

## Compulsory Insurance Plans Adopted by Student Council

An accident insurance program and a resolution requesting the administration to make it compulsory for every out of town dormitory resident to be covered by a health insurance plan were adopted by the Student Council at a meeting held February 7.

Under the accident insurance plan, students would be covered for any injury incurred as a result of an accident on school grounds. The cost of the policy is four dollars per school year.

### Inadequate Facilities

The Student Council charged that the health of Yeshiva student's has been seriously endangered by inadequate infirmary and nurse service here.

Hiring of a full time registered nurse by the University was demanded by Council. It also requested the immediate purchase of "adequate and necessary" medical supplies for the infirmary.

The subcommittee on emergency medical care reported to Council that lists are now available of students who can provide means of transporting patients requiring immediate care to nearby hospitals.

### Library Improvements Cited

In its report to Student Council, the committee on libraries requested more faculty cooperation in the selection of books for the College Library. The committee also thanked Mr. Solomon Zeides, assistant head librarian, for his cooperation in securing several improvements.

The Council resolved to request the administration to re-evaluate the College Library and to consult with faculty members on the selection of books.

Herbert Gross '56, was appointed chief representative of Yeshiva College to the National Student Association.

## Name Two Dates For Grad. Exams

The Graduate Record Examinations are now required of all candidates for graduation from Yeshiva College. The two dates set aside for the two-day examination are Sunday, May 6, and Sunday, May 13.

The first portion of the examination, the Advanced Test, is a comprehensive achievement test in the student's major subject. The second, the Area Test, appraises the student's orientation toward the principles of culture covered by a liberal education in social sciences, humanities, and natural sciences.

Yeshiva College will bear the complete cost of the examinations this year. Students of R.I.E.T.S. and T.I. will be excused from their morning classes Sunday, May 6, to take the Advanced Test.

"The requirement of the Graduate Record Examinations is a good thing for Yeshiva College,"

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## Date, Site Chosen For Varsity Show; New Appointments

The Senior Varsity Program, which features the Senior Class in a presentation of "Otellogir" a musical Comedy by Emanuel Federbush '56, and Nat Geller '56, will take place Sunday, May 20, in the Joan of Arc High School Auditorium, 154 W. 93 Street, Manhattan, announced Martin Greenhut '56, producer.

New appointments to the production staff include George Siegel '57, who will fill an executive position on the Business Staff, and Gerald Cohen '56, who will direct the construction of the sets. There still is a need for men to aid in set construction, publicity and ticket sales, lighting and stage effects.

In discussing the aims of this production, Mr. Greenhut declared, "The purpose of Senior Varsity Night is to give the Yeshiva students a chance to work together on a creative project that will serve as an expressive outlet for talented students."

## Rabbi M. Tendler Outlines Guidance Program; Author Herman Wouk Praises Yeshiva Growth

By Joseph Silverstein

The program and general aims of the newly formed Guidance Committee were officially introduced to the student body by Rabbi Moses D. Tendler, chairman of the Committee, Wednesday, February 15, at a student assembly sponsored by the Yeshiva College Student Council and the Dormitory Council. Herman Wouk, Pulitzer Prize winning novelist and professor of English at Yeshiva College, was guest speaker at the assembly.

Mr. Wouk, speaking in his familiar, entertaining literary style, praised Yeshiva University as an institution possessing the unique quality of offering an "Orthodox Jewish education not picked and not watered down" on the one hand, and "an excellent Western education with no holds barred in it" on the other.

"The impression made on me by Yeshiva University during my short stay here before entering college," continued Mr. Wouk, "is that it represents a very daring expression of faith that Torah, in its original form, can

## Y.U. Drive Starts; All Money Destined For Israeli Causes

Collections of funds for the ten week 1956 Yeshiva University Charity Drive began Monday, February 20. The goal of the Drive has been unofficially set at \$4,000, and all funds will go toward various causes in the State of Israel in view of its present crisis and pressing need for financial aid, disclosed Philip Fuchs '57, and Joel Schreiber '57, chairmen of the Drive.

