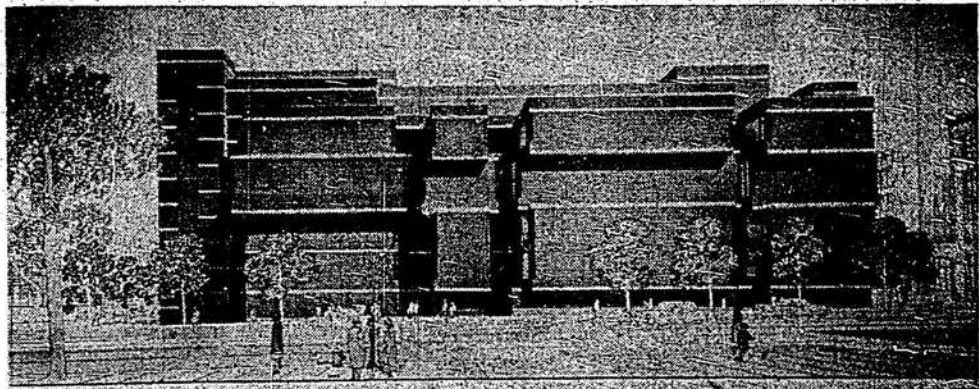


Plans Revealed As Humphrey Accepts Degree

Fifteen hundred dignitaries and guests of Yeshiva University who attended a Waldorf-Astoria convocation and dinner heard Dr. Samuel Belkin, President of Yeshiva, disclose plans for a \$29,000,000 building program, starting shortly, to expand the academic and physical facilities of YU. The accelerated programs, part of the \$65,000,000 "Blueprint for the Sixties" announced in 1961, will affect all parts of the University. The dinner, at which honorary degrees were presented to Vice-President Hubert H. Humphrey, Dr. Donald F. Hornig, Donner Professor of Chemistry at Princeton University, now serving as Director of the Office of Science and Technology and Science Advisor to President Johnson, and Samuel H. Golding, chairman of the Board of Directors of Sterling

National Bank and Trust Company and a member of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine Board of Overseers, marked the 20th anniversary of YU as the nation's first University under Jewish auspices.

A block-long, six-story Central University Library will be constructed at Amsterdam Ave. between 185th and 186th streets, with a capacity of 750,000 volumes. It will house Yeshiva's major collections, including Pollack and Gottesman collections, and serve as a teaching and research instrument. The library, designed by architect Armand P. Bartos, (Continued on page 7)



Artist's rendition of proposed University Library, designed by Armand P. Bartos.

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Guidance Need Is Re-emphasized

"Participation has been utterly despicable and a crime," said Junior Guidance Coordinator Bill Berkowitz, in explaining cancellation of the balance of this year's conferences. Despite personal invitations sent to each sophomore and junior to a conference in his major area of study and the distribution of 400 conference schedules, average attendance at conferences was six, compared with the 30-40 students per conference subject area. Formerly sponsored by the Alumni Association, these guidance conferences met with little success, and were to be discontinued this year, at the urging of Mr. Berkowitz. Rabbi Yaakov Zev, associate director of alumni activities, agreed to help in another attempt.

Expressing fear that guidance would be reduced to a "half-hearted attempt by whomever is required to pick up the ball," Mr. Berkowitz voiced a vain hope that the guidance department might arouse interest among upperclassmen.

Group guidance for Freshmen, similar to that offered until now by the junior class, is currently being provided under the guidance department. Plans to join two alumni with groups of 10-12 freshman for the duration of their college career are being effected. Four conferences, in law, teaching, physics and pre-medical studies, were held during the week of March 8th, with an average attendance of thirty. Several more are planned during the remainder of the year.

Debating Tour Best Yet By Nationwide Acclaim

Winning 14, losing 5, and tying once is the impressive record with which Yeshiva's debating team returned after their most

Out-talking opposition in the Far West. Donald Davis '65 and Donald Zisquit '67 managed a 4 out of 5 record crowned by



Successful Western tour debaters Don Zisquit (left) and Don Davis with trophies won at USF.

successful tour. In the South, North, Midwest and Far West, the glibmen argued affirmatively on the proposition: "Resolved, the federal government should establish a national program of public work for the unemployed."

feating the University of San Francisco for the first time in seven years.

Marc Angel '67 and Harvey Silberstein '66 returned from the Midwest with a 3-1-1 record while Stan Raskas '65 and Neil Koslowe '66 grabbed to a 3-2 stand in Georgia, Florida, and Louisiana. In the North, Murray Katz '65 and Gary Schiff '68 debated to four wins and a loss.

Beating Cornell, Syracuse and Purdue constitutes the best record ever. "The fine record of this year's teams," stated Don Davis, Debating Society head, "is due to two factors. One is the serious and conscientious work of each debating society member; second, for the first time we have had many debates before the tour, giving the team added experience on the topic. Rabbi Walfish of CSD is to be given credit for the latter factor."

