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Administration Reveals New Plan for Ordination

Dr. Belkin, president of Yeshiva University, disclosed Thursday, May 12, a new three-year program for ordination, to go into effect next term.

Under the new program, the student must remain at the Yeshiva for a period of three years, not including his college years. During this time he will be unable to hold any kind of position, such as teaching, and will not be allowed to do graduate work in any other field, whether in any of the graduate divisions of Yeshiva or in any other university.

Individual Interviews

Dr. Belkin said, however, that at the beginning of the three year period each student will be interviewed individually, and in certain cases permission to hold a position or do graduate work might be granted.

During the first two years the usual two tractates will be studied and a course in the philosophy of Judaism will be given by Rabbi Joseph Soloveichik.

During the third year a combined course in *Chulin* and *Yoreh Deah* will be given. Students will also be responsible for a thorough knowledge of Nachmanides' commentary on the Pentateuch and Maimonides' *Moreh Nebuchim*.

The examination on the two tractates will be given at the end of the second year and the one on the other material at the end of the third year.

Dr. Belkin explained that the new system is designed to integrate training in practical rabbinics and instruction in pure Halacha.

Ten T. I. Students Get Scholarships For Israel Stay

Ten seniors of Teachers Institute and three students from T.I. for Women will leave at the end of August to study in Israel for a period of six months as recipients of full scholarships.

The following were chosen by a T.I. faculty committee of five to receive the scholarships financed by the Association of Hebrew Teachers Colleges of America and the Jewish Agency: Marvin Blackman '56, Charles Custer '57, Herzl Eisenstadt '56, Nahum Gordon '57, Joe Holstein '54, Leon Kassir '57, Leon Schonholz '56, Sol Weintraub '58, Matisyahu Weisenberg '58, and David Zwiebel '56.

The scholarship winners will receive sixteen credits for work in Talmud, Hebrew, and a combined course in Early Prophets and Archeology. Dr. Joseph Marcus of the Hebrew Teachers College in Boston will lead the group.

Dulitz SOY Prexy; Select Haut Veep, Press Sec'y - Treas.

Label Dulitz '54, was elected President of the Student Organization of Yeshiva, Tuesday, May 17, while Irwin Haut '55, and Samuel Press '57, were chosen Vice President and Secretary-Treasurer, respectively.

Running against Label Green, who garnered 92 votes as a write-in candidate, President-elect Dulitz received a majority of 255 votes. Irwin Haut, who ran unopposed, received 327 ballots for the vice presidency. Defeating Joseph Lewittes for the post of Secretary-Treasurer, Mr. Press received 327 votes while 86 votes went to Mr. Lewittes.

President-elect Dulitz, a resident of New Orleans, entered Yeshiva College in 1950 as an English major and was elected *Gabai* in 1952. Presently in Rabbi Paleyeff's *shiur*, Mr. Dulitz is studying for the rabbinate.

Mr. Haut, newly elected vice president, served as Secretary-Treasurer of S.O.Y. last year and is the Associate Editor of the S.O.Y. newspaper. He is now in Rabbi Moshe Shatzkes' *shiur*.

Hailing from Springfield, Mass., Mr. Press, secretary-treasurer-elect, was graduated from the Talmudical Academy of Baltimore. Now in Rabbi Gorelik's *shiur*, he was previously chairman of the *Chavrusa* Committee of S.O.Y.

Nine Students to Serve On New Governing Board

Paul Rogoway '57, has been elected Editor-in-Chief of THE COMMENTATOR for next year and will head a nine-man Governing Board and six-man Associate Board, all chosen by the outgoing Governing Board.



Paul Rogoway

Arnold Enker '55, this year's editor, revealed the following appointments to Governing Board: Judah H. Klein '56, associate editor-in-chief; Josef E. Fischer '57, managing editor; Aaron Freiman '56, associate editor; George Siegel '57, news editor; Martin Fingerhut, feature editor; Julie Landwirth, sports editor; Jacob Lebowitz '57, copy editor and Stanley Rosenberg '56, business manager.

Six men were appointed to the Associate Board. They are: Julius Berman '56, circulation manager; Herzl Eisenstadt '56, editorial assistant; Jack Chinitz '58, typing editor; Joseph Silverstein '57, assistant news editor; Moses Berlin '58, assistant sports editor and Martin Schub '56, assistant feature editor.

From Seattle

The incoming editor, Paul Rogoway, served as Copy Editor of THE COMMENTATOR during the past year. A resident of Seattle, Washington, he served as Sports Editor of the Garfield High School *Messenger*. He is a member and co-manager of the varsity Tennis Team and has served on the Dormitory Council.

Judah H. Klein, new associate editor-in-chief, is a graduate of Brooklyn Talmudical Academy where he was Associate Editor of the T.A. *Topics*. A political science major in the College, he managed the cooperative stores
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Graduates Obtain Ten Fellowships; 13 In Med School

Twenty-seven Yeshiva University seniors and recent alumni have been accepted to medical schools, dental schools and graduate schools during the last few months. Of this group, thirteen have been accepted to medical schools and two to dental schools.

Ten of the students accepted to medical schools will be members of the first class of the Albert Einstein Medical College in September. They are: Chester Berschling '55, Leonard Green '55, Harvey Karten '55, Joseph Mogilner '55, Emanuel T. Phillips '55, Abraham Rosenberg '55, Freddy Rosner '55, Melvin Shay '52, and Israel Zuckerman '55.

Other Schools

Amnon Rosenthal '55, will attend the Albany Medical School, and Albert Sutton '55, and Joseph Silver '55, will attend the Chicago Medical School in September.

Those accepted to schools of dentistry are: Noah De Lescinskis '55, who will attend the New York University Dental School, and Ephraim Weinstein '56, who will attend the University of Pennsylvania Dental School.

Other Awards

The twelve seniors and alumni who were awarded fellowships and scholarships are: Gershon Blank '55, a fellowship to Syracuse; Barret Broyde '55, an assistantship in chemistry plus free tuition at Purdue University; Arnold Enker '55, a scholarship at Harvard Law School; Harry Furstenberg '55, a National Science Foundation fellowship, accepted by Princeton University and M.I.T.

Also, Joseph Hershenov '55, a fellowship at M.I.T.; Eliezer Jaffe '55, full scholarship at Western Reserve University
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Galinsky Chosen Valedictorian by Class of '55; Herman Wouk to Receive Honorary Doctorate

By George Siegel

The graduating class of 1955 chose Hersh Galinsky valedictorian, from among the three seniors with the highest averages during four years of college.

Mr. Galinsky, majoring in political science will graduate with a 3.80 average, the College Office stated. The Senior Class, voting last Thursday and Friday, selected Mr. Galinsky over Joseph Hershenov and Israel Zuckerman.

