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Yeshiva Unveils Latest Dormitory; Debate On Co-op Marks First Council Session

by Joseph Berila

On almost every path within Yeshiva University one is confronted with the old stand-by: "in due time, slowly but surely." The opening of the new dormitory is

get the inconvenience and turn to praise of this beautiful building. Two years ago, Rabbi Chieftz, Director of Residence Halls, met with student representatives to discuss this structure. The differ-

Sheldon Socol, both of whom expended great effort in this endeavor. They labored dedicatedly to insure that a rush-up completion would not result in a poorly done job.

Starting with the individual rooms, you see the following changes: oversized 39" x 78" beds with deep comfortable mattresses; separate desks for each roommate with lockable drawers built-in; fluorescent lamps above the desks; dressers and private wardrobe facilities; lockable closets that are not easily forced into; two-tone painting and a color scheme variation from room to room; bright atmosphere on walls and floor; decorative brown covering; cables to be used for a bell system; private telephones or an intercom system; and much improved lighting.

For privacy, the corridors are lined with acoustical tile, the floor telephones are encased, and the shower stalls are individual. For convenience, there is a Shabbos-observance elevator. For luxury, there is a lounge on each floor with plans for a music room, a study room, a game room, a TV

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by Bill Berkowitz

A spirited debate concerning procedure of appointment and approval of committee members marked the opening meeting of Student

Mr. Katz asked the nature of the objection. Arthur Feinerman '66 stated that since Mr. Franklin '66, the proposed manager of Co-op, had no experience in that area,



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Student Leaders From right to left: H. Hermele, W. Schwartz, S. Katz, T. Feinerman.

Council on Wednesday, October 14, 1964. Other agenda items were a change in the masthead of THE COMMENTATOR, committee reports, and an up-to-date financial report.

One by one the committees were being approved as read. The first objection concerned the Co-op managers and governing board. After council refused to approve the executive board's proposal,

he was unqualified for that particular position. Supporting this view were council members J. Berlin '66, D. Ebner '65, Mr. Katz and vice-president W. Schwartz supported their proposal basing their argument on the general competence of Mr. Franklin.

A motion to accept the names as read was voted down for the second time. Mr. Schwartz voted yes; Messrs. L. Walter '65 and T. Feinerman '66 abstained. After some discussion Messrs. I. Rapaport '66 and B. Mark '66 were approved as interim co-managers.

In a later motion, Mr. Berlin proposed to revise the by-laws and transfer the power of appointment of committeemen from the executive council to the previous year's committee chairman, still leaving the power of approval with council. Mr. Katz objected to this idea, stating that it

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Wischnitzer Named To Assist Dean; Takes Over As Pre-medical Advisor

by Marvin Wolcher

Dr. Saul Wischnitzer, recently elevated to the permanent faculty as associate professor of biology, has been appointed Assistant to the Dean. He will serve as advisor to pre-medical and pre-dental students, in addition to general administrative duties.

Dr. Wischnitzer is a graduate of Yeshiva College, and of Notre Dame University, where he received his master's degree and doctorate. He was assistant professor of anatomy at New York Medical College before returning to Yeshiva, and also taught at Notre Dame and at the Hadassah Medical School in Jerusalem.

A specialist in research microscopy, Dr. Wischnitzer is currently engaged in basic research on the comparative development and structure of egg cells in vertebrates. He is using an 80,000 power electron microscope to study minute structures in the ova. His work is supported by a 16 month, \$34,930 grant from the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare. While theoretical at present, the research may have application in understanding and preventing deformities such as mongolism and sexual anomalies.

Organization Man

Dr. Wischnitzer is a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the American Association of Anatomists, the Electron Microscope Society of America, the American Society for Cell Biology, and the American Association of University Professors. In addition to numerous contributions to scholarly journals, he has written two textbooks, *Outline of Human Anatomy* (McGraw-Hill), and *Introduction to*

Electron Microscopy (Pergamon Press).

THE COMMENTATOR questioned Dr. Wischnitzer in regard to his various duties and responsibilities, particularly concerning his position as advisor to pre-medical and pre-dental students.

He emphasized that his job of Assistant to the Dean is many faceted. The student must be given



Photo by J. Gordon
Dr. Saul Wischnitzer

en the best academic background both scientific and non-scientific. Also, he must be guided in the manner to present himself in the most favorable light possible.

In medical school, he continued, there are more problems facing prospective entrants than in graduate school. At the present time, Dr. Wischnitzer is compiling data based on a survey of pre-medical

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Speech Curriculum Undergoes Change

The speech program at Yeshiva College has undergone complete revision this year. Speech 1 and 2 have been condensed into a single 3 hour, 2 credit course, while Speech 3 has been lengthened and renumbered. Speech 4 has been eliminated as a separate course.

Speech 1-2 and the group discussion portion of Speech 4 comprise the new Speech 1.1 course. The debate segment of Speech 4 has been eliminated entirely from the sequence while Speech 3 has been incorporated into the 3 hour Speech 2.1 course.

Students who have taken Speech 1-2 can complete their speech requirement with Speech 2.1. Those who in addition have taken Speech 3 will be excused from further speech courses if they received a B grade or better for Speech 3. Those who received a C or D in Speech 3 must take Speech 2.1 and will receive credit for both that course and Speech 3.

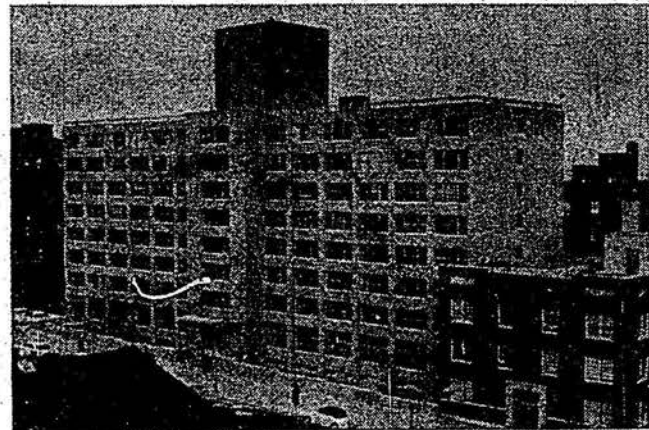


Photo by J. Gordon

New Eight Floor YU Dormitory Gets Finishing Touches.

evidence for this argument. Occupancy is being accomplished one floor at a time in this modern, \$2.6 million residence hall.

In answering the popular gripe, "Why wasn't the building planned and completed to open in time for registration week?" one must unequivocally vindicate the Yeshiva University administration of any fault. Constructing the building and completion by a given date are the jobs of the contractor, bound by a very definite contract placing the project out of the hands of the University. For the closed-minded individuals who can accept no excuse for not opening in time, I ask how often they have given excuses for exam postponements.

