoes in Ohio and similar bad weather here in New York make spring seem far away.

The renaissance of Life at Yeshiva, however, for the first time since 1949, comforts us. The last real spring here brought Life into cold geometric figures and shapes. This year's vernal equinox has had an even more dramatic effect. Filled with the promise of Life, Yeshiva men sprung out of their springs—property attired of course—presenting a factual picture of Yeshiva inaction.

But spring brings more than Life to Yeshiva. Warmer weather makes us wish that our projected campus were already extant. We envision classes held among clumps of reeds, growing where once manhole covers lay.

The best part of spring, however, is the promise it brings. To paraphrase Shelley, when spring is here, can graduation be far behind?

Book Review

By Dr. Leo Jung

Responsa Of The Tosaphists. Edited with Introduction and Notes by Irving A. Agus, New York, Yeshiva University; Philip Feldheim, 1954. 304 pages.

Doctor Agus enhances his solid, scholarly reputation by the publication of this volume. It conveys very important, often fascinating, information on the life and thought of our people in the Middle Ages and on the milieu in which they labored and suffered.

"Teshuvote" (responsa) have become an indispensable source of raw material for the as yet unwritten definitive history of our people. Containing as they do, not only legal and ritual, but also social and political matter of direct and indirect significance—"en passant" views, comments, facts, unavailable or available only in distorted form elsewhere—the collections of rabbinic decisions and opinions have thrown a great deal of light on hitherto obscure or half-lit areas.

In this book, great scholars whose very names have been forgotten are resurrected and shown as luminous personalities. Of the more than one hundred and thirty responsa many add to our understanding of halachic attitudes, (e.g., the implications of *Dina de-Malchuta*), of contemporary problems (e.g., the position of the rabbi and *chazan*, and the evolution of their offices and authority), of what constituted the essence of community self-government, of Jewish inter-community jealousies and many more aspects of Jewish life. We get colorful asides about the life and manners of the Jewish youth, in and outside the ghetto.

Throughout the volume, and especially in the introduction, the editor offers learned, lucid, reliable guidance and, before one has completed the study of the book, one's gratitude to him becomes very deep.

From *In Jewish Bookland*

Wit's End

By Nat Geller

Socrates drank his hemlock malted, and what followed was a rash of philosophies, most of them abstract and highly impractical. It has taken a political revolution in India and the keenly analytic mind of a Greenwich Village yogi to bring into existence the one and only practical philosophy of the twentieth century, yoyoism.

As of the present, the effects of yoyoism on society are undetermined. This is certainly the fault of our civil and religious authorities, inasmuch as they have neglected to burn a single yoyoist at the stake or brand one "Heretic." Truthfully speaking the advent of yoyoism has been greeted with such passivity that its author is seriously contemplating the possibility of bottling his mental spasm and selling it as yoyo, second-hand yoghurt.

Regardless of what the yogi sees fit to do, the fact remains that yoyoism is practical. Primarily, the philosophy is based on the axiom, "Throw it out, then take it in," and while this adage may seem as valid as "contemplate your navel," its pragmatic value is incomparable. For example, the hiring of counselors for summer camp jobs has always utilized the technique of "Throw it out, then take it in," and affords us the perfect instance of yoyoism at work.

Invariably, when attending an interview for a summer job, the camp director's wife will be present. It is expected of her to trace the history of Camp Podonk from Hiawatha to the present, describe her husband's camp as a great social experiment, and to make certain that even if you don't get the job, you will always remember romantic Podonk. Of course, the camp director's wife gilds the

lily exclusively, for the "first year man."

Veterans of her husband's summer camp stand around the antechamber of the interview room, recounting their own experiences with Camp Podonk's social experiment. The vets do not succumb to the charms of a romantic swamp where Hiawatha was supposed to have taken Nikomis for a walk. "Podonk, indeed," snorts a seasoned veteran, "Animal Farm fits better."

A true yoyoist will realize that in the camp director he will meet a master of "Throw it out, then take it in," and will call upon the yoyo and the string, the mystic Ids of yoyoism, to help him get the counselor's position.

