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Dr. H. Grinstein to Direct Teachers Inst. for Men

Dr. Hyman Grinstein has been appointed Director of Teachers Institute, announced Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of Yeshiva University. Dr. Grinstein, who was made a full professor of American Jewish history in 1951, has served as Registrar of Teacher's Institute since 1947. He was appointed Grand Marshall of Yeshiva University's commencement exercises in 1946, and is currently the secretary of the American Jewish Historical Society and a member of the New York Historical Society.

The Teachers Institute's new director is the author of many books on the American Jewish scene including *The Social and Communal Concepts of American Jewish History* and *The Rise of the Jewish Community of N. Y.*



Dr. Hyman B. Grinstein

Yeshiva U. Alumnus, Now Israeli, Awarded Hebrew Poetry Prize

T. Carmi, (originally Carmi Charney) Teacher's Institute and Yeshiva College graduate, now in Israel, was recently awarded the Shlauskay Award for Hebrew Poetry. The award, bestowed on Carmi for his book of poetry *Hayam Ha'acharon*, establishes him as one of Israel's leading young poets.

Carmi Charney is the son of Rabbi B. Charney, principal of the Yeshiva of Central Queens. The book is Carmi's fourth since

settling in Israel after graduation from Yeshiva University.

Mr. Carmi is one of four Yeshiva University alumni who have become Hebrew poets of note. Reuven Avinoam Grossman, has edited an anthology of English poetry translated in to Hebrew, and well known in Israel. In the United States, Gabriel Preil, winner of the Lamed Prize, an American award for Hebrew poetry, and Abraham Narthan have won wide acclaim.

Spigelman Freshmen President; Shore, Veep; Segal, Delegate

Aueriel Spigelman was elected President of the Freshman class, Michael Shore, Vice-President, and David Segal, Delegate-at-Large, in elections held October 14.

Mr. Spigelman, victorious on the second ballot, garnered 65 votes to 34 for Irving Black and 24 votes for Daniel Krasner, after Hal Landes had been eliminated on the first ballot.

Mr. Shore defeated Howard Begel by a 51-45 margin, on the second ballot while Mr. Segal won on the 3rd ballot over Aaron Gottesman.

Yeshiva High School Alumnus
Mr. Spigelman, who hails from Los Angeles is an alumnus of Yeshiva University High School of Manhattan, where he served as Secretary of the General Organization and typing editor of the *Compact*, a literary magazine.

Mr. Shore is a graduate of Philadelphia's Central High School. He has served as President of his local American Zionist Association chapter.

Club Program Begins

Yeshiva College marked the beginning of its 1958-59 club program October 16. This year's program, headed by Joe Lipschitz '61, will enable students to attend three clubs as opposed to two in previous years.

Students were warned against

signing petitions and then failing to attend meetings of the club. Such action would necessitate the dissolving of the club involved. As in the past, participation in the club program is voluntary. All students, however, were requested by the student leaders to attend the club program.

Charter Day Dinner Honors Dr. Belkin; Sen. Morse Feted

The thirteenth annual Yeshiva University Charter Day Dinner, honoring Dr. Samuel Belkin for his fifteen years of service as President of the University, will take place Sunday, October 26, at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel. At this same affair, Honorable Wayne Morse, U.S. Senator from Oregon, will receive the Charter Day Award for his "outstanding leadership and forceful advocacy of our democratic tradition."

In 1942, Dr. Belkin, who held the position of Rosh Yeshiva in the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary, was named to a three man Presidium, which was created to fill the vacancy created by the death of Dr. Bernard Revel, of blessed memory, president and founder of Yeshiva College. In 1943, Dr. Belkin was elected President of Yeshiva College.