The students of all divisions of Yeshiva University will participate in the Drive, and twenty-five cents per week is required of each student. A cup will be awarded to the division contributing the most per capita.

### Charities Listed

At least fifty per cent of the funds will go toward the Israeli emergency fund. The remainder will go to *Yeshivat Hadarom*, *Yeshivat Bnei Akiva*, *Chinuch Atzmai* and anti-missionary work in Israel.

Idelle Menkes is division chairman for Central Yeshiva High School, and Haym Wasserman is supervising collection at Brooklyn Talmudical Academy. Chairing the Drive in the Teachers Institute and Teachers Institute for Women are Albert Hagler and Yvette Beeber, respectively.

Harold Neustadter '56, is statistician, and Paul Kolker '57, is publicity chairman of the Drive.

survive in the modern Western world."

Mr. Wouk gave assurance that the intellectuality of Yeshiva students is second to that of the students of no other college. "However," he said, "I feel that you lack sufficient *esprit de corps* and recognition of the great strides made by the University, especially in the past 26 years." The instilling of such a spirit is considered by the novelist as one of the major purposes of the guidance program.

### Double Program

The heavy burden carried by a student of Yeshiva is termed by Mr. Wouk as the general problem of the Jew who must live in two worlds, unless he is willing to confine himself to a walled enclave where he practices his religion isolated from society. "Rabbi Tendler and other members of the Guidance Committee," concluded Mr. Wouk "shall attempt to help the student find a solution long before he graduates."

The throng of students gathered in Riets Hall, some of whom were forced to stand during Mr.

## Debaters Leave on Tours; Elect Four New Members

Four teams of varsity members of the Yeshiva Debating Society left this morning on tours to the Chicago-Pittsburgh-Detroit, Boston, Baltimore-Washington and New York State areas.

Jacob Finkelstein '59, Yashar Hirshaut '59, Joseph Radinsky '58, and Abraham Shapiro '58, have recently been elected to the varsity disclosed Joseph Kaplan '56, president.

### Chicago Tour

The Chicago-Pittsburgh-Detroit team, comprised of Joseph Kaplan '56, and Jacob Heller '56, will debate Wayne University and the Universities of Chicago, Pittsburgh and Detroit.

Merrimac, Brandeis and Northeastern Universities are scheduled for the Boston debaters, who are Abraham Fuss '56, Nahum Gordon '57, and Yashar Hirshaut '59. This team will also debate Smith and Tufts Colleges.

George Siegel '57, and Joseph Chervin '58, make up the team visiting the Baltimore-Washington area. They will meet George Washington, Georgetown, Howard and Johns Hopkins Universities, Loyola College and the University of Maryland Law School.

### New York Tour

Facing Yeshiva's New York State opponents are Abraham Shapiro '58, Joseph Radinsky '58, and Jacob Finkelstein '59. They are to debate Albany State Teachers College, Cornell and Syracuse Universities and Union and Vassar Colleges.

In addition to the varsity tours, a pre-varsity trip to the Philadelphia area is being planned. Other varsity debates have been scheduled against Metropolitan Colleges.

All debates are on the national topic: "Resolved that the non-agricultural industries of the United States should guarantee their employees an annual wage."

Fordham University defeated Yeshiva in a debate held before the Men's Club of the Kingsbridge Heights Jewish Center, Monday, February 7.

## Revise Curriculum For M.H.L. Degree

The program for the Master of Hebrew Literature degree offered by the Bernard Revel Graduate School and the Hary Fischel School for Higher Jewish Studies has been reorganized, revealed Dr. Bernard Lander, visiting director of the Yeshiva University Graduate Division. Also to be given are new survey courses leading to a Ph.D. in Semitics.

The Yeshiva University Graduate Division is one of the outstanding schools of Semitics and Hebrew education in the country.

## If Arabs Attack, Israel To Triumph Dr. Churgin Says

"The State Of Israel, a creation of the Almighty, was not meant to be destroyed by Egypt or any other Arab state," declared Dr. Pinkhos Churgin, president of Bar-Ilan University of Israel.

