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Appointment of Six to Faculty Announced by Dean Guterman

Dr. Simeon L. Guterman, dean of Yeshiva College, has announced the following appointments to the faculty of Yeshiva College: Dr. Robert Lekachman, assistant professor of Economics, Dr. Adolf Anderson, visiting professor of Chemistry, Dr. Moshe Reguer, instructor in Bible, Mr. Jonah Mann, instructor in Mathematics, Mr. Judah Schwartz, instructor in Physics, and Rabbi Harry Wohlberg, instructor in Bible.

Dr. Anderson, the newly appointed visiting professor of Chemistry, received both his B.S. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of Pittsburgh.

The new Assistant Professor of Economics, Dr. Robert Lekachman, received his B.S.S. in 1942 and his Ph.D. in 1954 from Columbia University.

Jonah Mann '54, the new instructor in Mathematics, received both his B.A. and M.S. from Yeshiva. For the past two years, Mr. Mann has been assistant to Dr. Jekuthiel Ginsburg, director of the Institute of Mathematics.

Returns to Faculty

A returnee to the College faculty, Dr. Moshe Reguer received his *smicha* from R.I.E.T.S., his B.A. from Yeshiva College in 1942 and his D.H.L. from Yeshiva University in 1946.

Mr. Judah Schwartz, the new addition to the Physics Department, received his B.A. from Yeshiva in 1954. For the past two years, he has been simultaneously studying for his doctorate and teaching at Columbia University.

Rabbi Harry Wohlberg, assistant professor of Homiletic Literature in R.I.E.T.S., is National Vice President of the Mizrahi and Vice President of the Rabbinic Alumni of Yeshiva University. He received his *smicha* from R.I.E.T.S. in 1932, and his B.S. from Columbia University in 1939.

Minyan Problem Solved in Two Novel Ways; Students Experience Morning Resurrection

By George Siegel

The Yeshiva student would be less the man if he did not admit to himself certain truths. First of these is that any Yeshiva student ought to go to *minyan*. The second of these is that if we are lazy, we ought to be prodded. Furthermore, if these thoughts seem treason to the "student cause," it is only because most Yeshiva students have cultivated the notion that what they do is right simply by virtue of their doing it.

In any event, it is already apparent to most dorm residents that a project is being intensively pursued by one whom we may affectionately term the "prodder." Such an onslaught of counselors, assistants and whatnot have been let loose on the dorm, that even Morpheus' most vigorous disciples have been seeing more

daylight than they ever imagined existed.

The campaign is really a simple one waged on two levels, the physical and the psychological. At 7:30 a.m., an assistant will enter the room and, as roosters are wont to do, loudly proclaim the morning. Any occupant will be sufficiently disturbed at this to at least turn over.

Psychological Effect

As he does this, the psychological sets in. For no apparent reason, the occupant recalls that, one, the last time he was at *minyan* the whole dorm was there, and, two, in a half hour there will be another "prodder" constituent that has the disturbing habit of smiling and observing, "for shame!"

It is apparent even to the casual observer that the situation in the dorm represents a com-

Mayor Gets Award For Public Service At Charter Dinner

Mayor Robert F. Wagner was presented with the Yeshiva University Annual Charter Day Award at a dinner held Sunday evening, October 14, at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. The Charter Day Dinner, sponsored by the Bronx Community, marks the eleventh anniversary of Yeshiva's attainment of university status.

Among the others honored were: Justice Morris E. Spector, who received the Yeshiva University Synagogue Award, and Mr. Samuel Adler, president of the Adler Creamery Company, who was the recipient of the Yeshiva University Charter Day Laymen's Award.

Dr. Belkin Commends Wargner

In citing Mayor Wagner for the award, Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of Yeshiva University, commended him for his "distinguished public service and devotion to the liberal tradition."

Judge Spector, recipient of the Synagogue Award, is a member of the State Supreme Court, having been elected to it in 1955 after serving as City Court Justice since 1949. A former United States Attorney and Assistant District Attorney of Bronx County, he is Chairman of the Yeshiva University Synagogue Council and is widely active in numerous civic and philanthropic undertakings.

Mr. Adler, who was presented with the Laymen's award, is a founder of the University's Albert Einstein College of Medicine, and has been actively identified with many charitable and communal endeavors.