Committee Suggests Purchases

At the same time, Louis J. Glickman, who is currently in charge of the many fetes honoring Dr. Belkin during the coming year, announced the appointment of the following dignitaries as

Physics Grant

An equipment grant estimated at fifty thousand dollars was donated to the Yeshiva University physics department within the last few weeks by the Radio Corporation of America, announced Dr. Meyers, assistant professor of physics at Yeshiva College. The equipment is primarily suited for research work at the graduate school level, and also for use in advanced undergraduate physics courses.

honorary chairmen of the tribute: Vice President Richard M. Nixon, Governor Robert B. Meyner, Governor Averell Harriman, Governor Frank G. Clement, Hon. Abba Eban, Associate Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court William O. Douglas, Hon. Herbert H. Lehman, Mrs. Eleanor Roosevelt, George Meany, Senator Paul H. Douglas, Senator Albert Gore, Senator Irving Ives, Senator Jacob K. Javits, Senator Estes Kefauver, Senator John F. Kennedy, Senator Stuart Symington, Mayor Robert F. Wagner, and New York City Council President Abe Stark.

A Grad to Return

Joseph Sokolow national secretary of the Religious Zionists of America was elected president of the Yeshiva College Alumni Association. Mr. Sokolow, a member of the class of 1942, majored in government, was editor of *Masmid*, and News Editor of *THE COMMENTATOR*.

S.C., Committee, Differ On Policymaker Role

Student Council's objections to the revised version of the Fleisher report were voiced by its members to Professor David Mirsky, a member of the committee, at a S.C. meeting Monday, October 13.



Prof. David Mirsky

Student Council's comments on the report had been previously presented to the committee, and, as a result, revisions were made in the report. However, Raphael Weinberg '59, Student Council president, asserted that the report is "as yet not completely satisfactory to Student Council."

Points of Contention

The points of contention between Student Council and the Fleisher Committee centered around the proposed Faculty-Student-Affairs Policy Committee. Professor Mirsky conceded that the committee would have the power to "charter all clubs, old and new,"—a power long in the hands of Student Council.

The members of Council felt that if this committee indeed had such powers over its traditional activities, it would become a "secondary power"—relegated to carrying out the finer points of administrative duties, while the policy of some of its activities would be out of its jurisdiction.

Other differences aired were Student Council's objections to the method of electing student members of the Policy Committee and the proposed Judiciary Committee and the requirement that Student Council submit a detailed budget to the policy committee, which it contended would further diminish its powers.

After hearing the reasons for Student Council's objections, Professor Mirsky stated that he would relay them to Professor Fleisher, chairman of the committee.

Dorm Court Formed To Judge Offenders

A student court, consisting of three judges, has been reinstated in the college dormitory "to achieve and maintain quiet," announced Mr. Steven Riskin '60, chairman of the court.

The court will judge every complaint brought against any student causing a disturbance in the dormitory.

Warnings will be issued to the first offenders, a five-day curfew will be imposed upon second offenders, and a one week suspension from the dormitory will be meted out to those guilty of three offenses. A student convicted for the fourth time will be liable to expulsion from the dormitory.

Rabbi Moshe Klein will have a veto power in the court.

Expansion of Gottesman Library Encouraged by S.O.Y. Committee

Expansion of the Mendel Gottesman Judaic Library was "urgently recommended" in a report recently submitted to the Student Organization of Yeshiva by the S.O.Y. Committee on the Gottesman Library. The report, compiled by Sheldon Brunswick '60, Israel Reiss '57, and Eugene Zaveloff '60, lauded Jacob Deinstag, librarian for "dedicated service,"

but urged the University to investigate the possibility of extending library facilities on the 2nd and 3rd floors of the Main Academic Center with an eye for ultimate construction of a separate library building on the site of Graduate Hall.

Lack of sufficient staff was held responsible for the inadequate cross-reference system at the library, and the report recommended the establishment of a faculty committee to suggest book purchases. Mr. Bernstein, Chairman of the Y.C. Committee on the Pollack Library and Mr. Deinstag are currently the sole selectors of library material.

Stern Frosh Class Largest in History

The largest Freshman class in Stern College history consisting of 200 girls, attended opening day sessions October 13, announced Dr. Daniel Vogel, acting dean of the college. Mrs. Elizabeth Isaacs, formerly director of Student Activities, was promoted to the position of Dean of Students.

Dr. Vogel also announced an addition of eight new faculty members and five new courses in five departments.

The Fleisher Committee Report—1

The last issue of THE COMMENTATOR carried an editorial commending the Fleisher Committee for their study of student activities. While we were in agreement with most of the report, there remained difficulties to be resolved. We presented them for consideration to the Committee and received a revised report in reply.