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Yeshiva Officials Meet To Find Head For Religious Guidance

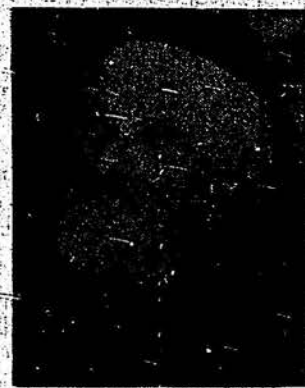
Representatives of the University and College administration and student leaders have agreed upon the immediate steps to be taken in the institution of an expanded religious guidance program at Yeshiva. The broad agreement, reached at a working meeting held on March 31 in the President's Suite, with details discussed at another meeting yesterday, represents the culmination of exploratory discussions on various levels during the past several months. Student leaders were unanimous in expressing their complete satisfaction with the position of the Administration and the immediate and long-range plans which were accepted.

The conference participants included: Dr. Samuel Belkin, President of YU; Dr. Emanuel Rackman, Assistant to the President for Rabbinic Affairs; Dr. Isaac Bacon, Dean of YC; Dr. Hyman Grinstein, Director of TIM; Mr. Norman Abrams, Administrative Director of RIETS; Rabbi Morris Besdin, Director of JSP; Rabbi Joshua Cheifetz, Director of Dormitories; Steven Katz, President of YCSC; Herbert Hermle, Editor-in-Chief of THE COMMENTATOR; Michael Harris, President of TISC; Bruce Rachlin, President of JSPSC; Isaac Handel, President of SOY; and Val Karan, Editor of Hamevaser.

The ultimate solution will include a full-time coordinator of religious guidance, whose background, both religiously and secularly, will fit him for the unique situation at Yeshiva. Dr. Belkin revealed that his search for such an individual has as yet been unfruitful, but the University hopes to locate the needed personality shortly. In the interim, all three religious divisions will expand their counselling services, utilizing the talents of faculty members who have shown both interest and success in guidance work previously. The limited hours now available will reach approximately one hundred hours per week. Although tentative suggestions on faculty

members to be chosen for such duty for both the religious divisions and the college were made, an official list of guidance hours and the counsellors involved has not yet been decided upon. The program will be compulsory for freshmen, in coordination with their vocational and secular guidance program, and be available on a voluntary and referral basis for upperclassmen.

As part of the Administration's recognition of the great need for a complete guidance program at Yeshiva, a series of lectures on contemporary issues of ethics and morality will shortly be announced. Although it was agreed that successful guidance necessitates individual and confidential treatment, an officially sponsored series of lectures will help focus attention and interest on the issues involved. It was noted that Rabbi Dr. Joseph B. Soloveitchik, among other notable faculty members, has agreed to participate.



Rabbi Jeno Schuck, chief Orthodox rabbi of Hungary, arrived in the U.S. on his first visit on Tuesday, April 6. A newly appointed visiting lecturer in rabbinics at RIETS, Rabbi Schuck's lectures will deal with "The Derivation of Halacha" and "The History of Hungarian Jewry." He will remain at YU for the remainder of this term and throughout the summer. The student body can expect to hear a lecture from the Chief Rabbi sometime after the Pesach vacation.

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Student Council Receives Annual Budget Reports

Student Council met in March to give committee reports and a budget report despite the illness of Sec-Treas. Tobias Feinerman. Mel Lerner '67, corresponding secretary of Student Council performed secretarial duties in his place.

President Steven Katz '65 opened the meeting, and after the minutes of the Dec. 16 meeting were read, announced that a duplicating machine will be installed in Pollack Library.

Reporting on the academic calendar 1965-1966 were David Mirvis '67 and Joseph Berlin '66, who cited a Wed.-Fri. Chanukah vacation and expanded intersession. Larry Ciment spoke of successful week-ends in Boro Park and Flatbush. Eight films were shown last semester. Vice-President Bill Schwartz warned students not to mishandle vending equipment and informed council that a TV would be forthcoming for each dorm. Da-

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Unity In Direction

Theoretically, student leaders and University administrators should be able to successfully discuss mutual problems and arrive at an equitable and just decision. Unfortunately, such theory is seldom transferred into reality. Yesterday, however, at the second meeting of a joint administrative-student committee to discuss the problem of religious guidance at Yeshiva, an instance of such total cooperation was demonstrated.

Religious guidance, even more than vocational guidance, has been a topic of constant debate for several years. The floor of Student Council meetings and the editorial columns of THE COMMENTATOR have perennially decided the lack of adequate facilities for such a vital service and have placed the entire blame for the situation on an indifferent administration. The very fact that the administrative participants included the President of the University and the Deans of all involved divisions, reveals that the University has now recognized the gravity of the situation, and more important, is determined to do something to correct it.

Dr. Belkin agreed that a new expanded program of counselling, under the expert direction of a full-time coordinator, must replace the disorganized and inadequate system now in operation. The pressing goal is to locate a man to direct the various facets of the program. We agree with Dr. Belkin that the immediate appointment of an individual, as, perhaps, Dean of Men, if he is not properly suited for the position, could do much more harm than good in the long run than the advantage earned in time. Until a Dean of Men with the singular characteristics and abilities that Yeshiva demands is secured, we endorse, without reservation, the interim plan, to expand the existing number of counsellors and the hours available in the religious divisions, as proposed.

