

## SYNTHETIC SYNTHESIS: An Editorial

Tradition is a powerful force. It unites people, causes them to dedicate themselves to a common goal, and spurs them to action. Student Council and THE COMMENTATOR have a tradition of fighting for student rights that has few parallels among student governments of other universities, one that has developed amid much friction and strife. Yet the nature of this tradition is greatly misunderstood—as much by those students who believe that “the administration is out to get the student” as by those faculty members who speak of the “zealous and irresponsible leadership of student government.” What then is the real nature of this tradition? Are Student Council and THE COMMENTATOR living up to it this year?

The principle that student government has constantly fought for is this: that the opinion of the Yeshiva student must be a determining factor in shaping the administration's policy toward the student, that however sincere an administration may be in desiring to benefit its students, it will never be successful unless it seriously considers the wishes of the students themselves. This principle was not accepted by many members of the administration who resented criticism and who felt that what they believed to be in the best interests of the students was necessarily so. This lack of faith in student government was the cause of an equally strong reaction on our part, a lack of faith in the motives of the administration that resulted in having presidents of Student Council and editors of THE COMMENTATOR sum up their year's effort in student-administration relations as one of trying to budge a stone wall. Needless to say they never gave up trying. The editorial columns of THE COMMENTATOR were repeatedly used for outspoken criticism of administration policies. No doubt the charge is true that at times our criticism has been exaggerated and misplaced. But does not

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## Nixon Flunks Parents In Y.U. Dinner Speech

Vice President Richard Nixon rated education in the United States and flunked the nation's parents.

Speaking at Yeshiva University's twenty-ninth Annual Scholarship Dinner at the Waldorf Astoria, Sunday, December 15, Mr. Nixon said, “American education is no better and no worse than the individual American parent wants it to be.”

The Vice President became an honorary alumnus of Yeshiva at a convocation held before the dinner received the honorary de-

of our educational system. As a result of your generosity, scholarships are provided for 84 per cent of Yeshiva's student body. This means that brain power, which



**MEETS STUDENT LEADERS:** Vice President Nixon speaks to Jerry Wohlberg (left), President of the Student Council and Abraham Shapiro, Editor of THE COMMENTATOR.

gree of Doctor of Laws. He was cited by Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of Yeshiva University, as an “able legislator, gifted author, and world-renowned statesman.”

Mr. Nixon expressed regret that the convocation could not be held on Yeshiva's campus. He twice declared that he will visit his new *alma mater* as soon as he is able to.

### Yeshiva's Contribution

At the dinner, the Vice President spoke of the contribution Yeshiva is making to the nation. “Yeshiva is in the great tradition of privately-supported liberal arts colleges and universities which are America's most effective guarantee against government domination

otherwise would lie fallow, is being developed in the service of the nation and the world,” he said.

Rabbi Joseph H. Lookstein, professor of Sociology, presented the candidate for the degree.

Participating in the academic procession at the Convocation were the University's Board of Trustees, President's Council, Boards of Overseers, Deans and other heads of the University's 17 schools.

The dinner benefited Yeshiva University's \$750,000 Scholarship Fund, which provides assistance for 2,600 students.

Charles H. Silver, president of

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## Plan New S-F Committee; '58 Gripes, Asks Meeting

Student Council has appointed a special committee to investigate and prepare a plan for a student government structure. The underlying philosophy of this proposal is to be based on the program in effect at Wayne University.

The committee, composed of Mordecai Gerstein '59, chairman, Abraham Shapiro '58, Yehudi Felman '59, and Joseph Lifschitz '61, is investigating the formation of a Student-Faculty Relations Committee to govern Student Council-Administration relations.

### Leadership Training in College

A new departure in student government at Yeshiva, the proposal was explained by Student Council President Jerry Wohlberg '58. “If Yeshiva's true aim is to produce the future leaders of American Jewry, then it must begin to train them in leadership during their formative years.”

Dr. Moses D. Tendler, assistant dean of Yeshiva College, told Student Council he feels extra-curricular activities are as important to the student and the school as curricular activities. “Both are part of the educational process,” he said. “The only difference is that one is listed in a catalog and is taught by faculty members, and the other is not.”

The Assistant Dean also revealed that he had requested the Dean to appoint a faculty committee to study student-administration relationships at Yeshiva.

