

New Mentors Join Faculty; Additional Courses Offered

Yeshiva College has announced the appointment of the following new faculty members: Dr. Menachem Brayer and Rabbi Harry Freedman, Bible; Dr. Louis Feldman, History; Mr. Maurice Wohlgelernter, English and Professor Nathan Susskind, Yiddish.

Dr. Brayer has taught Hebrew in the Talmudical Academy and is presently a faculty member of the Teachers Institute and of the Stern College for Women.

A recipient of a doctorate in Greek and Latin from Harvard University, Dr. Feldman taught at both Hobart and Trinity Colleges before coming to Yeshiva College.

From Melbourne

The new Bible instructor, Rabbi Freedman, formerly the chief rabbi of Melbourne, Australia, has done various translations for the Soncino Press.

Professor Susskind, who will conduct the College's first Yiddish course, is also a member of the German Department at City College.

Mr. Wohlgelernter, Yeshiva '41, is presently studying at Columbia for his doctorate in English.

Visitors Leave

Three visiting professors, Drs. Ausubel, Syrett and Wagner, have left the faculty, disclosed the College Office.

In addition to serving as chairman of the Department of Jewish Studies of Yeshiva College, Dr. Sidney Hoenig, member of the faculty of Teachers Institute, will teach Bible in place of Rabbi Greenbaum who has left for Israel.

Professor Joshua Matz, bursar of Yeshiva University, who has previously taught in Yeshiva College, has returned to the faculty this year to teach a course in mathematical statistics.

New Talmud Class Aids TI Graduates Planning on RIETS

Dr. Hyman B. Grinstein, registrar of the Teachers Institute, has announced the addition of a *shiur* in Talmud for T.I. graduates planning to enter the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary.

Rabbi Simon Romm, a leading Talmudic scholar, will teach the class, delivering his lectures partly in Yiddish.

Further Additions

Further additions to the T.I. faculty include Dr. Shlomo Eidelberg and Rabbi Abraham Zimmels.

Dr. Eidelberg has an M.A. from the Hebrew University in Jerusalem and a doctorate in Hebrew Letters from Yeshiva University.

He will teach Hebrew Literature and Jewish History.

Rabbi Zimmels, a *musmach* of Yeshiva University in 1954 and a graduate of Teachers Institute, will teach Bible, Hebrew and physical education.

College Enrollment Raised by Largest Freshy Group Ever

Professor Morris Silverman, registrar of Yeshiva College, disclosed an approximate increase of forty students in the Freshman Class over last year, with the registration of about 135 freshmen. While the exact figure is not yet available, the registrar explained that the total College registration is about 475.

R.I.E.T.S. and T.I.

The Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary reported a registration of 775, while the Teachers Institute, where registration has not yet been completed, announced an unofficial figure of 300.

The registration of 45 new students at Stern College for Women for the fall semester brings its total to 75.

This year, Stern College will have its own cafeteria, serving the students seven days a week, at its new dormitory in the Hotel Duane.

In Memoriam

Norman Palefski, honor student, member of the starting basketball team and one of the best-liked students of the Sophomore Class met a tragic death this summer when the car he was driving left the highway and plunged into an embankment. THE COMMENTATOR wishes to extend its sincerest condolences to his dear ones. May they be comforted among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

Library Adds New Wing

A new wing is being added to the Pollack Library consisting of two balconies which will encircle the entire main room, announced Mr. Solomon Zeides, assistant librarian. The wing will accommodate 30,000 additional books.

The library is scheduled to open officially the first day after Succot.

The improvement of the Pollack College Library was made possible by a donation of \$25,000 by Mr. Maurice Pollack founder of the library. For making possible the library as well as other work he has done for Yeshiva University, Mr. Pollack received a Certificate of Distinguished Service at the commencement exercises held last June.

'Le Flambeau' Wins Top Honors Among French Periodicals

Le Flambeau, Yeshiva College French annual, claimed first prize in the 1955 Alliance Francaise national contest for college publications in French, disclosed Arnold Asher, president of Le Cercle Francaise, Wednesday, Sept. 14. The prize, Mr. Asher said, consists of a silver medal.