Wanted—A Key To The Problem

Student government at Yeshiva has long suffered from poorly located facilities. The fifth floor of RIETS Hall, the present site of all offices, is remote from the hub of the college.

We have been promised office space in every new building on campus—Rubin Hall in 1957, Furst Hall in 1962, and the New Dorm this year. These facilities have not been forthcoming. The least we ask is that the facilities we have, substandard though they are, be accessible at all times. Traditionally, all student government and publication work is done early in the morning, or, if you like very late in the evening.

The doors in the Main Building are locked every night at 11, assertedly because of vandalism. While this procedure effectively keeps out a vandal, if one happens to appear, it keeps the students out also. It is enough to ask us to trek to RIETS Hall, but it is not justified to ask us to climb five flights of stairs when we get there. . . Surely a better solution to the problem could be found. Perhaps one of the guards who keep each other company in Furst Hall, or one of the guards who keep busy locking students out of the dormitory, could be assigned to the Main Building.

To Print Or Not To Print?

Every year, the Senior Class at Yeshiva College publishes a graduation yearbook, *Masmid*. It has already become traditional that this publication appears, not at graduation, but some time the following year. The sole reason is lack of senior co-operation in bringing in ads.

This year, response from the graduating class has been virtually nonexistent. The minimum amount of funds requested has been drastically reduced with no visible affect.

But this year is going to be different. If ads are not very soon forthcoming, there will be no *Masmid*; because there is no money for the yearbook covers, let alone the inside pages.

There is no conclusion to this editorial. That can be supplied only by the Senior Class.

From The Editor's Desk:

Graduate Record Examination Senior Belly-Laugh Day

by Herbert Hermel

Last week, Tuesday and Friday were reserved as the annual "Senior Belly-Laugh Days." The occasion was the administration of the Graduate Record Examination, or GRE. Granted, we didn't quite match last year's performance for attempted assault, in the form of marble hurling at selected proctors. We did, however, carry on a tradition of idiocy initiated in the administration of Dean Gutterman. Cases in point: chemistry and economics majors exchange exams to see what they know about each other's field; all designate one fellow to buy and distribute cookies; ask female proctor for her phone number; fill in answer sheet in form of geometric design, without, of course, reading questions; try experiment to score highest in a negative direction, by intentionally filling in answers known to be incorrect; sing, en-

masse, "We Shall Overcome," when proctor refuses to let the boys leave for a little while to move their cars to the opposite side of the street at 11 A.M.; leave the room at the start of the exam, and never come back; get a haircut; sleep, with audible snoring, until the minimum time required to remain has passed; and so on, *ad absurdum*. Clearly, there must be something radically different about the GRE's; something which allows and encourages such bizarre behavior, almost universally, by YC seniors; something which prompts proctors to question our sanity; something to label the GRE a game for the students, and a recurrent nightmare for the Dean. There is.

The GRE, created and administered by the Psychological Testing Corporation, is designed to test the proficiency of seniors in their major subject area, and in

the broad areas of Social Sciences, Humanities, and Natural Science. They are similar to the Medical College or Law School Aptitude Tests, and are utilized by many graduate schools as an index of achievement, together with the transcript and letters of recommendation. However, those few students who must submit their scores to possible graduate schools take the exams earlier in the year. The great majority of seniors, who are pre-med, pre-law, pre-rabbinic, etc., have no need for the GRE, and view them as a nuisance, a necessary evil demanded by the Office of the Dean.

For a procedure or requirement to be meaningful, it must fulfill its stated objectives. The GRE, besides its obvious necessity for seniors whose grad schools request them, fulfills, supposedly, several other roles.

Instructors and college administrators utilize the results of the tests in evaluating their educational policies and teaching practices and methods. The Scholastic Standing Committee, in cooperation with the Department of Sociology, wrote an exhaustive survey, with supporting statistical analyses, of last year's results. The report, which found its way into our hands, underscores the very grave seriousness with which faculty and administration consider the GRE. They are utilized to correlate college performance with high school averages and College Board marks, and with the students accumulated college index. Department heads carefully consider the material content of the exams, to determine whether their courses correspond to the latest emphasis and direction in education, and to what degree they have been successful in transmitting knowledge and stimulating intellectual curiosity. These considerations, impressive as they are, are only part of the entire picture, the internal part.

Externally, the results of the GRE reflect upon both the students and YC itself. Hundreds (Continued on page 11)

Letters To The Editor

To the Editor:

I and other members of the Brookline community had the recent pleasure of meeting members of the Yeshiva College fencing and wrestling teams. These men acted in a manner that reflected credit on themselves and on the college. Moreover, in light of the abusive comments some people have lately made about one of Yeshiva's coaches, it should be highlighted that the athletes of Yeshiva, in all sports, are certainly influenced by their respective coaches, and again, in all sports, consistently acquit themselves as gentlemen on and off the court. The spirited coaching of "Red" Sarachek never seemed to have a deleterious effect on the athletes; in fact, in my day (as now I must presume) Red's actions were remarkably amiable. (It is difficult to imagine that the use of phrases like, "Oh my gracious, fellows, stop throwing passes away, . . ." would serve a better purpose). In any case, I hope all of these defenses of Red (mine included) are superfluous.