Whereas the camp director's wife has pictured Podonk as an escapist's delight, the boss sees his camp as a set of salary scales on the shore of income tax deductions surrounded by mountains of laundry bills. Everything will be discussed, but the counselor's salary; in short, the yoyo will be well, batted around during the hour interview. This, of course, is yoyoism at its highest. The interview denotes the practical theory of this philosophy which may be emphatically stated as "He that best wields the yoyo is best paid."

"What did you sign for?" asks a second year man who has been waiting in the antechamber for the past two weeks.

"One hundred dollars," answers the proud yoyo, "but, I have to pay for train ticket, laundry, dry cleaning, room, board, . . ."

"That's all right," interrupts the vet., "During my first year at Podonk I had to pay them to work."

Assistance Program Started by C.S.D. To Train Rabbis in Practical Problems

By Herzl Eisenstadt

(This is the second of two articles on Yeshiva's Community Service Division.)

American rabbis are becoming increasingly aware of the fact that the modern Jewish community demands from them virtues other than scholarship. Synagogues pose to their spiritual leaders problems of administration, budgeting, social functions and membership drives.

Recognizing the deficiency in the modern rabbi's training in these related fields of congregation administration, Yeshiva's Community Service Division has developed a program of advising and instructing rabbis in dealing with the down to earth problems of the functioning aspect of the congregation. C.S.D. disperses teams of men trained in social work and administration, as related to the synagogue, to various cities in which they conduct orientation programs for rabbis and lay leaders.

Possibly the problem which pro-

vides C.S.D. most chance to show its stuff is the gradual disintegration of young Jews' identification with orthodoxy. This presents a serious threat to the perpetuation of orthodoxy. Tackling this major problem, C.S.D. has devised a program of assistance which includes the initiation of activities for Jewish youth in conjunction with the synagogue, the advising of congregations on the handling of these activities and developing educational facilities, all designed to keep Jewish youth within the ranks of orthodox Judaism.

Need Trained Leaders

Probably the greatest need as regards the youth problem is for trained and qualified youth leaders. With great amounts of leisure time on its hands, youth requires the attention of qualified men who can direct their pursuits and energies along constructive channels. The first concrete step toward the fulfillment of this need was the Youth Leader's Institute recently established by C.S.D. Providing a workshop for potential leaders in the fields of Israeli music, arts and crafts, and

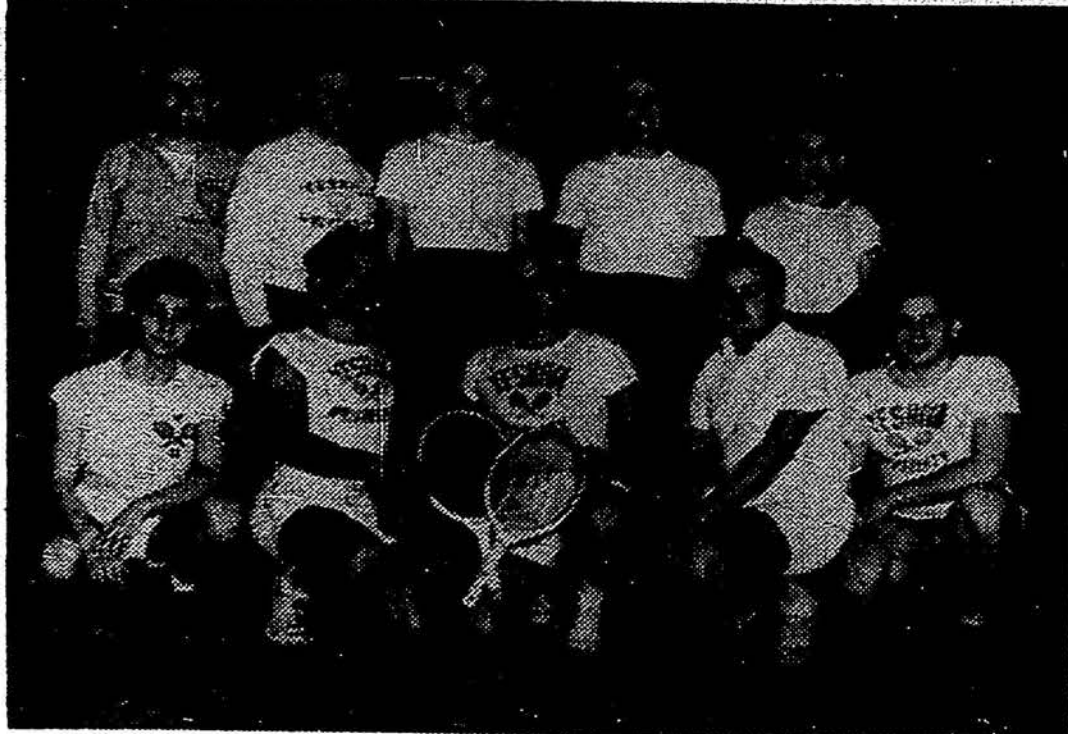
Jewish customs and ceremonies, the first pilot sessions, held in Queens and Malden, Massachusetts, have been considered "highly successful."