Assistant Deanship Created; Rabbi Tendler Assumes Post

Rabbi Moses D. Tendler, chairman of the Religious Guidance Committee, and instructor in Biology, has been appointed Assistant Dean of Yeshiva College in charge of student affairs, announced Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of Yeshiva University.



Rabbi Moses D. Tendler

The duties of the Assistant Dean, as enumerated by Dean Guterman, are: to interview all students including applicants for admission; to share the responsibility of student counseling; to handle cases of student discipline; to supervise student activities and publications and to have complete charge of dormitories and all activities pertaining to them. The new Assistant Dean is a member of the University Scholarship Committee and a member of the University Review Board.

Degrees from N. Y. U.

Rabbi Tendler received his B.A. from New York University in 1947, his M.A. from the same school in 1950 and *smicha* from R.I.E.T.S. in 1949. He is currently studying for his doctorate at Columbia University.

As a bacteriologist, he recently concluded a research fellowship at Columbia University. It was awarded by the United States Public Health Service to continue original research in vitamin B-12 and hemoglobin, with direct application to the problems of anemia and leukemia.

Previous to his appointment as Assistant Dean, Rabbi Tendler taught a class in Talmud at R.I.E.T.S. He is a member of the Rabbinical Council of America, the Union of Orthodox Rabbis of the United States and Canada and the American Society of Bacteriologists.

Seniors Aid Fresh In New Program; Advise on Majors

This year's Senior-Freshman Advisory Committee has already interviewed 115 of the 140 freshmen, disclosed Josef E. Fischer '57, president of Student Council.

Under the direction of David J. Hammer '57, the program began functioning during Freshman Orientation Week. At that time, the freshmen had their first opportunity to meet with their senior advisers. To help the students get acquainted with the school, a number of faculty members were present.

Have Same Major

An integral part of the program is the assignment of senior advisers to freshmen who are majoring in the same field as their advisers. This permits the advisers to come into closer contact with the freshmen in their monthly interviews.

Canadian Professor Chosen as Director Of New Grad Dept.

Professor Morton Teicher of the University of Toronto has been named Director of the newly established Department of Social Work of the Graduate Division.

After receiving his B.S.S. from C.C.N.Y. in 1940 and his Master of Social Work in 1942 from the University of Pennsylvania, Professor Teicher served as a psychologist and social worker for the United States Army during the Second World War and as the chief psychiatric worker of the Toronto Psychiatric Hospital.

An anthropologist as well as a social worker, he did graduate work in anthropology at the University of Toronto and field work among the Eskimos and Iriquois Indians.

Professor Teicher is a member of the Canadian Association of Social Workers, the American Anthropological Association and the Society for Applied Anthropology. He has made original studies in both fields and has published articles in leading social work, anthropological and psychiatric journals.

Lebowitz to Attend Press Conference

Jacob M. Lebowitz '57, editor-in-chief of THE COMMENTATOR, will be one of a group of college newspaper editors questioning Vice President Richard M. Nixon at a press conference at Cornell University tonight. The conference will be broadcast nationally on the CBS Television Network.

The stay at Cornell will also include a seminar in which the members of the press who are traveling with the Vice President will discuss political and campaign reporting.

plete reversal of the neglect of previous years. The effects of the "prodder's" campaign are readily seen. The *minyan* in the Bet Hamedrash is packed to capacity; Riets Hall lacks enough chairs for *Shabbat* services.

Whereas last year the dorm at 8:30 a.m. could easily have been mistaken for a morgue, this term we have a virtual resurrection of the dead.

Whether our eyes are bleary in the morning or not, we must admit that being all dressed, *davened* and fed regularly in the morning induces a satisfactory feeling.

Needless to say, the measures employed are indeed very annoying. If there is anything worse than being wakened in the morning, it is being wakened twice on the same morning.

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Russian Jews Know Only Orthodoxy Rabbinical Delegates to Soviet Report

By Joshua Miller

Editor's note: This past summer a delegation of five rabbinical leaders was granted permission to visit Russia and three of her satellites, Poland, Rumania and Czechoslovakia. They were to investigate the status of our Jewish brethren behind the Iron Curtain. The delegation consisted of Rabbis David B. Hollander, Emanuel Rackman, Gilbert Klaperman, Hershel Schacter and Samuel Adelman. The following is an interview with Rabbi Hollander, the originator of the plan.



