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Vexes YC Student Council

A motion to send a letter to Dr. Isaac Bacon, dean of Yeshiva College, to again request permission for the students to install vending machines in Furst Hall, was passed unanimously by Student Council at its last meeting. In a report to Student Council, President Joseph Rappaport, '63

YC Safety Drive To Begin Shortly

A Yeshiva College "Safety Drive" will be held March 25-29, announced Gerald From '64, chairman of the project. The annual drive, whose purpose it is to promote student interest in safety, will center around the college's gym classes.

Assemblies will be held during these classes, at which time there will be addresses by representatives of the Safety and Education Department of the American Automobile Association on safedriving techniques. Two films, "Auto Safety" and "Water Safety" will also be shown and a self-analyzing driving test will be administered.

A special trophy will be awarded to the best essay on the topic Suggestions for Improving Safety Conditions at Yeshiva University. Judges for the essay contest will be professors Lainoff, Hurwitz, and Tauber.

Assisting Mr. From in the coordination of the drive will be Marvin Chelst '64 and Howard Skolnick '63.

asked for the resolution, explaining that the student boycott of the University cafeteria was not for the purpose of applying pressure to Dr. Bacon, but rather to demonstrate that the student body was united in its request.

He explained the administration's position but expressed hope that a compromise would quickly be reached.

In other business, Dan Ziff, '63, president of the Dramatics Society, informed Student Council

Entries for the Jerome Robbins Memorial Short Story Contest will be accepted by the office of the Dean. The contest will end April 19. The prize, a \$25 U.S. Government bond, will be awarded for the best original short story by an undergraduate of Yeshiva College. All entries must be written carefully and typed on one-side of an 8 x 11 inch paper. Members of the English department will judge the contest.

of plans for freshman entertainment as an innovation for future Dean's Reception programs. In past years, freshmen never participated in the affair.

Student Council was notified that Yeshiva University Women's Organization was upset by the fact that their contribution for a student lounge and furniture has not yet been used.

Vending Machine Problem Jakobovits Speaks On Euthanasia: How Much Pain Is A Life Worth?

Jewish medical ethics was the topic of an hour-long discussion by Rabbi Dr. Immanuel Jakobovits, Rabbi of the Fifth Avenue Synagogue before the Pre-Med Society February 28. The specific halachic attitude toward euthanasia (mercy-killing) and the permissibility of informing a dying patient of his condition were the major subjects of the first of a series of lectures planned by Dr. Jakobovits and the Pre-Med Society for delivery this term.



Rabbi Immanuel Jacobovits, spiritual leader of the Fifth Avenue Synagogue, discusses Jewish medical ethics with the YC Pre-Medical Society.

The problem of euthanasia is two-fold, explained Rabbi Jakobovits. On one hand there is the rabbinic view of lessening pain and affliction which appears to condone mercy-killing. On the other hand, there is the rabbinic view which values every human life, regardless of the physical condition, which supports the prohibition of euthanasia.

The former Chief Rabbi of Ireland stressed the fact that the latter view has been continually accepted by rabbinic authorities. The acceptance of any form of euthanasia, he added, could undermine the foundations of our moral society by placing a value on life relative to longevity. The more subtle dilemma of withholding medical aid was not resolved.

Citing Samuel I as a scriptural

Applications for the Ephraim Fleisher Prize are being accepted by Dr. David Mirsky, Associate Professor of English. The Fleisher award is given annually to the best essay on one of the prophets. The prize, a \$50 government bond, was established in 1957 by the family of Dr. Flesher, Professor of English, in memoriam to his father. The deadline for applications is April 19. Essays should not exceed 1500 words.

source, Dr. Jakobovits stated that Jewish law prohibits anyone from telling a dying patient of his actual condition, and further demands that the patient be encouraged in order to placate his mental anguish. He added that one cannot even suggest that the patient, say Vidui.

Future lectures will deal with varied contemporary issues concerning Judaism and medical ethics, including artificial insemination, autopsy, and abortion.

TISC Holds Its Elections But No Officers Are Chosen To Represent Two Classes

No student officers were elected in the "5" and "7" classes of Teachers Institute in the general election for Student Council held Monday March 4, 1963 since in both of these classes there

were no official candidates and no write-in candidate received a plurality of votes.

Milton Gottesman, president of the TI Student Council, said, "I am very disappointed in the situation caused by the lack of representation of the "5" and "7" classes. I will officially check with the administration to find the meaning of an unrepresented class, for perhaps these classes will be unable to get any benefits from Student Council."

The election was held as a result of an Executive order officially dissolving the Student Council of the Teachers Institute for Men. At the first meeting of the new Council, provisions will be made for electing a new Executive Council by public vote.

In the remaining classes officers were elected; in class 4 I Irving Jobitsky, David Solonche, and Schwartz, in class 4 II, Mark Epstein, Howard Salob, and Robret Pick; in class 6, Ira Novich, Michael Harris, and Morris Spierer, president, vice president and secretary respectively..

The voting was according to the preferential sytem, where first, second, and third choices were allowed. A total of 69 voters came to the polls out of an estimated 185 eligible students.

The election was under the direction of the Canvassing Committee, which consisted of Daniel Kapustin, chairman, Milton Ottenssoser and Larry Shorr. Mr. Kapustin noted that there was a very poor turnout.

Dr. Belkin Meets **Student Prexies** Dr. Samuel Belkin, president

of Yeshiva University, met with representatives of the undergraduate schools Thursday, February 28, to discuss various aspects of Yeshiva policy.

Representing the student bodies were: Melech Press, SOY; Shulamith Klavan, SCSC; David Zomick, THE COMMENTATOR; Joel Grossman, Hamevaser; Steven Steinerg, JSPSC; Milton Gottesman, TIMSC; Joseph Rapaport, YCSC: Naomi Fuchs, Evelyn Blatt, The Observer.

Deans Isaac Bacon and Dan Vogel, of Yeshiva and Stern Colleges, respectively; Dr. Hyman Grinstein, director, TIM; Rabbi Morris Besdin, chairman, JSP; Mr. Norman Abrams, registrar, RIETS; Mr. Sam Hartstein, director, Public Relations, also attended the meeting.

The informal discussion covered such areas as religious and psychological guidance for undergraduates, possible changes in the Smicha program, means of encouraging students to pursue Jewish learning, and a brief picture of the past and the future of the University.

Debate U.S. Mass Testing: "Touchstone Or Tombstone

Mass testing is about fifty years In the field of education some of old in the United States and, in the best known tests are the Nathat relatively short period, it tional Merit Scholarship Test,



"TESTING: TOUCHSTONE OR TOMBSTONE," the topic of debate by Dr. Banesh Hoffman and Dr. Robert D. North, pictured above with Dr. Joshua Fishman, dean of the University's Graduate School of Education.

has entered the mainstream of American life.

Many crucial aspects of our society today depend on testing.

the College Board Examinations, and the Graduate Record Exams. Mass testing has gone so far in the United States that it is often

refered to by Europeans as the "American Mania."

Various Promises

When testing arrived, it came with various promises: a more objective, less expensive, and wider evalution than was previously possible, and a better interpretation of test behavior. The purpose of all this was to make some kind of planned intervention more easily available to the teacher, to aid the individual professor in the educational process.

Recently, however, there has developed a growing resistence to mass testing. Various questions are being raised: Has the testing movement welched on its promises? Are there harmful side effects to testing? Why do so many teachers feel that its efforts should be minimized? In a theoretically free society, does testing represent an artificial roadblock to the advancement of children?