Published Annually

Le Flambeau is published annually by the French language students in the College and is devoted to articles written in French on Jewish subjects in French literature and civilization. The 1955 issue, the eleventh in the history of the publication, was edited by Joseph Sungolowsky '55, with Dr. Sidney D. Braun, professor of French, as adviser.

Following the announcement of the winners, Mr. Sungolowsky received congratulations from French organizations throughout the United States and Canada. The French ambassador to the United States also sent personal felicitations to the editorial staff.

Dr. Simeon Guterman, dean of the College, in sending his congratulations to Mr. Sungolowsky, emphasized the great contribution that *Le Flambeau* has made both to French culture in the U. S. and to the honor of Yeshiva.

Stern College Displays 'New Look'; Organic Labs Lure Yeshiva Men

By Abraham Shapiro

The "New Look" has taken over Stern College. Everything, from the flower bedecked tables in the cafeteria to the new dormitory in the Hotel Duane, smacks of the new fall fashions.

Starting from the top, easily accessible via elevator, I visited the spanking new labs which, by the way, Yeshiva's organic students will assist in breaking in this year. According to the girls, this is a mutually disadvantageous situation. "After all," remarked one young miss, "It is *our* school."

However, in regard to fashions, adjustable lab chairs have been provided for the amusement of the weaker sex.

Lockers in Halls

While I was scouting around for the offices, one of the freshmen, peering over her locker door, (Stern girls are privileged to have lockers in the halls) noticed my puzzlement and offered to direct me. I accepted, and the next thing I knew, I was in a smoke-filled room.

"What's going on here?" I asked. "Isn't it a bit early to be planning election strategy?"

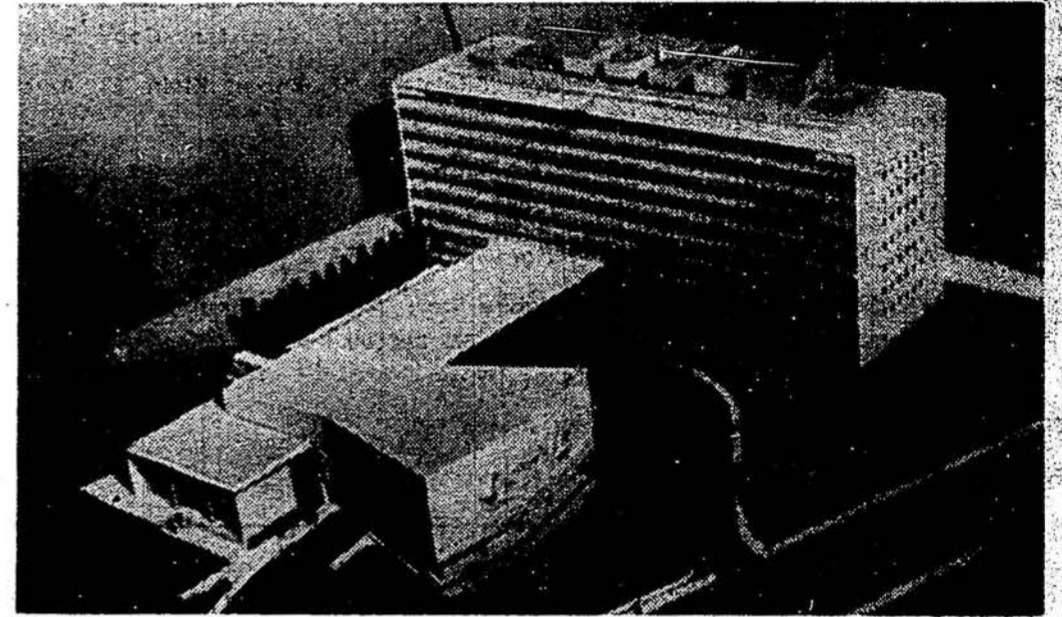
"This is our smoking lounge," a voice informed me. "It's just beautiful — when the smoke clears."