But, in due time, we will for-

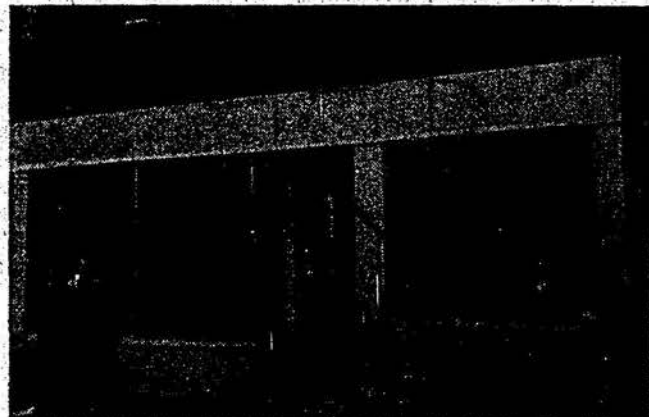


Photo by D. Bernstein

Just opened sandwich shop receives hearty student reception.

YU Varsity Athletes Honored At Annual Awards Presentation

Yeshiva University honored its undergraduate athletes May 26th at its 15th Annual Athletic Association Awards Reception which was held at the Rubin Residence Hall. The Blue and White awarded 41 varsity letters and 26 keys for basketball, wrestling, fencing, and tennis.

Awards Given

Seventeen athletes received special honors at the reception which was attended by over 100 athletes, alumni, students, and faculty members. Bernard "Red" Sarachek, Director of Athletics and coach of the "Mighty Mites" basketball squad, was chairman of the annual reception.

The University's coveted Norman Palefski Memorial Award, presented to the athlete with an outstanding scholastic average and activity in varsity sport and student government, was awarded to Moishe Siev, wrestler.

The Athletic Association's Administration Award—"presented to a member of the administration in recognition of his loyal efforts

in furthering student welfare at Yeshiva University"—was awarded to Hy Wettstein, assistant professor of physical education at Yeshiva College.

Captains Honored

The Commentator Sports Awards, sponsored by the official undergraduate newspaper at Yeshiva College, were presented to Kenny Jacobson, for basketball; Jerry Chanes, for fencing; Jeffrey Berg, for wrestling; and to Edward Schlusel, for tennis. Schlusel also received the Coaches Award for tennis.

Coaches Awards went to Robert Podhurst, for basketball; Joel Pruzansky, for wrestling; and to three fencers—Warren Goldman, for epee, Emanuel Saidlower, for foil and to Alan Lubarr, for sabre.

Arthur Aaron, the basketball team's co-captain and leading scorer, was presented with the Julius Sarachek Memorial Award as the player who displayed the most outstanding and sincere effort on behalf of the team.

Kops And Goldberg Victorious In Recent Fencing Intramurals

Vic Kops '66 and Zev Goldberg '67 were the two winners in the recently completed fencing intramural tournament. The tournament, run by Fencing Coach Arthur Tauber, was open to all members of the squad. Any fencer was allowed to participate in any category in which he had not competed intercollegiate or in which he had not won any bouts.

Kops' showing was especially distinctive in that he garnered first place honors both in the epee class and in the sabre class. In the epee finals, Kops' overall record was 4-1 while accumulating 10 touches against himself. His only defeat was a 3-2 (touches) loss to the eventual third place finisher, Howie Davis. Zev Goldberg finished second in that class with a 3-2 overall record.

Clean Sweep

In the sabre category, Vic went undefeated in five bouts. His closest bout was a 5-4 victory over Howie Rothman, who fin-

ished third. Mr. Kops defeated the eventual second place finisher, Warren Goldman, 5-3. The brilliant and unique style displayed by Mr. Kops is a reassuring sign for the success of the coming season.

Zev Goldberg captured the

honors for the foil class (Mr. Kops was ineligible), compiling a 4-1 record. He displayed great aggressiveness in his bouts and should be a big help next season. John Konovitch and Sid Kalish placed second and third respectively in the foil category.

On The Sidelines

This Sporting Life

by Neil Koslowe

Those of us who have contact with YU alumni are probably familiar with the stories of Yeshiva's grandeur in sports back "in the good old days." In order to get a clarification of the past and an understanding of the present crop of YU athletes, and in order to check out a circulating rumor, I paid a visit to Professor Hy Wettstein.

"Don't let them kid you," said the experienced mentor. "The boys then were the same as the boys now. Sure, the old timers will tell you that the students nowadays are much younger and smaller, but I can remember when these 'old timers' were just scrawny little kids in high school."

Nevertheless, there does seem to be a lack of fighting spirit, a lack of school togetherness, and even a lack of the slight wildness and zany life in YU today that was at one time one of the school's characteristics. The prof doted on this point too:

"A point that's often overlooked by students here is that in the past it was much tougher to get into and stay at Yeshiva. Most of the fellows had to support themselves in some manner. They had to be tough—mentally and physically—to make the grade. This fact is evident in the school's sports life. Take basketball, for instance (Prof. Wettstein coaches the Yeshiva U. High School-Manhattan basketball squad).

In the past, we had trouble with shooting ability and team work. This is true of both the high school—there used to be only one—and the college. What we never had much trouble with was hustle, fight, and general scrappy play. This was the result of the kind of life the boys used to lead while they attended Yeshiva.

Today, however, Yeshiva has grown tremendously and can support many more students. This, of course, is a wonderful thing. But again the type of athletes we now get from the yeshivos has changed. Generally, the students are better off today—they don't have to be as tough as in the past in order to survive. Today, in fact, many of the tough players—the big rebounders and the hustlers—on the YU basketball squads come from public schools and enter YU through the JSP program."

What the professor said seemed to make good sense and seemed to strengthen the argument for a greater emphasis on sports at Yeshiva. The physical and mental demands placed upon a YU student are great indeed. Many of us are amazed that we are blessed week after week with enough strength to accomplish what we must.

Since most of us are fortunate enough not to have to struggle daily to subsist, it becomes very appealing to conveniently drop all physical endeavors and concentrate on the mental ones. But this is a dangerous path to take. The Talmud recognized the necessity of a physically sound man and extolled good hard labor.

Even if some of us simply do not have the time to participate in athletics, we should at least take advantage as spectators—even vicarious sports can be invigorating. It seems that we have far too many bookworms floating around—one would think that everyone desires some variety. Often we hear the excuse: "But I don't know anything about sports." Luckily, we are fortunate to have enough colorful players and coaches to insure an evening's entertainment for anyone.

It brings to mind a little vignette from last year's basketball season. The Mighty Mites were down by six points at Power and the game was midway through the second half. Things were getting quite tense, which meant that the normally volatile Coach "Red" Sarachek was volcanic. Closely watching each minute move of his charges, the coach finally caught a mistake. He grabbed Neil Katz's arm, threw him over to the scorer's desk, and barked: "Go in, there for Katz!"

Neil dutifully waited for a time out, then rushed onto the court. As he reached the foul line, he stopped suddenly, whirled around towards the coach and said: "But coach, I am Katz!"