### Students to Have “Full Say”

Under study by the Student

Members of the senior class, meeting with Rabbi Moshe Klein, dormitory supervisor, called for a frank discussion of Yeshiva University's

problems with the University Scholarship Committee, Deans of the undergraduate schools and the President of the University.

It was brought out that Yeshiva's aim of synthesis is not being fulfilled.

Although the meeting had been called to discuss specific dormitory problems, the students pointed out to the dorm supervisor that the failure of the senior class to lead dorm activities is not due to apathy on their part, but rather to different opinions as to the goals of Yeshiva on the part of many members of the administration.

The seniors felt that meeting with the University scholarship Committee, Deans of the undergraduate schools, and the President of the university, would apprise these members of the administration of the failure of the University to create a “yeshiva spirit” in its students.

## Announce Deadline For Spring Term Program Changes

Yeshiva College students will be allowed a ten-day period, beginning with the last week in December, in which they will be able to adjust their spring term programs, announced Rabbi David Mirsky, assistant registrar. A fee will be charged for any changes made after this time.

A general question and answer class for general chemistry students, led by Mr. Reuben Rabinowitz, was introduced Thursday, December 12, and will continue weekly. Mr. Rabinowitz will also instruct a new lab section which will meet on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 9:00 p.m.



**Dr. Herman Wouk, University Visiting Professor of English, spoke on “Conformity and Non-Conformity” at a Yeshiva College assembly, Monday, December 23.**

Council committee is a system in use at Wayne University. A Student-Faculty committee of 24 students and 12 faculty members governs student activities. At Yeshiva this function is currently shared by the Faculty Committee on Student Affairs and the Assistant Dean. This system has now, as in the past, caused much friction and ill feeling. Wayne instituted its system because the faculty felt that students should have a “full say” in their activities. The reason for faculty representation on the committee is that it is presumed that the faculty members can aid the students during the deliberative

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## Special Presentation Planned At Deans Reception, Feb. 16

This year's Dean's Reception will be held Sunday, February 16, at the Joan of Arc High School, 154 West 93 Street, at 7:00 p.m. announced Moses Polansky '59 and Hyam Wasserman '60, co-chairmen.

The affair, the major social event of the Student Council year, will feature a formal reception of the students by the Dean, followed by an original stage presentation by each class. Traditionally, the sophomore class stages a comedy, the juniors a musical comedy, and the seniors a drama. In addition a special presentation is in formation. Faculty members will judge the plays and will present a plaque to the class staging the most outstanding performance.

The purpose of the affair is to enable the students to meet with the Dean and to mingle with the faculty on an informal basis.

Moses M. Berlin is the student advisor to the reception committee, while Rabbi Maurice Wohlgeleinter, instructor in English, will serve as faculty advisor.

## S.O.Y. Chagiga First Affair In New Dormitory Cafeteria

The cafeteria of the College Dorm was used for the first time in its history for the dispensing of food at the annual S.O.Y. Chanuka Chagiga Wednesday, December 18. Although there was quite a bit of confusion and commotion involved in the process because of the intricacies of the kitchen, everyone who bothered to wait in the long line was eventually served.

Aside from the initiation of the cafeteria, the Chagiga was highlighted by the talk of guest speaker Rabbi Shimon Romm. He compared the impure oil found in the *Bet Hamikdash* to the similarly impure hellenistic ideology.

Rabbi Romm further stated that as Yeshiva students it is our duty to serve as the pure light of this much-troubled and atheistic world.

Just as Joseph was spurred on to his dreams by the taunts of his brothers, Rabbi Romm said, so should we be encouraged by the taunts of the world.

Rabbi Shlomo Carlbach, accompanied by his guitar, offered several appropriate melodies, and Israel Reiss '56 presented the traditional *grammen*. Irwin Borvick '57 was chairman.

Just for the record, the first food served in the new cafeteria was salami and bologna sandwiches and soda.





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## Synthetic Synthesis

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the blame for this lie in the general atmosphere of mistrust? Only the administration has had the means to clear up this attitude, by meeting with student government leaders and discussing matters rationally.

Yeshiva is a young institution, with many problems that can only be met by the combined effort of students and administration. Student government has repeatedly proved itself constructive in action and in criticism when treated fairly by the administration. At the same time we are very much aware of our position in the university. We know that our outspokenness has and will continue to arouse the opposition of certain members of the administration who would like to see student government reduced in influence.