Augmenting the decorations in

Med School Opens; Enrollment Totals 56

By Joseph Silverstein

The Albert Einstein College of Medicine, the first medical school under Jewish auspices to be established in America, opened Monday morning, September 12, with the initial lecture delivered by Dr. Marcus D. Kogel, dean. Organized under a charter granted to Yeshiva University by the Board of Regents, the new medical school admitted a class of 56, 11 of whom are Yeshiva College graduates.



NEW MEDICAL SCHOOL: Artist's conception of how the Albert Einstein Medical School will look upon completion.

First year classes are being conducted in the nearly completed nine-story teaching research building, and construction of the adjoining three-story library-auditorium wing will continue while classes are in progress.

Medical Scholarship

Regents Scholarships for Professional Education in Medicine and Dentistry will be awarded on the basis of an examination to be given Monday, October 31, 1955. Applications are available at the College Office and must be submitted before October 13, 1955.

Final Campaign
A major fund-raising campaign headed by Nathaniel L. Goldstein, former attorney general of New York, is now being conducted to raise the \$13,000,000 required for the construction and equipment of the two buildings.

It was disclosed that the faculty will consist of two hundred top men in their fields from all over the country, headed by Dean Kogel, who is the former New York City commissioner of hospitals.

Noted for ACTH

Dr. Abraham White is the Associate Dean of the Medical College and a professor in, and the chairman of, the Dep't of Biochemistry. He is noted in the field of biochemistry for the isolation of ACTH and is a former member of the faculty of Yale University School of Medicine.

Dr. Alfred A. Angrist, chairman of the Dep't of Pathology at the college, is a Pathologist and Director of Laboratories at Queens Hospital Center, Jewish Memorial, Physician, and other hospitals.

Award Recipient

Dr. Henry L. Barnett, who serves on the faculty of the college as professor and chairman of the Dep't of Pediatrics, received the Mead Johnson award for research in pediatrics. He was an Associate Professor of the Washington University School of Medicine.

Dr. Leo M. Davidoff, professor and chairman of the Dep't of Surgery at the college, is a neurosurgeon at Mt. Sinai Hospital and Director of Neurological Surgery at Beth Israel Hospital. (Continued on page 4)

I had the pleasure of being chaperoned from the lounge to the modern cafeteria by Mr. Dan Vogel, registrar of Stern College. The food on exhibit looked quite tasty but fell far short of "Mother Weber's" style.

Sophomores Nice

I happened to ask one freshman for her impression of the (Continued on page 4)

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A Prescription

The long awaited opening of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine of Yeshiva University took place last week. It would be superfluous for us to add to the many platitudes extended to the University by the press and public for this occasion.

At this milestone, we are reminded of the University policy of zealous expansion on the graduate level, and its consequent inattention to the many problems of Yeshiva College, its primary source of graduate students.

We look forward to 5716 with the hope that the administration will divert its energies and attentions toward an improved Yeshiva College.

Welcome

THE COMMENTATOR takes this opportunity to welcome the incoming freshmen to Yeshiva. But we feel that it is our duty to offer you a word of caution. Like all institutions, Yeshiva is not perfect. You will find many faults that need correction. We hope that as you become aware of these faults you will pitch in and help us correct them rather than sit back and cynically proclaim that nothing can be done. Join the clubs, take part in the student publications, voice your opinion in student organizations, urge new corrective policies, put forward your solutions to pressing problems and utilize the new Senior-Freshman guidance program. Remember, most of the improvements which have taken place in recent years have come primarily as a result of student prodding.

Congratulations

Yeshiva University notes with pride that of all the college French publications in the nation, *Le Flambeau*, of our own college was judged the best. (See story, page 1.) It is certainly to the school's credit that there is such a capable group of French students willing to devote their time to produce a publication worthy of national honors and international acclaim.

Congratulations to Editor Sungolowsky, Professor Braun, advisor, and the entire staff.