As a result of the initial success, plans have been formulated for similar institutes in suburban communities all along the eastern coast. The Youth Bureau has blueprinted several follow-up activities such as a New England Conclave, a national pilgrimage of Jewish youth to Yeshiva University, and a Summer Institute. The New England Conclave will be conducted as a convention weekend of orthodox youth to participate in seminars and discussions.

In addition to directing youth activities, C.S.D. has seen the need of providing for adult education within the community with the idea in mind that "the laity really wants and needs orientation and education in the field of Judaism." The bureau prepares circulars to be used by congregations to adult classes in the Jewish Communal area.

Netmen to Face West Point In Opener of 10-Game Season

Yeshiva College's Tennis Team, under the mentoring of Coach Eli Epstein, will open the 1955 campaign against Army, April 20, at West Point. This year the squad will be playing as a member of the newly formed Metropolitan Tennis League.



NETMEN: Front row (left to right): Irwin Dryspiel, Co-Capt. Dave Lifshutz, Co-Capt. Gene Horn, Stan Rosenberg, Simmy Schreiber. Back row: Seymour Hoffman, Aaron Borow, Joe Silverstein, Joel Kaplan, Herbie Hoffman.

The net men will be out to better last year's record of five wins and two losses, which was the best record compiled by any team last year.

Although the squad will be hampered by the loss of "Aussie" Friedman and Irv Aronson, last year's number 2 and 3 men, the addition of many promising newcomers and the experience gained by the veterans of last season should spell out another successful season.

Final Victim

Dave Lifshutz, Gene Horn and Herb Hoffman are the returning regulars from the '54 squad. Lifshutz will again play in the number one position and will captain the squad along with Horn. Paul Rogoway, Stan Rosenberg, Danny Harris and newcomer Seymour Hoffman will undoubtedly see a lot of action.

Irwin Dryspiel, Joe Silverstein, Leon Esterowitz, Aaron Borow and newcomers Simmy Schreiber, Joe Singer and Joel Kaplan complete the squad.

Lifshutz and Horn will probably team to play in the number one doubles position, and Hoffman and Rogoway will probably form the number two combination. The third pair has not as yet been determined.

Lifshutz, who has consistently won at the number one position,

Tennis Schedule

Wed. Apr. 20	U.S. Military Aca.	Away
Fri. Apr. 22	Drew University	Home
Tues. Apr. 26	N.Y.S. Maritime	Home
Fri. Apr. 29	Pace College	Home
Tues. May 3	L. I. U.	Away
Fri. May 6	Iona College	Away
Wed. May 11	Webb Institute	Away
Fri. May 13	Queens College	Away
Tues. May 17	Hunter College	Away
Fri. May 20	Rutgers (Newark)	Away

will again be counted upon to win that slot. Dave has a steady game and should fare well in the Metropolitan Tennis League Tournament to be held at the end of the season.

The team has been practicing every Tuesday night at the 369th Regiment Armory located at 142nd Street and Fifth Avenue, in addition to attending the Recreational Net Skills physical education course in the Yeshiva gym every Thursday night.