Educators Debate It was to answer some of these questions that two leading edu-(Continued on page 3)

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Great Expectations

In this period of Yeshiva University's expansion, it is comforting to see two thousand students, of nine University divisions, join together in the YU Charity Drive.

The Drive itself is quite an old institution at Yeshiva, but only in recent years has it grown to such large proportions. The \$6,000 collected and distributed in last year's Drive, for example, was twice the 1961 total. Striving for even greater heights, this years leaders have set a goal of \$10,000.

It is disturbing to note, however, that Teachers Institute for Men is the sole undergraduate division that has, as yet, failed to join the Drive. To avoid duplication of publicity and to lend a strong, unifying spirit to the effort, we urge the newly-elected TI Student Council to reconsider their plans for an independant charity drive and join with the other undergraduate bodies in a single, concerted program.

Far more important, though, is that every student participate fully in the Drive, bringing in his quota, so that the \$10,000 goal may be quickly realized.

Bleak House

The lack of student participation in the recent Teachers Institute election was disconcerting, indeed. Showing apathy by not running for office, most of the students did not even take time out to vote for the few students who presented themselvs as candidates. A total of only 70 out of an estimated 185 eligible voters felt the urge to come to he polls.

Careful preparations were made by the Canvassing Committee to inform the students of the impending election, but few students seemed to really care. Whether the students were displaying disappointment with the achievements of the TI Executive Council and outgoing student council or whether we have again encountered the general problem of student apathy is difficult to determine.

If the students of the Teachers Institute cannot take their student government seriously then due consideration should be given to abolishing the present setup.

A Tale Of Two Cities

The outcome of our athletic teams' trip to Massachusetts and Vermont over the Washington's Birthday weekend is a tribute to both our athletes and to the communities that housed them. The former lived up to the highest standards of Yeshiva while the latter began to learn a little about what Public Relations calls America's oldest and largest university under Jewish auspices.

In view of this very positive contribution to Yeshiva's public image, serious consideration should be given to the possibility of planning similar trips to various Jewish communities, so that the athletic team members can take their places along side the varsity debators and chessmen as Yeshiva's ambassadors of good will.

Hard Times

With the many new bills on the Senate floor aimed at amending the out-dated McCarren-Walter Immigration Act, we highly recommend that our legislature place stringent quotas not on the Asiastics themselves but rather on their microbes.

The first few onslaughts of their Flu were taken in the proud American tradition of peaceful co-existance. Our V-Men (virus, of course) rushed to the scene long before the first tea boats hit our shores together with the little parasites. Thus, the Orientals had their Flu, the Occidentals had their shots, and the doctors pocketed the difference—another victory for free enterprise.

Then we learned that the devious yellow ones had more than one tick up their sleeves. Their many different strains of sickness have since necessitated more than one hole under our sleeves. The bacteriological warfare has now been appraised as a diabolical scheme to halt the American education system during the winter months. (It even stops class plays.)

Therefore, THE COMMENTATOR can see no other course of action than to settle the matter immediately in our time-honored fashion—vote the bugs out of office.

Let's Analyze

Honors Program

by David Zomick

To propose an honors program at Yeshiva is probably to invite considerable student criticism. In fact, any statement or plan implying that the present academic program should in any way be made more rigorous is at sharp variance with the prevailing student outlook.

For several years, students and their representatives have been asking themselves and administrators how the Yeshiva student will survive. They portray little "Chaim Unique" being helplessly crushed between two mushrooming designs, as the religious studies divisions and the college are independently strengthened.

Students Underestimated

I think, though, that these complaints and fears are based on a gross underestimate of the learning capacity of the average Yeshiva student. True, most of the students work hard, but not nearly as hard as they might—not nearly as hard as they might if Yeshiva had an honors program.

There are perhaps those who would be hesitant about sinking efforts and funds into a program which, at first blush, seems to be of value only to a small fraction of the student body. No one would say that the talented or gifted student is or should be the only concern of the college. But,

while the ideal college program would recognize the talents of every student—would realize that each is a different individual—would guide and encourage each to pursue a course appropriate to him, to initiate any such program of individual instruction at a school even as small as our own would be ludicrous. In any case, I think it will be seen that, in a larger sense, an honors program could benefit the entire student body.

Now, an honors program seems to be a rather nebulous entity which encompasses a multiplicity of meanings. Much has been written and spoken about such programs in recent years, but what I have in mind is probably somewhat different from the curriculum changes that have been made at various universities under the heading of an honors program.

Double Requirements

Firstly, to be eligible for such a plan at Yeshiva, a student would have to excel in both his college and religious division studies. And by excel I don't mean getting a grade of seventy-five on a tenminute oral bechina in RIETS or even flunking less than one major and two minor subjects in TI. I mean all that the term excel implies.

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Campus Chatter

- by David Chasan

Enrollment of full and parttime college students increased the past semester for the eleventh consecutive year. The U. S. Office of Education indicated that this record high of 4,207,000 represented an 8.1 per cent increase over the previous year's figures.

Senator Barry Goldwater, in an interview given to the Arizona State College Lumberjack, stated that he "very definitely approved" of allowing Communist speakers on college campuses for speaking engagements. The Senator said that he felt it to be the very best way for students to get the full story of Communism and other political ideologies. He also endorsed courses teaching Communist ideology.

The Xavier University News claimed a record for its basketball coach. After the team lost to University of Detroit for their 13th defeat out of 14 road games, the coach was hung in effigy at least 10 times. Confidential sources reported that hangings are only the first stage of a "Coach Must Go" ultra-secret student group.

Say, just who was it that was supposed to be putting the pressure on our college team anyway? The Xavier News next issue carried a letter from an alumnus. "I should like to address the little one who was involved in the effigy hanging last week. Leave Now! Go enroll at some institution or live in some locale where they appreciate and condone such imbecilic actions from creatures who fail to possess the intestinal fortitude to act and speak like

grown, intelligent men . . ." The letter concluded "You may think it's cornball, but why not give the old 'all for one and one for all' spirit and try—don't knock it—you'd be surprised how well it works later on in life.

Bishops University in Lenoxville, Canada has developed one of the unique sporting contests on the North American continent. Each year, an organization called "Graft Me" presents a Grand Prix for toothpaste tube squeezers. Participants compete to see who can squeeze the largest unbroken line of toothpaste from a regular size tube. This year's toothpaste derby winner squeezed 136½ inches of hexachlorophene onto a snow covered football field.

From a C. W. Post Pioneer column entitled, "The Philosopher" comes the following excerpt. "I cannot think too clearly with a record playing, especially one which I enjoy, but I cannot think at all without it. If it were not for the record, my mind would bounce aimlessly from musing to musing, thence to dinner, to a recent test, and to the total irrelevence. The music gives me a focal point to which I may direct my resistence to distraction. If I can concentrate on not being distracted by the music, I shall be able to avoid being distracted by any other thing. Alas, now that the record is on, I cannot take it off, for if I did, not only would the tune plague me, but I would be forced to recreate it myself in my own mind."

Gracie Purvis Recollects Yeshiva's Long History

by Mitch Wolf

Mrs. Grace Purvis, chief housekeeper, left the Yeshiva College dormitories at the end of the fall semester. She left quietly, with a broken heart, after the untimely death of her husband six weeks before. Everywhere she turned were poignant reminders of their lives, their love, and work in the thirty-three years that they had served Yeshiva-the strain was too much to bear.

How does one reminisce over one-third of a century? Mrs. Purvis was here before the establishment of the College. She watched the Main Center grow from a Rabbinical Seminary housed in Klein Hall through the addition of a high school until there were three dormitories of boys to take care of.