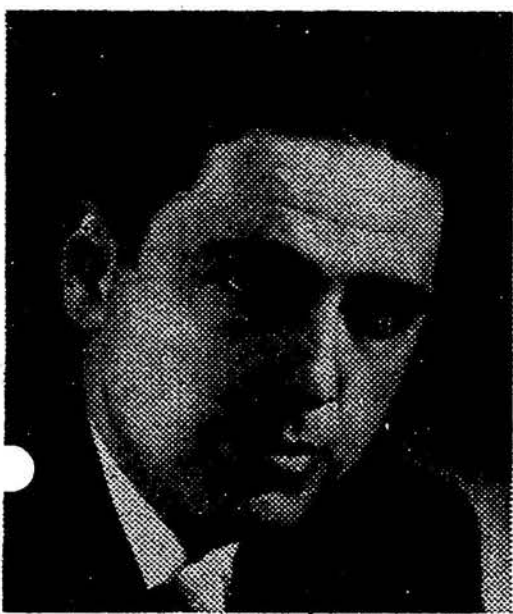
The valedictory address will be delivered at the Senior Dinner, Monday, June 20.

Largest Class

The largest class ever to graduate from Yeshiva College, numbering 136, will receive their diplomas, Tuesday, June 21, at 3 p.m. At the same time, Herman Wouk, visiting professor of English at the College, will be among three to receive honorary degrees.

New York State Attorney-General Jacob K. Javits will be the principal speaker at Yeshiva's largest commencement. Academic

degrees and diplomas will be conferred upon 230 men and women completing studies in seven divisions of the University.



Herman Wouk

Mr. Javits will receive an honorary degree in law while Carroll Vincent Newsom and the author of *The Caine Mutiny* will each be presented with the honorary degree of Doctor of Humane Letters.
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Mr. Maurice Pollack, founder of the Pollack College Library, will receive a Certificate of Distinguished Service.

Dr. Newsom, past editor-in-chief of the American Mathematics Monthly, is a noted mathematician and educator. He is the New York State Associate Commissioner for Higher and Professional Education. Mr. Pollack recently donated \$25,000 to be used improving the college library.

Marks "First"

Several "firsts" will be marked by commencement this year. Mrs. Doris Kramer, vice president and charter member of Yeshiva's chapter of Psi Chi, this June will be the first woman to be awarded a Ph.D. from the University. The mother of three children is the chief psychologist of the Jewish Vocational Service. Graduated from Rutgers University, she also received the Master of Arts from Teachers College of Columbia University in 1945.
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Select Managers For Co-op Store

Harold Richtman '56, and Morris Stillman '56, were appointed managers of Co-op for 1955-'56 disclosed Abraham Keehn '55, and Judah H. Klein '56, outgoing managers. Former managers Herbert Lubowsky '56, and Mr. Klein will serve as advisors.

The incoming managers are both graduates of Brooklyn Talmudical Academy. Mr. Stillman has served on the Co-op staff for three years and was in charge of the Ticket Bureau during the '54-'55 school year. A psych major, he was chairman of this year's Dean's Reception, and is on THE COMMENTATOR circulation staff.

Mr. Richtman, an English major and R.I.E.T.S. student, is on the business and circulation staffs of THE COMMENTATOR. He served on the Co-op staff for three years.

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Editorials

The Wrong Attitude

Owing to overcrowded conditions in the chemistry laboratories, registration has been limited for next semester's Chemistry 11 (Qualitative Analysis) course. Only 27 of the 51 eligible sophomores desiring to take the course will be allowed to do so. Also, students of one section of next term's Chemistry 13a (Organic Chemistry) class will be required to travel to 35th Street and Lexington Avenue (Stern College for Women) for their laboratory work. These changes especially hamper pre-medical majors.

The College Catalog, page 15, lists the above courses among the requirements for the pre-medical major. The College, by virtue of having admitted these students and having stated in the Catalog that Yeshiva provides a pre-medical program, has obligated itself to provide them with the opportunity to fulfill their requirements at Yeshiva.

It is also unfair to demand that students travel uptown for morning R.I.E.T.S. or T.I. classes, go downtown to Stern College for a laboratory section and then proceed home or return to the dormitory for the night. Yeshiva students, especially pre-medical majors, can not bear the additional burden of wasting much needed time in travel.

Furthermore, experience has proved that it is necessary for "Organic" students to spend many hours in the laboratory each week in addition to their prescribed hours. Under the proposed plan, students will have to spend still additional hours traveling downtown several times a week, or—as we have been informed by members of the Chemistry Department—the course will have to be abridged in order to meet the laboratory requirements in the allotted three hours. Such manipulation on the part of the administration does not solve the problem. Yeshiva College has obviously failed to meet its commitments to its pre-medical students.

The Wrong Method

In discussions with Dean Guterman concerning the above mentioned problem, we have been given reason to believe that the Dean's uncompromising attitude stems from his desire to de-emphasize the natural sciences at Yeshiva.

While we have always agreed that too much emphasis is being put on the natural sciences to the detriment of other studies, we believe that this is a grossly unjust method of restoring the balance. The proper approach would be to improve the other departments, not to arbitrarily limit science students and increase their burdens.

The Wrong Policy

Overcrowding in the chemistry laboratories is but one aspect of a problem which stems from an administration policy of expansion which has resulted in neglect of the College.

We have, in recent years, made many recommendations for the improvement of Yeshiva College. Our recommendations have included, among others, the hiring of additional teachers and guidance counselors and the improvement of curriculum, libraries and physical facilities. These improvements require the expenditure of funds which we are told are not now available.

The University's financial problems are primarily due to this rapid rate of expansion, with the Albert Einstein College of Medicine being the largest drain on the budget.

Next year's opening of the medical school should signal a temporary halt to the expansion program. It is time to devote attention to the internal improvement of Yeshiva College.

Only when we consolidate our gains, should we consider further expansion.

Commencement

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The first master degree in religious education to be awarded, will be received by Jacob Spitz from the School of Education and

Community Administration. A graduate and T.I. of Yeshiva University in 1939, and of C. C. N. Y. in 1941, Mr. Spitz is the Educational Director of Wilkes-Barre Academy for Jewish Studies.

Writer Finds Numerous Aspects To Israel's Problems of Religion

By Michael Rosenak

[Editor's note: Mr. Rosenak, a former Associate Editor of THE COMMENTATOR, recently returned from a four month study tour in Israel. The tour was jointly sponsored by Yeshiva and the Jewish Agency.]

Even before the returned pilgrim is asked about the industrial development or the scenic beauty of Israel, he is pressed for an opinion about "the religious situation." That there is such a "religious situation," the interrogator knows from reports he has read about mass demonstrations in New York, "clericalism" in the Knesset, and "pogroms" in Mea Shearim.

Not Really Qualified

That the voyager is qualified to offer an opinion at all is assumed by the fact that he has spent four months in a country, which, in reality, is involved in issues so complex that several years might not suffice in order to form any opinion whatsoever. After a few months in Israel, it is wiser to have impressions rather than opinions.

It is relatively simple to confirm or deny reports in toto; more difficult and far more truthful to admit that the "religious situation" has many faces. Is it true that the people are atheistic? There are such people. Are bearded Jews subject to police action? It has happened. Do buses really run on Shabbat? In Haifa, yes; in other cities, no.

Facets of Religion

If "the religious situation" has many facets, so does religion. The *Neturai Karta*, famous for its fortress of Mea Shearim, where religion has not yet met with the complications of modern life, and notorious for its aggressive tactics against the upstart state, is considered the religious group by itself and many "anti-clericals." The *Agudat Yisrael* is indignant when the "Guardians of the Walls" are restrained from acts of violence in God's Name, and yet sits in the Knesset, thus incurring the wrath of those it defends. Mizrahi and Hapoel Hamizrachi, rather than denounce the secular, endeavor to render it more holy.