"I don't care who the hell you are," roared the Coach, "get in there for Katz!"

Now who would want to miss sports events at Yeshiva?

Netmen Finish Successful Season; Zisquit Undefeated In Singles Play

Led by freshman Donald Zisquit, the Blue and White tennis team completed a rather successful season by defeating Webb Institute. Don Zisquit, in the first singles match, finished his campaign with a spotless 8-0 record. Captain Ed Schlusel also won his singles match. The victory over Webb was clinched when the netmen took the doubles matches.

After copping the first three matches of the season from the West Point plebes, the Merchant Marine Academy and Pace College, the latter by a 9-0 score, Yeshiva ran into its old nemesis, Brooklyn College. In attempting to duplicate last year's 9-0 performance, Brooklyn won seven out of nine. Only Don Zisquit, who easily won in the singles, and the team of Zisquit and Lightman, in doubles, managed to win for Yeshiva.

The Blue and White netmen achieved their second shut-out

when they mauled Pratt, 9-0. This victory was followed by Ye-

shiva's second and last defeat of the year. In a match that went



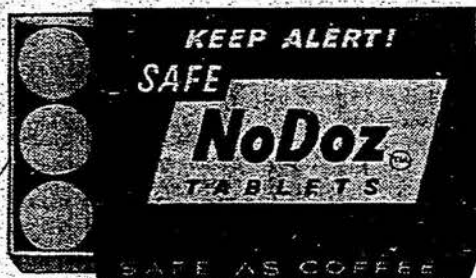
Don Zisquit's backhand return



Fast return by Jeff Tillman

down to the wire, Iona defeated Yeshiva, 6-3. Don Zisquit, having his toughest day of the campaign, won his singles match (one set went to 11-9) and then sustained his first and only doubles defeat. Mike Wise played well and won his singles match.

Yeshiva won the two matches against LIU and Webb and completed the season with a commendable 6-2 record. At LIU, Yeshiva fell behind 3-1 after the first four singles matches. Then the tide turned as Ezra Goodman won his singles match. Don Zisquit and Jeff Tillman took the first doubles match and Ed Schlusel and Noah Lightman followed with another win. In the final singles matches, Mike Wise won in three sets and clinched the victory.



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Campus Culinary Corner Student Poll Shows Majority Favoring Gears Gourmet's Glee Wide Victories For Johnson And Keating

by Aryo Gordon

With the advent of the new college year, seasoned problems—following the pattern of the ages—politely make way for fresh ones. There was no inking, however, that in our student struggle for survival, we of YC would be battling for the bulge rather than agin it.

Traffic at Parker's has become so heavily congested that diners have been startled by the sight of a bellicose, arm-waving cop in the cafeteria. That is not all. Rumor has it that Commissioner Barnes has approached and requested to lend his talents in relieving the bottleneck.

Reminiscent of the bread lines of the depression era, the queues for supper at times extend to the Greasy Spoon. It is not uncommon to hear the fellow behind you ask, "Is this the *milchig* or the *fleishig* line?"

The severity of this situation is not to be dismissed lightly. However, while we impatiently twiddled our thumbs, waiting for Yeshiva and the powers that be to recognize its existence, an alert group of ex-yeshiva men quite inadvertently alleviated the diners' distress.

This civic-minded, enterprising group opened a *glatt kosher* sandwich shop adjacent to Yeshiva. This arrangement, we trust, will give our student body unmixed gastronomic joy.

First and foremost, the food at the Heights Glatt Kosher Sandwich Shop promises to be unusually good. The shop boasts a Chinese chef, (who insists on being addressed as Mr. Chu, pronounced "chew"), who practiced his skill for eighteen years at the Pioneer Country Club. Mr. Chu, wielding a meat cleaver, emphasized to us that he cooks only kosher food. Under the circumstances, we did not question his statement.

Ungreasy

Bright, clean, and cheerful, the new shop is aglitter with a chrome and formica counter, leather seats, and comfortable banquettes. The owners are pleasant to talk to and add much to the amiable atmosphere.

Those of us who would relish an old Italian delight, *kosher-made*, can look forward to the

opening of Chopsie's Kosher Pizza Place. "Chopsie" is sole pizza maker and baker. He practiced his art for four years, and was the founder of two *kosher* pizza shops in Crown Heights.

He maintains, however, that the happiest part of pizza-making is the greeting of the steady streams of pizza eaters. He is frankly delighted at the prospect of serving pizza to Yeshiva College students.

Chopsie and his partner are sincere about making their pizza shop a little island of brief relaxation for the harried Yeshiva student. Their place is well-fitted for good eating amidst pleasurable surroundings. Most attractive is the fountain service. Here Chopsie assures us absolute artistry in ice-cream concoctions and (note his concern for our financial solar plexus) low, low prices.

Chatting with an old pizzamaker, who has been pounding the pizza for forty-five years, I learned, among other bits of information, that "pizza" means pounding the dough to flatten it. With moving eloquence he told me that, in Italy, pizza-making is a family.

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by Don Davis

If it were up to the students of Yeshiva College, President Lyndon B. Johnson would already be elected to his first full term as President of the United States. In a preference poll held that week under the auspices of THE COMMENTATOR and advised by Dr. Charles Liebman, assistant professor of political science, President Johnson polled 411 votes, or 89.9% of the total votes cast, and Senator Goldwater received 46 votes or 10.1% of the vote. In the same poll Yeshiva College students re-elected Kenneth Keating to his second term as United States Senator from New York State by a majority of 309 votes to 131 for Robert Kennedy. Senator Keating received 70.2% of the vote as opposed to 29.8% for Mr. Kennedy.

In the case of the presidential election, the Yeshiva students followed the national prediction that the "Jewish vote" would go to President Johnson by majorities as high as 90%.

Students chose foreign policy as the major issue in the campaign. Some 49.5% of those voting felt that this was the major reason for

their support of a particular candidate; 28.9% of the student body felt that civil rights was the major issue, 12% picked social welfare and 9.2% chose political morals, as the principle issue in the campaign. However, closer analysis shows that 48.6% of the Johnson voters picked foreign policy as the major issue while 57.7% of the Goldwater voters did so. On the civil rights issue, the breakdown was 29% of the Johnson voters as opposed to 26.5% of the Goldwater voters. Some 13.3% of the Johnson voters chose social welfare as the issue while only 2.2% of the Goldwater supporters did so. Likewise, 13.3% of the Goldwater backers thought that political morals was the issue as opposed to 8.7% of the Johnson voters. The difference between Johnson and Goldwater voters on picking foreign policy as "the issue" might be attributed to the candidates' stands on the nuclear policy question. Many students specifically singled out nuclear policy within the area of foreign policy. Similarly, the vast difference between the backers of both candidates in the choice of social welfare as the major issue in the

election may be explained by the philosophical differences between the candidates.