Book Review

Israel's Emerging Constitution 1948-1951 by Emanuel Rackman, Columbia University Press, New York, 1955 196 pp., \$3.00.

PRO By Bialik Lerner

Rabbi Rackman's recently published work on the formation of Israel's constitution is a welcome addition to one's library, both as background material for the study of Israel and as an insight into the legal and technical aspects of the early years of the new state.

The dearth of information in English dealing with this phase of Israel's development has been sorely felt and it is to Rabbi Rackman's credit that he has assembled much scattered information from both official and unofficial sources, mostly from the original Hebrew documents and proceedings of various committees and organizations, and presented it in a readable format. The result is a rather brief but penetrating analysis of three years of constitutional progress in Israel which takes full account of the pre-state antecedents to the current constitution and their final effect upon its implementation.

Unofficial Constitution

It is Rabbi Rackman's contention that "the fundamental laws and practices that govern the operation of a state are its constitution, even if no specific instrument is thus entitled. Contrary to the widely spread error that Israel has no constitution, our author proceeds to show that even though a formal written constitution has not been accepted, the various laws passed by the Provisional Government and First Knesset since 1948 form the basis for the Government of Israel and serve as its constitution.

Not content with just recording these laws and merely listing them, Rabbi Rackman analytically groups them together under constitutional principles and constitutional patterns. It is thus shown conclusively that a usable constitution resulted from the legislative activity of these three years.

In order to fully understand (Continued on page 4)

Letter to the Editor

Editor's Note: Having received the following Letter to the Editor from a member of the faculty, THE COMMENTATOR feels that it is its duty to present it to the faculty and student body.

To the Editor:

The Registrar of Yeshiva College, while in his official capacity in the office of the College, made several statements which I believe merit the attention of the faculty and the student body.

Those statements were:

1. That the college office may dictate to the faculty members how many A's, B's, C's, etc. they

may give, and to whom they may give them.

2. That there is a group of faculty members who are incompetent and are being pushed out by the College.

I feel that the above statements should be taken in their fullest significance.

Sincerely,
(signed) Alexander Freed, M.D.
Professor of Hygiene

How to Obtain an Education — Spend a Summer in Istanbul

By Victor Goldberg

Yeshiva College students have all sorts of odd jobs during their summer vacations to make enough money to at least partially pay for their following year's tuition. It is the author's belief that of all the jobs held by Yeshiva students this past summer his was the oddest. What do you think?

In Istanbul there's a prison which the government leases to the highest bidder who in turn sublets the dark and dingy dungeons to galley thieves and what-nots. Uncle John was the highest bidder and I, this past summer, was a what-not.

Mine Runs Dry

You see, at first Uncle ran the dungeons at a profit, but after not too many months the town's folk just up and went: the town's only coal mine, their main source of revenue, went dry. With the disappearance of the town folk there remained no crooks or thieves: Uncle John was ruined—he was running low on cellar dwellers. Without them he would lose his contract with the government.

So after school was out last year, I went immediately to Istanbul to work for Uncle John as a prisoner at \$1.25 an hour. I stayed there the whole months of July and August, earning a sum total of \$1,214.56. Then at the end of August I informed Uncle John that I wished to leave.

But he wouldn't let me go. I

told him to stop joking and open the door, but he didn't. He just locked it tighter and walked away. That wasn't nice. He used to be my favorite uncle. I didn't worry too much about the whole affair—I'm a well-balanced guy, they tell me. I just sat there quietly talking to myself. (You'd be surprised how much information you can pick up). But after a while my nerves began to wear down. I was afraid they'd start College lectures without me. This would create problems. I'm a very slow note-taker and even if I start taking notes before the lecture begins I'm always the last guy to finish. What would happen, if, say, I got to school three weeks late?

Successful Escape

I decided to leave Uncle's jail immediately. I discussed the escape plans with myself. All was ready. Rope ladder, water and two boxes of sunflower seeds. (I just love sunflower seeds). Then I escaped and joined a crew of pirates who were making their way across the sea. It was a nice voyage. Friendly and honest chaps. Not a cutthroat among them.