Nor is this the end of the list. Ben Gurion considered the task of colonization of the land so sacred that he settled in the desert; the left-wing *kibbutznik* draws inspiration from reclaiming the soil. Burak, the hunger-striker for religious marriage, objected violently when his "religiosity" was attacked. "Can anyone who loves the land of our prophets be irreligious?" he asked.

Emphasize Tanach

What unequivocal statement can one make about a country which, in most of its schools, minimizes *Mitzvot Maasiyot*, but makes *Tanach* the center of the curriculum? What about a radio station that broadcasts Talmud *shiurim*, starts its day with "*Ma Tovv Ohalecha Yaakov*," and

features *Chazanut* . . . on Shabbat?

It is a concept of democracy that the similar be recognized as a basis for public action, and the divergent be delegated to the private domain until such time as individual endeavor wins public support. If the question were asked whether there is a basis to start from, the answer is certainly yes. A Jewish state has been resurrected; a Jewish remnant, imbued with the sanctity of its Land and the unity of its past, is rebuilding that Land.

Goes to Bible

For inspiration in this task, Israel goes, not to Plato, but to the Bible; the language it has chosen is not French, but Hebrew. It has marked the Seventh Day for rest and the other six for reclamation and restoration. Its public institutions are crowned with *mezuzot* and its soldiers eat only kosher food. Its cities are dotted with synagogues and its ports are open to returning exiles, despite economic hardship or social dilemma. In each of these

respects, Israel stands alone, and we would be wise to remember it.

Orthodox Viewpoint

Certainly we, as Orthodox Jews, cannot look with apathy at Sabbath traffic in the Holy City. Can we, however, condone the stoning of cars which turns other Jews even further from the observance it is meant to enforce? Naturally, we aim at a deeper and more embracing unity occasioned by a unified allegiance to Torah. Can we do it by pressuring through measures which legalize uniformity alone?

If any opinion can be formed it is that we, who have a blueprint for a truly Jewish commonwealth, should go to Israel and, by example, join forces with other Israelis who share our Divine blueprint; secure in the belief that thus we will help widen the area in which all Israel will stand as brothers. It is not by demonstrations that we can demonstrate our belief, but by living those beliefs in the country in which the fabric of today will set a pattern for tomorrow.

Wit's End

By Nat Geller

Before one can say, "Swallow that crib," final exams will be over. The numerical sponging ability of each student, I mean the college average, will then have been determined, and the only thing that's to be desired is oblivion. It is difficult to reconcile one's self to the fact that just ten months ago he promised the scholarship committee to work himself silly, and that is precisely what happened.

The professor who told his classes, "I don't mark you, everything is up to you," was unfortunately correct. But, he is no longer with us. He has gone to a far better life, marking entrance exams at a far better place. The only thing for one to do is try to forget the exams, the proctors and the green things on the roof that block out the sun from Amsterdam Avenue.

Packing

Pack your trunk, brother, and head for camp. Tie up that old suitcase with plenty of rope. You don't want the bottles to break. Take loads of books along; you're not going to read them anyway. Hustle into the chem lab and boil yourself some shampoo. No one can be sure about that "store-stuff" they sell today.

Make sure that the office has your summer address so that they can mail your registration material one hour after registration is over. But, above all, once you do get to camp, avoid the director's wife who sits all day, like Madame Defarge, knitting and waiting for heads to roll.

Proper Treatment

Try to remember that you have just finished a year of both physical and mental degradation. Take it out on the kids. Don't

be lenient with them. Treat them as you would a pack of Zulus. The sooner the counselor realizes that psychology works only on normal people, the later will his dependents cash his insurance policy. Remember, you are here to forget.

If the head counselor should ask you to take on extra work, tell him that you have an ulcer. If they accuse you of "belting" a camper, plead self-defense and do a better job next time. There are ways of pummeling a camper, tearing out his hair, gouging out an eye or two without leaving marks. Ask the head counselor. I knew one that used to tell his men never to use their hands on a camper. "Whad'ya think God gave you two feet for?"

Suggested Method

Personally, I suggest the "bed-stretch" method. Tie the victim's hands to the head of the bed, his feet to the foot of the bed, then collapse the cot. Cover the victim and go to sleep. Comes the morning, and the problem child is thoroughly stretched . . . no marks . . . a perfect torture. The parents will not complain. Their child is now several inches taller than when he first came to camp, and they will be jubilant over the fine effect that summer camp has had on their youngster.

In case you might want to earn a little extra money, don't tutor . . . play poker with the campers. Don't be ashamed about taking their money when you win. Quit while you're ahead; but if you should lose a pot or two, don't think twice about calling a mixed deal. Also, charge everything you buy to the boss's daughter. If he doesn't have a daughter, improvise.

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In Prospect

By Paul Rogoway

In keeping with tradition, I wish to express our plans concerning next year's COMMENTATOR.

As the official undergraduate newspaper of Yeshiva College, THE COMMENTATOR's primary responsibility is to the student body. We hope to fulfill this responsibility in the following ways:

First, news about the College and college students will be given preference in regard to prominence and space.

Second, we hope to encourage further student participation through the Maybe I'm Wrong column and Letters to the Editor.

Third, we intend to serve as an organ of free expression of student opinion. We also realize our obligation to the University and will cooperate with the administration toward a common goal of improvement. We will try to solve disagreements with the administration through discussion. We must always reserve the right, however, to express our opinion through the editorial column.

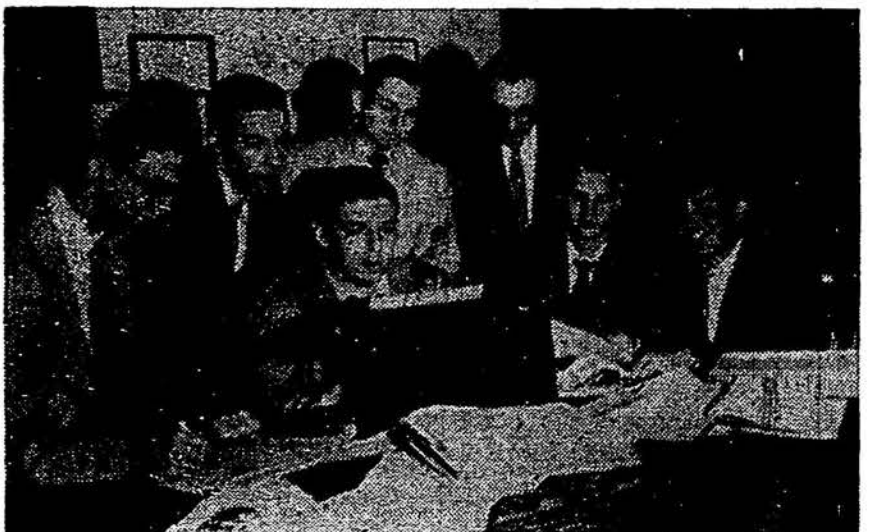
We intend to continue the student campaign for improvements in guidance, curriculum and faculty.

The guidance department is undermanned and lacks adequate quarters. Much improvement is needed in the religious guidance program.