There was virtually no difference between the science and non-science majors, since 87.8% of the non-science majors and 91.4% of the science majors voted for the incumbent President Johnson.

The Trend

A major trend of ticket splitting was noticed. Of the 402 people who voted for President Johnson and for a senator, 281 or 70% voted for Senator Keating, and only 121 or 30% voted for Mr. Kennedy. Among the 45 people who voted for Senator Goldwater and also voted for a senator, 35 or 78% voted for Keating and 10 or 22% voted for Kennedy.

In a closer analysis of the Keating-Kennedy election, it was found that New York State residents voted 187-71 for Senator Keating or 72.5% to 27.5%. Out of state students voted 123-65 for Keating or 66.4% to 33.6%. Thus we see that Mr. Kennedy did better with the national electorate than with the local electorate.

Some 60% of the student body voted, with the freshmen having the greatest turnout, 67%, and the seniors the smallest, 55%.

In conclusion, it must be stated that the trends here do not reflect a national picture. The sampling taken was of a limited group of Orthodox Jews, and can be interpreted only in the terms of a 2-1 Jewish vote for Senator Keating and a Jewish landslide for President Johnson.

Campus Chatter

by Leslie Walter

School life is beset by many problems. Least among these is the reason for it all. S. J. Harris at the Rochester Institute of Technology newspaper advises that "the primary purpose of a liberal education is to make one's mind a better place in which to spend one's leisure."

Problems concerning the palate will be lessened this year with the advent of a delicatessen and a pizza store on Amsterdam Avenue. But students at the University of Minnesota warn that "It would be a shame . . . to improve the food so much that students would lose one of their favorite scapegoats."

Dorm problems were revealed by the director of housing at Rochester Institute of Technology. He advised students living in the downtown area to beware of burglary and to keep all doors

locked and all windows closed when not in an apartment. Furthermore "it is against the law to keep concealed weapons; and therefore this method of self protection must be avoided." The University of Portland newspaper, *Beacon*, attests that a "girl was slugged while walking across campus after dark," although "a dorm law explicitly states that girls are not to walk alone on campus after dark." This could not happen at YU since we have no . . . campus.

Morals? Religion? What places have these institutions resigned to in our contemporary civilization? Drinking has become a social problem on campus as well as off. The Holy Cross College newspaper warns that "off campus dances where drinking occurred were not appreciated by the ever aware higher-ups. All those nabbed in the process of guzzling or displaying unusually profound after-effects will be prosecuted. In addition one might assume that surveillance will be maintained."

At the Rochester Institute action has been taken. One student was accused of "sleeping off a drink," and was made "responsible for the payment of damages." Another student was accused of public intoxication and was "required to take a non-drinking pledge for the rest of the spring quarter." At the University of Illinois a student was placed on "informal conduct probation" for kissing her boy friend in a parked car, although there are no such university regulations. Kansas State University has

placed a ban on the sale of cigarettes but not on cigars. "This law has caused a marked decrease in cigarette sales." (Continued on page 4)

From The Pages Of The Commentator

Editor's Note: The following editorial is reprinted from THE COMMENTATOR of March 17, 1937.

It is no hazardous venture to say that a few of those reporting for registration this term failed to be pleasantly surprised. The novelty of having registration conducted in a well-planned, systematized fashion could not have been less than overwhelming to the students accustomed to the old procedure.

The importance of the innovation can hardly be overestimated. Here is not only a question of the mechanical completion of routine work on a more efficient basis. In the proper handling of registration problems lies the answer to more than one problem.

For one thing, the early start of regular class sessions is dependent entirely upon the dispatch with which the task is completed.

Even more important is the undeniable fact that the slipshod registration methods, with their accompaniment of endless worries, grueling waiting, and superfluous red tape, to which the students were forced to submit, did more than a little to impair relations between undergraduate and administration.

If any proof of this is needed, it was convincingly demonstrated by the unprecedented congenial

spirit prevalent at the start of the semester. For this accomplishment, the registrar is to be commended. Also deserving of gratitude are those faculty members who volunteered their time to serve in registering the students.

Certain difficulties will stand out, however. Students with conditions or other program irregularities found themselves in much the same situation as in the past. While it is true that such hardships were the inevitable result of the innovation in procedure, some method must be worked out to prevent their recurrence in the future.

Especially grievous were those cases of upperclassmen who found themselves hampered by serious program conflicts as result of arbitrary program slashings in the earlier years.

A general injustice still unremedied is the harrowing series of student program changes that continues to afflict most students during the first two weeks of every term.

With the proper start made, however, it is not difficult to envisage the emergence of a completely satisfying arrangement of routine administrative work that should terminate, once and for all, what has been one of the sorest spots in student-administration relations.



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For A Democrat . . .

During the past eleven months, President Lyndon Johnson has distinguished himself by thoroughly and forcefully taking over the reins of the most powerful political office in the free world. In assuming the position vacated by the late John F. Kennedy, he has performed, not as a mere stop-gap, but as an efficient and productive leader. Now, he attempts to gain a personal mandate from the people of the United States.

Running against President Johnson is a man surrounded by an air of doubt and confusion. Senator Goldwater is known for his philosophy of simplicity; but, paradoxically, he has not been able to organize his beliefs and state them clearly. In those instances where Goldwater's positions have been definitely understood, they have reflected a far-right philosophy foreign to American tradition.

A most vital issue in a presidential campaign, as evidenced in the Eisenhower and, more tragically, in the Kennedy Administration, is the role of the vice-president. President Johnson has chosen, as his running mate, a familiar and respected senator. Barry Goldwater has personally selected a relatively unknown congressman whose only apparent prominence is in the realm of political vituperation.

The American people do, indeed, have a definite choice in 1964, and we are confident that they will choose wisely.

. . . And A Republican

Kenneth Keating has served the people of New York State devotedly for eighteen years, twelve in the House of Representatives and six in the Senate. A respected member of the Republican Party, he has displayed political wisdom and courage in his consistent support of the State of Israel, and in his condemnation of anti-Semitism, nationally and internationally. His allegiance to civil liberties for all is also impressive. Senator Keating is one of the most prominent and influential *ohavay Yisroel* in the hierarchy of national politics. His opponent for the Senate, Democrat Robert Kennedy, performed an admirable service as Attorney General in the Kennedy Administration. He is a young, intelligent and politically adroit man.

It is quite possible that Mr. Kennedy could become, if elected, as able a senator as he was an Attorney General. We simply question the sagacity of unseating a man of proved ability, a man whose character, devotion and political beliefs are public record, in favor of a possibly suitable replacement.

The True Image

The enrollment of the Yeshiva College freshman class this semester represents an increase of 65% over last year's class. With great pride, THE COMMENTATOR welcomes each freshman and congratulates him on being a part of the largest entering class in the institution's history. We wish each student success in his endeavors. We welcome this quantitative expansion within Yeshiva University with the expectation that it will be accompanied by equal qualitative progress.