Songs

There have been many changes in the habits of Yeshiva students during these thirty years. But, as Mrs. Purvis points out, the whole world has changed. Thus it is meaningless to make comparisons. She remembers when the only songs heard in the dorm halls were nigunim; now the scope has changed. "The boys do the same things now as they did then, but they do them differently."

Among the highlights which have filled her stay here at Yeshiva, Mrs. Purvis fondly recalls the first college graduation and a little-known fact concerning that first commencement. As June approached, Yeshiva had no Jewish flag for the ceremony. To the rescue came our answer to Betsy Ross and Mrs. Purvis soon learn-

Initiate Campaign To Train Leaders

The Rabbinic Alumni of Yeshiva University has announced the initiation of a one-milliondollar Synagogue Campaign to help meet the crisis in American Jewish life. Yeshiva University will be joined by leading congregations throughout the nation in the year-long effort to further the training of men and women for leadership in the Jewish community.

Rabbi Seymour Turk, president of the Rabbinic Alumni, said, "The leadership problem which troubles many informed observers of the nation today has by no means by-passed American Jewry. Like many other areas of contemporary American civilization, it too requires new legions of rabbis, teachers, social workers, and scholars for the years ahead, especially in view of the rapid proliferation of our communities throughout the land."

The Synagogue Campaign will be officially launched at a Leadership Conference, Sunday, March 24, to be held in Furst Hall.

LET YESHIVA TAKE YOU FOR A RIDE! Want ivy-league performances on bush-college cost? Want that foreign, yet American look? Then come to Yeshiva.

ed that there is more to embroidering a Mogen David than meets the eve.

Through the years, Grace Purvis came to love Yeshiva. She readily undertook to solve any problem in dorm management, and all members of the institution came to know her as a tireless worker. Thus when the twentyfifth anniversary club met at the dinner tendered in their honor, Mrs. Purvis was the only woman in attendance. She received an honorary diploma, and her husband Stewart was given honorary Smicha.

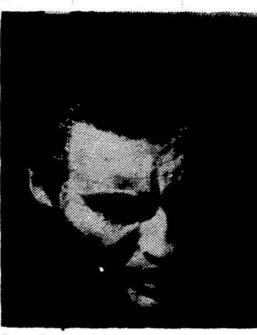
Untimely Death

Mrs. Purvis planned to retire someday with her husband; she was shocked when the unexpected happened last fall. Condolences came from everyone attached to the University, including students who graduated twenty years ago. For the freshmen, who knew Mrs. Purvis only as the one in charge of their linen, it must have been difficult to understand. But anyone who spent any length of time here learned to appreciate her devotion to the school and the students.

A deeply religious woman, Mrs. Purvis has accepted the will of G'd, albeit sorrowfully, and has gone to live with her son, who is a law enforcement officer in New Jersey. But her heart is in Yeshiva and here she will return many times to visit the alma mater she loves.

Blood Takers Make Annual Pilgrimage To White Edifice

Robert Feinerman '63, chairman of the Yeshiva College Blood Drive, has announced that the Spring Drive will be held Tuesday, March 19, between 9:30 a.m. and 3:15 p.m. in Room 020, Furst Hall (the student lounge). The goal for this term is 100 pints. Mr. Feinerman expressed his hope that those who were unable to contribute in December would do so now, since the 157 pints collected last term were far



BLOOD BOSS: Bob Feinerman '63. chairman of the revamped blood drive, who has set 275 pints as this year's ghoul.

below the expected turnout. He stated that Yeshiva has the distinction of having contributed the greatest proportion of blood of any college in the city, and that a much larger number of donors are now needed to maintain that honor. The students giving blood will be excused from classes.

Symposium Versus Chagiga; "Oedipus Rex" Is The Loser

by Irwin Geller

THE COMMENTATOR is not a rye bread at the Chagigas. newspaper to make mistakes and pass over them, hoping that they will go unnoticed. Nay, THE COMMENTATOR makes mistakes proudly, almost defiantly, hoping indeed that they are noticed-so that COMMENTATOR'S staff of skilled blunderers may indulge in their favorite pastime next to outright lying: Rationalizing.

Rationalizing is the art of transmuting unpalatable untruths into palatable untruths. Today, we have a doozy to transmute, and we waste no further time in getting to the heart of it. On the night of December 25, 1962, the Literary Society presented, in Furst Hall, a symposium of three professors on the topic of Oedipus Rex.

Doubtless, because of the three back-to-back Chanukah Chagigas, where hot dogs took precedence over hot news, and the salamiand-ginger-ale hangover took its toll of teetotalers, the news was not disseminated as it should have been in the columns of COMMEN-TATOR. To avoid inflaming extremists, we will not say that our faces were truly red.

Anti-Greek

Not to be minimized in this seeming oversight is the chauvinistic, anti-Greek spirit that traditionally erupts come Chanukah time. Was the Oedipus oversight Yeshiva's version of Southern campus riots? Be that as it may, the news became staler than the

But, our reasoning goes, a play that has lasted two and a half millenia will not suffer irreparar bly from a delay of a measly few months, and besides, it is appropriately, once again, that time of year when Chagiga makers are serving the stale bread. So we will try again to do our duty.

(Now, get ready for the rationalizing.) But, when you consider that old news has a decided advantage over new news. If the fact of the Symposium were to have been published but two or three days after the event, the majority of our readers would have torn their hair and covered themselves with ashes, while chanting in unison: "Shucks, did I miss that? I could almost kick myself for forgetting about the Symposium."

Ratiocination

Moreover, those who had any of the three professors who were "symposing" would have lived in agony dreading a question or even an allusion to the Symposium. Before you could say "Ratiocination" backwards, hobgoblins of fear and shame would have swooped down on Amsterdam Avenue, double-parked their brooms, and taken over; we would have become the first university in the United States under hobgoblin auspices. Needless to say, COMMENTATOR could not permit

Thus we report the event as old news. Whoever heard of someone kicking himself for a meeting missed months ago, or of a professor probing so far into the past when he knows that he will be lucky to get any response on yesterday's assignment?

And now, as promised, for the

Before an overflow crowd of Yeshivites and Sternlys, Professors Feldman, Lainoff, and Taubes discussed "Oedipus Rex", by Sophocles. Dr. Lainoff, assistant professor of English, saw "hubris," and not a blind, oppressive fate as the cause of Oedipus' woes. To Dr. Lainoff, Oedipus was guilty of excessive confidence. hence pride, in killing the old man at the crossroads.

Morally Sick

Dr. Feldman, associate professor of Classics, preferred the interpretation that both "hubris" and a man-baiting Fate were responsible for the calamities of Oedipus. He stressed the imagery of the play: Oedipus is called a fisherman, but, in demanding to uncover the guilty one, is actually "fishing" for himself; he is called a physician but Oedipus himself is morally "sick." Mr. Taubes. instructor in English, pointed out that the basic irony of the play makes further linguistic imagery unnecessary, and the alarmed Oedipus, actions were never reprehensible, and hence, "hubris" cannot be a factor. In fact, Mr. Taubes continued, Oedipus is exalted as a hero for the courageous way he searched out his damning fate.

Hoffman And North Examine Value Of Standardized Tests

(Continued from page 1) cators, Dr. Banesh Hoffman, professor of mathematics at Queens college and author of The Tyranny of Testing, and Dr. Robert D. North, associate director of the Educational Records Bureau. "Testing, debated the issue. Touchstone or Tombstone for American Education," on Thursday, February 21 at Yeshiva University's Graduate School of Education. Dr. Joshua A. Fishman, dean of the school, served as moderator.