"Mr. Epstein has been of great assistance to us this year," stated Dave Lifshutz. "With the proper team spirit and attitude the squad should win a good number of matches."

Coach Candids

By Sheldon Chwat

Since Arthur Schoengood took over the reins as wrestling coach at Yeshiva University two years ago, wrestling at Yehiva has risen from a group of disorganized mat enthusiasts to a well-coached squad with the expectancy of four intercollegiate matches next year.

"Art" graduated, with a bachelor's degree in Physical Education, from N.Y.U. in 1947. During his stay at N.Y.U. he wrestled and boxed. He captained the wrestling team in 1946. Upon graduation, he taught physical education and coached at Columbia Grammar School.

He received his M.A. in physical education from N.Y.U. in 1949 while playing professional basketball in the New England State League. From 1949 to 1951 "Art" worked on the Youth Board, in conjunction with the Board of Education, on juvenile delinquency. This type of work took him into the poorer areas where he helped set up youth athletic centers.

He later was Director of Physical Education at the North Island Teen-age Narcotic Center. From there he was appointed Director of Recreation, Department of Physical Medicine, at Kings County Hospital in Brooklyn. In October of that year, he switched to Kingsbridge Veterans Administration Hospital where he is now filling the role of corrective therapist.

Coach Schoengood realizes that the wrestling squad is now ready for some actual practice in intercollegiate matches and that these matches "would create a great interest among the boys on the team and to the school as a whole."

Juniors Top Frosh In Intramural Rout

The Junior class defeated the defending champion Freshman class, 53-25, in an intramural game which took place Tuesday, March 22.

The frosh, trying to slow the game, held the ball for most of the first quarter, which ended in an 11-11 tie.

However, the juniors, with great height advantage, pulled away in the second quarter and led at the half 25-18. The fresh-

Champs Chopped

JUNIORS			FRESHMEN				
G	F	P	G	F	P		
Kupletzky	4	5	13	Witkin	1	2	4
Fingerhut	1	1	3	Zimmend	2	0	4
Nafman	5	6	16	Berlin	1	0	2
Dobin	5	2	12	Chervin	1	3	5
Kwestel	1	0	2	Frucher	1	0	2
Friedl'der	3	1	7	Both	2	0	4
				Ungar	1	0	2
				Weiss	1	0	2
TOTALS	19	15	53	TOTALS	10	5	25

men had difficulty in finding the mark as the lead widened to twenty points, and the juniors coasted to the 53-25 victory.

Foilers Cap Best Year With 2 Final Victories

By Morton Wertheimer

Last week the Yeshiva fencing team ended its sixth year of intercollegiate activity by piercing Rutgers of Newark 15-12 and Cooper Union 16-11. The victories extended the team's string of consecutive wins to eight and was the tenth triumph of the season as against only one loss.

At Rutgers, Captain Howie Spear and saberman Erwin Katz dropped their first matches of the evening. This loss snapped individual streaks of 15 successive wins apiece. The outlook for the

in his last match for the alma mater.

The up-and-coming epee squad took six of its nine. George Siegel led the squad by copping all three of his bouts. Morty Wertheimer took two and Joe Fischer took one.

Individual Records

	Won	Lost	Percentage
Foil			
Spear	28	4	.875
Federbush	10	7	.588
Chill	13	11	.541
Berger	6	6	.500
Stadtmauer	0	2	.000
Kanarek	0	1	.000
Saber			
Katz	26	5	.838
Peysen	15	7	.682
Ingber	15	10	.600
Danzger	7	7	.500
Adler	2	2	.500
Stadtmauer	0	1	.000
Epee			
Stegel	19	8	.703
Wertheimer	15	14	.517
Kanarek	1	1	.500
Fischer	9	11	.450
Taub	4	5	.444
Kaplan	1	3	.250

rest of the evening didn't look too bright. Joe Fischer, however, came through with three epee wins to be the only one to finish with a perfect slate. During the second round the team woke up and the final outcome was no longer in doubt. Spear, Federbush, Katz and Peysen each contributed two wins for their night's effort. All three squads managed to eke out 5-4 victories.