The largest class on campus must be cautioned not to imagine a university merely as a massive warehouse of knowledge. In his advisory speech to the freshman class of Princeton, Dr. Robert F. Goheen, President of Princeton University, warned that "if any of you has come to Princeton hoping to accumulate knowledge, I advise you to begin negotiations with some sort of institution where you can attach yourself to a pipeline of inanimate learning and become full, like a storage tank, sealed by a diploma, and otherwise useless."

The belief that an institution of higher learning offers a mere regimented program of classes and labs suggests narrow-mindedness. Of far greater significance is the opportunity to become morally and spiritually mature and to gain a realistic perspective on life.

One gets out of college only what one puts into it.

An Excellent Choice

THE COMMENTATOR extends its congratulations to Dr. Saul Wischnitzer on his promotion to the permanent faculty as associate professor of biology and his appointment as Assistant to the Dean. The appointment reflects credit both on Dr. Wischnitzer, who is most worthy of the post, and on Dean Bacon, who has made an excellent choice.

Dr. Wischnitzer, himself a graduate of Yeshiva College, is intimately familiar with the problems of Yeshiva students. He has already assumed the position of advisor to pre-medical and pre-dental students. He is particularly suited for this function, having been a faculty member of the New York Medical College before coming to Yeshiva.

We are confident that Dr. Wischnitzer's contribution to Yeshiva College—academically in the department of biology and administratively as Assistant to the Dean—will be most significant.

Education is what remains when we have forgotten all that we have been taught.

—George Savile, Marquis of Halifax, 1633-1695

The President Speaks

Quality In Quantity

by Steven Katz

As the upperclassmen came trooping back to Yeshiva after the long summer interlude, they were pleasantly surprised to find that several innovations had been made in their absence. A new dormitory stood ready and waiting for them (well, almost) and upon inspection proved to merit our praises. The newly created positions of Assistant to the Dean for Pre-meds and of a pre-law advisor were welcome additions to our guidance program. These two areas are of vital concern to a large segment of the student body, and I am sure that we will gain much from the advice and experience of these two men. There is still much to be done in the area of guidance, but these two appointments are most encouraging steps towards improvement of the situation. The addition of new and challenging courses is also not to be overlooked.

But in future years when academic year '64-'65 is reviewed, it will not be remembered most for the additional courses and advisors, but that in this year the largest class in Yeshiva's history was accepted—over 300 freshmen. We enthusiastically welcome these new students and are pleased to accept them as peers.

Growth has always been an important word at Yeshiva and what we are witnessing this year is but a part of this all-encompassing trend. We have every reason to expect this trend to continue as new facilities and faculty are added to meet the needs of an ever-growing student body. We welcome this growth and see it as a great opportunity to extend the unique benefits of a Yeshiva College education to more and more Jewish youth.

However, in these steps for expansion that are now taking place, a certain amount of caution must

be exercised. We must not equate bigger with better and sacrifice quality for quantity. We must be wary of the traps which many institutions unwittingly stumble into where the goals of the institution become muddled, and the institution becomes a goal in itself.

Above all, our religious standards and goals must remain foremost in importance. Our contribution to the Jewish community is dependent on the place of "Yeshiva" in Yeshiva College. For without the religious divisions as the center and fountainhead of our institution, all the growth and expansion of Yeshiva College will be not only meaningless, but also detrimental to the well being of the Orthodox Jewish community.

The student leaders are very pleased that the administration has the above mentioned guidelines foremost in their minds in their plans for Yeshiva's future. It was very encouraging to hear Dr. Bacon reassure the members of Student Council and COMMENTATOR at a joint meeting last Thursday that academic standards have been maintained and will be continually improved upon.

It is my fervent hope that in the years to come Yeshiva will continue to grow not only in its physical and academic areas, but also in its religious aspects, and continue its vital contributions to the Jewish community.

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Happiness is an inexpensive textbook.



Twenty-Six Appointments YU Soccer Squad Urge Freshmen Participation Increase College Faculty Begins First Year As Dramatics Season Starts

Twenty-six appointments have been made to the Yeshiva College academic faculty for the coming year. Ten are professional appointments and sixteen were lectureships, instructorships or fellowships.

The professional appointees are Dr. Yakir Aharonov, recently elevated to associate professor of physics at Belfer Graduate School of Science, who will teach thermodynamics and theoretical physics; Dr. Charlotte Croman, visiting assistant professor of speech; Dr. Martin Golding, visiting assistant professor of Political Science, will teach an inter-disciplinary course in "Politics and Morality" jointly with Dr. Aharon Lichtenstein, who is returning to the college faculty as associate professor after a several year absence; Dr. Meir Havazelet, assistant professor of Hebrew, who has taught previously at TI; Dr. Donald J. Newman, recently elevated to professor of mathematics at Belfer, will teach Theory of Numbers; Dr. A. Peter Peterson, associate professor of physics, who will teach Electricity and Magnetism; Dr. William Spindel, professor of chemistry who will head the newly formed department at Belfer and teach general and physical chemistry at the College;

Pizza Pie . . .

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craft, and one that has been in his family for many generations.

The Habit

Actually, pizza is much ado about nothing. It is a triangular slab of half-baked dough, spread with tomato sauce and cheese. A worshiper of pizza is strongly admonished not to become a pizzamaker. They don't touch the stuff.

Pizza was converted to Judaism about five years ago. Kashruth-observant Jews have greatly enjoyed partaking of the rounded, pounded pizza pie.

Chopie's Pizza Shop is just a store away from the Heights Glat Kasher Shop. Separating the meat from the dairy is Joe's Kosher Parve Barbershop. Joe supplied the owners of both new enterprises with lucky dollar bills and his best wishes.

Let us hope we won't have to ask, "Which line are you on, meat, dairy, or parve?"

and Dr. Leon Green, guidance counselor.

Mr. Robert Weisbord has been appointed visiting instructor in history. Visiting lectureship appointments were Mr. Eugene Beyers, psychology; Rabbi Gerald Blidstein, English; Rabbi Jay Braverman, Bible; Mrs. Doris Cammett, English; Mr. William Cohen, education; Mr. Roger Conant, economics; Mr. Martin Glass, English; Mr. Benjamin Hellinger, English; Rabbi Elazar Hurvitz, Bible; Mr. Alexander Saharoff, Russian; Mr. Richard Schneider, English and history; Mr. Simon Weiner, biology; and Mrs. William Woolfson, speech.

Teaching Fellows

Two teaching fellows in mathematics were appointed, Rabbi Yosef Blau and Mr. Eli Passow.

Seven faculty and two administrative promotions have also been announced. The faculty promotions were Dr. Aaron Skaist from instructor of Bible to assistant professor, and Dean Sar Professor of Bible; Dr. Helmut E. Adler from associate professor of psychology, to professor; Dr. Irving Greenberg, from assistant professor of history to associate professor; Dr. Maurice Wohlgerlenter from instructor of English to assistant professor; Dr. Saul Wischnitzer from visiting assistant professor of biology to associate professor and assistant to the dean; Dr. Moshe Carmilly, from assistant professor of Bible to associate professor; and Dr. David Finklestein, from associate professor of physics to professor.