RABBIS VISIT: Left to right, Rabbis Schacter, Shliffner, Adelman, Klaperman, Hollander.

Rabbi Hollander stated that the recent tour of Russia and her satellites was a tremendous achievement from the Orthodox standpoint. This was the first time that Orthodox American rabbis had been allowed to penetrate the Iron Curtain and ascertain the truth about their co-religionists, who had been out of contact with the outside world for four decades.

Met by Chief Rabbi

The group was met at Moscow by Solomon Shiffler, the acknowledged Chief Rabbi of the Soviet Union. Rabbi Hollander found him to be a distinguished scholar.

"Russian Jewry does not know anything but Orthodoxy," Rabbi Hollander declared. "Even in the reform temples of Europe, that is

those having organs and choirs, mixed pews are strictly forbidden.

"In the Soviet Union," Rabbi Hollander declared, "there is a vital need for religious education at home for those under the age of eighteen, as before that age the state has full control over schooling." It was this lack of *yeshivot* of any kind that worried Rabbi Hollander most.

In Georgia, however, the group was delighted to find overwhelming religious feeling even among the younger generation. Rabbi Hollander related that an unbelievable 98% of the women in the city of Kutaisi frequent the *mikva*, and for two thousand

Jewish families in nearby Kulashi, there were 1200 *succot*.

The rabbi ventured an opinion that the reason for the flowering of our tradition in these places was that the *Haskala* movement had never really reached Georgia. "The Jews of Georgia," he said, "have only one concept—Torah Judaism."

Few Kosher Butchers

The group found that *shechita* was not prohibited, but that there was a great dearth of kosher butcher stores in the Soviet Union. There was also no ban on circumcision.

"In Budapest," Rabbi Hollander stated, "we were put under the most intense pressure by the rabbinical leaders to attend the Friday night services in the city's main temple, which made use of a choir and organ music at its services. However, after searching our souls, we decided that the benefit of our absence would outweigh any decline in the prestige of the rabbinical leaders in the eyes of the state." The group was delighted to hear upon their departure, that, as a consequence, the use of choir and organ would be permanently discontinued by the temple.

Anti-Semitism Still Present

"Although anti-Jewish feeling decreased after the death of Stalin, it is still present in all strata of Soviet society. It is at present quite noticeable in the fact that Khrushchev is pro-Arab. Incidentally, the fear of the government and its anti-Semitism decreased, and freedom of action increased, as we traveled further from Moscow," Rabbi Hollander stated.

Rabbi Hollander summed up his remarks by speaking of the future of Judaism in Russia.

"Russian Judaism, after today's generation has passed on, is in grave danger. However, this does not mean that we should write it off as a lost cause. If the present state of relaxation of tension continues, there is hope that contact between Russian Jewry and the outside world will keep the spark alive until such time as it becomes possible to teach our heritage to those under the age of eighteen."

A further description of the group's finding can be found in the booklet "The Status of the Jews Behind the Iron Curtain," printed by the New York Journal-American. Ed.

A Gratifying Appointment

We extend our congratulations to Rabbi Moses D. Tendler upon his recent appointment to the post of Assistant Dean of the College. It is gratifying to see that the administration has chosen a man who has repeatedly distinguished himself as a sincere friend of the student.

This action has particular significance in that it satisfies the need for proper apportionment of administrative duties. Now that this apparent balance has been achieved, vigilance must be maintained against the possible renewal of concentration of responsibility in any office.

Welcome Freshmen

Welcome, Freshmen! You have joined us at Yeshiva in the midst of a great surge of school spirit permeating all phases of college life. We wish you the best of luck in the pursuance of your various careers and trust that you will contribute actively to the general morale of our school as members of the student body.

Not Quite Enough

While the Senior-Freshman Advisory Committee of Student Council is doing a superb job, it cannot possibly replace an adequate guidance program. The administration's repeated failures to provide competent career guidance have prompted this attempt on the part of the student body to alleviate the situation.

The impressive response, on the part of freshmen and seniors alike, should point out to the administration its responsibility for providing professional counseling for all, in place of a stopgap, student-sponsored measure, which at best benefits freshmen only.