Addressing a Teachers Institute assembly, Thursday, February 16, the former Dean of T.I. summed up the current conditions in Israel. "Should there be a war in Israel, there is no doubt in my mind and in the minds of all Israelis that Israel's enemies will be completely destroyed. There is no fear in Israel. The people are preparing for war under God's supervision. Prayer and, if necessary, war is the motto of the land," declared Dr. Churgin.

### Immigrant Opportunities

He also spoke about the opportunities for immigrants, the desire on the part of everyone, old and young, to defend the

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Wouk's address, were greeted by Rabbi Tendler with, "I advise you all to find seats—this will be a long one." However, the "long one" turned out to be not a drawn out lecture but rather an informal talk, colored here and there by pithy remarks of the speaker's ingenuity and by ethical sayings of Talmudic origin.

### Explains Need

At the outset of his talk, Rabbi Tendler made clear the crying need for a guidance program on a University basis at Yeshiva, especially due to the expansion that has been taking place for a number of years.

The first and foremost area in which the Guidance Committee would operate, explained the speaker, is in practical problems a student may have.

Consultation on the important personal problems of the student is the second area of the guidance program, stated Rabbi Tendler. "We wish to provide the student with someone who will guide him in the spirit and ethics of the Torah," he said. "The change in our social mores makes it im-

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# Dr. Pinkhos Churgin Depicts Bar-Ilan; Still Refers to Yeshiva as His Home

By Judah H. Klein

Dr. Pinkhos Churgin has returned from Israel to visit the United States and Yeshiva University. The former Dean of the Teachers Institute and now President of Bar-Ilan University, Ramat-Gan, Israel, expressed a dualism within himself. "Though I may be at Bar-Ilan, my heart will always remain in Yeshiva. I shall always remember Yeshiva as my home," he declared.

Dr. Churgin left Yeshiva last March to assume his present position. Under the leadership of Dr. Churgin, Bar-Ilan has shown promise of becoming Israel's foremost university.

At present, there are ninety students in the first year class. As at Yeshiva, they come from the four corners of the Earth. Students from America, Egypt, Russia, Rumania, Poland, Iraq, Uruguay and Israel, of course, are in attendance.

The instructional staff numbers twenty-one, one of whom is Dr. Alexander Freed, former medical director and professor at Yeshiva, Dr. Churgin revealed.

Hebrew is the language of instruction at Bar-Ilan. The average program calls for twenty-four class hours per week, exclusive of laboratory sessions. Courses in Talmud, Bible, Jewish History, Hebrew Language and Literature are required. Other requirements include mathematics, World and Middle Eastern History, English and an additional foreign language.

### R.O.T.C. Program

When asked about the draft in Israel, Dr. Churgin smiled. "All Israeli citizens are required to serve in the army" he said, but "college students may take a deferment exam, though they are required to serve in the R.O.T.C. program over the summer. After graduation, they serve in the army as officers."

Dr. Churgin revealed plans for a faculty-student exchange between Bar-Ilan and Yeshiva. "We must strengthen the bond between Israel and America," he declared. "The bond must be one created by Bar-Ilan and Yeshiva, for it is only the spiritual leaders and intellectuals striving together who can accomplish this bond."

"Yeshiva University is greatly respected in Israel," he declared, and he praised the accomplishments of T.I. and Y.U. graduates in Israel. In an immigrant camp which he visited, Dr. Churgin had the pleasure of seeing one of his former students teaching Talmud to hundreds of immigrants.

### Important American Visitors

Dr. Churgin also stressed the importance of Americans visiting Israel. "It is only through visiting that they can get a true understanding of the land," he said.

"There is a great demand for college trained personnel, technicians, doctors, professors and linguists," he stated. "The American youth should prepare himself in the U.S. before coming to Israel. He should finish college, and if possible complete studying for his graduate degrees before settling in Israel," urged Dr. Churgin.

When asked about the military situation in Israel, Dr. Churgin stated, "Israel is preparing for whatever might come. There is complete self-assurance prevailing throughout the land."