We shall campaign for many curriculum changes including the introduction of a course in contemporary Jewish problems.

We shall continue to oppose one-man departments and shall work for other faculty improvements.

Yeshiva has achieved major significance in the American Jewish community. It is with this in mind that we undertake our responsibility.



OLD BOARD: Left to right: Judah Klein, David Zweibel, Arnold Enker, Aaron Freiman, Nat Geller, Josef Fischer, Paul Rogoway.

Old Proxy Reports

In Review

By Howard Spear

Progress and cooperation are words which best describe the work of Student Council this past year.

Council frequently initiated activities that were designed primarily to aid the work of faculty and administration. Council instituted the Senior-Freshman Guidance Program which assisted and supplemented the work of the Guidance Department. It also assisted in the formal orientation of the freshmen during the first few weeks of school. It created a Library Committee to help the University improve the library in whatever ways possible. As is customary, Council produced the Dean's Reception, an administration affair, held for the first time under conditions that were, for the most part, adequate.

The Student Council Food Committee and its Building Repair Committee obtained various environmental improvements. The food in the College Cafeteria was improved, and a ventilation system was installed in

Old Editor's Message

In Retrospect

By Arnold Enker

Reflecting upon the years I have spent at Yeshiva, one paradoxical situation, in particular, comes to my mind. Although our students are sincere Orthodox Jews, many of them seem to be apathetic to contemporary Jewish problems and thought.

Yeshiva's primary task, as the leading Orthodox educational institution, is to prepare its students for roles of leadership, both lay and ministerial, in the Jewish world. That the University is not adequately fulfilling this task is evident to anyone who spends some time here as a student.

This is due, I believe, to several factors. First of all, the confusion in Orthodox circles is reflected in our students. We lack clearly defined statements of policy, and many students do not know which way to turn. This need not be so. Yeshiva has on its faculty men who are capable of assuming roles of leadership, but for one reason or another fail to do so. Orthodox Jews look to them for guidance and it is their responsibility to assume the positions to which they are entitled.



These men are also failing in their responsibilities to their students. Unfortunately, some of them consider their positions in the University to be that of mere "lecturers" and are too often satisfied to limit the scope of their activities to the classroom. They must assume the traditional role of the *rebbe*; they must develop

and maintain a permanent relationship with their students, thereby guiding them and helping them solve their problems.

A second cause of this apathy appears to lie in the complete absence of a curriculum for the University's Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary. Leaving aside the question of studies such as Tanach and Jewish philosophy which are not undertaken at all, even the Talmud studies suffer under such a system—or rather lack of one. Too often students are asked to cover material for which they are not adequately prepared, or are studying topics which they should have covered years earlier. Sometimes, after a period of several years, students find that they have covered the same material several times. In addition, the instructors have no program by which to guide themselves. Undoubtedly, the school's discipline and examination problems stem from the same cause.

The new *smicha* program—if it will work out in actual practice as well as it looks on paper—should be viewed by the administration as the first step in the formulation of a curriculum for R.I.E.T.S.

The administration should also give careful consideration to the idea of reorganizing R.I.E.T.S. into two schools, one for those who wish to enter the rabbinate and another for those who merely desire a sound higher Jewish education.

Finally, I wish to mention the overemphasis the University has placed, in recent years, upon the study of the natural sciences. The recent registrar's report on the breakdown of students' choices of majors shows that, since 1950, the percentage of students majoring in the natural sciences has risen 16.6 points while that of social science and Jewish studies majors has declined 10.5 points.

Attention must now be directed to the improvement of the latter two departments. Especially necessary is the founding of a Semitics Department—concerning which the administration has spoken for some twenty-five years—where future Jewish scholars and leaders would be trained. The University should plan courses and seminars in Jewish thought and problems.

It is indeed amazing that the "first American University under Jewish auspices" still lacks such a department.

the College Luncheonette. College and dormitory rooms were somewhat repaired.

Student Council also succeeded in resolving certain issues in which there were varying degrees of disagreement with the administration. Among these problems were: the approach to a solution of an old dormitory problem; the programming of assemblies and Club Hours; the attempt to violate Student Council's possession and management of the Cooperative Stores, canteens, and food machines; the attempt by certain

members of the University faculty to stifle student activities and finally, the problems of individual students in which Council helped the students in their negoti-

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In Preview

By Jacob Heller

I wish to express my gratitude to you, the student body, for selecting me as President of our Student Council. During the ensuing academic year, I hope to justify the confidence you have vested in me by instituting a program of improvement and innovation dedicated to an improved Yeshiva College and the betterment of our Student Council agencies.

Much has been said about developing a school spirit and increased interest in student activity at Yeshiva. By means of this constructive program, oriented towards innovation, recentralization and reactivation of many student functions, I hope to realize these goals. Student Council will endeavor to elicit the cooperation of the alumni and administration in order to facilitate implementation of its program.

SAC has offered us much in the way of dynamic, but conflicting, club activity. Fireside Chats, assemblies, dramatic presentations and Dean's Receptions have been a source of interest and entertainment to us all. At the present, all of the above are loose ends which lack cohesive centralization. By means of an expanded Student Activities Committee; a well-integrated ten-month, non-conflicting program for clubs and assemblies; a radio station which I hope to introduce next year and better organization, I expect to revitalize and make the new SAC program more attractive and enjoyable. Other planned additions include the reinstatement of class night, and a new format for the Dean's Reception.



NEW BOARD: Left to right, front: Josef Fischer, Paul Rogoway, Jacob Lebowitz; Left to right, back: Judah Klein, Julie Landwirth, Stan Rosenberg; Not shown: Aaron Freiman, George Siegel, Martin Fingerhut.

Our Student Placement Bureau, which can be of valuable service to the student body, has not been run efficiently. There are positions to be had; an activated Student Placement Bureau should secure them for us. Here again centralization and a revamped Bureau are necessary to make available more jobs, and to effect a fair method of distribution of these jobs on the basis of qualification and need.

A glaring deficiency exists in our present framework at Yeshiva. Unfortunately, many of us lack an adequate understanding of the fundamental concepts of Orthodox Judaism necessary to properly discharge our obligations to the Orthodox Jewish community. We, as future leaders and exponents of traditional Judaism, should have a more intimate knowledge of Jewish contemporary sociology and philosophy. The courses currently offered in the College are not sufficient. They should be augmented by additional courses or a lecture series.

This past year a guidance program was instituted for dormitory residents, and initial sessions were held by the nine rabbis participating in the program. Plans were formulated at these meetings, and discussions were held. Unfortunately, the program came to an abrupt halt. Religious guidance must be reinstated not only in the dormitory but as a part of an expanded University Guidance program.

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Doris Wins Out in the End At Lag B'Omer Disaster

By Martin Fingerhut

Lag B'Omer morning I decided to go horseback riding for the first time. I had the choice of either going to Prospect Park in Brooklyn or Central Park in Manhattan where Stern College was having its annual Salami Hunt. The decision was in favor of Prospect Park, where the animals are friendlier than those from Manhattan. It was there that I met Doris. He neither smoked nor drank; as a matter of fact, he was a strict vegetarian. Doris is a horse, a real one I mean.