Anyway, I got back to school in time for opening exercises. I registered and made my way to my first lecture room where I fell asleep. I dreamt I was a knight in King Arthur's Traffic Court. I miss Uncle John.

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Office of the President

September 18, 1955

I wish to take this opportunity to extend my heartiest welcome to the students who are returning to their spiritual and intellectual home and to the new students who are now being introduced to Yeshiva life.

It is indeed a source of spiritual joy for me to witness the annually increasing student body, the expansion of our academic life and continuous growth of the greatest center of Torah learning on this continent. You have joined a community of scholars who are masters in the fields of divine and human knowledge. I am sure that all of you will benefit from the unique program of studies which only Yeshiva University is able to offer.

Sincerely yours,
(signed) Samuel Belkin

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Office of the Dean

September 18, 1955

I take this opportunity to wish the members of the student body and of the faculty a Happy New Year.

As time goes on those of us associated with Yeshiva become more keenly aware of the great responsibilities that face us in administering this great institution. Without the cooperation of students and faculty the task would be an impossible one. The coming year will witness the usual tale of changes which have become part of the Yeshiva College growth. I am hopeful that the student body will benefit from the new courses and faculty members introduced this year.

With best wishes, I am,

Sincerely yours,
(signed) Simeon L. Guterman

On the Sidelines

A Tribute

By Julie Landwirth

Sometimes, when full with emotion, the heart and the mind will try desperately to express a sentiment for which there are no words. The search, the inner struggle to find a way to say something, say it sincerely and clearly, comes up with a barren inadequacy because words are artificial characters and the response to tragedy is as genuine and original as tears and laughter.

So that when catastrophe strikes with all its horrible fury and suddenly tears from our midst one of our most beloved buddies, the profound mixture of shock, wonder, disbelief, sympathy and anguish is so overwhelming that to straighten it out in order to present it in writing is in vain.

When Norman Palefski met his violent death in an automobile accident this summer, he had with him the love and admiration of everyone who ever knew him. Behind him lies the memory of a young man who was a gentleman, a scholar and an athlete; a fellow who came out of high school with scholastic honors, editor of his graduating journal and holding all Talmudical Academy athletic records, along with being selected on the starting all-city prep school five. There was never anybody more liked by, and inspiring to, his teammates. In his community he was president of the youth congregation.

In short, he was the type of guy Yeshiva is trying to build. Because of him, the name Palefski will be an inspiration to those who endeavor to combine the many facets of Yeshiva life successfully. His friends and dearest ones lost an all-around terrific boy, for which there is no real condolence. However, the real Norm Palefski, his affections, his wit, his many friendships are immortal and cannot be forgotten.

In keeping with this, the Y.U.A.A. announced that a Palefski Fund has been established and an annual award will be presented, in Norman Palefski's name, for outstanding achievement. The proceeds from this year's opening basketball game against Bridgeport, on December 3 at Central Needle Trades, will go toward starting this fund. Contributions for this fund may be sent to the Yeshiva University Athletic Association.

Athletic Manager Chwat Outlines Athletic Program for Coming Season

By Sheldon Chwat, Athletic Manager

The athletic program, which I hope will secure the cooperation of the students, has a two-fold purpose. First to make it possible for every student attending the College to participate in the intramural program, and second, to establish a closer relationship between the student body and the varsity teams, something which has been lacking for quite a while.

The Intramural program as planned is divided into two main parts. The first is individual participation by the student body in various athletic events, with awards going to the winners, and the second is class events. The individual intramurals will include golf, pingpong and fencing, which are carry-overs from last year, and additional events such

as swimming, weightlifting, basketball foul shooting, wrestling and physical fitness. All the above will take place within the physical education classes. The second part of the program consists of class intramural competition. The annual basketball intramurals will take place at George Washington High School. Intramurals in volleyball and softball are also planned for the Spring term.

As for effecting a closer relationship between the student body and the varsity teams, I intend to publicize all varsity athletic events on a larger scale than in the past.