He reminisced for a moment and recalled that there was a time when *Haikvah* was sung only at Yeshiva, thus keeping the spirit of Israel alive. "It was Yeshiva that was always in the forefront, and Yeshiva must and will continue to remain there," concluded Dr. Churgin.

# Yeshiva Musclemen Give Blood As Nurses Come to Riets Hall

By Emanuel Sternberg

Blood flowed like water in Riets Hall, as the Red Cross once again practiced blood-letting at Yeshiva. It was a few seconds past 10 Monday, February 20 as the first students filed into Weber's, where they were greeted by Dracula's henchwomen and told to sit down on any green chair.

After a cozy tete-a-tete, they lined up, and thermometers were thrown into their mouths. One student in particular hit the 94.3 mark. The nurse told him he was lucky to be alive and they would be glad to take his blood.

### Second Interview

The next step was an interview with another nurse to find out if the Zutch disease was prevalent in school. At the same time darts were driven into their fingers to test their blood for—I give up, what? They were then conducted to the doctor's hideway, which was a curtained partition. After taking one look at the doctor it became apparent why he was partitioned off from the rest of the room. The doctor confirmed the fact that each and every student had a heart and sent them to another table where they were given their bottles and ushered out of the room.

Riets Hall looked like the Crimean campaign of 1856 with half a dozen fluttering Florence

Nightingales. Students were displaying their biceps to the nurses but to no avail. Not one student made a hit with a nurse. All they got was a shot in the arm.

### Interesting Incident

One particular incident had everybody's attention. A nervous nurse was introducing her victims to the hit and miss technique. She ended the day with a .333 batting average. Once out of every three jabs did she come in contact with the forearm of her target.

The students took it lying down, as they began to lose their cholesterol content.

Minus a pint of blood, they were led to a coffee table where they received greetings from the halacha committee, were treated to a cup of coffee and cookies and given a drop of blood on a pin. Calculations have it that 168 anemics have given 168 pints of blood.

As the students filed out of Riets Hall cries of "wait till next year" were heard from those whose muscles had failed to impress the nurses.

### Israel and Mr. Dulles

Secretary of State John Foster Dulles has plunged United States Middle East foreign policy into an incomprehensible mass of contradiction. For months he has stalled action on Israel's request for arms purchases on the pretense of fear of an arms race. Last week a shipment of M-41 light tanks was sent to Saudi Arabia, and the United States is further committed to ship eighteen more heavier Patton tanks to the Arabs.

Last Friday, testifying before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, Mr. Dulles disclaimed all responsibility for the tank mix-up, explaining that he was on vacation in the Bahamas and placing the burden on the shoulders of Under Secretary Herbert Hoover, Jr. Yet State Department officials say that Mr. Dulles approved the tank transaction last November 26 and again early this month, after a final review.

Both Dulles and Hoover, Jr. argued that the tanks are only intended for maintaining "internal security" in Saudi Arabia and are no threat to Israel. This statement is ridiculous. Does not the very possession of arms by Saudi Arabia or any other Arab country in the Middle East constitute a threat to Israel?

Obviously, the implications of the recent actions of Mr. Dulles and the State Department concern far more than a few tanks. These actions could well be the beginning of the arms race Mr. Dulles so deeply fears.

It is time that the United States stop pussy-footing and take a forthright stand to curb the crisis in the Middle East.

### Parking Lot

Yeshiva University now offers parking facilities as do several other colleges in the Metropolitan area.

N.Y.U., Hunter and Queens offer free parking while Fordham has only a fifty cent registration fee. Yet the price charged for parking at Yeshiva is twenty-five dollars per year. With this exorbitant fee the Yeshiva parking lot can hardly be called a service, as it was surely intended to be.

Furthermore, on a rainy day the lot becomes muddy thus rendering it unsatisfactory as a parking area at any price.

In addition, parking facilities were not made available to students until after faculty members were given the opportunity to reserve spaces.

If the parking lot is to be a real service, charges should be limited to no more than a small registration fee, and a proper surface should be constructed.

We also request that the administration consider that many faculty members arrive after 2 p.m. when there is ample public parking in the immediate vicinity. Consequently, students should be given at least equal opportunity to reserve parking space.