Rabbi Meyer Edelstein has been promoted from assistant to the Registrar to Assistant Registrar in charge of undergraduate registration. Rabbi Jason Jacobowitz was promoted from assistant to the Dean of Admissions to Assistant Registrar at the Graduate Center.

Heated Council Debates Spark Increased Student Enthusiasm

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would be impractical. After some discussion, Mr. Berlin withdrew his motion.

Mr. Katz announced that the Student Court appointments had not yet been made, and that there

Yeshiva will have a varsity soccer team in the very near future.

For many years, basketball has been the only real team sport at Yeshiva. This year a few ambitious students have begun to organize a soccer team without any noticeable encouragement. The sport may one day compete with basketball for local laurels. These are the hopes of Ira Rapaport, the manager of the team, and Pinhas Friedenberg, the captain.

Thirty-five students have shown enough interest in this sport to try out for positions on the team. These students are willing to sacrifice their valuable time so that a fairly good inaugural team could represent Yeshiva. The team will play three other colleges in the area. If further interest is developed, the soccer team may get a professional coach in a few years.

José Castel will be one of the players to follow in the games. The team as a whole has too many weaknesses for it to have a winning season. Nevertheless, the boys have taken a step toward establishing soccer as an intercollegiate activity at Yeshiva.

YU To Host Weeks, Peace Corps Aide

A recently returned Peace Corps volunteer will visit various divisions of Yeshiva University next Monday and Tuesday. Mr. Dudley Weeks, who will be at the Main Center on Tuesday, October 27, is a 1962 graduate of Southern Methodist University. He taught English, geography and history in a remote North Borneo village for two years. While in Borneo, Mr. Weeks also formed a boy scout troop and gave instruction in first aid.

Matchless in power among the arts of men.

—Aaron Okin

by Joseph Berlin

During the past few weeks of formality you have entered a new era in your lifetime. Many speakers, I suspect, have purported to prepare you and implicitly instill confidence that the chaos and confusion of the new college and campus will soon subside. They have offered opinions, provided pamphlets and super-abundantly sounded selections setting Yeshiva as the single and special school of its kind. They have placed YU on a pedestal.

But you will no doubt discover in the not-too-distant future that reality is more complex. You will learn that the ones who truly care about you, your education, your life, your problems are you and your fellow schoolmates. You will pay a high price for your education, the burden of a double program on a college level, time, money; you are therefore entitled to nothing but the best.

Freshman Program

The upperclassmen through your student council, are planning a program dedicated and devoted to make your initial year at Yeshiva more pleasant. They will be able to advise you, plan with you, cooperate with you! They are familiar with the faculty, academic aspects of Yeshiva College and the administration, rooming in the residence halls, and the importance of Yeshiva as an institution of Judaism.

You will come to understand the significance of extra-curricular activity. Under its roof you will find discussion and debate of your problems and relaxation and relief from your academic schedule. In particular, the following is an outline of the general functions of the Yeshiva College Dramatics Society and the proposed plans for the coming year.

The Dramatics Society offers you the opportunity to create, to act, to direct, to enjoy. For many of you, acting will be a new thrilling experience, but one I can guarantee you will never forget. We hope to have a freshmen class presentation in December; there hasn't been a freshmen play in the two years. For both beginners and stars, the Dramatics Workshop provides education by an expert—Mrs. Thomas Ohlson, faculty advisor to the Dramatics Society. Through the workshop, this accomplished artist attempts to educate the interested on the various aspects of dramatics and the theater.

Yeshiva University was twice represented at World's Fair exhibits this year. Materials of YU and SCW can be found at the Hall of Education's College Admissions Center. In Westinghouse Corporation's Time Capsule I was a microfilm copy of *Portrait of Eminent Mathematicians* written by David Eugene Smith and published by *Scripta Mathematica*, Yeshiva University's quarterly journal devoted to the research and expository aspects of mathematics.

The Dramatics Workshop produces a number of shows throughout the academic year among which are the Spring Show and the Dean's Reception. The latter is the most popular event at Yeshiva, where the sophomore and junior classes compete for the coveted Dean's award.

For the benefit of the student body, discount tickets to Broadway and off-Broadway shows, neighborhood movie theaters, Philharmonic Hall and other places of the performing arts, are distributed through the office of the Dramatic Society (561 RIETS Hall).

Dramatics is one of the most "taken-for-granted" activities at Yeshiva. People expect hilarious plays at the Dean's Reception and fabulous performances at the Varsity Show. Few stop to consider the tremendous amount of time and effort that precedes a successful show. President of the Dramatic Society, Alan Felsenfeld, summed up this idea when he said at the last Executive Board meeting, "only if we get the participation and co-operation of the incoming class, will Dramatics be able to continue."

Support dramatics by coming to the workshop, trying out for the productions, attending all performances; use dramatic facilities, consult the Dramatics Society bulletin board in Furst Hall, apply for discount tickets to movies and shows, buy records at discount prices through the Dramatics Society, and enjoy your stay at Yeshiva.

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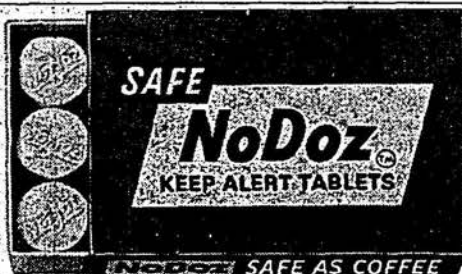


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Commentator Receives First Class Evaluation

THE COMMENTATOR has earned an Associated Collegiate Press First Class rating for the Spring 1964 term, announced Mr. Herbert Hermle, Editor-in-Chief. The rating represents excellent work as compared with newspa-

pers with the same frequency of publication from schools of Yeshiva's size. THE COMMENTATOR fell only 45 points short of the 3500 needed for an All-American, or exceptional, rating.

Mr. Hermle stated that "the results are at the same time gratifying and disappointing. We are pleased that THE COMMENTATOR compares so favorably with similar publications, but disappointed in that we missed receiving an exceptional rating by less than 2% of the total scored points."

THE COMMENTATOR was commended by the ACP as "a well-balanced newspaper which is a credit to Yeshiva." Especially noted were news coverage and creative use of feature material, with the timeliness of editorial comment and inside-page layout also cited. The Literary Magazine was rated exceptional. The ACP judges noted "well-written articles which conscientiously probe the world of Jewry in six areas and present a balanced picture of that world in a latter-day context."

More interesting opening sentences were called for in the regular issues as well as higher standards for sports reporting. Also recommended were a varied editorial page make-up and larger pictures.