Seeing is Believing

The great improvement of the lighting situation in Yeshiva classrooms comes as a relief to the eyes of squinting students, and is another example of the benefits of close student-administration cooperation. It was after numerous Student Council reports on deficient lighting that the Consolidated Edison Company was asked to make a thorough study. We commend the administration on a job well done, and are encouraged to find a policy of improving facilities being actively pursued.

Ivy League Hits English Dept.; Freshman Startled by Big Crash

By Jack Prince

I was startled! The rays of the bright sun, glancing off the shining dome of his head, hit me square in the eye and blinded me temporarily. Before I had a chance to recover completely, an eerie screeching noise shattered the placid classroom atmosphere. That did it. My eardrums seemed to have just completed their life's work. The man had laughed, I think.

After the initial shock had passed, my sensory organs resumed their normal functioning, and I proceeded to analyze this . . . thing . . . more scientifically. He was wearing a grey-black striped

sport jacket, and charcoal trousers in the traditional, pseudo-Ivy League style.

"Boys," he said, slowly angling toward the blackboard, playing catch with a minute piece of white chalk, "this is my name." He squeaked the chalk against the blackboard a few times, and finally produced something that looked like Dr. Worpquakenspiel. This was a teacher?

But don't get me wrong. This was a teacher; a one hundred per cent bona fide pedagogue.

Unorthodox?—Yes!

Revolutionary?—Yes!

Queer?—What do you expect?

Varied Lectures

However, it's not every man who can discourse on science and literature and *Rambam* and Joyce and Stevenson and Eisenhower while doing deep knee bends and drawing concentric circles with his left hand backwards. (He's right handed.)

It would be encouraging lower freshmen to say that one can easily stay afloat with decent marks in this English section, but such is not the case. I would advise that all future novices at Yeshiva bring their water wings to class as part of their prescribed paraphernalia. Believe me, the grades are below "C" level.

As a graduate of the Wohlgernter method of emphasis of all that is symbolic in literature, may I venture to say that the professor himself symbolizes all that is requisite for an instructor of English.

President's Message

Office of the President

October 17, 1956

With the opening of the new academic year, I extend my best wishes to the student body of Yeshiva College. I am hopeful that those of you who are returning here will utilize the vast resources of our institution to develop spiritually and culturally. To those students who are entering Yeshiva College for the first time, I extend a cordial welcome and the wish that you bear in mind that Yeshiva College is the only institution of its kind where the sacred heritage of Judaism and contemporary culture are integrated to supplement and complement each other and enable you to develop as a devout and consecrated Jew.

I hope that you will look upon your education as an unlimited opportunity for achievement and make the most of this privilege.

With best wishes for success in your undertakings,

Sincerely yours,
(signed) Samuel Belkin

Dean's Message

Office of the Dean

October 17, 1956

It is with the confidence born of three years' association with Yeshiva that I extend greetings and best wishes to the student body of the College through the medium of THE COMMENTATOR.

With many of you, I am entering the senior year of my stewardship as Dean of the College, and, with you, have noted the changes and progress that have marked Yeshiva life over the last years as we have been able to observe them.

We seniors will share with underclassmen the excitement that comes from participation in the active and progressive program of activities, academic and extra-curricular, that lies ahead in the months to come. The spirit of students and faculty as displayed in the preparatory sessions of the College program make our success a foregone conclusion.

Sincerely,
(signed) Simeon L. Guterman

On the Sidelines

Pick a Weapon, Join a Team; A Word about Lights

By Moses Berlin

With the football team out on the coast, and a good majority of the wrestling team on its way to Australia for the Olympics, and with the new fieldhouse not completely ready for the basketball squad . . . pardon, a bit of Purim issue copy slipped in accidentally.

The general idea, though, is that little can be written about sports now, for the respective teams are just beginning to organize. This situation presents one very big advantage, for you now have a chance to arrange your social schedule with various athletic events included.

As the basketball schedule shows, Yeshiva plays but eight games at home (Central Needle Trades High School), this season. Without even mentioning that the Mites have a fine team this year, it suffices to say that good attendance at these games will help provide the margin of victory. The complete schedule appears on this page. Plan now to attend as many games as you can.

Speaking about attendance, an immediate and abundant attendance is needed by the fencing squad—not only as spectators but as team members. The fencing Varsity, which has lost but two matches in the past two years while winning twenty, will graduate at the end of this season. This includes the entire Varsity, which means that all the positions will be filled by those who join the squad this year.