The report stated as follows: "The establishment of policy for student affairs at Y.C. shall be the function of a committee to be called the Faculty-Student Affairs Policy Committee." Student Council wanted to know exactly what "policy for student affairs" included. Professor Mirsky, who was kind enough to attend a Student Council meeting, stated that policy for club charters would be an example of a power previously in the hands of Student Council which would now be in the domain of this committee. In other words, the committee would decide what type of club would be allowed in Yeshiva College, and Student Council would be left with the task of administering these clubs which the rules of the committee permitted. By direct intercourse, the power to set policy on all of Student Council's classical activities would now be in the hands of this committee.

The revised version further insisted that the President of Student Council and only Student Council members be on this committee.

This Policy Committee is taking the place of Student Council, relegating Student Council to a secondary position in Yeshiva College.

We feel that the only activities whose policy forms a proper sphere of action for a Faculty-Student Policy Committee are those which have caused administration-student controversy from the very outset. Policy for activities which S.C. has proven for years its ability to run alone belongs solely in the hands of the body representing the students, and not in a committee, half of whose members are faculty.

The Policy Committee will subvert Student Council in still another manner. The members must include the S.C.'s President and 4 other S.C. members. This creates a hierarchy within S.C. itself, in that the members of S.C. who are not members of the Policy Committee will tend to become second-raters. Furthermore, we feel that under no circumstances should the President of S.C. be a delegate to this committee, for the committee should always realize that its students members are merely delegates of the student body's policy-making power, Student Council, and not a miniature of it. Council should be free to select any student of Yeshiva College to represent it in the Policy Committee. Only in this way will the Committee be kept in its proper place, that of a group of students and faculty who try to work together impartially to eliminate S.C.—Administration problems that are still unresolved, and to resolve new ones that arise in case of unfair unilateral action on the part of either party.

In case of deadlock within the Policy Committee the report specified that the question would be submitted to a faculty-administration committee, the Faculty Advisory Council, for resolution. This is a travesty of Principle 2 of the foreword of the report, that "supervision when introduced, should not be exercised by faculty or administration alone." If an issue that has been the basis of disagreement in a Faculty-Student Committee is then placed in the hands of administration-faculty et al, principle 2 is worthless.

We feel that in the event of deadlock in the Policy Committee, the question should be referred to a special committee consisting of the Dean and 3 other faculty members whom he might appoint with faculty approval, together with the Executive Council of Student Council and the Editor-in-Chief of THE COMMENTATOR, with the Dean as chairman. Here and only here, is the place for a Student Council leaders on a committee—when an issue is so controversial that faculty and student delegates on a Policy Committee cannot resolve it.

The report states that council is to submit a detailed budget to this committee. Needless to say, we feel this is an intrusion into S.C.'s self-governing power. What S.C. does with its money is the responsibility of the students only.

Finally, the report states that the policy the committee sets will be handled by the Assistant Dean. We have no objection to this in theory, but we do not deal with the present Assistant Dean in practice. We have so stated on numerous occasions.

The rest of the report of the Special Committee on Student Activities will be covered in future issues of THE COMMENTATOR.

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A Zionist Club at Yeshiva

We would like to commend the fifteen students who have submitted a petition to Student Council for recognition of a student Zionist club. The need for such a club here at Yeshiva College has long been felt by many students, and we applaud this act as the first step in the official participation of the Yeshiva student in the most dynamic contemporary movement of the Jewish people.

The Student Zionist Organization, of which this club plans to be a chapter, has long been active on American college campuses in promoting the Zionist ideal. To quote from their constitution: "Student Zionists have joined together to interpret to the general college community the meaning and promise of Zionism and the State of Israel; to encourage Jewish students in the study of, and participation in, all aspects of affirmative Jewish living; and to aid them to creative self fulfillment through identification with the ideals and achievements of the Zionist movement including aliyah to Israel."

The American Zionist Council, which includes such religious movements as Mizrahi — Hapoel Hamizrachi, has authorized S.Z.O. as the national representative of the Zionist movement on American campuses. Thus it is from affiliation with S.Z.O. that Yeshiva students can join the ranks of a national unified Zionist youth body.

It is to be hoped that such disgraceful incidents as the lack of an organized celebration in honor of Israel's Tenth Anniversary will be remedied by the formation of such Zionist clubs.