Sunday, March 20, Cooper Union became the "Taubernmen's" tenth and final victim, of the 1954-55 fencing season, in a 16-11 rout.

This was the last match of Captain Spear's fencing career at Y.U., and he finished it in grand style by taking all three of his bouts. Spear established a new record of 51 wins during his four years with the team.

The foil team must have also set a record, or at least equalled one, for a one match effort. They won eight and dropped only one. Chill and Federbush cut down their opponents, to take three and two wins respectively.

An unpleasant surprise was the almost complete collapse of the saber team, which won two of its matches, both of which were taken by Erwin Katz. Sid Ingber, who had the finest season of his stay with the team, also fenced

"Red" Makes It

The Kings College athletic department has announced the selection of Irwin Blumenreich of Yeshiva to their All-Opponent starting five. Irwin was a leading choice, along with Villanova center Jack Devine. The first and second teams selected by Kings College included ballplayers on All American quintets.

Top Predictions

The fencing team's winning record this year, exceeded by far coach Tauber's most optimistic pre-season predictions. The duellers started the season by whipping the Alumni and St. Peters. The team then suffered its only defeat of the season, at the hands of Brooklyn College. The Yeshiva fencing team has not beaten Brooklyn in three years. A little more than a month later, however, the Taubernmen bounded back to start their string of eight straight by beating Newark Engineering. Pace College provided meek competition in the next match and the team ran the score up to 20-7. Drew University provided the first real test after the Brooklyn defeat and the fencers proved up to it by edging

Greatest Season

Yeshiva	Opponent	Score
16 Alumni		11
17 St. Peters		10
9 Brooklyn		18
15 Newark Engineering		12
20 Pace		7
14 Drew		13
18 Fairleigh Dickinson		9
19 Brooklyn Polytech		8
21 Bridgeport		6
15 Rutgers of Newark		12
16 Cooper Union		11

Drew 14-13. As it was, this turned out to be the thriller of the season; the type that "causes ulcers." The match point wasn't won until the next to the last bout.

Fairleigh Dickinson, Brooklyn Polytech and Bridgeport all turned into routs. The duellers racked up their highest score of the season again Bridgeport, taking the match 21-6.

Coach Tauber has certainly done an excellent job with the team and the loss of only two seniors leaves only the brightest outlook for next year. The season has been the finest in the team's history and offers a challenge for the seasons to come.

Following their victory over Cooper Union, the team elected Erwin Katz and Morton Wertheimer as co-captains of 1955-56 fencing varsity. Both Katz and Wertheimer figured prominently in this year's victorious season. Katz, who fences saber, and Wertheimer, who fences epee, are both juniors.

EMPRESS THEATRE
181st STREET and AUDUBON

Wed.-Sat. March 30-Apr. 2
Many Rivers to Cross
(Cinemascope)
and
Pirates of Tripoli

Sun.-Tues. Apr. 3-5
Sitting Bull
(Cinemascope)
and
Black Tuesday

Wed., Thurs. Apr. 6, 7
Night People
(Cinemascope)
and
The Long Long Trailer

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Drs. Judah Teller and A. Bein Address I.R.S. and Israeli Inst.

"Israel's requests for support from India were turned down because of the influence that Islamism has on India's foreign policy," declared Dr. Judah Teller before the Israeli Institute and International Relations Society, March 22, in Graduate Hall. Dr. Alexander Bein, noted authority on the life of Theodore Herzl, lectured on "The Unknown Herzl," at a meeting of the Institute, Thursday, March 10.

Discussing the problem of "Israel and the East," Dr. Teller, T. I. '28, director of the Office of Information of the Jewish Agency, asserted that Israel has been attempting to "offset the influence of the Arab League by initiating diplomatic contact with the Far Eastern nations."

Dr. Teller analyzed the causes of the Gaza incident, as having been caused by mass infiltration on the part of Egyptians into Israeli territory.

At the March 10th meeting, Dr. Bein disclosed that in 1882, Herzl thought he had found the "ideal solution to Anti-Semitism." He expressed the idea of mutual toleration as the key to doing away with Anti-Semitism in his play *The New Ghetto*. In later life, however, Herzl disregarded the idea of mutual tolerance "having learned the difference between legal and social truths."