Particularly, this is a plea to freshmen. No experience whatsoever is needed, and it is almost a prerequisite of Coach Tauber's that you never have held a weapon before. The swimming requirement may be fulfilled at any time during your four college years. But it is imperative that you join the fencing squad now.

It is also quite an honor to be a member of the fencing squad. All you need is a knowledge of the whereabouts of the gym, the ability to walk into it and see Coach Tauber and a "will to win." The rest will be handled by the coach.

In the past four months, almost everyone's effort has gone into the completion of the new dormitory. It would be appreciated if one of the numerous maintenance men around here found a few minutes to replace the burnt-out bulbs in the gym. Their usefulness as light providers has long expired—one such bulb has been there in this condition for three years already. These lightless lights appear so lonely and so futile that it is down-right depressing. This atmosphere is certainly not conducive to proper participation in the various activities. Also, you never can tell when a fencer will run his foil through a student playing night basketball.

Enthusiasm Grips Pawn Pushers In Attempt to Recapture Glory

By Artie Eldelman and Yehudi M. Felman

O, where are our masters, our grand masters, our future world champions? O, where are our chessmen whose exploits were recorded in the columns of THE COMMENTATOR's sport pages? O, where are our pawn pushers who mated such top colleges as N. Y. U., Columbia and Penn. O, where are the multitude of enthusiasts who clamored for and were stalemated by the insurmountable COMMENTATOR chess problems? O, where are our boardmen who gained national recognition while under the coaching of Grand Master Samuel Reshevsky? O, where, o, where is our chess team?

These reporters, determined to unearth the truth about chess at Yeshiva, descended to the basement of the Main Academic Center to check the facts in THE COMMENTATOR's morgue.

Discovers Chess History

While leafing through issues dating back to 1935, it was found that a full time flourishing chess population once inhabited Yeshiva's halls. With the outbreak of World War II all extra-curricular activities at Yeshiva were curtailed; chess fell by the wayside. The advent of the post-war era, unfortunately, did not bring about the expected rejuvenation of board activities. Extinction seemed imminent.

However, this year a small

band of students, determined not to be rooked, are attempting to resuscitate the Chess Team. Led by Charlie Patt '58, captain of the team, Louis Taubenblatt '58, president of the Chess Club, Mordecai Koenigsberg '58, vice president, and Jackie Finkelstein '59, secretary-treasurer, the group is planning a year of new activities and broad expansion. Hope is high for the re-entrance of Yeshiva into intercollegiate competition and an inter-student tournament is scheduled.

Obviously, Yeshiva students, refusing to be checkmated anymore, and no longer wishing to be pawned, are swooping down the ranks and files of Yeshiva University recapturing the chess glory of yesteryear.

Name Hershkowitz Assistant Director For Y. U. Athletics

The Yeshiva University Athletic Association has announced the appointment of Mr. Marvin Hershkowitz as Assistant Athletic Director. Mr. Hershkowitz, presently assistant coach of the Varsity Basketball Team and coach of the Freshman Team, will take over the post of assistant to the present director, Mr. Bernard Sarachek.

An alumnus of Yeshiva University and the recipient of an M.A. in student relations from



Marvin Hershkowitz

Columbia, Mr. Hershkowitz will now assume his second administrative post at Yeshiva University.

During his stay at Yeshiva, Marv set numerous scoring records and was the first Yeshiva player to score over one thousand points during his college career. In 1951, he was elected forward on an All-City Team.

Prior to his appointment at Yeshiva, Mr. Hershkowitz served as a director of Youth Activities and Athletics in Jewish Centers in Illinois.

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Program for Athletic Expansion Revealed by Coach Sarachek

"Reorganization and expansion are our goals this year," stated Mr. Bernard Sarachek, Yeshiva University's athletic director, at the initial meeting of the Yeshiva University Athletic Association, Wednesday, October 10. Along with Mr. Marvin Hershkowitz, newly appointed assistant director, Mr. Sarachek outlined a program of "advancement of athletics" for the 1956-1957 season.

Bowling Team Seen As Possible Result Of Phys. Ed. Class

Bowling has been added to the Physical Education program at Yeshiva College. Professor Hurwitz, chairman of the Physical Education Department, in announcing this new addition, stated that bowling will be a gym class which may be taken for physical education credit.