In any event the tradition of student government that we have inherited from our predecessors will be continued with undiminished vigor, asserted quietly and deliberately as long as student rights can be protected in this manner, proclaimed openly and vociferously when necessary.

It is now necessary.

We are faced with many problems. The most urgent one involves the basic aim of Yeshiva University—synthesis. This problem is the basic one. However, in order to be able to tackle it we must understand what has brought it about.

The events which concern us here fall into four categories: 1) Religious Guidance; 2) Coordination among the various schools; 3) College facilities and b) Expansion. Let us examine each in turn.

### Religious Guidance

THE COMMENTATOR has requested religious guidance time and time again. When will we be taken seriously by the administration? The Assistant Dean, who made a start in this field (although he merely scratched the surface), has now, as Assistant Dean in charge of Student Affairs, become embroiled in administration-student controversies dealing with the basic philosophy of student government. This has and is detracting immeasurably from the necessary good he and a staff could be doing. His former post as Religious Guidance Adviser is now vacant.

There is a crying need for men of the caliber of Rabbi Klein, the dorm supervisor, and Rabbi Rosenfeld, instructor in the Jewish Studies Program. However, we must realize that as individuals these men can do little.

There must be an adequate program of religious guidance!

### Coordination

At last count, Yeshiva had 17 schools and divisions—and each one has an administrative head. Again, THE COMMENTATOR has presented the problem of the "totality of the University" in contrast to the narrow view taken by many administrators at Yeshiva that their division is the most important one. If one reads the college catalog, he would see that it is impossible to matriculate in R.I.E.T.S., T.I. or J.S.P. while attending the college, for there are only 24 hours in each day.

There is no coordination among the various schools when one administrator says you *must* attend a shiur at the time when, according to another administrator, you *must* be in a Bible class.

The Dean said last year, "This college has suffered enough from R.I.E.T.S."

Two years ago a student wrote in THE COMMENTATOR on the problem of attending minyan. Using university statistics, he proved that it is impossible, not only to attend minyan regularly, but to fulfill the requirements of Yeshiva University. The student wrote: "Obviously, this schedule cannot be put into practice. As a matter of fact it never has been observed. But the various officials work on the assumption that the cheating is done on time other than that devoted to their own particular division."

He continued: "The root of the problem is in the tacit assumption that a student is in and of either T.I., the college, R.I.E.T.S. and so on. The more accurate statement is that a student is a member of the University. The unfortunate effect is that student problems are dealt with as if they were only problems of R.I.E.T.S., T.I., or the college."

"When we wake up to the fact that the divisions are not inherent in the student, to the realization that the problems of students are problems of university students, then we may take a real step toward sensible analysis and action on our individual and divisional difficulties."

### College Facilities

Yeshiva College is expanding. This year has witnessed the largest entering class in Yeshiva's history. However, our physical plant has not kept pace with our increasing registration. There is a lack of equipment and a lack of space.

Chemistry may serve as a good example of the plight of the college. Students are taking General Chemistry in the Organic lab. Organic students have their lab sessions at Stern College. Students now taking Qual have been informed that less than half of them will be able to take Quant next term.

No pre-med student can take Quant next semester! The problems of the science majors are further detailed in a letter to the editor on this page. Much the same applies to non-science majors: one-man departments, not enough courses, etc.

When Yeshiva College accepts students for a four-year course of study it contracts to supply courses, equipment, space and instructors. Yeshiva cannot tell its students to take a course in another institution or during the summer because it does not have the facilities it knew it would need when those students were admitted.

### Expansion

Neglect of Yeshiva's physical plant is but one facet of a problem which stems from an administration policy of continuous expansion, resulting in neglect of the college.

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

The University's financial problems are primarily due to this rapid rate of expansion. The Main Academic Center of Yeshiva University must serve as the roots which, if properly nourished, flowers into other fruitful academic leaves and branches. However, if the roots of the Yeshiva tree are neglected, the branches will inevitably wither and die.