On the subject of defense, I do not think Joseph Berlin needs any defense for his position on homecoming as much as I am impelled to reply to the incredible attack on my brother by Mr. "Name withheld upon request" in the 18 February issue. (Incredible, too, is the issue itself, which has become as disproportionately celebrated as the homecoming problems of John Goldfarb). Mr. "Upon Request" throws around such words as, "slander," "absurdity," "ludicrous" and "insinuation" with the reckless abandon of a high-wire walker who has learned he has malignant cancer. The "derech ertz" that he urges is out of place in so intemperate a letter, and apparently he became frightened into anonymity by his own intemperance.

It is elementary *derech ertz* to

confront the accused or abused personally; "Upon Request" should identify himself. It is heartening to see other Yeshiva men debate any issue forthrightly, vehemently and articulately. There is nothing ludicrous about such debate. My brother and his opponents on this issue have argued maturely and with conviction and it does both sides a disservice to defend one by villifying the other. Only when one argues or writes insidiously and puerilely does one need the cover of abuse and anonymity.

Moses M. Berlin '58

Minyan

To the Editor:

The recent administrative edict making *minyan* attendance mandatory, reminds me of an incident of several years past.

It was the holiday of *Sukkot* and my colleagues and I were off from the Yeshiva for the days of *Yom Tov*. In the public schools, (Continued on page 12)



Rav Belkin Gives Shiur For YU Rabbinic Alumni

Yartzeit of Rabeynu Yitzchok Elchanan Spector, ZTL, 22 Adar, was commemorated by a shiur delivered by Rosh Hayeshiva, Rabbi Dr. Samuel Belkin before

the conference: Rabbi Besdin for his contributions to Jewish Education and especially the Jewish Studies Program of Yeshiva College and Rabbi Schacter for his



JSP Director Rabbi Morris Besdin holds plaque for service while his wife looks on.

Rabbinic Alumni and *bnai hayeshiva* March 24. Rabbi Belkin mid-pointed the annual Rabbinic Alumni mid-year conference with the *Yiddish shiur*, in 501, Furst Hall.

At the conference's morning session, Dr. Isaac Lewin, Professor of Jewish History at Yeshiva, Rabbi Harry Wohlberg, of Congregation *Shomrei Emunah* of Boro Park and Jacob Dienstag, Librarian of Gottesman Library, joined in a discussion of "Literary Sources and Resources for the Rabbi." Highlighting the afternoon session were Dr. Abraham Duker, Director of Libraries and Professor of History and Social Institutions, and Dr. Isadore Twersky, Professor of Jewish History and Hebrew Literature at Harvard University. Their topic was "Problems of Jewish Self-Definition in American Pluralism."

Rabbis Morris J. Besdin and Hershel Schacter were honored at

services to higher education. At least two-thirds of the one thousand rabbis who are members of the Rabbinic Alumni actively serve the Jewish community today.

Hopes Lost For City Chess Title, As "A" Team Falls

City championship hopes for the 'A' chess team evaporated March 4, with a 3½-1½ loss to Columbia, the other key contender. Yeshiva's 'B' team remains in contention on its level, following a 2½-2½ tie with a strong City College team March 28.

Although the 'A' team still has a winning record, 2-1, the Columbia match was considered decisive. The match was long, with the first draw, by Maurice Zauderer '66, on the fifth board, coming after two hours, followed by Moish Morduchowitz' second one. Playing first board Jerry Aranoff '67 then lost to Joe Brown, a rated expert who has now defeated Yeshiva four times.

Ira Rapaport '66 lost on time, although in command of his game; Paul Schneid '66 then conceded a draw.

Five freshmen delivered the challenge to City College. Alex Zauderer and Philip Kleiner won, Alex Mandel drew, and Michael Frankel and Lawrence Dubrofsky lost. The team record is now 1½-1½. Mr. Kleiner's victory was his third in three league outings.

Kaplan, Botwinick Win Graduate Fellowships

Woodrow Wilson and Fulbright Fellowships have been awarded to Lawrence Kaplan '65 and Aryeh Botwinick '65. Both fellowships pay for the student's tuition, transportation, and living stipend.

land. He has consistently made the Dean's List since his transfer here in 1962. An active participant in student affairs, he is president of Pi Gamma Mu, the national social science honor society, vice-



Fulbright Fellow Aryeh Botwinick (right) and Wilson Fellow Lawrence Kaplan.

Mr. Botwinick will spend a year at the London School of Economics, where he will study civil liberties in contemporary Eng-

land. He has consistently made the Dean's List since his transfer here in 1962. An active participant in student affairs, he is president of Pi Delta Phi, national French honor society, and literary editor of *Masgid*. He is a political science major and intends to study law upon completion of his studies in England.