### Trouble at Alabama

The grave outrages perpetrated by the University of Alabama when protesting the admittance of Autherine Lucy demand comment of every free student voice.

There exists in Tuscaloosa a group willing to remain enshrouded in the blind ignorance of bigotry. Surely, no group in the population can take greater cognizance of this injustice than we, who, as Jews, are no strangers to the precarious existence of the minority.

Student leaders at Alabama U. are standing firm in their convictions about freedom, which their elders have contorted into an unrecognizable concept. The courage of Miss Lucy warrants great admiration and the determination of Dennis Holt of the Student Council is to be respected. Together they must succeed in rectifying this virtually irrevocable blotch on the American conscience.



# Wrestlers Triumph 20-18 For First Collegiate Win

Spurred on by inspiring bursts of student rooting, Yeshiva's infant Wrestling Team battled to their first win, topping Rutgers of Newark, 20-18, in the Yeshiva gym, Tuesday, February 14. The match was a thriller from the opening whistle to the last pin. The Blue and White grapplers, the underdog in their second match, dropped



A PIN: Ref Henry Wittenberg counts out the Rutgers grappler, as Arnie Singer of Yeshiva (he's on top!) gets the pin.

the first two pins but came back fighting to the wire to win with a clutch twenty-two second pin by Herb Charney.

Official competition was opened with the 123 pound division, featuring Yeshiva's "Killer" Katz, who was pinned in a nifty 1:51. The visiting grapplers promptly went on to cop the next class as Nat Bryks took the count, putting Yeshiva behind in points, 10-0.

### Singer Wins

The 137 class protagonist, Arnie Singer, team captain, took to the mat next, to try to put Yeshiva back in the running. Singer came out on top in 1:19 to tilt the score to 10-5.

The spectators expanded with enthusiasm upon seeing the first Yeshiva pin, and when Jonas Prager ripped his opponent, whom he spotted 10 pounds, to deadlock the score, the gym resounded with unprecedented cheering. Prager outmaneuvered his man, struggling for five minutes and 43 seconds before taking the pin.

The most grueling contest was yet to come, as Harvey Rosen tussled with his man for nine full minutes. The Rutgers man finally outpointed Rosen, and the visitors led, 13-10. In the heavy-weight class, Seymour "Sneak" Hoffman guided his way to a swift win in 1:30, to put Yeshiva on top for the first time 15-13.

### Dobin Downed

Yeshiva was out to clinch the contest, sending Aarom Dobin, the only man to take a pin in the previous Brooklyn Poly match. However, Dobin muffed the chance against a stronger opponent, and wound up on his back with Yeshiva now at the short end of an 18-15 score.

Employing a combination take down and pin movement, Charney, with Yeshiva's last hopes resting on him, took his opponent in a record 22 seconds, giving Yeshiva its first win.

After the contest Coach Joe Cassius commented, "We have a winning team and high spirit—a combination that's hard to beat. We're going to win our next match."

## Mites Edge Adelphi In 68-67 Thriller; 'Bam' Nets Clincher

Playing their third game in four nights, the Yeshiva University Mites, though trailing with 12 seconds to go, upended a favored Adelphi five, 68-67. The tense, fast moving contest played on the C.N.T. court, February 11, gave Yeshiva its fourteenth victory of the season.

Abe Sodden, started the scoring for Yeshiva, after the Mites took the opening tap, and another Sodden basket three minutes later gave Y.U. an 8-4 edge.

The Adelphi attack, spear-

### Upset

Yeshiva	G	F	P	Adelphi	G	F	P
Bl'm'rch	11	6	28	McDonogh	5	3	13
Teicher	3	1	7	Halfond	6	6	18
Steinmetz	0	0	0	Funk	4	1	9
Sodden	8	3	19	Scott	8	9	25
Schl'ss'l	4	0	8	St'nshelm	0	0	0
Helfer	3	0	6	Gordon	1	0	2
<b>Totals</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>Totals</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>67</b>

headed by speedster Gil Scott, started moving, and with seven minutes gone in the game, took the lead, 13-10. Sodden drew two personal fouls and Adelphi widened the gap to 26-19.