The aforementioned instances have brought about a breakdown in the fulfillment of synthesis. This traditional goal of Yeshiva University has been subverted, and its place has been usurped by a passion to

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## Maybe I'm Wrong

To The Editor:

As members of the freshmen class, we feel that it is our duty to reveal the shocking situation now existing in the chemistry department. With well over 50 per cent more students taking general chemistry this year than last, we think it ridiculous that there still are only two professors teaching the subject. Furthermore, the two classes consist of many students who have no chemistry background. This last has the doubly-adverse effect of slowing down those students who have taken high school chemistry as well, as bewildering the novice. Chemistry has lost much of its interest and sparkle to both groups, and has become a tasteless, slow-moving affair.

In the light of these facts we think it surprising that the administration has done almost nothing to alleviate this situation.

The addition of an instructor to answer questions is merely clutching for straws in the wind, and the basic classroom problem is nowhere near a solution. While the administration's laissez-faire policy is surprising, it is not nearly so surprising that almost 50 percent of students confronted by these impossible conditions are flunking. This represents four times as many students as are flunking all other subjects combined!

We would like to reprimand the administration for its lack of foresight in this matter. All of the guidance committees and parent-teacher meetings in the world won't get the freshmen out of this mess! This problem is so crucial that only the most immediate action can possibly solve the problem.

Murray Laulich '61  
Mark Press '61

To The Editor:

It may interest the pre-medical students of Yeshiva University that there are no classes held on Saturday during the Basic Medical Science years at the Kansas City College of Osteopathy and Surgery. Furthermore, there is no compulsory duty on Saturday during the clinical years.

As you know, the Osteopathic Medical Colleges offer the traditional medical training for physicians, coupled with the Osteopathic approach to modern medicine.

Sincerely Yours,  
H. Golden,  
Secretary,  
Lambda Omicron Gamma

To the Editor:

I speak as President of the Chemistry Society and as a senior who has within the last three years witnessed a constant deterioration of the limited facilities in the chemistry laboratories.

When I say "limited facilities" I refer not only to the lack of equipment but also to the lack of available space. The number of students taking chemistry is increasing, but unfortunately the lab space is not. There is no reason why the students taking general chemistry must invade the organic chemistry laboratory and the organic boys be sent down to Stern where the lab space is likewise decreasing. Why should boys taking qual this term be forced to take a summer quant course? How will the problem be solved next year when there will be an overload of boys taking organic? What will happen to entering freshmen when they will take general chem? What will happen to the boys that will want to take qual next year?

Why aren't new labs being built to take in these students? Why isn't the new dorm cafeteria finished in order that Weber's can move in, and work can start in the old cafeteria?

At the present time this problem may only affect the lower classmen, but in one or two years its full impact will be felt. Then it will be too late.

I feel that if instead of expanding outside, the University would build some new labs, they would be doing their science students a deserved justice. This matter should be taken care of immediately.

Yours Truly  
Herbert Friedman, '58

To the Editor:

Several years ago Miss S. Birkett, a blind pianist, bequeathed a piano to our German students. Recently, someone smashed the piano's hammers. Will anyone having information about this vandalism, please communicate with the undersigned.

Thank you.

Dr. Ralph P. Rosenberg  
Professor of German

Yeshiva University has received a grant from the Esso Educational Foundation. This grant is part of a three-year, \$1,500,000 program of the Foundation to stimulate the teaching of science on the elementary, secondary, college and graduate school levels in privately supported institutions.



## "Be Prepared to Serve Israel", Urges Chief Chaplain Goren

Rabbi Shlomo Goren, chief chaplain of the Israeli Defense Forces and one of Israel's leading rabbis, delivered an address in Hebrew to a packed audience at the second T. I. assembly of the year, Wednesday, December 4.

Rabbi Goren, who is deeply interested in the affairs of religious youth, spoke about the relationship of Young American Jews to Israel. He said that if our Jewish youth were unable to settle in Israel, they should nevertheless remain devoted to the ideals of that country, and should be prepared

### Co-op

Because of an increase in prices by the manufacturers of Angel, Capital and R.C.A. Victor phonograph records, the Yeshiva College Co-operative store will be forced to increase the price it charges for these records next term. Students who buy now can avoid the price hike.

to come to her aid in person if the situation warrants it.

Rabbi Goren declared that it

was fallacious to believe that those state jobs whose fulfillment incurred violations of Jewish law be allotted to the irreligious.

There should be no distinction among Jews in this matter, he felt, because what is illegal from one is similarly illegal for the other.