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ISRAEL TODAY

Religion: Y.U.'s Activities?

By Yehudi Felman

An important and striking thing I noticed in Israel's religious life is the large preponderance of supposedly irreligious Jews who observe certain specific halachot. One of the great myths that are circulated about Israel is that Jews there are either religious or nonreligious, with no in-betweens. This is decidedly untrue. Many Jews who vote Mapai go to shul on Shabbat, fast on Yom Kippur and Tisha B'Av, and observe many other religious customs. A really amazing fact is that although less than twenty per cent of the total Israeli vote is cast for the religious parties, almost forty per cent of the children of Israel are enrolled in the religious elementary schools. Seemingly, even many supposedly irreligious parents want their children at least to know religion is. Here, the basic difference between Israel and America is that non-religious Israelis don't label themselves with distinguished names such as Conservative and Reform, but just observe what they wish without making any to-do about it.

What is Y. U. Doing?

A very disturbing event that happened during the past summer was the opening of an Israeli branch of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America. Unfortunately, Yeshiva University has done nothing to combat this, and as far as Israel is concerned, the

general policy of our institution seems to be to let well enough alone. Yeshiva must begin to take an active hand in Israeli life. A branch of Yeshiva might be opened. There are over a hundred Yeshiva alumni now residing in Israel, who have just begun to organize a fledgling alumni association. They need aid and guidance from the parent institution, for they are the best ambassadors of American religious Jewry to Israel today.

Carry on Traditions

I wish to conclude with a little story. While on an irreligious kibbutz, I spoke to an elderly member of Mapai, who had spent most of his life there. I made a remark about the seeming rejection of chlutziut, the great ideal of the irreligious pioneers of the first half of the century, by the up-and-coming new generation of Sabras. The man agreed with me. He said that as far as he was concerned, irreligious pioneering has become an ideal of the past, for his own children have rejected it, preferring big-city life. Only the religious parents, he said, have found satisfaction with their children, for these children are carrying on the traditions of their parents, traditions which kept the Jews alive for 2000 years.

Letters to Editor

(Editor's note: The writer of this letter was the Editor-in-Chief of THE COMMENTATOR in 1957-58.)

To The Editor:

Dear Yehudi, All summer I thought about the job you are assuming this year. It's a tough one, and time-consuming, too. You won't need many reminders to realize you are editor 24 hours a day, every day of the school year.

Maybe I can give you a few pointers from my experiences that will help you out during the first period of your tenure.

The most important point you always have to keep in mind, and I think you already know it from your three years of close association with the newspaper, is that THE COMMENTATOR is more than just a voice of the students, more than just a representative of the students. THE COMMENTATOR must also serve as the conscience of the students of Yeshiva University. If you remember this, and keep in mind the steps taken by THE COMMENTATOR in the past as the school's conscience, you will not go astray.

Treat Students Fairly

Don't hesitate to reprimand the students just because you are one of them. Treat them fairly and they will give you a fair shake.

A year is really a short time to be editor of Commie. Just as you are getting to know your job well, your term of office is up and you must hand the reins to another. I know that your top-level participation last year has given you the jump on your duties.

A word about the editorial and news columns. Together they are the lifeblood of THE COMMENTATOR. You must not allow them to become anemic. Your news stories should be, to set up a comparison, more accurate and more impartial than those of the New York Times.

The informed student is one (Continued on page 4)

The Professor Exposed

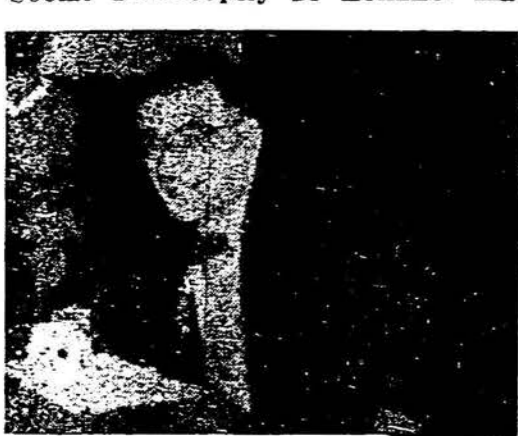
By Steven Riskin

There has long been controversy raging in America—no less serious in consequence than the Democrats vs. the Republicans, the Big-Endians vs. the Little-Endians—between the Hebraists and the Yiddishists. There is no doubt in anyone's mind as to with which camp Dr. Arfa, visiting assistant professor of Hebrew at Yeshiva College, is allied. The *Sfardit* Hebrew which he employs in reading Bialik and Ahad Ha'am has caused more than one ardent Yiddishist to chant Talmudic passages with broad accents—much to the dismay of the student and the satisfaction of the teacher.