Dr. Hoffman argued that "the prime vice of multiple-choice testing is that, by its ambiguity, it penalizes the person who has the talent of thinking more deeply than he is supposed to. It favors the shrewd, quick-witted, and fast reacting over those who have something original to say. It does not test ability to design some complex undertaking, skill in disciplined expression, or imaginitive creativity. It therefore does not do a good job of selection." Ambiguity Cited

As an example of the ambiguity of multiple choice questions, Dr. Hoffman used the following sentence: "Among them, Tom and Dick couldn't find enough money." "The expected answer is, of course, 'between them.' But them, if you ask yourself to what 'them' refers, you might get a different answer. Suppose Tom

In such a case, 'among' would be the correct answer."

Professor Hoffman claimed that "bad questions are by no means rare, even in the better tests." He pointed out that ambiguity in short answers is more harmful that ambiguity in essays because "if there is some misunderstanding you can tell in the essay how or why it came about, and you can therefore get a more effective evaluation of the student."

Corrupting Education

Dr. Hoffman claimed also that mass testing "is corrupting education by its effect both on teachers and students. Teachers are rated by their students' performance on these tests and they therefore teach students how to take them. They begin, for example, to teach word meanings instead of how to write. Their effect on the child with imagination is catastrophic: they make him lose faith in intellect and reason."

Dr. North argued that "mass tests are valuable tools for educators. They make possible a level of breadth, uniformity, and objectivity of measurement which is otherwise unattainable . . . It is true they do not measure creativity; that is not their purpose. It is true also that some students may get high scores on certain

and Dick are stealing from a tests without revealing weaknesses group of three or more people, in such areas as spelling or effectiveness of expression. That is why testing organizations have always urged that their test be supplemented with essay type ex-

aminations. Non-Conformists

"It has been argued that mass tests penalize the bright non-conformists; but, then, so does society in general and the school in particular. As for the ambiguity of the tests, any question is ambiguous to a certain degree: even 2 + 2 = 4 is ambiguous. What about 2 ice cubes and 2 glasses of hot tea?

"Before they are used, questions are submitted to hundreds of eminent teachers and educators; their comments are sifted through and taken into account before the final test is made up. Citing one or two examples of bad questions does not mean very much.

"It has been said that too much dependence is placed on mass tests, but certainly the testers emphasize that test grades should be interpreted in the context of accumulated knowledge about the individual and most schools take other information, such as school work, at least as much into account. Standardized tests have for improvement; their depth and scope is limited only by the item writer's ingenuity." (M.P.)

Dirac Scheduled To Speak On Physics' Altered View

Prize-winning physicist and a visiting Professor of Physics at Yeshiva University's Belfer Graduate School of Science, will address a joint assembly of students from Yeshiva College and Stern College on "The Evolution of the physicist's Picture of Nature," on Tuesday, March 12 at 3 p.m.

Dr. Dirac was awarded the Nobel Prize in Physics in 1933 for his mathematical suggestion

Dr. Paul A. M. Dirac, Nobel —derived in cooperation with Erwin Schrodinger—that positive electrons (positrons) must exist.

> Last year, he delivered a special series of lectures at the Belfer Graduate School of Science on Hamiltonian Methods in Field Theory. Originator of the transformation theory—the third period of development in quantum mechanics—he is of the world's foremost mathematical physicists in the field of atomic structure.

The Professor Exposed

Dr. Sidney Braun

"Quand on entend le mot Paris où la France on rêve seulement d'une chose-." (When one hears the word Paris or France he dreams only of one thing-its literature!).

"Monsieur le Professor," as Dr. Sidney Braun is called, threw in his lot with the budding YU of the Heights 27 years ago and is today considered one of the most prominent American-born scholars of French literature. Yet, this eminent individual has not lost his personal touch with students and always has a witty comment about the life and loves of the French Dobie Gillis.

"Mon Cher"

To help develop the beginner's proficiency, Professor Braun guides "his boys." Here, nasalization is the magic word and you say "mon cher" and not "maun cherz". If you do it properly you are a good Frenchman, and, if not, you are just another American with a beret. In the advanced courses, however, it is taken for granted that one has memorized the French and Parisian street maps and that one knows French art, music, and poetry.

After studying at the Sorbonne, at Columbia University, and at the University of Mexico, Professor Braun received his Ph.D. in French from New York University. Besides being the Chairman of the French Department and, for a time, Chairman of the Languages, Literature, and Fine Arts Division at Yeshiva, he is on the faculty of the Ecole Libre des Hautes Etudes (French University of New York).

As a scholar, he is known for his "definitive" work on The 'Courtisane' in the French Theatre from Hugo to Becque. Collaborating with Germaine Brée he wrote a college edition of Anatole France's Le Crime de Sylvestre Bonnard.

A third work, his Dictionary of French Literature, appeared in three editions both in England and the United States and is presently available in paperback. This dictionary has been reviewed approximately forty times in various parts of the world. The latest review, the most interesting, has been done by the editor of a leading Polish newspaper. Although Professor Braun voices some pro-Western ideas our Eastern counterpart gave it an "A".

"Le Figaro Littéraire," France's leading literary newspaper, has just announced the forthcoming publication of his latest book La Correspondence inédite entre André Gide et André Suarès by dedicating an entire section to it. Incidentally, this book is being published by Gallimard in France.

Among many other activities Professor Braun has written many book reviews of scholarly studies and articles on Zola, Péguy, Bernard Lazare and Le Théâtre Libre.

Blue Ribbon

I could continue on and on about his achievements, but a little blue ribbon attached to the button-hole on the lapel of his suits signifies the title of Chevalier dans L'Ordre des Palmes Académiques which was conferred upon him by the French Government for his contribution to French culture. He is the only American-born individual to have received this award. The second decoration he received was La Grande Medaille d'Argent de la Ville de Paris for the publication of his French dictionary.

Dr. Sidney D. Braun is of the "stuff" that has built the fame

by Arthur Stockler of this University. Through Pi Delta Phi, Raconter, Le Flambeu (which won an award as the top French publication by an American University four times, and nine other times received honorable mention), he has tried to bring scholarship and a love for the humanities to our student

Many of his former students have incorporated his ideal in their lives. Dr. Arthur Abramson, professor of linguistics at the



Dr. Sidney Braun

Graduate school of Columbia University; Dr. Joseph Sungulowsky, professor of French at Vassar College; and Lawrence Friedlander, who is completing his doctorate at Harvard University. These are but a few of the men who will be present at the gala Twenty-Fifth Anniversary Dinner of Le Cercle Français, the French club, on April twenty-

Finally, it is with pride that we have learned that Professor Braun has been elected this year's secretary of the Nineteenth Century French Literature section of the Modern Language Association of America.

THE COMMENTATOR has already signed a contract to have its back issues microfilmed so that they can be placed in the Pollack Library for use by students and professors. Since we would like this record of growth of Yeshiva College, and, indeed, Yeshiva University, to be as complete as possible, we make this last appeal for the following back issues which are still missing from our files. If you have copies of any of the following, please contact David Zomick LO 8-5560 before the end of the month.

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YC Honors Program Advocated By Editor

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The program, as I see it, would be of a two-fold nature, operating on both departmental and interdisciplinary levels.

As in most honors programs, there should be added emphasis upon independent study in one's major field. Working with a particular professor, the student would attempt to become a specialist in an area of his major course of study, this work culminating with a senior thesis, written during the eighth semester, when the pressures of examinations and graduate school admissions are all but gone. This would help the student become a psychologically mature and more creative person and tend to develop within him a deep awareness of his chosen field of study.