Earlier that day Rabbi Goren delivered a guest *shuir* to Rabbi Joseph Solovietchik's *smicha* class.

### Nixon

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the N. Y. C. Board of Education, was chairman.

### Award To Dr. Schick

A highlight of the dinner was the presentation of the \$1,000 Mordecai Ben David Award to Dr. Bela Schick, noted pediatrician and discoverer of the "Schick test" for determining susceptibility to diphtheria.

Dr. Schick, who celebrated his 80th birthday this year, is a visiting professor of pediatrics at Yeshiva University's Albert Einstein College of Medicine. A native of Austria, he studied medicine in Graz and entered the famous Vienna Children's Clinic in 1902. In 1905 he co-authored the historical treatise, *Serum Sickness*, which laid the groundwork for the new science of allergy. This led not only to the now-classic tuberculin test but indirectly to his own diphtheria test.

The award was established anonymously in 1940 to honor "the student or graduate of Yeshiva College, or such other individual, who shall have achieved most noteworthy record or success in the promotion and encouragement of self-respect, self-defense, independence and courage among members of the Jewish faith, and in the promotion and enhancement among American Jews of a deep and abiding sense of loyalty, devotion and patriotism to the United States of America."

It was later revealed that the man who established the award was the late Enrico Garda, ambassador from San Marino to France.

Dr. Leo Jung, Professor of ethics at the University, made the presentation.

### Festival of Music

Metropolitan Opera stars Hilda Gueden and Nicolai Gedda took part in a gala festival of music at the dinner. The performance also included selections by violinist Arnold Eidus and the Jewish People's Philharmonic Chorus, conducted by Eugene Malek, with Howard Fried, San Francisco Opera tenor, as soloist.

Members of the New York City Opera Symphony Orchestra performed under the direction of Julius Rudel, guest conductor. The entire production was arranged by Leon Leonidoff, senior producer, Radio City Music Hall. Harry Herschfield acted as master of ceremonies.

Rabbi Sol Roth, spiritual leader of the Atlantic Beach Jewish Center, Atlantic Beach, L. I., offered the invocation and benediction.

## Debating Society to Sponsor High School Oratory Contest

The first Yeshiva College Oratorical Contest, sponsored by the Yeshiva University Debating Society, will have as its theme "Louis D. Brandeis," announced Joseph Chervin '58, president of the Society.

The contest, open to students in Yeshiva High Schools throughout the city, will take place in Lamport Auditorium during the month of February.

The Society has won one debate and has suffered three losses in early intercollegiate competition so far this year.

Debating the National Topic "Resolved: that the requirement of membership in a labor organization as a condition of employment should be illegal," the team emerged victorious in an encounter against Fordham University, and a second match against the same school was declared "no-decision." It succumbed twice to Columbia University and once to N.Y.U. Washington Square.

Mr. Chervin expressed extreme disappointment with the co-operation that the Society has received from the freshman class, particularly with reference to the Pre-Varsity. "They (the freshmen) are losing a wonderful opportunity to participate both in intra-squad and intercollegiate debating," declared Mr. Chervin. "I would strongly urge all freshmen who have displayed an interest in debating to become seriously active in the society."

## Enrollment at Y. U. Reaches New High

Yeshiva University's enrollment has reached an all-time high of 3,124 students. There are 2,162 male and 962 female students attending the University.

On the undergraduate level Yeshiva College for Men claims 433, Stern College for Women 174, Teachers Institute for Men 250, Teachers Institute for Women, 101, Cantorial Training Institute 31, and the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary, 248.

On the graduate level Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary has 135 students, Bernard Revel Graduate School and Harry Rischel School 100, Graduate School of Education, 237; School of Social Work, 30, Institute of Mathematics, 14, Albert Einstein College of Medicine 244, and the Sue Golding Graduate Division of Medical Sciences 12.

There are 500 extension students at the Israel Institute and the Institute of Mathematics. The number of pre-collegiate students at the University's three high schools is 1,035.

### S-F Committee

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process because of the faculty's greater "experience."

Dr. Tendler expressed his "wholehearted support" for a plan which follows along the lines of Wayne's program. He said he approved of a 2-1 ratio of students to faculty on the committee. Any actions taken by the committee would be subject only to the veto of the President of the University.