All this is fine on paper, but it takes a new attitude and the utmost cooperation on the part of the student body before this program can be a success.

Freshmen Required For Fencing Squad, Coach Tauber Says

"We need freshmen!" With this cry, Professor Arthur Tauber, fencing coach of the Blue and White, opens the curtain on the 1955-56 inter-collegiate fencing competition.

Boasting a team that posted a 10-1 record last year, Coach Tauber refuses to lie back and reap whatever treasures may lie in the team's path this year. Looking ahead at the '56-'57 season, the coach anticipates a shortage of experienced swordsmen. With this in mind, an urgent call for all students, freshmen in particular, to join the Taubermen is being made.

Phys. Ed. Credit

Freshmen are reminded that they will receive their half credits in physical education for their time and efforts. Practices are held in our gym Monday and Wednesday nights at 8:30 p.m., and all students (come on freshmen!) are invited.

Co-captains for the coming season are Morton Wertheimer and Erwin Katz. Both were star performers on last year's squad. The team will consist of as many students as come to practice (come on freshmen!).

Similar Schedule

Although the official schedule has as yet not been completed, Yeshiva will no doubt face the same opponents as last year with the addition of a big match with Columbia (inter-city champs). These teams include: Brooklyn College, the Alumni, Pace Drew, Rutgers of Newark, Bridgeport, Brooklyn Polytech, Fairleigh Dickinson, Newark Engineering, St. Peters and Cooper Union. The addition of a match with Fordham is tentative.

With a fine season behind him, Coach Tauber is looking forward to another successful year, but ... what will '56 be like without '55 freshmen?

Basketball Squad Faces Difficult Test This Year

Last year, the Yeshiva College basketball squad posted a 13-8 record, experiencing one of its most successful seasons.

By virtue of this success, the hoopsters confidently have selected the toughest schedule they ever faced. In comparing the forthcoming program with last year's, it is noted that our favorites have slated for rematches only those colleges with whom they had rough games.

Open at Home

Opening the season at home, Yeshiva will face Bridgeport, the proceeds going toward the establishment of the Palefski fund. Last year, at Bridgeport, the Connecticut team defeated Yeshiva in a close game.

Wilkes College then visits Yeshiva followed by Paterson. It may be recalled that Yeshiva set a new "high" for points scored in a game against Paterson, defeating the latter 110-96.

Kings, to whom Yeshiva lost by two points last year, will meet our hoopsters here, followed by Quinnipiac, Adelphia and U. S. Maritime.

Tennis Team Faces Hard Schedule; Net Course to Resume

For the third consecutive year, the recreational net skills Physical Education course will be conducted by Eli Epstein, noted tennis pro at Grossinger's. The course, while stressing tennis, also offers instruction in badminton, golf and pingpong. The class meets every Thursday evening at 8 p.m. in the Yeshiva College Gym.

Promising members of the class will be invited to varsity tennis practice, which will begin in the near future. Practice sessions will be held Tuesday nights at the 15th Regiment Armory.

Squad Has Potential

The tennis squad now has, in the words of Coach Epstein, "great potentiality." The team, although hampered by the loss of Dave Lifshutz, considered by tennis experts one of the finest players in the East, remains fairly strong.

Headed by Co-captains Stan Rosenberg and Herb Hoffman, are returnees Irwin Dryspiel, Danny Harris, Seymour Hoffman, Simmy Schreiber and Paul Rogoway. Additional help is expected from Irv Aronson, who was sidelined last year, and Jerry Quint, transfer from Boston University.

This is also the second year of Yeshiva's membership in the Metropolitan Tennis Conference. Despite a rough schedule, there is a possibility that the squad will better last year's won and lost record.