Synthesis 'Seminars

But even more important would be the small, informal seminars where the goals of a YU education could be realized on the highest levels. Here students and professors of different backgrounds could trace the relations between their respective areas of study and the larger culture, always viewing them under the omnipresent sway of Emunas Yisroel.

These seminars would serve as the meeting ground for the secularism of the college education and the heritage of Avraham avinu. Such a program for the cream of the student body might mold at least some individuals whose Jewishness would permeate every moment of their existance. It might develop an attitude which would stretch across the vast range of the students' thinking and experience. And it would be from these products that Yeshiva University could, in the future, draw its faculty members and administrators.

Broader Effects

And just as important as the function it would serve for the thirty or forty students enrolled in the program, is the purpose it would have for the college as a whole. In an institution with precious few honor fraternities, the program would serve as a stimulus to lower termers to exert themselves and achieve academic recognition. It would also serve as an aid in combatting the trend of neglecting the religious studies and concentrating on the secular work.

Such a program might also awaken some of our professors. who, through continuous repetition of course material over the years, have developed a static mode of instruction and have been reduced to mere automatons.

Intellectual Atmosphere

An honors program might also be a step in improving the intellectual atmosphere of our academic community. Having always admired the candor and openess of the Yeshiva student, I am not now advocating that we adopt the affected air of intellectualism prevalent of the campuses of some of the country's "better institutions." There is room, though, for a little more tension and anxiety in the classroom; there is room for a little more independent study in the libraries and laboratories; and there is room for a little less room in the beis medrash after three o'clock in the afternoon.

The idea of an honors program is not presented as a panacea for all that is ailing in the college or in the Jewish Studies divisions. It could, though, serve as a challenge to the very best students and as an incentive to a large portion of the student body and might generally raise the academic standards of America's oldest and largest under Iewish auspices.

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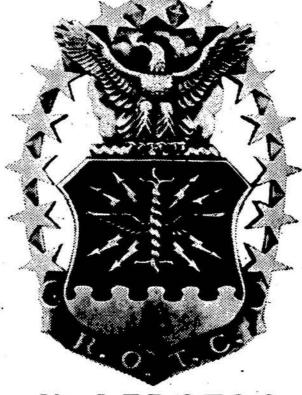
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Faculty Notes

Prof. Morris Silverman, University Registrar, not only works on our academic calendar, but has also concerned himself with the Mohammedan Calendar. A uni-

Seniors Take GRE March 29, April 2

The Graduate Record Examination will be administered in two parts to the Senior Class Friday, March 29, and Tuesday, April 2, announced Dr. Isaac Bacon, dean of Yeshiva College.

The first part will consist of area tests and will be given from 9 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The second part, advanced tests, will take place from 3 to 6:30 p.m. and will be devoted to the senior's major area of study. "These examinations are important both to the college and to the seniors themselves," Dr. Bacon said. "By helping us to determine gaps in our curriculum, they will aid us in building a stronger college."

"Because the examinations are given in colleges throughout the country, they are a means by which Yeshiva College is judged in comparison with other schools. An application to graduate school from a college which has a good rating on the Graduate Record Examination will carry more weight than one from a college with a poor performance," Dr. Bacon added.

que interest in holidays has resulted in his helping correct the errors and inconsistencies, especially in the listing of Moslem holidays, in Bank and Public Holidays Throughout the World, an annual publication of Morgan Guaranty Trust Co. of New York.

Dr. Menachem M. Brayer addressed Manhattan Day School's PTA on "The Psychological Problems of the Jewish Religious Child in Our Day School." Dr. Brayer lectured at Congregation Shaarei Hatikvah on "Modern Judaism Coping with Emotional Problems."

Dr. Samuel Soloveichik had an article "The Last Fight for Phlogistan and the Death of Priestly" in a recent issue of Journal of Chemical Education.

Dr. Leo Pfeffer participated in a symposium on "The American Citizen and His Liberties," an event sponsored by the American Jewish Congress in observance of the 175th anniversary of the Constitution and Bill of Rights. Dr. Pfeffer signed a statement issued by 132 American deans and professors of law and political science at colleges and universities in support of the Supreme Court decision on school prayer. He also addressed the Syracuse (N.Y.) Jewish Welfare Federation Woman's Division at its all-day institute on "The Supreme Court and Religion in the Schools".

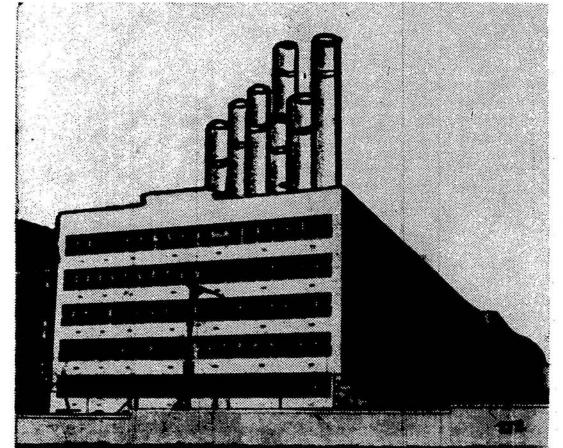
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1) Programs of Graduate Business Study a handbook describing programs and admissions policies of 20 graduate schools of business administration.

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5) Law Schools and Bar Admision Requirements in the U.S. 6) College Placement Annual for 1963, helpful information on

prospects for employment. These and other items may be borrowed from Rabbi Diamond, in Room 279, Riets Hall.

Yeshiva Students Checked In Simultaneous Exhibition

Mr. Samuel Reshevsky, international chess grandmaster, defeated twenty-six and drew four demonstrated his world-renowned abilities by not losing a single match. Drawing the grandmaster



GRANDMASTER ROOKED: Mike Hauer plays Samuel Reshevsky to a draw in Mr. Reshevsky's simultaneous chess exhibition.

Yeshiva students in a simultaneous exhibition held last Tuesday evening in Rubin Hall.

In two hours, Mr. Reshevsky were Joel Grossman '62, excaptain of the chess team; Mike Hauer '62, who also drew grand master Pal Benko when he put on a simultaneous exhibition at YU; Avraham Stein '66, to whom Mr. Reshevsky accidentally dropped a rook; and Mr. Reshevsky's son, a student at YUHSM.

The United States champion several times, Mr. Reshevsky is considered to have been the world's best chess enthusiasts. The present world champion, Botwinick, lost to Mr. Reshevsky in 1955. Known as the child prodigy of chess, at the age of nine Mr. Reshevsky played twenty West Point cadets simultaneously and defeated them all.

A strict shomer shabbos, the grandmaster will not enter any chess tournament unless special provisions are made so that he will not have to compete on the holy day. If such arrangements can be made, Mr. Reshevsky will join Fisher and Bisquane to rep resent the United States in the Interzonals. The top players in that tournament will then compete for a chance at playing the world champion.

The event was under the chairmanship and coordination of Barry Frankel '63, co-captain of the varsity chess team.

Army, Brooklyn Beat YU Swordsmen 17-10

The cadets of the West Point 17-10, in a fencing match at the day, March 10.

With Army's saber squad a heavy favorite to win and with the fine season record of YU's epee team, the outcome of the contest lay in how the foil team would fare against the West Pointers. The foilmen wound up with a 2-7 record, enabling Army to clinch the match at 14-10.

Marty Rosman got the team off to a fine start, by coming from behind to win 5-4 in saber. Army, though, took the two succeeding saber contests and the first three foil bouts. Billy Silber and Barry Konovitch won in epee, and the score stood at Army: 6, Yeshiva: 3, at the end of the first round.