From the first it was obvious that the horse and I were not going to be friends. He sneered at me, and when I tried to pet him, I almost lost a hand. The physical characteristics that impressed me most were his large white teeth and his sharp metal horse-shoes. They told me his name was Doris, but that must have been a misnomer, as it was plainly visible that he was not a Doris.

Appeasement Fails

After much jockeying I finally got him under way. At first I thought the horse must have lost something, for he walked quite slowly, keeping his nose an inch off the ground. After ten minutes, however, when he began to eat the grass, I struck his . . . flank. He turned his neck and looked me straight in the eye. I dropped my gaze first. I decided to adopt a policy of appeasement. He would eat only for a few minutes, I thought.

A half-hour later I began to reason with Doris. I told him that I owned a glue factory and . . . this seemed to do the trick,

as he snorted and began to run. Two things happened to me at once. My feet fell out of the stirrups, and my heart fell out of my mouth. I pleaded in vain with Doris to slow down. I now discovered something that I had never realized before (you can get killed on a horse). It seemed that every time I bounced up, the horse went down, and every time I would come down, up would go the horse. Each kiss was murder.

Lag B'Omer Arrows

I also discovered why children go to the woods on Lag B'Omer with bows and arrows. It's to shoot those missiles at any defenseless horseman that comes along.

A hectic twenty minutes later, we thundered into the stable, where Doris came to a sudden halt. I departed from him head first, but luckily I landed on my other extremity which was surprisingly numb. The horse had won, hoofs down.

Commie Rating

THE COMMENTATOR earned a First Class rating in the Associated Collegiate Press critical service for the 1954 fall semester. First Class is equivalent to "excellent" according to A.C.P.

Competing as a bi-monthly publication of a student body of five hundred or less, THE COMMENTATOR compiled a total of 1490 points, one hundred ten points less than are required for the All-American rating.

Testing Program

A complete testing program will be available to College students in September, stated Professor Israel Young, director of the Guidance Department. This program will work in conjunction with Psychological Clinic and will include aptitude and achievement tests.

Professor Young also revealed plans to require incoming freshmen to report to Yeshiva for orientation the week before school begins.

S.C. Awards Plaque To Sociology Club For Fine Programs

The Sociological Society was presented with the Student Council Club Plaque for the "most deserving" club of the past year, Wednesday, May 18.

Aaron Borow '55, chairman of the Student Council Club Awards Committee, revealed that the committee finally chose the Sociology Society out of a list of seven eligible clubs.

The Awards Committee report stated that the Sociological Society "served not only themselves, but the entire student body as well." It was disclosed that during the year, under the presidency of Eliezer Jaffe '55, the Society sponsored eleven guest speakers and completed three research projects. The club also kept a bulletin board exhibit which "outlined all possible fields of social work."

The executive council of the Society includes Vice President Meyer Weisenberg '55, Joe Polansky '55, recording secretary; David Hammer '57, corresponding secretary. Professor Nathan Goldberg is the faculty advisor.

Letter to the Editor

To the Editor:

I would like to take this opportunity to wish Mr. Sheldon Chwat, the new athletic manager, the best of luck in his new job. I would also like to thank all those who participated in the intramural program of the 1954-'55 season. Particularly, Professors Wettstein, Tauber and Epstein, without whose cooperation intramurals would not have been possible, and last, but not least, the students who aided in officiating, scoring, timing and publicity.

The article in the last issue about my position was, to a large degree, correct, except for the fact that blame was placed in the wrong quarter. The blame rests on *most of the students!* If other students were there to help with all the errands and paper work involved, the Athletic Manager would have time for the more important aspects of his job. Remember, the Athletic Manager must arrange and supervise intramural as well as extramural athletic activities.

The Senior Class deserves a great deal of credit for breaking "tradition" by playing in the bas-

ketball intramurals and winning! This is the first time as far back as I can remember that this has occurred.

However, the student body as a whole, although participating a little more than in the past, still displayed a marked lack of interest in the school and its activities. An example of this is that a fairly large number of those who were to receive awards this year refused to attend the Y.U.A.A. dinner, giving very poor reasons. Students at Yeshiva still do not seem to understand that college means more than books and cramming. They fail to realize that they are doing *themselves* harm by refusing to participate in school activities.

There seems to be, however, a slow awakening on the part of the younger students, and prospects look good for the future.

So here's to the rejuvenation of real student activities at Y.U. in the very near future; the best of luck to the new student administration.

Sincerely,

Joseph M. Polansky
Student Manager of Athletics

Maybe I'm Wrong

By Fishel Pearlmutter

And on the seventh day thou shalt rest. . .

In my opinion, one of the most basic and overlooked difficulties facing Yeshiva students is that of time. At Yeshiva, the student is not considered a *university* student but a member of one or another department, depending on the time of day. Let us trace the weekly calendar of a Yeshiva man and find how his time is utilized, according to various administrative officials.

Allowing one day for the Biblical period of rest, we have a one hundred forty-four-hour, six-day week at Yeshiva. Of this time, the R.I.E.T.S. student has classes from twenty-one to twenty-four hours each week. Besides this time, to be spent in study and/or lecture, he is required, supposedly, to devote time to the nightly *seder*. This *seder* occupies ten hours a week.

In the College, most students have programs ranging from nineteen to twenty-one hours in class per week. Assuming that in order to really benefit from a course, for each lecture hour two study hours are necessary, we find that a minimum of twenty-five to thirty hours per week of outside study are required. According to health officials, in order to successfully pursue a normal college program, one must average eight hours of sleep a night. Count off forty-eight hours more. As Jews, we must pray, and prayer takes each student an hour each day, or six hours a week. Being somewhat less than angels, we must eat, and two hours a day or twelve a week is not unreasonable for meal times. Simply dressing, shaving and other physical needs require an hour a day at least. Personal business, such as letters, banking, occasionally

visiting friends, having interviews and other business must account for at least two hours a week.

We find that these activities alone cover from one hundred forty-nine to one hundred fifty-nine hours each week, of the available one hundred forty-four. Of course, the listing above is very incomplete. It omits time needed for extracurricular activities, for reading outside material, for pleasure reading, for social life, for reading a newspaper.

Obviously, this schedule cannot be put into practice. And, in point of fact, it has never been observed. But the various officials work on the assumption that the cheating is done on time other than that devoted to their own particular division. Because of this implied assumption, which is never voiced, many problems—*Minyan*, the difficulty involved in the raising of college standards, the problems to some degree involved in the formation of curricular activities and many more—stem to a large extent, from this overlooking of the lack of time.

The root of the problem is in the tacit assumption that a student is in and of either T.I., the College, R.I.E.T.S. and so on. The more accurate statement is that a student is a member of the University. The unfortunate effect is that student problems are dealt with as if they were only problems of R.I.E.T.S., T.I. or the College. When we wake up to the fact that the divisions are not inherent in the student, to the realization that the problem of students are problems of *university* students, then we may take a real step toward sensible analysis and action on our individual and divisional difficulties.

And on the seventh day, can you rest?

Canine Disrupts Peace and Quiet of Dormitory Evening; Aroused Students Rise to Occasion and Defeat Menace

By Allan J. Scher

Legend has it that many years ago man's best friend brought about a temporary end to inter-department strife at Yeshiva. It took a special dog at that, one of a species known as *Canine Purvisus*, commonly called "Housekeeper's Hound."