Dr. Milton Arfa is a graduate of Yeshiva Rabbi Jacob Joseph (the Ivrit B' Ivrit department, of course) and the Teacher's Institute of Yeshiva University. He also attended City College ("It was a depression year, and tuition for Y. C. was scarce."), and received his Masters in Psychology.

Upon his graduation from Y.U. Dr. Arfa studied at R.I.E.T.S. for a short time ("I couldn't take the Yiddish after awhile," he explains with his inimitable chuckle. After all, neither Rashi nor the Rambam knew any Yiddish.") He obtained his Ph.D. in Philosophy, with some work in semitics and languages from Columbia University.

Professor Arfa was awarded a Fellowship by the American Council of Learned Societies to do private research on Abraham Ibn Daud. The result of this grant will be seen in another year, when he should publish his work on this personality. He has published many essays on modern Hebrew authors, and is working on a monograph on the Social Philosophy of Echezkel Kaufman, the Israeli scholar.



Dr. Milton Arfa

Dr. Arfa is noted for his strong attachment to Israel, and he may often be found after class giving lectures on contemporary Zionism.

"I believe that is impossible for a Jew to attain full normalcy as a Jew in a Gentile country. The Jewish problem may be dormant for a short time, but is never ultimately solvable in Galut. The Jew is not assimilable by a non-Jewish society. There is no ultimate solution except in Israel."

Professor Arfa's great love is Hebrew language and literature. "I believe there has been a decline, especially in the last four years, in the study of Hebrew, in line with the general qualitative decline in American education. This setback is not in the number of hours but in the level of study and in the importance attached to the subject. In general, I see no excuse today for the study of Hebrew subjects such as Talmud and Bible in English or Yiddish. It is hard to justify the ordination of a Rabbi or the graduation of a Hebrew teacher who cannot speak Hebrew fluently, or who is not acquainted with modern Hebrew literature. Such a person is cut off from advanced work in the field and from the main currents of Jewish life."

"I believe that the J.S.P. is a very necessary and wonderful thing, and it represents a significant step in the contribution of Yeshiva University to the American Jewish Community. However, there seems to be a notable lack of success in teaching these new students Hebrew, so that they appear doomed to a "Judaism in translation." My chief objection is that it is a Jewish Studies Program and not a Hebrew Studies Program."

I suggesting a solution to this decline in Hebrew studies, Dr. Arfa says "I would suggest that each student, before he receives his diploma in T. I. or his *Smicha*, should be expected to spend a year in Israel. This plan should be facilitated by the University in conjunction with similar institutions in Israel. This would provide him with a greater understanding of Jewish problems today and with a much more extensive knowledge of Hebrew literature. This is a necessity for the Yeshiva graduate if he is to become a leader in the Jewish community."

Faculty Notes

Rabbi Samuel Volk has published a volume of halachic novellae entitled *The Gates of Purity*.

Dr. Werner J. Cahnman, visiting associate professor of sociology at Yeshiva, presided as chairman and organizer of a section on sociology and history at the annual meeting of the American Sociological Society, recently held in Seattle, Washington.

Ephraim D. Dworetzky has

been appointed visiting Assistant Professor of economics at Yeshiva College, announced Dr. Simeon L. Guterman, dean.

Mr. Dworetzky, who received a bachelor's degree in accounting from City College, has been a member of the faculty of Long Island University since 1945. He also holds membership in the American Accounting Association and the New York State Society of Certified Public Accountants.

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Ode to a Text book

by Jay Kitainik

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A thing of scorn.
O, weapon of pedagogues!
O, thrasher of students!
Thy meaning is abstract,
Thy content is cursed;
Thou art but a textbook
Through which we are nursed.
O, printed pages!
O, punctuated work!
Thy message is nonsense,
Thy method is force;
Thou art but a textbook—
Without which we'll flunk the course.