Yeshiva to Attend Model U.N. Session At Pennsylvania U.

Yeshiva will represent Ecuador at a model United Nations to be held at the University of Pennsylvania, announced Jacob Heller '56, president of the International Relations Society. Sixty-one universities will participate in the assembly sponsored by the University of Pennsylvania, Thursday, March 31 and Friday, April 1.

The delegation from Yeshiva will include Dov Genachovsky '55, Henry Hartman '55, and Mr. Heller.

Included on the agenda will be World Disarmament, A Review of the United Nations Charter, Economic Development of Underdeveloped Countries, South West African Trusteeship and West New Guinea Trusteeship.

Y. U. Film Society Gives Presentation Of Scholarly Films

The Demon in Art, Daybreak in Udi, Lesson in Anatomy, Between Two Worlds and Children Learning Through Experience were presented by the Y.U. Film Society at a meeting, Thursday, March 24, in Riets Hall.

Based on the paintings of Pete Brueghel and other Flemish and German artists of the 16th century, *The Demon In Art* develops the theory that although they varied greatly in style these painters were motivated by a very similar philosophical concept.

Daybreak in Udi is a British enacted documentary, depicting the desire of the inhabitants of a village in Nigeria to advance themselves by building a maternity center.

At a March 17 meeting of the Society, *Music In America*, a view of music that appeals to America, and *Picture In Your Mind*, a study of the roots of prejudice, were shown.

Also present were *Seal Island, The Loon's Necklace* and *Fable of the Peacock*.

Smokes for a Smile

The winners of the Chesterfield Smile of the Week contest were announced today by Ralph Schuchalter '55, Chesterfield campus representative. They are: Morton Berger '56, Joseph Book '56, Gilbert Davidoff '56, Jack Nussbaum '56, Irwin Pechman '55, Stanley Rosenberg '56, Martin Schnall '55, Joseph Sungelowsky '55, Naftali Teitelbaum '55, Louis Wohl '57, Stanley Zahner '56, and Israel Zuckerman '55.

The personality portrayed was Sheldon Rudoff '54, former editor-in-chief of THE COMMENTATOR.

Statistics

Premedical and pre dental courses of study are the most popular majors in the College announced Professor Morris Silverman, registrar. The premedical and pre dental students comprise 22.2% of the College's 445 students. Political science, mathematics, and psychology follow in popularity.

On a divisional basis Natural Science leads with 49.7% of the student body, with Social Science registering 37%.

Program Plans

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six in a laboratory science and three in a non-laboratory science; twelve credits in either French, German, Greek, Latin or Spanish, and nine credits in the Social Sciences, in addition to the present requirements. T.I. students would have seventy required credits and others would have eighty credits.

All three plans provide for the remission of certain requirements on the basis of high grades in the College Board examinations.

Dr. Churgin Gets Honorary Degree At Special Dinner

Dr. Pinkhos Churgin, retiring dean of the Teachers Institute received the degree of Doctor of Humane Letters *honoris causa*, at a special dinner-convocation of Yeshiva University, held at the Hotel New Yorker, Sunday, March 27. Dr. Churgin left for Israel Monday, to assume the presidency of Bar-Ilan University in Ramat-Gan. The convocation culminated the T.I. Alumni Homecoming weekend which took place at Yeshiva, March 25-27.

Members of the faculty and student bodies of T.I. paid tribute to Dr. Churgin at an assembly held in Lamport Auditorium, Thursday, March 24.

Marvin Pachino '55, president of the T.I. Student Council, delivered a farewell address. He cited the fact that "The tabernacle was completed on *Rosh Chodesh Nisan*, thus Dr. Churgin completes his tabernacle, Jewish Education in America, on *Rosh Chodesh Nisan*."

In accepting the gift of a watch and T.I. key from the students and teachers, Dr. Churgin declared, "I have found my existence at Yeshiva and it will remain with me forever."

Dr. Hyman B. Grinstein, registrar of T.I., also spoke and paid tribute to Dr. Churgin.

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