Unique Resident

In order to protect any innocent offspring, the hound's real name will not be used. We shall merely call him Sylvester.

He was, to my knowledge, the only dog residing in the Yeshiva Dormitory at that time, and he reigned supreme. He would often voice his opinions in the still of the night to such uninterested parties as the moon or Sam's cats if they wandered too near. This situation had lasted for several years and would have lasted forever, it seemed, had not a new crew of students entered Yeshiva, many of whom were averse to loud noises in the middle of the night. These insomniacs objected to those highest in the dormitory, but to no avail. It was then that the historic plot was born. One night, soon after their refused plea, 22 bleary-eyed students met in a dimly lit dormitory room and there decided "... to take matters into our own

hands in an attempt to silence the voice in the night, any way we can."

Among those present at the meeting were the four top students in the fields of chemistry, physics, pre-law and pre-med. The pre-med scholar attended only to lay claim to the remains, if and when each of the other three factions demanded the honor of doing away with Sylvester.

After much bickering the pre-med representative, being an impartial observer, suggested that they draw lots, the winner to put his pet plan to work. He also suggested, with a malicious look in his eyes that would have sent chills down the spines of the others had they detected it, that each fellow submit to his own devised method if it failed on the pooch, willing his body to the pre-med student. They confidently agreed.

Chemist Takes Over

The first lot fell to the chemistry major. He decided to take no chances. The next afternoon in lab he obtained a cylinder of pure hydrogen sulfide gas. That night wearing a gas mask, which he obtained from a Chem 1a student, he stealthily approached the sleeping Sylvester and released the gas.

It wasn't half as strong as the cleaning solution used on the dorm floors. Sylvester, born and raised on dormitory floors, slumbered peacefully on; as the puzzled chemist removed his mask for a closer look, he was immediately overcome. Standing in the outer hall with a gas mask of his own, the pre-med chuckled evilly to himself in gleeful anticipation.

Talk Fails

The next to tempt fortune was the pre-law major who attempted to convince the animal that he was dead. Twenty minutes and four bites later, the pre-law major conceded defeat and retired. The pre-med had no trouble convincing himself of his demise, but was forcibly deterred from carting the body away.

Shortly after that, Sylvester contracted pneumonia and passed away quietly one night. The remaining students, who now numbered only nineteen, obtained the carcass for the pre-med student and everyone involved signed a joint resolution laying the cause of death to the combined efforts of the three departments. This was the first—and as far as I know the last—example of inter-departmental harmony at Yeshiva.

On the Sidelines

By Julie Landwirth

Someday, when they write the story of Yeshiva University, they're going to set aside a chapter on athletics. In it there'll be the story of how Yeshiva sports started with little and grew to become a recognized function of the College, so that men educated in the sciences and humanities might also gain the concept without which any attempt at success is futile—teamwork. It will tell the story of how men trained for all kinds of professions learned the idea of "going all out for a cause."

If you look hard enough, you might even find written there a few words about what's happening to the enthusiasm you would expect from the students who come to watch their team play hard so that they can in the end say, "Yeshiva won!"

Turning a page, you should come across a few lines on how and when the administration finally came to realize the importance of a growing athletic program and of the infinite amount of prestige, even at Y.U., attached to any group of students that can go out and hand another school a sportsmanlike licking. At this point the author will come to the conclusion that the administration's overdue understanding and a new spirit on the part of the student body go hand in hand.

It wouldn't be much wonder, then, why some people think it worthwhile to strive for the promotion of some sort of school spirit. But individuals with this interest have come few and far between.

In the past THE COMMENTATOR has been fortunate in having some of them express their ideas in On the Sidelines columns. When student interest in the Blue and White becomes almost second nature at Yeshiva, as it should be, there will be men like Aaron Freiman, Bernie Hoenic, Seymour Essrog, Shelly Rudoff and the whole line of Sports Editors to thank.

These are the fellows who have taken the matter seriously, moreso than most of us care to. They've aired their view in writing so that by playing percentages they might in the long run put a point across and thus hike school spirit still another notch.

So that when one of these guys steps down and says "O.K., now you take over for a while," you start to wonder whether you can really come across as they did. You know that if, by the end of next year, you will have helped bolster such a spirit, then you weren't a flop and you'll feel pretty darn good about it, too.

Off the Sidelines

By Aaron Freiman

Another volume of THE COMMENTATOR takes with it another year of the history of Yeshiva College. With this page the sports year comes to an end. It may be said, in short, that this was the most successful of all our athletic seasons, with all major sports witnessing fruitful seasons, and many younger varsities striving toward their respective goals.

This success stems from the untiring work of many individuals. Each member of the coaching staff must be singled out for his contribution, as well as the participating students. As in any organization, a coordination center, for control and planning, must function. This coordination center is our Athletic Director. Space does not permit the enumeration of all of Bernie Sarachek's chores and responsibilities. Red," please accept our thanks.

It was an honor as well as a pleasure to serve the school and the Athletic Department through this page. The coverage could not have been complete were it not for a competent staff of "unby-lined" reporters to whom I am indebted for their cooperation. Batting in number one position was Julie Landwirth. Included in the rest of the lineup were Moses Berlin, Shelly Chwat, Morty Wertheimer and Gene Horn. Last, but not least, I extend to them my thanks.

As I remove the sideline chalk from my pants, I leave to you Julie Landwirth, to bring to you the twenty-first year of On the Sidelines.

Tennis Team to Lose Top Two Men As Seniors Lifshutz and Horn Leave

By Julie Landwirth

When the curtain fell on another season of Yeshiva University sports, it did so for the last time for varsity seniors. Among those who took final bows were the first two men on Yeshiva's tennis team this season, Dave Lifshutz and Gene Horn.

Much can be said about the way these two greats feel about the game and even more about the tremendous spark they lent to Yeshiva tennis, but perhaps the best way to wrap it all up is by saying that Dave and Gene represent the best and second best all time records in Yeshiva net history.

While Yeshiva has not enjoyed victories over such strong teams as Army, the cadets will long remember Dave as the guy who twice trimmed their top men.

Winner of THE COMMENTATOR Sports Award in his sopho-

more and junior years, Dave wound up his career with the Blue and White with a brilliant 29-2 singles record along with a 22-3 doubles mark.

Coach Epstein comments about Lifshutz that if he had more time to practice, he could become one of the country's top collegiate players. However, Dave's sights are set on his master's and doctor's degrees in history along with a Yeshiva *smicha*.

Co-captain Gene Horn is a study in progress and a real feather in Eli Epstein's cap. Taking over the number 6 spot in his freshman year, Gene climbed his way to the number two spot this year where he racked up a 5-2 singles record and the same in doubles making Lifshutz and Horn a pretty good doubles team.

Completing his Yeshiva studies this year, Gene will be off to N.Y.U. Law School.

Yeshiva Racketmen Beat Pace, Webb, In Two Net Meets

In a match played on their home courts, May 10, Yeshiva's Tennis Team ripped Pace College, 9-0. Looking pretty sharp, the netmen completely overwhelmed the visiting squad.