Bernard Sarachek, director of Athletics, discussed the possibility of forming a Bowling Team. This team could compete with the teams of the various colleges throughout the metropolitan area.

It was decided by Mr. Sarachek, that the eventual team would be composed of those students who attend the bowling class.

Athletic Manager Outlines Program For Coming Terms

By Al Greenspan,
Athletic Manager

I would like to take this opportunity to belatedly congratulate the outgoing Athletic Manager for his successful attempts in furthering student participation in and advancing a better school spirit toward athletics at Yeshiva. I hope to continue the progress of previous years and introduce innovations to the athletic program so that it will be a stronger and better one.

Since the job of athletic manager concerns itself primarily with intramurals, I would like to outline my program for the coming year. The most popular sport in the intramural program has been basketball. Each Tuesday, two class teams will compete. The first game will take place Tuesday, October 23, and will involve the Freshman and Sophomore Classes.

Change Eligibility Rules

In order that more students will have a chance to participate, the rules of eligibility have been changed somewhat. No varsity ballplayer may engage in the program, and any person who has played one year of varsity ball and then has left the team must take a year's leave of absence from intramural basketball.

The fencing intramural is open to anyone in the school. Varsity members, however, will be permitted to use only those weapons which they do not use in intercollegiate competition.

Other sports on the list of intramurals will be ping pong, bowling and swimming.

The athletic program can only be successful through the interest and participation of you, the student. So let's all come out this year, whether it be to root or to play.

The entrance of the Varsity Basketball Team into the newly formed Tri-State League highlights this year's expansion. The League, consisting of nine colleges: Adelphi, Bridgeport, Brooklyn, Fairfield, Fairleigh Dickinson, Hunter, Kings Point, Rider and Yeshiva, will afford an opportunity for the titlist to enter a post-season tourney. This achievement, coupled with Yeshiva's acceptance into the N. C. A. A., points the way toward national recognition of Yeshiva's Varsity Basketball Team.

Committees Formed

The Association's activities will be directed this year by a nine-man board consisting of members of the faculty and administration, the Sports Editor of THE COMMENTATOR, the Athletic Manager of the College and the President of Student Council.

Affiliated with the board are two newly formed committees, the Intercollegiate Eligibility Awards Committee and the Intramural Awards Committee. "The purpose of the Eligibility Committee," Mr. Sarachek declared, "will be to establish standards for the awarding of letters, jackets and trophies to Varsity members." This will be in addition to the establishment, in cooperation with the Office of the Dean, of mini-

Basketball Schedule

Saturday, December 1	Home
Tuesday, December 4	Home
Saturday, December 8	Away
Tuesday, December 11	Home
Saturday, December 22	Home
Saturday, January 5	Home
Tuesday, January 8	Home
Saturday, January 19	Away
Sunday, January 20	Away
Wednesday, January 30	Away
Saturday, February 2	Away
Wednesday, February 6	Home
Saturday, February 9	Away
Monday, February 11	Home
Saturday, February 16	Away
Tuesday, February 19	Home
Saturday, February 23	Away
Wednesday, February 27	Home
Saturday, March 2	Away
Brooklyn	Away

mum scholastic standards for Varsity members. The Intramural Committee, headed by the Athletic Manager, will coordinate all intramural events.

Raffle Planned

"However," Mr. Sarachek added, "all our plans cannot materialize unless we have sufficient funds. In order to add to our finances," Red continued, "a raffle campaign will be launched this week. A 24-inch television set will be first prize. As an added incentive, we are awarding a twenty-five dollar bond to the seller of the winning ticket.

Club Notes

Pre-Law Society

Joseph Chervin '58, was elected President of the Pre-Law Society. Jerry Wohlberg '58, was chosen Vice President, and Abraham Shapiro '58, Secretary-Treasurer.

Pre-Med Society

The Pre-Medical Society chose Raphael Levine '57, president, Joseph Singer '58, vice president, and Ronald Rothman '57, secretary-treasurer.

Psi Chi

Psi Chi chose David J. Hammer '57, president; Rabbi Dayan and Arnold Asher '57, vice presidents; and Boaz Kahana '55, secretary.