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## Congressman, U.S. Judge Put on Prexy's Council

Five prominent public officials have been named to the President's Council of Yeshiva University, announced Dr. Samuel Belkin, president. They are: Judge David N. Edelstein, of the U. S. District Court; Justice Louis J. Kaplan, of the New York City Court of Special Sessions; U. S. Congressman Abraham J. Multer of Brooklyn; Gustave G. Rosenberg, chairman of the Board of Higher

Education in New York City, and Justice Morris E. Spector of the New York State Supreme Court.

The Council, which includes 48 outstanding community leaders and industrialists from the United States and Canada, guides the University's overall operations with a view towards expanding its educational and service facilities and programs.

Discussing the purpose of the Council, Dr. Belkin said, "We are living in times of tremendous change. Technological advances, a rapidly expanding population and the changing needs of our nation and society in general have brought added responsibilities to higher education." He further stated, "that the participation of distinguished community leaders in higher education's program will enable us to create a two-way bridge between school and community, to interpret trends and events and effectively aid us in meeting communal needs."

### In Russian

That man's chief concern cannot be with knowledge alone but with its moral and humane use, a view expressed by Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of Yeshiva University, on the subject of education, was cited in a recent issue of America Illustrated.

The magazine, put out by the U. S. Information Agency and published monthly, carried the reply of six American college presidents including Dr. Belkin's to the question "What is education?" The magazine is designed for Russian consumption.

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Commentator Sports

Mites Start Streak;  
Beat Pace, Rutgers

Fencers Still Unbeaten;  
Capt. Chinitz, Rhine Star

The Yeshiva College fencing team won its second and third matches of the season against Queens and St. Peters. Both matches were held away from home. The undefeated swordsmen whipped the Queens squad, 16-11, and went on to defeat the St. Peters fencers, 15-12.

The Queens match pitted Yeshiva against a courageous team, but one unable to cope with Y.U.'s superior fencers. Each division compiled a winning record for the victors. The foil men gave the best showing of the evening by winning six of their nine matches. Jack Chinitz stood out with a 2-0 tally, Hershel Farhas, the one freshman on the varsity, won his only match.

The saber team was led once again by Howard Rhine, who won two bouts to stretch his intercollegiate record to ten wins and no losses. Abe Aronson spearheaded the epee attack with two victories.

St. Peters, one of Yeshiva's toughest opponents, put up an excellent fight until eliminated by Jack Finkelstein's epee win in the third round.

Chinitz opened the match with a 5-0 victory over St. Peters'

Reitemeyer, and, along with Nusbacher and Rosenberg, sparked the foilmen to a 6-3 record.

Rhine, working on an undefeated streak of ten, won his first match but was finally stopped in the second round. The man to do the trick was St. Peters' Overko, the Jersey City team's leading saberman, who also won his other two matches.

Foil			Queens		
Yeshiva	W	L	Yeshiva	W	L
Chinitz	2	0	Leshnower	1	2
Rosenberg	2	1	Scherr	2	1
Nusbacher	1	1	Huff	0	3
Farhas	1	0			
Goldberg	0	1	Total	3	6
Total	6	3			
Saber			Epee		
Rhine	2	0	Filip	1	2
Dyckman	2	1	Turtle	3	0
Joseph	1	1	Kambi	0	3
Greenspan	0	1			
Feinerman	0	1	Total	4	5
Total	5	4			
Epee			Total		
Aronson	2	0	Brenner	2	1
Shapiro	1	1	Schaenman	1	2
Finkelstein	1	2	Gresl	1	2
Rosenthal	1	0			
Goldstein	0	1	Total	4	5
Total	5	4			

Quinnipiac Defeats Yeshiva  
In Palefski Memorial Game

Before a capacity crowd of Yeshiva enthusiasts who had gathered to pay tribute to the memory of Norman Palefski, the Mites lost to Quinnipiac, 86-75.

The Connecticut team, facing Yeshiva for the first time in four years without their erstwhile star and fabulous scorer, "Porky" Vieira, displayed as did Yeshiva, a lack of experience, but enough promise for the future.

Vieira-less Quinnipiac's offensive attack consisted of the basic attempt to work the ball in, to set up screens, and to complete a few variations of the "C" play.

Yeshiva's defense was ineffectual in the early moments of the first half, and Quinnipiac jumped to an early 13-4 lead. Sarachek replaced Steinmetz with Goldstein, and the hustling sophomore sparked and spearheaded Yeshiva back into the game, 18-14.