NSF Offers Grad Awards

Graduate fellowships for studies leading to masters and doctoral degrees in the natural and social sciences are being offered on a competitive basis by the National Science Foundation. The State of New York is offering full-time Regents fellowships for college teaching and part-time fellowships in science and engineering.

Ranging in value from \$2400 to \$2800 annually, the NSF stipends are available to college seniors and graduate students working towards an advanced degree in one of the approved fields. These include mathematics, physics, medicine, biology and engineering among the natural sciences; among the acceptable social sciences are economics, excluding business administration, the history and philosophy of science, linguistics, political science, psychology excluding clinical, and sociology excluding social work.

Applicants are required to take the January 1965 Graduate Record Exams. In addition they must file applications with recommendations and college transcripts by December 11, 1964.

Students desiring further information may write to the Fellowship Office, National Academy of Sciences, 2101 Constitution Avenue, N. W., Washington, D.C.

Regents Fellowships for College Teaching, of which 250 are offered, provide payments for the first two years of graduate study. One hundred fellowships are offered for part-time study in the sciences and engineering. Applications for both must be made by December 1st. Further information can be obtained from Dean Bacon's office.

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Rabbi Addresses Rabbinic Leaders On Intermarriage

Rabbi David L. Silver of Congregation Keshet Israel of Harrisburg, Pa. stated that "unless there be a mighty counterthrust, the American Jewish community will be snowed under by an avalanche of part Jews." He spoke on the halachic status of intermarried Jews before the 21st annual convention of the YU Rabbinic Alumni.

Rabbi Silver proposed that leaders of all orthodox rabbinic organizations set up a central agency to handle all cases of conversion. In his opinion such an agency would remove the pressure on the individual rabbi and would make it possible to ascertain whether the person in question really intended to live an observant life.

Rabbi Silver stressed the problems involved in conversion. One is whether an intermarried Jew may be counted into a minyan; another is what kind of father-child obligations apply to the offspring of an intermarriage; still another is whether the spouse may be accepted as a candidate for conversion.

Rabbi Silver is a *musmach* of Rabbi Issac Elchanan Theological Seminary. He founded the Yeshiva Academy of Harrisburg in 1954.

End Approaching For Graduate Dorm

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room and such. For your information, there are a number of rooms-and-a-half for married students. For your charity plans, the building hasn't been named yet. The first floor lounge is set aside for Shabbos minyan and, perhaps, a daily minyan.

In commenting on the new building, Mr. Blazer, Director of Buildings and Grounds said, "It seems to me to be one of the nicest and finest facilities to be found in any university. Every effort was made to construct a building that would be not only comfortable and attractive but one that would serve the educational purposes of a residence hall."

It was announced that the graduate dorm will soon be closed and that seniors of the uptown high school residing on campus would soon move to the second floor of the Rubin dorm.

Mr. Blazer seemed unusually confident that the students, in appreciation of the improved dormitory, would be more conscious of the damage done in the past to facilities.

Who's Whose

Engagements

Sheldon Fink '65 to Irene Landau Jay Garsman '65 to Eileen Jan-

over Julie Kunofsky '65 to Judy Kaish Neil Katz '65 to Sharon Jacobs Sanford Reinhard '65 to Judith Kayer

David Finer '65 to Miriam Bernstein Marvin Glick '65 to Nina Strook

The Editor-in-Chief of THE COMMENTATOR takes great pleasure in congratulating the Editor-in-Chief of THE MASMID upon his engagement.

'Tradition' Is The Theme Of This Year's Masmid

The theme of the 1965 MASMID, official senior publication of Yeshiva College, will be Tradition, announced Sheldon F. Fink, editor-in-chief. Mr. Fink stated that THE MASMID would aim to utilize the concept of tradition in reaching a better understanding of student goals.

In order that THE MASMID can appear before commencement, Mr. Fink has decided upon an early spring deadline for all material. He also announced five major staff appointments. They are Ira Rifkin and Martin Feldman, assistant editors, and David Schreiber, Sidney Lipstein and Richard Forman, business managers. Mr. Fink noted that some positions were still available, especially for

a "shadow" governing board, composed of present juniors, who



Photo by J. Gordon
Masmid Editor Sheldon Fink

would be trained for work on the 1966 MASMID.

Dr. Wischnitzer Commends Yeshiva's Future Doctors

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graduates of YC who went to medical school, as to their applications, their interviews, and their experiences at their present schools, in regard to partiality toward Yeshiva students. In this way, a general pattern may be noted as to which medical schools are favorably inclined towards YC students and which are not. Also included in the survey are questions as to the ease of Shabbat observance and the Jewish community in the vicinity of the school.

The immediate problem is this year's senior class, which must undergo all guidance in a short period of time. But a long-range program is being instituted under Dr. Wischnitzer's leadership. Juniors who wish to do so, are now registering for status as pre-meds or pre-dents. Their records will be reviewed and, on this basis, they will be declared satisfactory or unsatisfactory in each area. They will then be aware of their personal strengths in various areas and forewarned as to their deficiencies.

Dr. Wischnitzer made it clear, however, that he was not supplanting the pre-medical committee. He will serve as liaison between the students and the pre-medical committee and will bring

to the attention of the committee all relevant data.

In cooperation with the Pre-Med Society a program of guest speakers will be arranged.

We asked Dr. Wischnitzer as to the adequacy of preparation which is received by Yeshiva pre-med students for medical school. He replied that Yeshiva graduates are equipped with all the basic requirements and that their instruction is of a generally high caliber. He also noted that pre-meds should not limit themselves but should also take social science courses.

As to the problem of getting into medical school, Dr. Wischnitzer noted that it has been alleviated a great deal since his days at YC. When he went to Yeshiva, our students had to go to graduate school before they could enter medical school. Now, largely due to the prominence of Yeshiva University's medical school, our graduates can enter other schools more easily.

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Georgia U. Girls Incite Full Scale Riots

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crease in boy-girl relationship there," according to the K.S.U. Daily Collegian. The coeds can't stand cigars and some of the men are heeding Kipling's admonition that "a woman's a woman but a good cigar's a smoke."

STEAM BATH CLUB

The original and only steam bath club on the Yeshiva College campus. Applications now being accepted for select group of members. Applicants restricted to bona fide residents of new dormitory. Must be senior. Facilities open weekdays, 2 A.M. to 4 A.M. For more information, contact H. Hermle, LO 8-5560, S. Gralla, 923-9747, or D. Davis, SW 5-6602.

At Georgia University in Spokane 600 students held a bonfire demonstration that "later turned into a full scale panty raid and minor riot." According to the Beacon the reason for the demonstration was an article on parietal hours. There are "hours in which students of the opposite sex can visit in each others rooms." The article quoted the University President, Reverend John P. Leary, as saying he opposed such visiting hours not for reasons of morality but because man needs privacy. Another equally important reason for the demonstration was "inadequate sports coverage" in the college paper.

All this brings to mind the problem of citizenship in an imminent University City.