Dr. Linn to Address Brazil Conference

Dr. Irving Linn, professor of English at Yeshiva College, has been invited to address the Conference on Brazil, December 3. His subject will be "The Emperor of Brazil as an admirer of Henry Wadsworth Longfellow."

Professor Linn, while on a lecture tour of Brazil this August, lectured to a group of English teachers in Rio De Janiero on "Henry Wadsworth Longfellow, New English Poet." After his lecture, the curator of the Petropolis Royal Museum invited him to the former Imperial residence, and showed him the relics illustrating the friendship bonds between the Emperor and the American poet.

In addition, Dr. Linn learned of the whereabouts of the translation made by the Emperor of one of Longfellow's longer poems. The professor will use this text and the nature of the friendship between the monarch and the poet, as the subject of his address in December.

'Scripta' Dedicated To Prof. Ginsburg

The Memorial Issue of *Scripta Mathematica*, the largest single issue ever published, has been dedicated to the late Dr. Jekuthiel Ginsberg, announced Dr. Abe Gelbart, editor of *Scripta Mathematica* and present director of the Yeshiva University Graduate School of Mathematical Sciences.

Dr. Ginsburg, professor of mathematics at Yeshiva College and director of the Institute of Mathematics, was the founder of *Scripta Mathematica* and served as its editor until his death last year.

Biographical Features

The issue includes essays dealing with the theory of numbers and differential equations. A special feature compares the methods of Ibn Ezra and Abu Ibn Hassan Karkhi, two of the foremost mathematicians of the eleventh century.

Dr. Gelbart was aided by Dr. Leo Zippen and Dr. Abraham Frankel, professors of Mathematics at Yeshiva College, who served as associate editors.

Congrats

Congratulations to Dr. and Mrs. David Fleisher upon the birth of a son, Martin Ephraim.

God Is My Co-Pilot:

Opposition in "Heights" To Pilgrim's Progress

by Charles Persky

A new page in the history of commuting was written this past Succot, when a New Jersey resident, sick and tired of traffic jams, crowded buses, and still more crowded trains, took matters into his own hands and made the trip across the Hudson by plane.

As is the case with all idealistic and futuristic thinkers, the opposition to the plan ran fast and furious. A man of principles, however, cannot be stopped by opposition from an antiquarian society. This great thinker stole a plane from Teterboro Airport (the headquarters of the opposition), and made the historic flight anyway, landing at 187th St. and Amsterdam Ave. at 12:45 A.M.

High Flyer Downed

The Anti-Progress Committee of Washington Heights was not yet beaten, however, and they had

this brilliant man arrested and charged with such trivial things as grand larceny, (it wasn't even a new plane and the seats were dirty), and violation of the Civil Aeronautics Board regulations (what does a license mean when progress is at stake?).

THE COMMENTATOR immediately sent out a reporter to interview this man of the future, while still at the scene of the great event. Our reporter asked the pilot, George "Flying Tiger" Wino, what he thought of his being arrested. G. "F. T." W. answered, "Urrrrp!" Words of wisdom, my friends, the words of a prophet.

We at Yeshiva University should take pride in the fact that such a man as George "Flying Tiger" Wino should have chosen to land so near to our school. Bite your tongues, Harvard, Yale and Princeton, for you see, it takes genius to recognize a real University.

Condolences

THE COMMENTATOR extends its sincerest condolences to Murray Laulich '61, upon the loss of his father.

May he be comforted among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

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On The Sidelines

Cheaper By The Dozen

By Artie Eidelman

"What hurts the most," commented one of the members of the varsity basketball team, is that we can't help but feeling that we are being looked down on. It may seem absurd," added another, "but we sometimes get the impression that if we quit the team we would be better off."

Those are mighty powerful statements to be made by two individuals who should be normally basking in the glory of their position. It is quite a strange situation if the ballplayers themselves start doubting their own worth.

"We have about given up in expecting any gratitude from the students around here for our sacrifices," noted another Mighty Mite. "We are just wondering if the freshman care about having a team in three or four years. With only eight men on the team, all of them uppertermers, what will they use?" "It is going to be mighty lonely on the bench with just a Mizuman," quipped another.