Quinnipiac pulled away again, as Gaetano clicked on two sets and a three-point play. After a time out in which the entire crowd heard Sarachek's strategy, Yeshiva pulled within five points, 30-25. At the half, Yeshiva trailed by a field goal, 41-39.

In the second half, Stu Badian and Irv Bader combined to keep Yeshiva in the contest. But Quinnipiac's great depth, and their marvelous shooting accuracy was too much for the struggling Mites and Quinnipiac opened up a 14-point lead, 64-50. They maintained this lead, to coast to victory by eleven points.

Before the game, Hy Wettstein, coach of Y. U. High School of Manhattan, asked for a moment of silence in memory of Norman Palefski, whom he called "a perfect student, a perfect athlete and a perfect Jew."

Yeshiva Matmen Swamped  
By Albany in First Match

Yeshiva University's rejuvenated wrestling team traveled to Albany State Teachers College December 10, to open the 1957-58 schedule. The final score was Albany 33, Yeshiva 5.

In less than four minutes after the start of the match, Yeshiva's first three wrestlers were pinned, and the score was 15-0. After that fast but dismal beginning, Harvey Rosen, wrestling in the 147-pound class, lost his match in the last twenty seconds of the match. A match is three periods. Three minutes are allotted each period. Yeshiva's representatives in the 157 and 167 pound classes, were pinned in short order. The score was now 28-0.

Kaplan Averts Shutout

The shameful experience of a shutout was averted by Mel Kaplan. Displaying superior strength and wrestling ability, Mel got off the canvas from a near pin to defeat his Albany opponent at 0:42 of the final period. The final match of the evening saw Benny Hirsch pinned by Albany's Joel Smith at 1:19 of the third and final period.

On The Sidelines



Mighty Mites Make Music,  
Some Notes Slightly Sour;  
Fencers Foil Foes

By Jack Prince

Since the last time this paper was printed, the Mighty Mites have come through with a couple of encouraging victories despite a discouraging defeat to Quinnipiac of Connecticut. The loss to the New England quintet becomes more significant when one is aware of the fact that Long Island University defeated Quinnipiac by more than thirty points, with the latter squad scoring twenty-odd points less than they did against Yeshiva. Moreover, it took Yeshiva three points less than they tallied against Quinnipiac to vanquish L.I.U.

Another point of interest to be cited is that last year, Yeshiva needed only 56 points to defeat Quinnipiac, that, with Red Blumenreich, Al Helfer, and Herb Schlusell still in action, while this season twenty points more was not enough.

After being downed by the Connecticut basketballers, the Mites bounced back for a 100-77 victory over lowly Pace College, a team being molested by any and all. This was only the second time in Yeshiva's history that a varsity five has reached the century mark. But for those who saw the contest, Yeshiva still left much to be desired. The consensus of opinion is that the Mites should not have allowed the Pacers to pour seventy-seven points through the hoop.

Here lies one of Coach Sarachek's chief concerns, defense. It has always been said by leading mentors in all sports that the best offense is a good defense. In that light, Yeshiva is one of the poorest offensive ball clubs.

In the Quinnipiac game, the Mites were unable to stop the steady outoutside shooting of Gaetano, Finn and Togatea who amassed 68 points between them, the first collecting 40. When a Yeshiva defender moved up on his man, he found himself posing for animal crackers while his opponent garnered a quick two. On the other hand, when the defender blocked up the middle, the ball was bombed from the outside, right through the hoop. To add to Sarachek's misery, the Mighty Mites barely captured an offensive rebound while the Quinns swarmed the offensive boards like bees on the trail of honey. This is in no way intended to diminish from the fine showing of the Quinns, but it certainly says nothing for Yeshiva's ability to hold an opponent at bay.

Yeshiva's personal foul record alone tells a good part of the story. In their victories over Pace and L.I.U. they committed a total of 27 personals. In the Quinnipiac contest alone, they racked up 28, with Bader, Ader and Goldstein fouling out towards the end of the fray.

The varsity has a two-week break now until the January 4 meeting with one of their archrivals, Hunter College. That game will be Yeshiva's second meeting with a Tri-State League foe. The Mites' loss to Adelphi puts our record in that league at 0-1.