Lawrence Kaplan will spend a year taking advanced study in history. He is feature editor of *Hamevaser* and a member of the Debating Society. In 1963, he was a member of Yeshiva's team on the G.E. College Bowl. He intends to be a history teacher and to receive *smicha*.

Thousands Protest Soviet Anti-Semitism As SSSJ Stages March At Russian Embassy

"He whom injustice does not move to action, dies within himself." With this heart-stimulating attitude SSSJ showed the world that we do really care and "that we will not forsake our brethren in Russia," Sunday, April 4. Two and one-half thousand people, mostly students, rallied around the Soviet United Nations mission in a

"Jericho March" symbolizing "the hope for the disappearance of the walls of hate between the nations, and for the resumption of normal ties between Soviet Jews and the Jews of other lands."

Calling to the conscience of the world, a call to action, the SSSJ symbol is a *shofar* and their motto: "I AM MY BROTHER'S

KEEPER." It was felt that this is a significant time to speak out, close to *Pesach*, the holiday marking redemption from oppression. The Jews of Russia are as the children of Israel in Egypt, asserts SSSJ; "let them live as Jews or let them leave."

As the students gathered near the Russian Embassy, a cantor chanted and Rabbi Shlomo Riskin recited *Tehilim*. *Sifrei* Torah were brought on hand and *Shofaros* blasted the sound of *Tekiah*. Three abreast, the gathering proceeded to Dag Hammarskjold Plaza and continued to march around the area.

Over loudspeakers provided by radio station WNYC, Mr. Morris Brafman, representing the American League for Russian Jews, and Mr. Stanley Lowell, Chairman of the N.Y. Commission on Human Rights, spoke. Shlomo Carlebach, noted singer, inspired the mass-gathering with songs, between speakers, and with the introduction of a new melody, composed especially for the occasion, to *Am Yisroel Chai*. Rabbi Yitzhak Greenberg of Yeshiva delivered an emotional message, paraphrasing the conversation in *Berashis* between Cain and G-d, which shook the hearts of all present. Lest the All-Mighty split open the earth and destroy all mankind, he warned, we must answer "I am my brother's keeper."

Petitions presented to various officials were delivered to President Lyndon B. Johnson, Tuesday, April 6. A precedent-setting Madison Square Garden rally is planned for June 3rd, at which all N.Y. organizations involved with the Soviet Jewry problem will "stand up and be counted."

Students Celebrate Purim; Crowds Throng To Chagiga

Chag Purim saw 500 Yeshiva College students frolic at a chagiga, dance hand-in-hand, and celebrate in the atmosphere of Kol Simcha music. JSP, TI, and RIETS student councils sponsored the fete in the Rubin Hall cafeteria.

Mashgiach: Ruchani of Yeshiva,

stam, David Feder, Berel Weisbord, Moshe Bernstein, and Yechiel Poufko, who mimicked and mocked many of the aspects of Yeshiva life, its administrators, and the *Roshei Hayeshiva*. Isidore Halberstam contributed to the *simcha* with an impersonation of a cantor and chorus, while Chaim



Festivities at annual Purim chagiga command attention of students and faculty.

Rabbi Jacob Lessen addressed the *talmidim* concerning the importance of this *chag*. Avraham Powers, master of ceremonies, then introduced the *Purim Shpiel* and the cast of Morty Bernstein, Robert Klingshoffer, Isidore Halber-

Mackler and David Leibowitz sang the traditional graminin.

Sandwich distribution immediately followed the *shpiel*. Supervising was a committee headed by Stuart Tucker, Jack Deutsch, and Isaac Hagler.

Commentator (by E. Silovits)

Fortnite

Thurs., April 8
8:00 p.m.—Films "Equilibrium" and "Synthesis of an Organic Compound"—for Pre-med. Guests invited—P. 410
Sat., April 10
"Cabaret Night" Sponsored by Inter-collegiate, Young Israel of Boro Park
Sun., April 11
Chess match—"A" team vs. Pace—8:00 p.m.—Spring function—JSP seniors—Alumni—Furst Hall.
Mon., April 12
Law Board Examinations—Furst Hall
2 p.m.—NY Mets open vs. Los Angeles
Sports Stadium (Senior Outing) Tennis vs. Adelphi—away
8:30 p.m. French Honor Society—Mr. Yuri Michailov—Professor of French Literature, Fordham University—"The Twentieth in the 19th Century"
Tues., April 13
8:30 p.m.—Urgent Jr. class meeting—timely vote for all Juniors—Rubin Cafeteria
Wed., April 14
Tennis vs. CCNY—away
Thurs., April 15-April 25
Pesach vacation
Sun., April 18
16 Nisan—1st Day of Omer
Wed., April 21
World's Fair opens
3:00 pm NY Yankees home opener
Tues., April 27
Tennis vs. Pace—home
Thurs., April 29
2:30 pm—Films: "The Jewish View of Labor," "America" Audio-Visual center. Pre-Med club: Dr. Tendler "Religious Problems associated with the study and practice of Medicine and Dentistry". Soccer vs. Hunter College—away.
8:30 pm—Pi Gamma Mu—Dean Joshua A. Fishman, FGSE—"The Language of American Jews"
Fri., April 30
Dental Aptitude Examination—Furst Hall
Tennis vs. Long Island University—home
Sat., May 2
Dedication of Einstein College Hospital
Dean's List Reception—Rubin Hall
MCAT tests—Furst Hall
Mon., May 3
Tennis New York Maritime College—away

Frosh Attend Theatre Party

Freshmen, parents, and supporters of the first successful theater party at Yeshiva this year, descended the hills of Washington Heights and went to see and hear the "Sound of Music" Sunday, April 4. One hundred people saturated the Rivoli Theater as part of the freshmen class theater party organized by Barry Eisenberg, Joe Kaplan, and Arnie Weiss.