Dave Lifshutz opened the match, taking two quick sets from Pace's number one man, 6-0, 6-2. Gene Horn quickly followed, taking the number two man in two snappy sets, 6-4, 6-2. Herbie Hoffman, Paul Rogoway, Seymour Hoffman and Stan Rosenberg coasted along to take their singles matches. Pace defaulted the final singles match to Yeshiva.

Take Doubles

In doubles Lifshutz and Horn came through again to beat Pace's pair in the initial tilt. H. Hoffman and Rogoway took their match with S. Hoffman and Rosenberg following suit. The win boosted Yeshiva's record to 2-1 in the newly formed Metropolitan Tennis League.

The following day Yeshiva's racketmen took on Webb College, and came out on top again, 6-3. Co-captain Dave Lifshutz hustled to win in the leadoff match, 6-1, 6-0. Gene Horn had to sweat out the next one but topped the number two man, 8-6, 7-5. Herb Hoffman and Stan Rosenberg racked up another pair to close out the singles.

Horn and Lifshutz took the first doubles match, but Rogoway and Hoffman dropped the second one. However, S. Hoffman and Freshman Simmy Schreiber won their match, 7-5, 6-2.

Sarachek Speaks On Rapid Growth In Athletic Field

For the first time in the history of the Yeshiva University Athletic Association, all participating members of every phase of sports present at Yeshiva were assembled in one room. The meeting, called by Bernie Sarachek, director of athletics, for the purpose of briefing the athletes on the overall athletic picture at Y.U., was held Thursday, May 12, in the Yeshiva Gymnasium.

Mr. Sarachek reminded his athletes of the tremendous expansion of sports at Yeshiva in the past few years. He mentioned the many problems which have arisen with this expansion both in the intramural program and on an intercollegiate competitive basis.

He also stated that there are about one hundred twenty-five College students participating in the athletic program at Yeshiva. (This comprises over one-fourth of the matriculated student body.) He continued by telling the various expenses that the Y.U.A.A. has, which exceed \$10,000 annually. A large percentage of this money is supplied by the Yeshiva University Booster Club, a group of people devoted to furthering sports at Yeshiva.

YUAA Award Dinner Ends Successful Sports Year

Climaxing a most successful athletic year at Yeshiva University, the Y.U.A.A. held its fifth annual Awards Dinner, Thursday, May 19, at the Hotel Brewster in New York. The affair was highlighted by



AWARD WINNERS: Left to right: Howie Spear, "Abby" Gewirtz Gene Horn.

the presence of many celebrities of the sports and entertainment world, along with some of the prominent alumni who have taken a tremendous interest in Yeshiva's athletic program.

Sharing the dais with Director of Athletics Bernie "Red" Sarachek were Marty Glickman, Jimmy Powers, Gene Rosewell and John Nucatola representing sports, and entertainers Jack London and T.V.'s Shari Lewis, along with some of the outstanding Yeshiva boosters.

Start Presentations

After the dinner had been served, New York Post writer Gene Rosewell initiated the presentations by giving Uptown Talmudical Academy basketball coach, Hy Wettstein, the Jewish High School Championship award.

The main presentation of the evening, the Award of Merit, was given to Israel Cummings. Mr. Cummings, receiving the first award of this kind, is the Athletic Association's principal booster. His great activity in many philanthropies and his earnest interest in athletics at Yeshiva has made him highly deserving of this award. Rabbi Joseph Lookstein made the presentation.

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Rutgers of Newark Edges Yeshiva 5-4 In Last Net Match

A well-balanced squad from Newark of Rutgers edged Yeshiva, 5-4, in the final tennis match of the season last Friday. The loss left the Yeshiva netmen with a 3-5 record for the season.

The defeat was the third in a row for the Blue and White. Earlier they were downed 8-1 by Queens College and dropped a 7-2 decision to Hunter College.

Lifshutz Consistent

Despite the losses, Co-captain Dave Lifshutz proved himself as consistent as ever, downing his opponent in each of the final three matches to wind up his intercollegiate tennis career with an unblemished season record of eight victories and no defeats.

Lifshutz and Gene Horn garnered three of Yeshiva's four victories against Rutgers of Newark. Lifshutz polished off his opponent, 6-1, 6-3, while Horn trimmed the No. 2 man, 6-0, 6-2. The two co-captains then teamed together to take a 7-5, 6-2 decision in their final performance as Yeshiva racketeers. Seymour Hoffman copped the other Yeshiva win in a close contest, 7-5, 1-6, 6-4.

Take Two Contests

In the Hunter match, played Tuesday, May 17, Lifshutz took the first set, 6-0, dropped the second, 3-6, and came back to win the deciding set, 8-6, in a thrilling match. Yeshiva's only other win against Hunter was a doubles victory by Seymour Hoffman and Simmy Schreiber, 7-5, 6-4.

Playing against Queens, Friday, May 13, Lifshutz topped the no. 1 man, who is seeded on the east coast, in his toughest match of the year, 6-0, 7-9, 7-5. This was Yeshiva's only win of the afternoon.

Stan Rosenberg and Herb Hoffman were elected co-captains of next year's tennis team at a meeting of the varsity.

Intramural Crown Copped by Frosh In 51-34 Victory

After the seniors finally scraped together five men, the spirited freshmen defeated them and won the intramural championship, Tuesday, May 17, by a score of 51 to 34.

The seniors took early control of things when Joe Polansky took the tap from Arnold Enker, but from there on in it was the freshmen all the way. Freshman Jerry Witkin, who was high scorer of the game with 16 points, poked in his first two from the side early in the opening quarter.

Seniors Tie Score

Through the efforts of Seniors Enker and Mogilner, the pace quickened. The seniors started rolling with Pearlmutter dumping a couple of set shots, helping the seniors knot the score at the half 15-15.

Witkin, Roth and Frucher provided the punch that pushed the Frosh ahead 29-23 at the conclusion of the third period. Using a fast break, and working the ball very well, the freshmen ended any hopes of the seniors catching up.

Club Notes

Debate Society

The Varsity Debate Society, Tuesday, May 17, chose the following officers: Joseph Kaplan '56, president; Abraham Fuss '56, general manager; George Siegel '57, campus manager and Joe Chervin '58, secretary. Jacob Heller '56, was named Radio and Television Manager.

At the same meeting, Judah Harris '55, pre-varsity debater, was elevated to varsity status. The annual debating dinner was set for June 12.

In the Pre-varsity Society, the new officers are: Joseph Singer '58, president; Sidney Kwesiel '58, manager and Jeremiah Wohlberg '58, secretary.

Dramatics Society

Louis Wohl '57, was reelected President of the Dramatics Society, while Joseph Kaplan '56, George Siegel '57, and Herzl Eisenstadt '56, were accorded the posts of Vice President, Secretary and Production Manager, respectively.

Psychology Club

At a meeting of the Psychology Club held May 12, David Hamner '57, was elected President, Richard Garger '56, was elected Vice President and Bernard Rothman '57, was chosen Secretary-Treasurer.

Pre-med Society

Seymour Steinmetz '56, was elected President of the Pre-Medical Society at its meeting, Thursday, May 12. Also elected were Martin Gerbitz '56, vice president, and Raphael Levine '57, secretary.