Psychology Club

Edward Berger '58 was elected president of the Psychology Club. The new vice president is Julius Mandel '57, and the secretary is Gerald Friederwitzer '58.

Sociology Club

Daniel Chill '57, was elected president of the Sociology Club, Sandy Press '57, is the new vice president, and Nahum Benathan '57, secretary-treasurer.

Debating Society

The Yeshiva University Varsity Debating Society chose George Siegel '57, president; Nahum Gordon '57, general manager; Joseph Chervin '58, campus manager; and Abraham Shapiro '58, secretary-treasurer.

Milton Tambor '59, Steven Riskin '60, and Chaim Charytan '60, were elected president, manager and secretary-treasurer, respectively, of the Pre-Varsity Society.

Dramatics Club

Louis Wohl '58, was elected president, George Siegel '57, vice president and Moses M. Berlin '58, secretary-treasurer of the Dramatics Club.

Chemistry Club

Shalom Hirschman '57, Ralph Nussbaum '57, and Jerome Geyer '57, have been elected president, vice president and secretary-treasurer, respectively, of the Chemistry Club. The members named to the Club's Executive Council are Sidney Kwestel '58, and Mordecai Koenigsberg '58.

S.R.O. Meeting

(Continued from page 1)

Regulations Committee. Josef E. Fischer '57, and Erwin Katz '57, have also been appointed to the committee which will serve as a liaison between S. R. O. and the Assistant Dean and which will promulgate all internal rules of S. R. O.

The Social Committee, headed by Joseph Chervin '58, will sponsor a full length feature film in November. In succeeding months, at least one such film a month will be presented.

Prep Class Begins On College Level; Will Study Mishna

A preparatory class for students who are not qualified to enter either the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary or the Teachers Institute has been established on the college level, announced Dr. Hyman B. Grinstein, registrar of the Teachers Institute.

The class, which has a present enrollment of nineteen, will be conducted jointly by T. I. and Yeshiva College. It includes students who, prior to entering Yeshiva College, had no preparation in Jewish studies. The members of this class are expected to enter R. I. E. T. S. or T. I. within two or three years. Present plans call for the teaching of *Mishna*, to start February, 1957, and *Talmud*, to commence September, 1957.

The faculty includes Dr. Asher Siev, Hebrew and *Dinim*; Rabbi Howard Levine, Foundations of Judaism, and Rabbi Morris Besdin, Bible.

Condolences

THE COMMENTATOR extends its sincerest condolences to Arnold Enker '55, former editor-in-chief of THE COMMENTATOR, upon the loss of his father and to Dr. Irving Agus upon the loss of his father. May they be comforted among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

Educational Service Administers Graduate Record, Law Exams

Yeshiva College students who want Sunday administration of the Law School Admission Test must apply at least one month before the test date. The tests will be administered February 17, May 5 and August 11, 1957.

The bulletin, in which an application for the test is inserted, should be obtained well in advance of the desired testing date from Law School Admission Test, Educational Testing Service, 20 Nassau Street, Princeton, New Jersey. Candidates are advised to take the February test if possible.

T.I. Ups Standards In New Curriculum; Adds Seventh Year

In a move to raise its scholastic standards, Teachers Institute will require entering students to qualify for the curriculum of the present fourth year class, and will grant teacher's degrees upon completion of a newly added seventh year class, announced Dr. Hyman B. Grinstein, registrar.

The curriculum of the seventh year class will consist of Jewish Philosophy, Modern Hebrew Literature and Coeducational Technique.

Other curriculum changes include condensing the two year Hebrew Literature of the Middle Ages course and the two year *Mishna* course into one year courses.

The Graduate Record Examinations will be administered Sundays for Yeshiva College students. The test dates are January 20, April 28 and July 7, 1957.

A bulletin of information and an application may be obtained from the Educational Testing Service. Completed applications must reach the E. T. S. office at least one month before the test date.

The Graduate Record Examination tests include a test of general scholastic ability and advanced level tests of achievement in sixteen different subjects.

Alma Mater

Editor's note: For the benefit of the incoming Freshman Class, we reprint the Alma Mater.