Julie Andrews stars in the movie version of the musical about the singing Von Trapps, which places emphasis on the visual and aural delights of this Alpine-set, family-oriented story. The Richard Rogers-Oscar Hammerstein musical team originated this hit, but what Time magazine calls a "buoyant performance" by Julie Andrews makes the show seem "irresistably gemutlich."

On Broadway, after 1442 performances, the show became 4th longest running following "My Fair Lady," "Oklahoma," and "South Pacific." Based on a book *The Trapp Family Singers*, by Marion Augusta Trapp, the story focuses on Maria, a postulant, who becomes governess to the seven children of widower, Captain Von Trapp, a retired officer of the Austrian Navy. Maria wins the confidence of the children and teaches them how to sing. She marries the captain and returns to Austria from their honeymoon

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The Arrival Of Spring Puts A Person In Swing

by Larry Grossman

The calendar tells us that spring is here at long last. The dreary days of snow and wind are behind us; the mild and balmy months of spring and summer await us. There is a new tang in the air—a strange joyfulness in the heart.

What does all this mean to the Yeshiva student? It means a great deal. On a mundane level, spring is when the basketball courts are crowded once again. It's when we find that our overcoats are burdensome and closed windows are stifling. It is becoming increasingly difficult to concentrate in class. If any verification is needed for the advent of spring, one need only look out of the window in the early evening, and he will find light outside. There are already posters which advertise Pesach Provisions.

Deeper Significance

However, there is a deeper significance in the coming of spring which we all feel but rarely articulate. It is a time of realization that the semester is moving on. We be-

gin to think of future plans and past memories. It is a period of stocktaking. We ask ourselves "What have I accomplished this year?" For a senior, it can be a sense of nostalgia for a lost youth, something that he had when he entered Yeshiva, but which has inobtrusively fled from him little by little. To all of us, spring entails a recognition that we have gone a full cycle, another year gone by, one year older, one year closer to what?

Spring is a season for thought, be it happy, sad or bittersweet. Spring brings with it the recognition of old acquaintances — last year's spring, and the one before that, with memories that surge back to us wafting familiar scents.

Purim is behind us and Pesach is on the way. These are happy, comfortable days. People are smiling a little more now and grumbling less. Petty problems just don't

seem to bother us. It's hard to study for a test, to write a paper. Complacency is more the word for it. There is a general contentment with the status quo, with the sunset, with just sitting and contemplating. We rely on the world and its Maker. We see a natural goodness in all things.

Growing, Changing

Nature is dynamic now. Things are growing, changing. This is the time when boys are announcing engagements and getting married. They are moving on to the next stage in life, out of youth into "maturity."

Spring tells us all that time is passing and that we are drifting—where? What is our place in this microcosm?

But spring doesn't give any answers to these questions. Only man can.

Abject Yeshiva Student Finds Local Bar Ideal For Contemplating YU Relocation

by Aryeh Gordon

Dave Schvitz is not a drinker. No, there is no doubt in my mind. He is absolutely not a drinker. Emphatically, I repeat—he just never drinks. Yet here, on my way home from Yeshiva, passing the neighborhood bar, I glimpse him through the window sitting uncomfortably on a bar stool. Purim, I assured myself, was last week. The celebration has long since passed. So tell me, what's Dave doing in a bar?

Standing outside looking in wouldn't answer my question, and determined to know what was cooking, I sauntered into the establishment as is done in "Gun-smoke," and sat me down next to Dave.

It took a while waiting for Dave to acknowledge my presence. However, with his noble head slouched between his broad shoulders the

only thing that Dave could possibly see were the nicks on the bar's counter.

Alarmed, yet trying to appear cool, I nudged Dave with my elbow. Turning his head slowly and recognizing me, he nodded and returned to his lugubrious position.

More silence. I tried once again to regain contact. "What are you drinking, Dave?"

His answer was clear and straightforward. "Beer."

"May I join you?"

"You already have."

"Why the depression? Worrying about finals?"

"No."

"So what's up?"

"Yeshiva. Synthesis."

"Don't tell me you still have that on your mind?"

"I didn't, until I saw this."

Producing a well-worn clipping from his pocket, he handed it to

me. "It's from 'The Villager' the Greenwich Village paper. Read it."

I read something about Yeshiva University purchasing land in the Village to shelter the 57th Street Center. Big deal. So what. It didn't miff me.