Basketball Schedule

Saturday, December 3	Bridgeport	Home
Tuesday, December 6	Kings Point	Away
Saturday, December 10	Wilkes	Home
Monday, December 19	St. Francis	Away
Wednesday, December 21	Fairleigh Dickinson	Away
Wednesday, January 4	Queens	Away
Saturday, January 7	Paterson	Home
Tuesday, January 10	Fairleigh Dickinson	Away
Saturday, January 14	Cooper Union	Away
Saturday, January 28	Kings	Home
Wednesday, February 1	Toronto	Away
Saturday, February 4	Quinnipiac	Home
Saturday, February 11	Adelphi	Home
Wednesday, February 15	Rutgers	Away
Saturday, February 18	U. S. Maritime	Home
Saturday, February 25	Brooklyn Polytech	Away
Saturday, March 3	Brooklyn	Home

On the road, the Mites meet Kings Point for the first time. In another first, Yeshiva will face St. Francis in one of the highlights of the season. The St. Francis game will probably be televised locally. Other away games include those with Pace, Fairleigh Dickinson, Queens, Cooper Union and Rutgers.

For the first time in three years, the Washington Heighters travel north of the border to Canada, to play Toronto University.

The final game of the season will be played at home against Yeshiva's arch rival, Brooklyn College. Last year, Yeshiva was victorious, in the most exciting game of the season, 69-64.

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Club Notes

Chess Club

Officers of the Chess Club for this coming year are Louis Taubenblatt '58, president; Bobby Taub '57, vice president; and Jay Korn '58, secretary-treasurer. Team captain Taubenblatt has sent out an urgent request for players.

Dramatics Society

Casting for the Dramatics Society's fall presentation will begin after *Rosh Hashana*. Students who are interested in participating should contact Louis Wohl '57, president, or Joseph Kaplan '56, vice president.

Psych Club

David Hammer '57, president of the Psych Club, has revealed

that the club's project for this year is to index all the Psychology books in the Pollack Library.

I. R. S.

Officers of the International Relations Society for the coming year will be: Emanuel Federbush '56, president, Marcel Weber '56, vice president, and Mandell Ganchrow '58, secretary.

Pre-Law Society

The Pre-Law Society announced the election of the following officers for this year: Herbert Charney '57, president, Joseph Chervin '58, vice president, and Jerry Wohlberg '58, secretary.

Book Review

(Continued from page 2)

Israel's constitutional development one must have a sound appreciation of the party system as it is operated in Israel. The chapters on political parties and their views on the constitution and the arguments pro and con for a written constitution are lucidly written. They present in a concise but clear manner carefully weighed evaluations of the major parties and their opinions and influence during the debates on a written constitution.

The status of law and legislative development in the new state is also more clearly seen in the light of economic and social conditions prevalent in the country. Nor are these neglected by Rabbi Rackman in his study, as he focuses adequate attention on the many problems facing Israel, both those which have already had constitutional significance and those that will undoubtedly further continue to spread their effect and influence over Israel's law.

CON By Dov Genachowsky

It is not an easy task for the writer to criticize the work of an esteemed teacher, and if he does so, it is only because he believes that the shortcomings he points out can be corrected, in order to make Dr. Rackman's *Israel's Emerging Constitution* the first rate book it ought to be.

Even if we shall take all circumstances into account, it is somewhat hard to explain why a book published in 1955 should stop describing the historical process which is its topic in the year 1951—a year which was no stop no milestone, signified no change of direction or of means in the legislative and constitutional processes of Israel. Yet the fact remains that the Second Knesset did much more in the way of writing Constitutional Laws than did the First.

It is understood that no author can bring his book to include all facts up to the minute of publication, yet the four years between 1951 and the publication of the work should have given its author an opportunity to at least point out that there was a continuity in the processes described. In one or two points Dr. Rack-

man does that, but in a way which is far from satisfactory. After a rather lengthy discussion on the educational system till 1951 the book does mention that a Law was enacted later which made changes in the system. No mention is made of the fact that this law made the whole system so extensively discussed obsolete, nationalized education, and eliminated political interference in education.

Omits Material

Even when dealing with the First Knesset, Dr. Rackman does not utilize the whole material available. There is a section in the book dealing with constitutional differences between Jews and non-Jews, yet no mention is made in this section of a Fundamental Law whose first paragraph reads "Every Jew has the right to enter Israel."