Golden Domes across the sky,
A heritage of years,
These humble hearts are mindful now
Of your pride, your joys,
your tears.
Citadel of mind and faith
endow us with your soul,
Inspire our days, our years,
our lives to fulfill your lofty goal.
Oh, spark of light throughout the ages,
Guardian of the solemn truth,
To thee we sing, our Alma Mater,
From hearts with love imbued.
Golden Domes for ever be a symbol 'cross the land,
That where e'er your sons under heaven reside
They shall strive both for God and man.

Faculty Notes

Dr. Sidney Braun, professor of French, has received, from the Modern Language Association of America, a grant-in-aid for research on André Suarès, whose unpublished letters he is editing. He has previously published a scholarly article on Suarès in *P.M.L.A.*

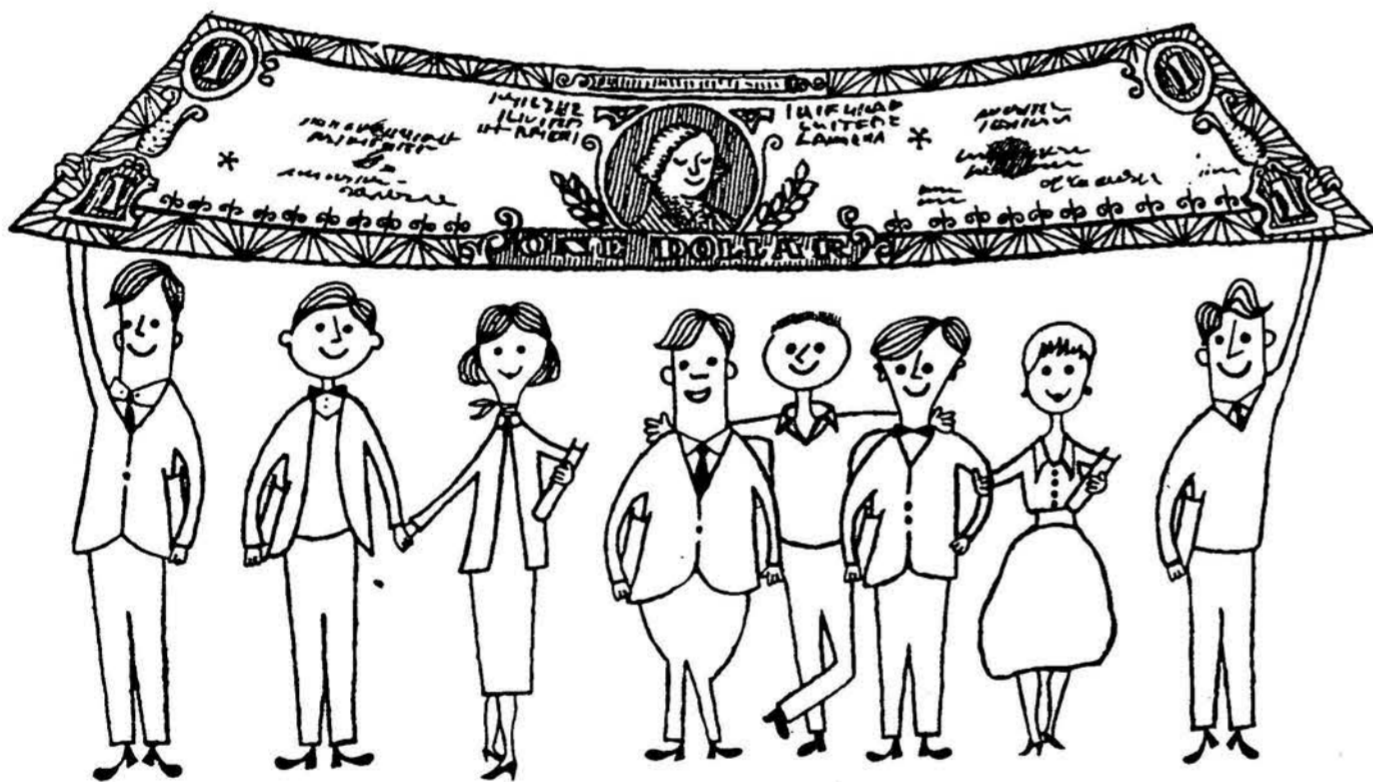
Dr. Siegfried S. Meyers, lecturer in Physics, has received a \$10,500 grant from Yeshiva University for research work at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine.

His work includes designing and making the "defibrillator" and the "pacemaker," two electronic instruments vital to heart surgery.

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