"Read the underlined paragraphs," Dave said.

I read, "... Mr. Hartstein thought that a move by Yeshiva to the Village would have a salutary effect on both the school and the community..." (I'll bet) "There would doubtless be many members of the 57th street Center's staff who would be anxious to move to the Village," said Mr. Hartstein, who believes that the psycho-sociological makeup of Yeshiva and the Village are complementary.

Really?

"... All in all," declared Mr. (Continued on page 9)

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The Proper Authorities . . . I. Gottlieb Analyzes Jewish Reform Position; Uses Eisendrath's Book As Basis For Argument

by J. Halapld

I saw a man stumble in darkness
and curse the day of his birth.
I watched him reach in his hip pocket,
take out a bottle,
and bless the repeal of prohibition.
I observed the faces of all who walked by
and saw expressions of disgust and fear,
pity and animosity, melt into blandness.
And I watched all walk away—disappearing
into greyness; immersed in darkness.
And I asked, "Why doesn't anyone care?"
And I replied, "People are too busy to
worry about someone who can help himself.
The proper authorities will take care of him."

II

I saw another,
walking in the bright lights of 42nd Street;
casting admiring glances at all men who passed by.
A walking neon sign,
blinking at the proper stimulus.
And I watched the faces of all who walked by
and observed expressions of laughter and disgust,
pity and animosity melt into blandness.
And I saw all walk away
to the other brightly colored lights
that were also calling them.
A call to passivity
Where there is always room for another
to lose himself;
in a vacuum of self.
And I asked, "Why doesn't anyone stop to help?"
And I answered, "People are too busy to worry
about someone who can help himself.
The proper authorities will take care of him."

III

And I saw a man,
fallen to his knees
on hard gravel,
hands clasped,
lips trembling,
and glassy eyes staring ahead;
disregarding all in front of him.
And I watched the faces of all who walked by,
and observed expressions of laughter and disgust,
pity and animosity, melt into blandness.
And I asked, "Doesn't anyone care?"
And I replied, "Yes, they do,
But the proper authorities will take care of him."

IV

And I walked down a street in Queens,
on a sunny day,
where all was green and bright,
clear and fresh.
And I saw a man being robbed and beaten; crying and screaming.
And I watched the faces of all who walked by
and observed expressions of thrill and fear,
anguish and disconcert melt into blandness.
And I saw all walk away,
transforming all that was fresh and beautiful
into greyness; emerged in darkness.
And I asked, "Does anyone care?"
and heard but the muffled cries of the beaten.
But once again I thought and said,
"The proper authorities will take care of him."

V

While walking down a street in Germany,
I saw 6 million souls splattered against the pavement.
And among fingers and hands,
tears and blood,
I saw the pure with the drunk,
the clean with the obscene,
the scholarly with the bewildered,
all fusing into one,
and pouring into the gutter.
And I watched the spiked helmets
and goose-step march
and observed the faces of all going by
but could see no expression.
And I cried, "Does anyone care?"
And an answer came in rolling drums
and stomping of feet.
And my voice sounded hollow
and fell into rhythm
with the steel blades,
the iron helmets,
the frozen hearts,
And I no longer heard,
no longer saw,
no longer felt.
So I stretched out my hand
and cried, "Heil Hitler!"

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by Isaac Gottlieb

Can Faith Survive?—The Thoughts and Afterthoughts of an American Rabbi, by Maurice N. Eisendrath.

Generally speaking, two tendencies are found among Orthodox reviewers of Reform literature. Either several statements of the author which are so far from Orthodox thought as to seem absurd, are quoted, and the reviewer, with implied or stated ridicule, washes his hands of the whole mess. Or else, reviewers choose an approach from *halacha* and proceed to demolish the reformer's premise by *halachic* discourse. Reducing the argument to rubble, they, too, wash their hands of the mess. In choosing either one of these approaches, we are washing our hands of at least one million Jews.

I am not condoning either the absurdities or the reformer's repudiation and ignorance of *halacha*. Yet, both such criticisms of the Reform movement utilize an Orthodox yardstick. It would do well to recall Rabbi Eisendrath's own words: "What is Reform Judaism anyway? In the first place it is a bold proclamation that the *halacha* is not literally and eternally binding upon us." Our first premise is, therefore, that Reform Judaism is not Judaism by our scale of values. The measure of Reform success is not in the number of *shomeri shabbat* among the membership. It is rather to be found in the number of adherents to Reform specifications of Jewish consciousness and in the spiritual satisfaction of those adherents.

What is the point in evaluating Reform success when we already have rejected Reform as Judaism? It is like predicating ad-

miration for a thief upon the number of purses he snatches. This objection would be valid were it not for our second premise: Reform Jewry is a Jewry, and this fact necessitates taking the pulse of Reform Judaism. In its success lies our failure; in its failure lies Orthodoxy's chance to draw a million souls closer to Torah.

liberalism. Indeed, a good part of this book could have been written by a liberal of any other faith.