Hats off to the fencing team who once again have jumped off to a fine start. They topped Adelphi, 17-10, Queens 16-11, and St. Peters 15-12. As Athletic Manager Willie Lerer pointed out recently after observing the recent scores, we should win our next match, 14-13. Our next meet will be January 8 against Columbia University, one of the top-rated fencing powers in the nation.

Synthetic Synthesis

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keep up with the Joneses of American higher education: Harvard, Yale, and Princeton.

In what lies the uniqueness of Yeshiva University? Is it not its purpose to mold a cultured Jew, fully equipped to meet the challenge of modern American society? How can this purpose be served by unnecessary expansion, neglect of vital college facilities, lack of religious and vocational guidance, and a lack of coordination between the two parts of the students' day?

In order for Yeshiva University to rededicate itself to its original goal, the student's viewpoint must be heard and taken into account. We invite the various University division heads to appear before the student body at meetings similar to the one held between Rabbi Klein and the seniors, Tuesday, December 17.

Before schizophrenia becomes a school-wide disease, the dichotomy between the religious and secular phases of Yeshiva University must be resolved. If this is not done, our forecast for Yeshiva University weather is, unfortunately, cloudy today—stormy weather ahead.

The Yeshiva basketball team embarked upon a two-game winning streak by defeating Pace College and Rutgers of Newark. The Pace game, played in Brooklyn, saw Yeshiva hit the century mark in defeating their opponents 100-77. The Mighty Mites then traveled to New Jersey to defeat Newark-Rutgers 61-43.

The Pace contest was played without the services of Coach Bernie Sarachek, who was ill. Assistant Coach Marv Hershkowitz took over the reins and guided Yeshiva to their easiest victory of the year.

Yeshiva got off to 5-0 lead on scores by Ader, Bader and Steinmetz. With Yeshiva controlling the backboards and apparently scoring at will, a new point record seemed to be in sight. But poor defensive work and sloppy ball-handling caused the Mites to lose their lead and at one point trail 23-22.

Acting Coach Hershkowitz then switched to a zone defense. The Mites finally settled down and broke away to a 44-32 lead at the half time buzzer.

Mites Pull Away

In the second half, the Yeshiva attack began to click. Bader and Goldstein led a devastating fast break which Pace and no defense against.

In the last few seconds of the game, with Yeshiva leading 99-77, 6'7" Gary Sarinsky scored a foul shot to end the game 100-77. Irv Bader led the Mites with twenty-eight markers.

Yeshiva then won their third game against four defeats by thrashing Newark-Rutgers. Coach Sarachek, recovered from his recent illness, was on hand to guide the Yeshiva five.

In the first half, Rutgers employed a zone defense to great advantage. Although unable to score more than 22 points themselves, the Jersey five held the Mites to 26 tallies in that session.

Ader and Bader began to hit in the second half and Yeshiva gradually increased their lead. The game ended with Yeshiva ahead 61-43. Sandy Ader and Irv Bader led the Mites scoring with eighteen and seventeen points respectively.

QUINNIPAC (86)		
G	F	P
G'tano lf	14	12 40
H'r'ng rf	1	2 4
Luedee c	1	0 3
Finn lg	8	1 17
T'g'tae rg	3	5 11
W't'wrth	3	6 12
Total	30	26 86

YESHIVA (75)		
G	F	P
Ader lf	4	4 12
Bader lf	8	3 19
B'dian rf	5	0 10
St'm'tz c	4	4 12
G'dat'n lg	17	6 20
Baum rg	1	0 2
S'rinsky	0	0 0
W'rnsck	0	0 0
Total	29	17 75

PACE (77)		
G	F	P
B'r'n'd lf	5	0 10
S'r'dl rf	6	6 18
G'sp'r c	6	0 12
E'd'm'u lg	7	2 16
Speck, rg	7	2 16
Rothaus	0	1 1
Sch'nbl'm	1	2 4
Olsen	0	0 0
Total	32	13 77

YESHIVA (100)		
G	F	P
Bader lf	11	6 28
G'dat'n rf	7	3 17
K'rns'ld	0	0 0
S'rinsky, c	5	3 13
Ader lg	7	2 16
Baum	2	4 8
W'r'n'ch rg	3	2 8
Badian	2	1 5
St'm'tz	2	1 5
Total	39	22 100

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