The second round saw Silber, Konovitch, and Steve Rothman defeat their opponents in epee, Myron Rokal, win in foil, and Rosman, and Sandy Dresin take their saber contests, thereby tying the score at nine apiece.

Yeshiva's hopes for a win were all but extinguished when the Cadets won the next three saber bouts, taking a decisive 12-9 lead. Bernie Pinchuk's foil victory temporarily stayed off defeat but Sokal's and Schoffman's losses gave Army the victory.

The West Pointers proceeded to sweep the final three epec bouts, in which Coach Tauber had substituted some of the up-and-coming lower-classmen.

Following the match, Larry Shulman said, "It was a good match, but considering how bad Yeshiva is, I feel sorry for the United States if we ever have to go to war."

Yeshiva was defeated by a strong Brooklyn College team,

Military Academy out-duelled Ye- Yeshiva gym February 27. The shiva's fencers, 17-10, in a scrim- match which was much closer mage held at the Academy Sun- than the final score indicates gives Yeshiva a 5-2 record for the sea-

After Bernard Pinchuk and Myron Sokal opened by losing in foil, Yeshiva won the next four on victories by co-captain Al Schoffman in foil and co-captain Barry Konovitch, Steve Rothman, and Billy Silber in epee. Brooklyn wo.. the next two to tie it up, but Sandy Dresin put Yeshiva into the lead again with a 5-2 saber win.

Once again Brooklyn fought back winning three straight to regain the lead, 7-5. Victories by Myron Sokal and Schoffman in foil, the latter winning 5-4 in overtime, tied it up. After Pinchuk lost in foil, Rothman tied it up again. When the visitors had once more regained the lead, Konovitch tied it up for the last time, 9-9.

From then on it was all Brooklyn. After Dresin and Dan Landsman lost in saber, Marty Rosman gave Yeshiva a life, winning 5-4, also in saber. But Brooklyn captured the next three, defeating Schoffman, Pinchuk, and Sokal, all in foil. With Sokal's defeat Brooklyn clinched victory.

The epee team wound up with a 5-4 record, with Konovitch winning two and Silber and Rothman, one each. The foil, with a 3-6 mark, were led by Schoffman with two wins and Sokal with one. The saber were 2-7 with Dresin and Rosman winning one apiece.

Rabbinic Alumni To Be Recognized

A three-day Semicha Convocation, honoring one hundred ten rabbis, all graduates of Rabbi Isaac Elchnan Theological Seminary, will be held at Yeshiva University's Main Center, March 16-18.

The event will mark the 66th anniversary of the seminary, which was incorporated into the school in 1897. The exercise begins on the 21st of Adar to mark the anniversary of the death of Rabbi Spektor (1817-1896). The Seminary is named for Rabbi Spektor, the foremost religious authority and Jewish leader of the 19th century.

This convocation will include: a formal recognition for the rabbis, all of whom were ordained within the past four years.

On The Sidelines

Tale Of Two Cities



by Danny Halpert

The trip to Brandeis and St. Anselm's the weekend of February 22nd by three of our varsity teams was a mutually satisfying experience for the YU Varsitymen and the communities who received them. Although the bus trip was a rugged 6 hours and the vehicle was far from the best, we reached our twin destinations of Newton, just outside of Boston, in Massachusetts and Manchester in New Hampshire.

The long haul had its rewards as the Jewish communities in these areas showed their hospitality in every conceivable fashion. In Newton, the fencers and wrestlers were put in homes for Shabbos, given delicious meals, and made to feel at home. In Manchester, the ball-players received the same treatment. Of course, the ideal situation would have had the varsity teams in each area stay together in a hotel as is the usual procedure on a trip but lack of sufficient financial support from the administration precluded this.

However, the opportunity to meet the people, both in Newton and Manchester was a real compensation. In the former, there was group of professional people living in relaxed style with many owning two cars. The children in both areas were enthralled with the athletes of Yeshiva University. In Manchester, they wanted the autographs of the ballplayers and since this was the latter's big chance, they quickly obliged.

The fencers gladly gave demonstration lessons arranged through Community Service Division Sunday morning in a neighboring community of Newton but legitimately complained that no one bothered to notify them about their assignment until that morning.

The athletes also took part in the services at Manchester and Newton. Mike Garmise, Kenny Jacobson and Artie Aaron of the basketball team and Abba Borowich of the fencers did the honors in this department. Mike read the Torah while Jacobson and Borowich led services. Aaron, as might be expected from his loquaciousness, made a fine speech about Yeshiva University. The people in Manchester were so impressed with the ball players and vice versa that they intend to keep in touch with each other. I know from my own observation that the people of Newton also received a favorable image of Yeshiva through the varsity teams.

After the fencers and wrestlers had completed their events we had time to survey the Brandeis campus while waiting for the bus to return from Manchester. It is everything one might imagine with numerous buildings occupying a tremendous land mass. Its gymnasium seemed rather modest in terms of what Brandeis could probably afford but coming from Yeshiva it looked like a pot of gold at the end of the rainbow. Eventually, the bus came, rescuing us from a driving hail storm and we arrived about midnight at our own beloved Danziger Campus.

Fencing coach Arthur Tauber gained his 100th victory against only 29 defeats in thrilling fashion a number of weeks ago at Drew University. This achievement speaks for itself but a few comments about the coach and squad are still warranted.

Coach Tauber's demeaner during and after the Drew match typifies his dignified personality. During the last and most crucial part of the match, he remained calm and, in spite of his intense desire for No. 100, maintained the human touch he has with his fencers while never losing confidence in each's ability to win. His ice-water veins under pressure probably explain why he never lost an intercollegiate fencing match while competing for NYU in two weapons.

After the victory, the bus returning the squad from Drew was a madhouse. But amid the tumult and jubilation, the coach had the graciousness to point to the fine sportsmanship displayed by the Drew contingent and expressed the thought that since the President of Drew wrote Dr. Belkin a couple of years ago, praising our fencers for being the first to beat the New Jersey squad in 3 successive years, a reciprocal letter might be written in recognition of the latter's sportsmanlike conduct

As coach, his attitude towards the team is marked by a mixture of encouragement, pleading and gentle scolding, all in the proper proportion and timed to have maximum effect. The squad itself has tremendous desire to win and, since its members have never fenced until entering Yeshiva, it is willing to listen and learn from an expert and then apply its knowledge. The desire to win for the coach is so great that there almost seems to be a feeling of remorse when a rare match is lost. Each member pulls for the other's success and there is great commradierie among all.

The friendliness that exists between team members only reflects the terrific personal relationship between team and coach. Coach Tauber is personally fond of the squad. When Public Relations contemplated doing an article on him, he expressed the hope that it would publicize the accomplishments of his fencers rather than himself.

Team members, of course, have great respect and admiration for Coach Tauber's skill and knowledge but even more important is their near idolization of him as a human being who communicates with them as a friend and not just a coach. It is this understanding between team and coach which greatly accounts for the success of our fencing teams over the years. As long as this mutual admiration society continues the next 100 will not be long in coming.

Mites Close Hoop Season With Win Over Brooklyn

The Mighty Mites of Yeshiva University ended the 1962-63 basketball season on a triumphant note by beating Brooklyn College Saturday night March 2, by the score of 67-55.

The Yeshiva quintet was vastly superior to anything that the Kingsmen could offer. They ran off play after play, operating like a well-oiled machine. The team was led by high scorer Kenny Jacobson's 23 pts. He was amply assisted by the fine play of Jay Garsman, Bob Podhurst, and Artie Aaron, whose 12 pts. brought him fifth place in the race for the Tri State league scoring crown.