"Red" Blumenreich, high man for the night with 28, traded two baskets with Scott and then scored a long set sending Yeshiva on an eight point spree, narrowing the margin to 30-29. The Blue and White ended up at the half on the short end of a 37-33 score.

Adelphi scored two quick baskets at the opening of the second half but Yeshiva, paced by Blumenreich and "Bam" Sodden, who scored five points in a row, came within one point again, 47-46. Schlüssel then let loose with one of his two handed beauties, a la the St. Francis game, and the crowd went wild as the Mites took the lead.

Although Al Helfer and Ira Steinmetz combined to finally shackle Scott, a Scott basket knotted the game at 54 all. A

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# Mites to Oppose Brooklyn In Season's Final Contest

C.N.T.'s walls will be bursting with over-flow crowds once again, when the Yeshiva Mites close their most successful hoop season, Saturday, March 3, against Brooklyn College. The Brooklyn tilt, always the highlight of the season, takes on added significance, as it will mark the end of the playing careers of two Yeshiva stars, Abe Sodden and Marv Teicher.

Brooklyn, seeking revenge from last year's 69-64 loss to the Mites, will field a small but extremely

## Yeshiva Fencers Defeat Drew 16-11; Six Foil Victories Lead Team to Win

Bouncing back from the Columbia defeat, Yeshiva's fencers tore into Drew College in a home match, Monday, February 13, taking the match, 16-11. The contest saw the foil team come to life with Chill and Berger winning 5 of their 6 matches. Together with Ronny Rothman's win, the foilers compiled a 6-3 mark in the match.

The strong saber squad proved true once again as Messrs. Katz, Peyser and Danzger came through with very decisive wins, each turning in 2-1 records.

A weak spot on the squad,

showed up in the epee department. Though they were beaten 5-4, George Siegel engaged in a thrilling war of nerves against his opponent as he froze the clock until the final second and then quickly lunged in for a lightning double touch. In overtime, Siegel tried the same stunt, and this time was just fast enough. Joe Fischer let the time run out with a 2-0 advantage against the same opponent and took his match as well. The clock tripped Morty Wertheimier, however, and he lost 4-3. Joe Kaplan won and Yeshiva wound up 5-4 in epee.

## Fencers' Columbia Loss No Disgrace; Tauber Praised for Winning Squads

By Moses Berlin

It took the N.C.A.A. fencing champs, undefeated in two years, to snap Yeshiva's foiler's winning streak. Eleven straight wins is par for the course in any man's league, and so, without "sour grapes," the Columbia defeat, 20-7, is no disgrace. The Mites did get wins by Fischer, Katz, Peyser, Danzger, Chill and Kanarek (2) against a team that practices nine hours to every one of Yeshiva's. Columbia was obviously a more polished and experienced club.

Seeing Yeshiva pitted against the top team, though, is certainly a well deserved feather in Coach Art Tauber's cap. What he does at Yeshiva would anywhere else be labeled impossible. Coach Tauber, each year, takes men who never saw a foil before and whips up a team that consistently turns in winning seasons.

His mild manner, deep concern and understanding have gained the admiration of all who know him. If it is difficult to extend laurels to Arthur Tauber, it is only because he has so many already. Aside from being Yeshiva's fencing coach and Phys. Ed. instructor, he is executive assistant and chief corrector therapist at the V.A. Hospital in Manhattan.

He is the author of several precision physical rehabilitation books. He is a member of the Association of College Professors and rehabilitation organizations.

Coach Tauber is a great athlete in his own right. While at Stuyvesant High, his team was undefeated. At N.Y.U., he was never beaten. In the 1942 Olympics, Tauber was on the U.S. team.

In 1946, he was elected Assistant Coach of the Olympic fencing team. He was rated All-American in 1942. From 1942-1946 the coach switched weapons and fought on Uncle Sam's winning team in World War II.

Art Tauber's rich background makes it an honor to have him at Yeshiva University. He is all these things, besides being a wonderful personality and fine coach.



Arthur Tauber

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