Throughout the book the discerning reader can find traces of a struggle between Dr. Rackman and Rabbi Rackman. Dr. Rackman tries hard to be objective, to present all sides of a given problem, and objectivity causes him to argue why Reform and Liberal Rabbis should be accorded certain rights in Israel.

Rabbi's Viewpoint

Rabbi Rackman, on the other hand, turns the whole legislative process in Israel into a no-holds-barred fight between the religious parties and the not religious ones, which is bringing things *ad absurdum*. Only the minority of all bills discussed in the Knesset are discussed along religious lines. True, there are many dissensions along religious lines, yet to say, as Rabbi Rackman does, that legislation is being decided along religious lines, is only to misrepresent the facts.

There are certain statements in the book which are questionable—such as that that District Courts cannot sit on adoption cases pertaining to Jews because there is no provision for adoption in Jewish Law (p. 123), while the courts do give adoption decrees and orders according to secular law.

Only if Dr. Rackman will change all these statements and add all the missing links in the next edition will his book be what it really ought to be—the textbook on the Constitution of Israel.

'New Look'

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college, to which she replied, "The sophomores are very nice." Treated very cordially, I was given an excellent tour of the college, which at one point took me past Stern's new Co-op store. It was interesting to note that there I overheard mumblings to the effect that the administration had imposed restrictions on their student activities. However, optimism there is high. Hope was voiced that the "administration's bark would prove to be worse than its bite."

From unofficial sources I was informed that Dr. Feldman, who teaches at both Yeshiva College and Stern, observed, in comparing the two colleges, that "the boys challenge me, while the girls drink in every word of mine." It was also reported that Dr. Feldman, the only single male at Stern, has not yet looked at any of his students at Stern College.

New Commentator Selections Made

Joel Kaplan '58, and Joseph Radinsky '58, have been appointed assistant managing editor and assistant copy editor of THE COMMENTATOR, respectively, announced Paul Rogoway '57, editor-in-chief.

Abe Shapiro '58, and Mandell Ganchrow '58, regular members of the news staff, have been assigned the special positions of rewrite editor and club editor, respectively. In these new positions they will do editing work in addition to fulfilling their regular assignments on the news staff.

Welcome Back

THE COMMENTATOR joins the faculty and student body in welcoming back Sam Aronson, night manager at Yeshiva, from a recent illness.

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Mizrachi College Opens; Register 150 Freshmen

Bar-Ilan University in Ramat Gan, Israel, newly established under the auspices of the Mizrachi Organization of America, opened September 20 with a freshman class of 150 students, it was recently learned. Dr. Pinkhos Churgin, former dean of the Teachers Institute of Yeshiva University, was named the first president of the university last year.

Patterned after Y.U.

The college curriculum, patterned after Yeshiva University, is divided into four areas of study: Jewish Subjects, Natural Sciences and Mathematics, the Social Science and Languages and Literature. In addition, every student is required to take Talmud, Bible, Jewish History, Hebrew Language and Literature, Mathematics and English.

Bar-Ilan University is situated on 160 dunams in Ramat Gan. To date, the university is housed in seven buildings.

The first American college in Israel, Bar-Ilan is licensed by the New York State Board of Regents.

S. O. Y. Prepares Holiday Simchat

S.O.Y. has arranged *simchat* for *Succot* and *Simchat Torah*, announced Label Dulitz '54, S.O.Y. president.

The *Succot* celebration will be held one of the days of *Chol Hamoed* in the *Succa* adjacent to the *Bet Hamedrash*. Mr. Dulitz expressed his hopes for as "great a success as last year", when 150 attended the *simcha*.

Hakafot Planned

S.O.Y. has planned *Hakafot* to take place *Simchat Torah* until the "wee hours", in the *Bet Hamedrash*.

Further plans for celebration of the holiday include making the rounds of all the *Roshei Hayeshiva* for *Kiddush*. Students of Brooklyn Talmudical Academy have been invited to spend the weekend in the dorm and to participate in the festivities.

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