With Podhurst controlling the boards, and Garsman exhibiting fine all-around play, the Mites jumped to an early lead and were never caught. The closest the Kingsmen could come was 7-5, early in the game. As the game progressed the Yeshiva lead never fell below three points and went as high as eighteen.

The Yeshiva cause was helped by Brooklyn's poor 15-42 performance from the free throw line. With the game well in hand early in the evening, Coach Bernie Sarachek gave the frosh a chance to get some valuable experience and they performed well.

Beat Danbury

The Mighty Mites returned to winning ways as they whipped Danbury State College, 82-55, February 27. From the outset it was obvious that the only thing Danbury had was a lively jazz band that played at intermissions. With only three minutes gone, we ran up a 12-0 lead. Though any member of the team could have netted 30 points, the team stuck to plays and steady ball-handling for the most part.

Jay Garsman led the Mites throughout the first half and scored 17 points, many of them on drives and inside shots. Our defense was solid and time after time we stole the ball and blocked shots. Bobby Podhurst was particularly strong on defense and, together with Artie Aaron and aggressive Mike Aronwald, controlled the boards.

Kenny Jacobson's all-around play shone in the second half. His accurate jump shots and drives were surpassed only by his pinpoint passes. Four of Ken's perfectly timed and placed passes accounted for beautiful layups by Neil Katz, Artie Aaron, Mike Aronwald, and Steve Gralla.

Though Coach Sarachek was sick, assitant coach Manny Green-blum won the hearts of the spectators by letting the second-stringers play the final 9 minutes of the game. Johnny Halpert, Shelly Rokach, and Hillel Wiener garnered 14 points. Mike Garmise and Harvey Ostreicher played aggresive ball and both scored.

Yeshiva's Basketeers dropped another heartbreaker against Pratt, 70-67, February 21. It was the eighth time that the Mites lost by a margin of 5 or less points. With the score tied 65-65 and 2 minutes left, the winners scored successive baskets to take an insurmountable lead.

Great Shooting

Yeshiva led for most of the first half on the tremendous shooting of Artie Aaron, Bob Podhurst's strong rebounding, and Neal Katz's fine defensive play against Pratt's star, Bob Lange. With 8 minutes left in the half, YU saw its 23-16 lead turn into a 24-23 deficit.

Steve Gralla's basket put YU ahead again. Aaron's three successive baskets, Podhurst's 3 points and Gralla's goal at the buzzer gave YU a 38-33 half-time lead. Aaron had 17 of his game total of 19 points in the first half.

Bobby Extends Lead

The Mites quickly extended their lead early in the second half on the strength of Podhurst's fine shooting. Bobby scored 11 points in a row as Y.U. took a 49-41 lead. But Pratt narrowed the margin and eventually tied the score 53-53 with 9 minutes left. It then wrested the lead 60-55. But the Mites fought back or Neal Katz's 3 point play, baskets by Podhurst and Jay Garsman, and Katz's two fouls for a 64-61 lead.

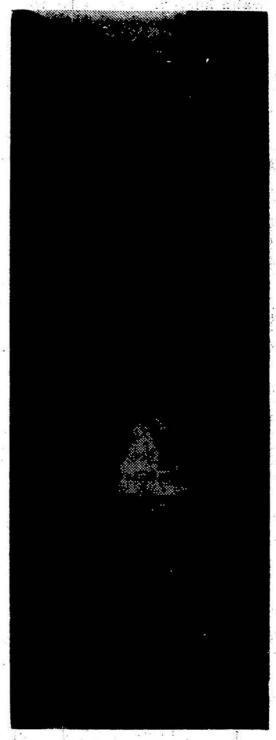
The nip and tuck pattern of the game continued until Pratt's decisive rally in the last two minutes. Aaron led Y.U. with 19 points while Podhurst scored 18 and hauled down 19 rebounds.

Hunter Defeated

The Mighty Mites of Yeshiva University registered their first Tri-State League triumph at the expense of the Hunter College Hawks by the score of 69-55, Feb. 19.

The game started inauspiciously for the Mites as Hunter, with League leading scorer Jim Barnes showing the way, jumped to an 11-7 lead. The Bronx squad also displayed a good zone defense effective rebounding. The Mites tied the game at 15 all on highscorer Kenny Jacobson's two foul shots and the lead seesawed back and forth until Hunter spurted for six straight points to take a 28-23 lead into the final two minutes of the half. However, Yeshiva moved to within one point at the half, 30-29.

The beginning of the second half saw no change in Yeshiva's fortunes. The Hawks, displaying a fine defense and a good fast



"And the L-rd said unto Meses, Say unto Aaron, Stretch forth thine hand . . ." (Exodus VIII; 1)

break, quickly increased their lead to eight points. But then Jacobson and Artie Aaron began to click. They brought the Mites within one point, 39-38.

Twelve straight points later the Mites were unquestionably in command of the game. With the score 59-42 coach Bernie Sarachek sent the second team in to take part in Yeshiva's initial league victory. Jacobson and Aaron scored 22 and 21 points respectively.



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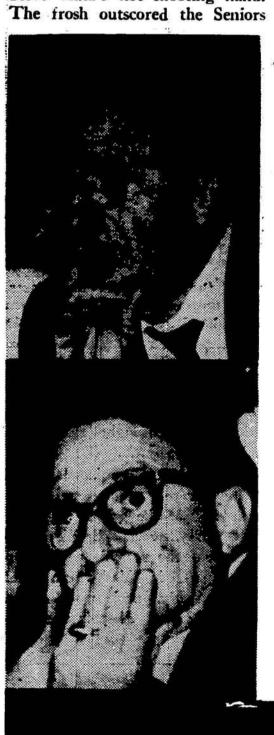
In one of the most exciting, well-played games of the current intramural campaign, the freshman basketball team upset the seniors 39-34.

The key of the frosh victory was a fine zone defense and some clutch foul shooting by high-scoring Vel Werblowsky. The defense held the senior big man, Stu Harris, to just nine points in the first half, and none in the second half. The frosh got nine of their 13 points in the vital last quarter from the free throw line, with Werblowsky accounting for eight of the total.

The game started out as a typical senior victory. The frosh used a pressing defense but the seniors nullified it with tremendous height advantage. In addition the frosh couldn't seem to solve the senior zone defense, and with high scorer Norman Bergman leading the way, the seniors led 13-6 at the quarter.

The frosh quickly made up the deficit on the strength of Steve Katz's hot shooting hand.

Fight Back



10-4 and led 18-17 with one minute to go in the half. But the seniors checked the drive and ended the half still ahead 21-18.

In the third quarter the lead see-sawed back and forth with neither team able to gain a decisive advantage. The quarter

	BOX	SCO	RE	
FROSH		FG	FT	TTL
Katz	9	7	0	14
Koslow		2	0	4
Bernstein		2	0	4
Gottlieb	n 6	0	1	1
Schecter		0	0	0
Torczyner		0	2	. 2
Werblowsky		3	8	14
Bieler		0	0	0
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Totals		14	11	39
SENIORS.	100.0		0.75	
Douglen	(*	1	0	2
Bergman		6	1	13
Harris		. 3	3	9
Silber		1	0	2
Borowitch		4	0	8
Grant		0	0	0
			-	-
Totals		15	4	34

ended with the frosh one down, 27-26.