"It isn't that there aren't any ballplayers around, it is just that they don't want to go out of their way for Yeshiva. And what annoys us is that others begrudge the fact that we are the ones who are sacrificing our evenings for Yeshiva."

"I don't know," remarked one of the quieter members of the team, "but when I think back to Yeshiva teams of a few years ago, I can remember that it included students who were majoring in everything, from pre-smicha to pre-med. They cared about the team then, and managed to find time to play ball too. What do we have now, a new breed of student at Yeshiva?"

"All I know," summed up one of the varsiteers, "it is going to be mighty tough going through season without a full team. I just hope there isn't any indication of the support we are going to get from the student body in form of attendance at games and the like."

"Then you can tell the students not to complain about the team. If they aren't going to support us during the season, why should we care?"

Need anything else be added? With the Tri-State League, of which Yeshiva College is a member, welcoming to its membership both City College and Long Island University, it's obvious that the basketball team will be playing a more and more important public relations job for Yeshiva University. Thus if we are among those who are interested in the name of Yeshiva, it is high time that we adopt a more positive attitude to the varsity and its members.

Changing the topic slightly, someone suggested to this columnist that the reason that they planted more bushes by the new dorm, is that with a few years growth we will be the only college with ivy goalposts. The only problem is that they will probably never last-the winter cold and those end zone passes.

"Watch These Fellows Go," Optimistic Coach Declared

by Sandy Ader

What kind of year will it be? This question is difficult for me to answer at this point of the year. With only two or three practice sessions held so far, I haven't really had a chance to see them, the players. But as much as I can tell about them so far, we could have a good year if they learn to move the ball quickly.

"My big man, the guy who has that long set, looks pretty good and so does my high scorer. You know, the kid has been playing good, and I hope that both these guys can keep up their play all season long.

Weight Problem
"My guy who worked on the milk trucks this summer, he's been playing O.K. But this man gotta watch his weight, and he is a scrapper, and so is my other back-court-man.

The other fellows better watch out if my team moves the ball—you just watch these fellows.

"Another thing I gotta tell you is that my boys are given up a lot of their free time and they work hard. I hope that they can keep up their stamina because I only got 8 guys and its pretty hard to run all night without hardly getting any relief from my other guys on the bench.

Manpowers Shortage
"It would be a great help if some of the other guys who go to our school came out to help my guys. I mean, maybe some more guys should come out for the team so we can have a better and stronger squad. Then maybe I could give you a more optimistic answer next time you ask me this question."

Thank you Casey Stengel... oops! I mean Coach.

L. A. Next?

The Brooklyn College gymnasium has been acquired for all the Tri-State-League home games of Yeshiva University's basketball team, announced Coach Red Sarachek.

This is a consequence of the ban on F. I. T.'s court, which was declared "unfit" for games by the Tri-State-League.

As a result of the decision, Yeshiva University will play its league home games on the Brooklyn court.

Our new "home" is located on Bedford Ave. and Ave. H in the Flatbush section of Brooklyn.

City College, Long Island Join Tri-State League

by Jerome Hornblase

City College and Long Island University will become members of the Tri-State League, disclosed Berpie Sarachek, director of athletics at Yeshiva College. The addition of these two colleges will bring the total number of teams in the league to eight.

C.C.N.Y. and L.I.U. will not be neophytes in league competition. Both participated in the N.C.A.A. and N.I.T. post season tournaments. Nat Holman's Beaver's were champs of both tourneys in 1950.

To Join in '59

Their membership will become effective as of the '59-'60 season.

However, Yeshiva will play L.I.U. in a non-league game this year. Last season, in the initial meeting of the two teams Yeshiva triumphed over Long Island.

The league was formed two years ago. The charter members are Brooklyn College, Queens College, Fairleigh-Dickinson University, Adelphi, Kings Point, and Yeshiva. Yeshiva placed third in the '56-'57 season and dropped to fifth last year.

The league is now the only inter-collegiate conference in the greater New York area. The first place team is given an invitation to the N.C.A.A. small-college post-season tournament. Last year Adelphi represented the Tri-State League.