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Varsity Teams, Intramural Sports Attract Largest Freshmen-Upperclassmen Turnout

by Fred Nagler

This year, a promising inter-collegiate schedule, a vigorous intramural program, and various new gym classes will open many avenues for the sports minded student.

Varsity wrestling and fencing coaches are already in the process of molding returning lettermen and newcomers into strong, efficient teams. Coaches Henry Wittenberg and Arthur Tauber have again emphasized the importance of a large freshman turnout for both wrestling and fencing. Since few boys come to Yeshiva with wrestling or fencing experience, it is important to build varsity teams consisting of freshmen as well as experienced upperclassmen. And as evidence that it is not in vain for talented freshmen to come and try out, Barry Levy, and Don Zisquit, both freshmen last year, have made the starting teams in wrestling, and tennis, respectively, this season.

Coach Wittenberg, a two time Olympic medal winner and eight time AAU champion, along with Co-Captains Gil Goller and Lew Zinkin, has begun the task of teaching newcomers the strategy and the many maneuvers a wrestler must learn. However, this is the first year that an appreciable number of freshmen with grap-

pling experience have shown their faces on Yeshiva's mats and with a turnout of well over fifty, the



Photo by J. Gordon

Fencing Coach Lorand Marcell

grappling squad could have a highly successful year.

In an effort to build the strongest possible varsity team and at the same time give all freshmen a chance to properly learn the art of fencing, Coach Arthur Tauber, 1960 United States Olympic Fencing Team coach, has enlisted the aid of Lorand Marcell as an assistant coach. Coach Marcell will work primarily with the freshmen. It will be his job to teach approximately forty newcomers how

to fence and to prepare prospective boys for the varsity. In assuming this job, Coach Marcell will take away the freshmen burden from Coach Tauber, thus leaving him free to work almost exclusively with the varsity.

The intercollegiate basketball squad, under the guidance of Coach Bernie Sarachek, has been working out since last spring. The loss of three starters from last year's squad has impressed upon the present varsity the importance of team effort and peak physical conditioning. Scrimmages and practice sessions are being held during the school week, as the team prepares for its opening game, December 1st, with Hunter College. A full report on each of the intercollegiate squads will be forthcoming.

For those students not trying out for intercollegiate sports, Athletic Director Harold "Chico" Wasserman has planned a full schedule of intramurals. Tuesday nights call for volleyball at 8:30 p.m. and basketball at 9:00. A ping-pong tournament will get underway later on in the season and still in the planning stage is a physical fitness night with calisthenics.

The basketball and volleyball teams will again be composed of class rather than divisional teams. The sophomore class, last year's undefeated champions in both basketball and volleyball, will be the team to beat. In compiling a spotless record, last year's frosh team became the only one in Yeshiva's history to go undefeated. The seniors will probably give the sophs the most trouble but the juniors, too, are out for revenge. This year's large freshmen class could produce a challenger for the school title.

All-Star Game

Chico and Mark Epstein, Assistant Athletic Director, have arranged a game between the basketball intramural all-stars and the all-stars of the high school league to be played after the close of the intramural season.

And highlighting physical education classes will be a newly stressed sport, Judo, which first appeared at Yeshiva last year, has grown into a regular gym class. And because of its popular demand, three sections have been opened under the expert tutelage of Cing Yuan Wu.



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On The Sidelines



How To Succeed In Public Relations — By Trying

by Neil Koslowe

We are witnesses to an important phase of Yeshiva University's life. The steps toward firmly placing our university among the very great institutions of higher learning in America are now being taken. The period of Yeshiva's history since the establishment of the Albert Einstein School of Medicine has been one of dynamic growth in all the university's divisions—from the graduate schools through the high schools. At the Main Center, in only seven years, three major structures have been erected.

As a modern institution, Yeshiva has long recognized that growth can be realized only when the public gives its support to the university's programs. It is for this reason that we have a Public Relations department, which has done a remarkable job in projecting the name "Yeshiva" throughout the world and stimulating the contribution of funds. Our public relations experts are keenly aware of the activities and projects in which people are most interested. While some persons might wonder why certain segments of the university are propagated more than others, and some might be irritated by publicity jargon, the job of the Public Relations department is to be effective.

It is astonishing, then, why this department—and the university in general—has not devoted more attention to our athletic programs. Athletics may not be one of the foremost segments of Yeshiva College, and it may very well be that the university wishes it to be only an appendage. However, no one familiar with publicity work can seriously doubt the high rank sports activities enjoy in the public eye. The truly outstanding academic centers in America also possess well-developed athletic programs staffed by highly skilled professionals. These centers are frankly unabashed in supporting their intercollegiate athletic teams and in carefully maintaining them. Even the most academically respected universities reserve a quantity of scholarships solely for athletes. Quite obviously, there must be some good reasons for this and some highly meritorious points in the idea of intercollegiate athletics.

Intercollegiate varsity teams serve a number of functions. In the internal phase of a university, they serve as rallying points for student, faculty, and administrative pride and interest. They help establish a tradition and a bond in a school, that transcends the four years spent there by students. Externally, many alumni organizations are maintained—and tapped by the university for huge quantities of funds—because of the interest in varsity sports. In addition, the name of the university often receives press support far in excess of what a public relations department could ever hope to achieve by itself. It is no great secret that at Yeshiva College the internal needs mentioned above are not being satisfied. One of the possible criticisms voiced against Yeshiva is that the students take their studies too seriously and have no real life outside the academic arena. Also, the bond between our alumni, hardly a fountain of financial support, and the school is quite weak indeed.

No university seriously engaged in intercollegiate sports depends upon fortune to provide athletes. Recruiting is viewed as an indispensable means for maintaining varsity teams designed to serve the ends noted previously. Recruiting is successful when firmly supported in theory and practice by a school's administration. This involves the co-operation of all the departments of a school, including the admissions office. While no academically deficient candidates should be permitted to enroll merely because of their athletic prowess, again even the foremost institutions recognize the realities involved, and "borderline" candidates who display a will to try to carry a university program are given the chance to enter. No academically outstanding institution has ever tarnished its reputation through this practice.

Yeshiva University has significantly increased the number of freshmen admitted to the school. Yet no athletes are to be found in the group. It is folly to expect that our excellent coaches will produce fine athletic teams without material. In fact, Yeshiva's name may suffer irreparable harm if its athletic representatives are crushed in their endeavors. When a school's name becomes a joke in one area, the school may become suspect in other areas as well. The relative success of our athletic teams can be attributed to the fine coaching and the outstanding determination and will of the participating students who undertake much personal and academic sacrifice for their efforts. Unfortunately, coaching and spirit are not sufficient.

I firmly believe in the idea of intercollegiate sports. The values and rewards of varsity athletics—some quite material—are recognized almost everywhere but here. Varsity sports have proved to be highly successful, integral parts of many famous universities. At Yeshiva, their values and rewards could be most beneficial. One very realistic and sensible way to attain these is to engage sincerely in recruiting.

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