In the fourth quarter a foul shot by Jimmy Torczyner and a basket by Neal Koslowe put the frosh in front, 29-27. But the same combination on the part of Normie Bergman and Abba Borowich returned the advantage to the seniors. Then, a jump shot by Steve Katz put the frosh ahead, 31-30, and the first year men, sensing victory, froze the ball

Foul Seniors

The seniors came out of their zone and began fouling. Most of their fouls were committed against the frosh ball-handler Werblowsky who calmly sank free throw after free throw. With the score 35-34 in favor of the frosh Werblowsky was fouled. At the same time the seniors decided to comment about a previous call and the frosh were awarded a technical foul. Werblowsky went to the line and made two shots to put the game out of the reach of the upperclassman.

SEEING RED: Basketball Coach Sarachek shows mixed emotions as his hoopsters wind up a disappointing season with a victory over the Brooklyn Kingsmen. With only one team member graduating, "Red" has big hopes for



next year.

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Frosh Upset Senior Class; Varsity Squads Play Brandeis: Taubermen Win; Matmen Lose

Yeshiva's varsity teams travelled to Massachusetts and New Hampshire the weekend of Feb. 22nd to fence and wrestle Brandeis University in the Bay State and play basketball against St. Anselm's College. The YC fencers were victorious while the other two varsity teams sustained defeat.

Fighting back from a large deficit the fencers put on a tremendous spurt and defeated Brandeis, 14-13. This increased their season record to 5-1. For the second straight match victory was clinched by co-captain Barry Konovitch.

Yeshiva quickly fell behind 2-0 at the start when Marty Rosman and Sandy Dresin lost in saber. After Abba Borowich won his saber match 5-3, the visitors again trailed by two matches when Billy Silber was defeated in epee. Konovitch then won the first of his three victories, 5-1, but Brandeis promptly won the next two bouts for a 5-2 lead.

Second Round

Once again Yeshiva fought back on victories by co-captains Al Schoffman and Myron Sokal in foil, but the home team won the next two and led 7-4. After Borowich won his second match, 5-3, Brandeis upped the lead to 9-5. victory, an easy 5-0 win, Sokal, following Schoffman's second foil lost in foil and Brandeis led 10-6.

It was at this point that Yeshiva made its spectacular comeback, winning the next eight bouts to clinch victory. Konovitch started it off; trailing 4-1 in his bout, he fought back to win 5-4. This was the key bout of the match for, instead of facing imminent defeat, Yeshiva was now back in contention.

Steve Rothman in epee and Marty Rosner in saber both follower with victories. Then, in another crucial bout, Sandy Dresin, trailing 4-1 in saber, courageously fought back to win 5-4 and the match was tied at 10-10.

Clinch Victory

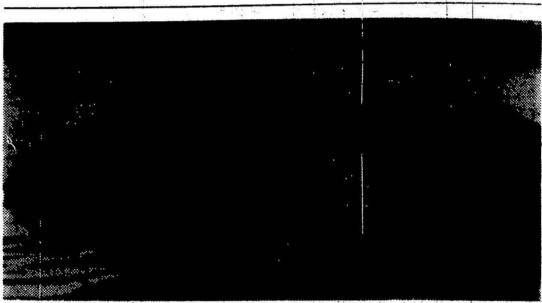
Borowich followed with his third straight win, 5-4, and when Silber in epee and Bernard Pinchuk in foil both won, Yeshiva led 13-10. Konovich then completed the eight-bout streak with his third victory, 5-3. The last three bouts—all won by Brandeis —were meaningless.

The epee and saber teams both had 5-4 records. The epeemen were led by Konovitch with seven epee victories. Rothman and Silber garnered one win each. Borowich led the sabermen with three wins while Rosman and Dresin chipped in with one apiece. The foil team, led by Schoffman with two wins, and Pinchuk and Sokal both with one, ended up 4-5.

Basketeers Lose

The basketball team, despite good team effort succumbed to the far superior St. Anselm's squad 70-55, at Manchester. Kenny Jacobson thrilled the many local YU fans by breaking up the first St. Anselm's play, but the Hawks came back with two consecutive three-point plays. After fourteen minutes of play St. Anselm's was winning 24-16 on the strength of breaks and jump shooting of their ace Myles Dorch.

The entire Yeshiva scoring up to that time was by Bob Podhurst and Jacobson. Artie Aaron produced his first field goal of the



BRANDEIS BRANDED: Yeshiva's Joel Prusansky applies the finishing touches to his opponent after just 35 seconds in the first period of his bout,

contest with only 5:50 left in the half. For the rest of the half Yeshiva's scoring came on two foul shots by Aaron, a jump by Podhurst, and a pretty three point play by Jacobson with 1:25 remaining. The half ended with Yeshiva down 32 to 25.

Gralla Opens Scoring

Steve Gralla opened the scoring in the second half and Jay Garsman stole the ball twice before Dorch sank a long jumper to break the ice for St. Anselm's. Aaron pulled YU to within four points at one juncture by virtue of his long jump shots, but Dorch's scoring and the winner's powerful rebounding for their fast-break offense were too much and Yeshiva trailed by 20 points with two minutes left to play.

High scorer was Myles Dorch with 26 points, Jacobson and Podhurst took honors for Yeshiva with 16 and 12 points respectively.

In the wrestling meet with Brandeis, Yeshiva was defeated 17-15. Joel Pruzansky, 147 lbs., and Jeff Berg, 177 lbs., again won on pins, maintaining their winning streaks intact. Joel pinned his man in 35 seconds—a record, and Jeff got his man in the second period. Berg's victory gave YU a 15-12 lead, but the home team scored a pin in the last bout to even the match.

Leifer the Fireman

After consecutive losses in his last two matches Benjy Leifer was out to win. In the first period he took his man down with a beautifully executed fireman's carry. He then moved in for the pin and whipped him in a craddle. At that point the Brandeis man injured his knee and could not continue and the match was forfeited to Benjy.

George Brown, 123 lbs., went the full nine minutes against an undefeated opponent, and lost only on points. Moshe Siev, 157 lbs., and Jack Deitch, 167 lbs., scored only two points apiece in their respective matches, and each lost on points.

Barry Berger, heavyweight, showed real improvement in his match. He scored the first takedown and a reverse in the opening period. Although his opponent reversed in the second period Barry soon regained top position. But

as this period progressed the grappler lost his lead and was suddenly pinned.

One of the highlights of the match was Josh Werblowsky standing in for Harold Wasserman, at the 130 lbs. slot. Away from the mats for over a year, Josh still wrestled like a veteran. He went the full nine minutes and lost by a very slim margin.

Chessmen Travel To Washington

The Varsity A team of Yeshiva's chessman will begin a fiveday, six-match tour of colleges in the vicinity of Washington, D.C., March 27. The strenuous tour, which will continue through March 31, will pit the squad against the following well known schools: John Hopkins, U.S. Naval Academy, Princeton, George Washington, Maryland, and Loyola Universities, whose chess teams have gained national recognition.

Two years ago, against these same schools, we won four and tied two.

The Varsity A team which has been picked through elimination matches will consist of Captains' Marty Rosman and Barry Frankel, along with Joe Rapaport, Al Schoffman and S. Goulstein, all from this years senior class.

Also in the chess news: Our B team recently lost to Columbia 5-0. In another match the Varsity A team played the national champion-Brooklyn College squad, sustaining another defeat. Brooklyn, last season's national collegiate champions, was led by Ray Weinstien, a senior master who has competed for the United States chess championship and who is probably the best American collegiate chess player.

Weinstien has not entered a large number of tournaments, as he intends to enter medical school in the fall.

Brooklyn's second man was Phil Ratner, whose rating is close to that of a master.

The chessmen also dropped a match to St. John's, with Frankel and Boylan defeating their opponents.