Letters to the Editor

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who will best support what is right.

Hasty Editorials

It isn't easy for the nine people on Governing Board, together with the Student Council representative to the Board, to go off half-cocked—but it may happen. Your task, Yehudi, is to-determine when you are justified in printing a critical edit and when it is merely the result of letting off steam at 4 a.m. Edits can and should be constructive, as they have been in the past.

Your continuation of the policy of open Board meetings is good. I would like to see the day when the Commie office is crowded with students who want to give voice to their opinions in edits.

Edits should be confined, most of the time, to issues involving Yeshiva. It is easy and tempting to blast segregation in southern schools; a little harder to write about practice at Yeshiva which shouldn't exist.

Editor Must Lead

By its very nature, an edit involves controversy. Don't shy away from controversial topics. One of your functions as editor is to lead, and you must fulfill your duties.

Last year some trouble resulted due to the fact that channels of communication were closed to us. Meet with members of the administration as often as possible and discuss your problems before they become serious ones. Meet with Dr. Belkin as often as his busy schedule permits. He will always deal with you fairly.

One channel which is too often neglected is the Public Relations Department. Sam Hartstein and his assistants will give you a lot of help, if only you ask for it.

I think I've rambled too far and too long already, so I'll close with wishing you and your staff a good year.

I know you can depend on your Governing Board—all the people whom I worked with last year.

With best wishes for a successful year for you, for Commie, and for Yeshiva and its students, I am,

Sincerely yours,
Abe Shapiro

Greetings, Fellow Students:

I would like to take this opportunity to officially welcome all freshman and all new students to our intramural program. This year's program will be long and varied, with competition in weight lifting, bowling, and swimming added to our usual sports.

The opening event will be a basketball game between the freshmen and the sophomores, Tuesday, October 21. On each consecutive Tuesday there will be a hoop contest between the class teams through April 7th. Further announcements on the other sports will be found here in THE COMMENTATOR.

I would also like to remind the student body that the various teams need their support both from the stands and on the playing fields. This and only this way can we expect a successful year.

Thanking everybody in advance for their cooperation, I remain,

Edward Rosenbaum
Athletic Manager

Class Conflicts

- Tues. Oct. 21, Freshmen vs. Sophomores
- Tues. Oct. 28, Juniors vs. Seniors
- Tues. Nov. 11, Freshmen vs. Juniors
- Tues. Nov. 18, Sophomores vs. Seniors
- Tues. Nov. 25, Freshmen vs. Seniors
- Tues. Dec. 2, Sophomores vs. Juniors
- Tues. Dec. 9, Juniors vs. Seniors
- Tues. Dec. 16, Freshmen vs. Sophomores
- Tues. Dec. 23, Freshmen vs. Juniors
- Tues. Feb. 3, Sophomores vs. Seniors
- Tues. Feb. 10, Freshmen vs. Seniors
- Tues. Feb. 17, Sophomores vs. Juniors
- Tues. Feb. 24, Freshmen vs. Sophomores
- Tues. March 3, Juniors vs. Seniors
- Tues. March 10, Sophomores vs. Seniors
- Tues. March 17, Freshmen vs. Juniors
- Tues. March 31, Freshmen vs. Seniors
- Tues. April 7, Sophomores vs. Juniors

Chessmen to Open Against Columbia U. Ten Matches Slated

The Yeshiva College Chess Team will open its 1958-59 season October 30, against Columbia University in a home match. Led by Capt. Allan Goldstein and returning letterman Shelley Friedman, Martin Beinenstock and Ralph Carmel, the team is confident that it will match last year's fine 4-1 record.

Mr. Goldstein announced that there are eight berths open on the team and that all qualified players should come down to try out. The ten matches scheduled for this year, noted Capt. Goldstein, represents the upward trend of chess at Yeshiva.

Chess Team Absent

Chess as an organized sport was returned to Yeshiva only a few years ago, after an absence of many years. In the 1930's, Yeshiva, coached by the now world famous grandmaster, Samuel Reshevsky, was among the top teams in the country. Reshevsky revisited Yeshiva last year, simultaneously defeating thirty players in an exhibition. The former world champions hopes to return this year to help further the popularity of chess in our school.

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