Jewish Philo

Rabbi Herschel Shacter, spiritual leader of the Mosholu Jewish Center in the Bronx, and

former U.S. Army chaplain, discussed the question of "How Jewish Must the Jewish State Be" before the Jewish Philosophy Society, Thursday, May 12.

Recently returned from a visit to Israel, Rabbi Shacter described the problems of the religious parties in Israel and the government's "unofficial discrimination" against the Yemenites who are "having difficulty being integrated into Israeli life."

Melvin Zelefsky '56, president of the Society, chaired the meeting.

Pi Delta Phi

Pi Delta Phi, Honorary French Society, elected Arnold Asher '57, President, Wednesday, May 18. Louis Bernstein '56, was chosen Vice President while Gordon Stillman '57, was elected Secretary.

Eranos

Drs. David Fleisher and Irving Linn, professors of English, will be inducted into Eta Sigma Phi as honorary members along with ten other initiates, today. The meeting of Yeshiva's chapter of the honorary classical fraternity will mark its third anniversary.

Herbert Schreiber '56, president of Eranos, discussed "The Development of Roman Law" and Meyer Katzper '57, lectured on "The Life and Works of Josephus Flavius" at a meeting of the Society, Monday, May 9.

In Preview

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There are many other problems. Certainly, solutions will be sought for the cafeteria problem, improvement of curriculum, the lack of medical insurance and medical service, improved library facilities, College Guidance and better classroom facilities.

Student Council is ready to enact a program, entertain your requests, represent your interests and uphold your rights before the administration. We, your Student Council, anticipate in return your concerted interest and school spirit. With that encouragement we feel that we can make the 1955-'56 academic year a brighter one for all of us.

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Fingerhut, Kaplan To Head Masmid For Coming Year

Martin Fingerhut '56, was named Editor-in-Chief of the 1956 *Masmid*, while Joseph Kaplan '56, was appointed Associate Editor, disclosed Henry Kressel, present editor. The new governing board has not yet been chosen.

Mr. Fingerhut, newly appointed feature editor of *THE COMMENTATOR*, is a graduate of Mesivta Torah V'daath where he held the posts of G.O. President and Editor of the senior annual. Mr. Fingerhut is an English major.

A graduate of Uptown Talmudical Academy, Associate Editor Kaplan is president of the Metropolitan Intercollegiate Debating Council and the Yeshiva Varsity Debate Society. Mr. Kaplan, who was also recently elected Vice President of the Choral Society, was the chairman of the 1955 Y.U. Drive.

Math Award

The Mathematics Department has awarded Tsvi Nussbaum '58, this year's Achievement Award for Freshman Mathematics. The award is given annually in the form of an inscribed copy of *Standard Mathematical Tables*.

Last year's award, which was the first one, given by the department, was won by Marshall Luban '57.

Mr. Nussbaum, a science major, graduated from Uptown Talmudical Academy after coming from Israel in 1953.

Condolence:

THE COMMENTATOR extends its sincerest condolences to Abraham Keehn '55, upon the loss of his father. May he be comforted among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

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Beginning this June, members of the College faculty will be requested to mail records of final grades to their students, it was announced by the College Office. Students desiring this service should give their instructors a self-addressed postcard. The service is optional to the instructors.

New Boards

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and was News Editor of *THE COMMENTATOR* during the past year.

Returning Editor

Continuing as Managing Editor, Josef E. Fischer is President-elect of the Junior Class and was Vice President of the Sophomore Class. He is a pre-med student and was graduated from B.T.A.

Aaron Freiman, incoming associate editor, was Sports Editor of *THE COMMENTATOR* last year. A chemistry major, he was graduated from B.T.A.

The News Editor, George Siegel, hails from Miami, Florida. A graduate of Manhattan Talmudical Academy, he was Editor-in-Chief of the *Academy News*. He was Associate News Editor during the past two semesters, is a member of the varsity fencing team and will be campus manager of the varsity debating team next year.

Sports Editor

Julie Landwirth, new sports editor, is a pre-med major in college. He served as Associate Sports Editor during the past year and was graduated from B.T.A.

A Mesivta Torah V'daath graduate, Martin Fingerhut, feature editor-elect, has been on *THE COMMENTATOR* feature staff for one year. In high school he was G.O. president and Editor of the *Scroll*, the senior annual. He is an English major in the College.

The new Copy Editor, Jacob Lebowitz, is a graduate of B.T.A. and a physics major in College. He was Associate Copy Editor of *THE COMMENTATOR* during the past two semesters.

Stanley Rosenberg, incoming business manager, was Advertising Manager of *THE COMMENTATOR* during the past year. A political science major, he is a member of Co-op staff and a member of the varsity Tennis Team.

In Review

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ations with the administration. There was an unusual amount of student activity this year. In addition to those clubs already functioning, several new clubs, including the Pre-Law Society and the Photography Club, were organized. More students were active in clubs than ever before, making the Student Council Club Hour a success.

The Cooperative Stores were expanded. A larger, more efficient main store was open for five hours daily.

Council, in addition, expanded and improved its other activities, such as the Yeshiva University Drive for Charities, the Blood Drive, the Used-Book Exchange, the Freshman-Senior Smoker, Senior Rings, service awards, and the Student Council assembly program. The Dramatics Society brought dramatics back to Lamport Auditorium and Fireside Chats were reinstated.

In both student-administration relations and student extra-curricular activities, this has once again been a year of expansion, improvement and progress.

YUAA Dinner

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Subsequently, the award for outstanding faculty activity for the welfare of Yeshiva sports was presented to Arthur Tauber, assistant professor of Physical Education and coach of the fencing team. A similar award for a member of the administration who has excelled in student interest was accepted by Joseph Ellenberg, secretary to the President.

Plaques for the most active boosters were awarded to the Gingold brothers and Michael Howard; the award for service and devotion went to Dean Sar, and the Mortimer Kogar Award, for recreational leadership went to Joe Polansky. The annual *COMMENTATOR* Awards were presented to "Abby" Gerwitz, Howie Spear and Gene Horn. Members of the varsities and junior varsities, along with the intramural champs, received their letters and awards.

Dave Lifshutz received the first Rabbi Abraham Avrech Award to be given each year for outstanding service to the school in the field of athletics.

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Fuss, Zwiebel Talk In Forum on Radio

Abraham Fuss '56, and David J. Zwiebel '56, appeared on the Campus Editorial Program of station WINS. The program, held Sunday, May 15, was devoted to a discussion on the relaxing of immigration laws.

Other participating colleges were N.Y.U. and Pratt Institute.

"Liberal Arts vs. Professional Education" and "The Middle East Problem" will be discussed May 30. The programs are produced by the N.Y.U. Radio Workshop and directed by Miss Vivian Koenigsberg.

Fellowships

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Graduate School of Social Science; Norman Katz '52, an assistantship in mathematics at M.I.T.; Henry Kressel '55, a fellowship in physics at Harvard; Howard Newman '55, an assistantship in chemistry plus free tuition at Columbia University; and Howard Spear '55, a scholarship at Yale Law School.

Judah J. Harris '55, and J. Mitchell Orlian '55, have been awarded full scholarships by Miz-rachi Hatzair, to study at *Yeshivat Hadarom* in Rehovot, Israel.