Can we see the success of Reform amongst its membership from the pages of this book? "In the days before the coming of the Messiah, the face of the generation will be like the face of the



Rabbi Maurice Eisendrath

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miration for a thief upon the num-

Rabbi Eisendrath, president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations, is an authority for Reform religious doctrine. Yet the discussion of ritual is but one chapter; most of his book discusses social problems. There are two chapters on Judeo-Christian relations and numerous pages on the State of Israel. In writing about segregation, birth control, the death penalty, and prayer in

the public schools, Eisendrath is the personification of American dog." (Mishna, Sota 9:16) Rav Israel Salanter *ztl*, in applying this saying to our generations, explained: The leaders of our generation run ahead of the people, supposedly blazing the correct path. The dog also runs ahead of his master, giving rise to the illusion that he leads him. In reality, the dog keeps casting an eye behind him. Should the master turn the corner, the pup immediately bounds after him, resuming his position in front of the master.

So it is with Reform Judaism. Emphasis is placed on the synagogue — "the synagogue is our only fountain of life-giving water" — because observance in the home is almost nil, and the chapter entitled "Jesus, Man of My People," is written to make Jewish-Christian social relations more "comfortable." Most striking examples of this "looking behind" leadership are Eisendrath's views on Israel and intermarriage.

Wonder of wonders, Eisendrath decries the lack of religion in Israel. "The only religious expression (the youth) sees is a stale, irrelevant, and unappealing Orthodoxy. . . ." The pride Israelis take in the military parade on Independence Day may lead "to a sentimentalization of violence and to a blunting of moral sensitivity."

I do not doubt Eisendrath's sincerity when he appeals for a return to the messages of Isaiah, Amos, and Micah among all peoples, even Israelis. Nonetheless, the birth of the State of Israel severely punctured the Reform notion of Jewry "as a light unto the nations," destined to peddle the social justice of all prophets amongst the Gentiles. If the message fell on deaf ears, ears of barbarians—there were other ears in other countries. In America, the New Jerusalem, the Jew learned

A Historian's Faith In The Past Is Topic Of Commager's Latest Book

by Dr. Alexander Brody, professor of history and economics

Henry Steele Commager's *Living Ideas in America* is an historian's answer to the controversial problems of our own day. Professor Commager accords primary importance to the historical study of the past when he asserts: "Americans need not, therefore, look abroad for solutions to fabricate new ones, but they can turn with confidence to their own historical past." Horace Mann can instruct us on the problem of education in a democracy. On the problem of freedom of conscience or of church-state relations, Americans can turn to Roger Williams and James Madison. The problem of federalism is really old and familiar: "We have not yet advanced far beyond Marshall to our appreciation of the constitutional basis of nationalism." Problems of world power and world responsibility require no novel solution: "What Lincoln had to say about the preservation of liberty is as relevant in the crisis of the mid-twentieth century as in the crisis of the mid-nineteenth century."

Roosevelt's new deal was sound because it was in harmony with American traditions as revealed in history. Recurrences and similarities in American life furnish the patterns and standards of what is

to come. There can be nothing really new in this process of development. "The pendulum of American History swings from right to left but there are no sharp breaks in the rhythm of our historical development."

Professor Commager sees no limitations on the adaptability of the future to the requirements of America's purpose and ideals. Development, change, and progress are merely the means of realizing potentialities present from the very beginning. "Circumstances change profoundly but the character of the American people has not changed greatly nor the nature of the principles of conduct, public or private, to which they subscribe."

Commager's hypothesis of unity and continuity is characteristically optimistic and complacent. Progress in American Society is steady, unilinear and along predictable directions. Desire to improve society, confidence in the power of intelligence and the will to apply knowledge and skill are deeply rooted in American thought. Utilitarian idealism and pragmatic use of history are continuing elements.

Few will deny that the history of ideas, institutions and achievement is essential to a full understanding of our present. (Continued on page 9)

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Club Corner

Chem Club

Chemistry majors saw two scientific films, "Equilibrium" and "Synthesis of an Organic Compound" during club hour this afternoon. Both films will be re-run tonight in F410 for the benefit of the pre-med majors.

Experimentation and demonstration are accentuated in the films from Modern Learning Aids. "Equilibrium" deals with the questions: What is chemical equilibrium? How does the chemist recognize it? How does he explain it? In answering the questions, the dynamic nature of equilibrium is stressed. Radio-active Iodine tracers are used to demonstrate the dynamic molecular behavior of the substance at equilibrium in a closed system.

A common type of organic synthesis, 2 — butanol, an alcohol, from 2 — butanone, a ketone is exemplified in the second film. Synthesis, purification and identification, the three basic steps in preparing any compound, are discussed.

In the synthesis, 2-butanol is oxidized by sodium dichromate and sulfuric acid to yield 2-butanone. Purification is accomplished by solvent extraction, followed by distillation. The identity of the product is established by forming a solid derivative of the 2-butanone and determining its melting point, and is confirmed by infrared spectroscopy.

Oxygen for the long awaited glass blowing demonstration has arrived, announced ACS affiliate chapter president Joseph Berlin, "and we plan the demonstration as soon as possible following the Passover vacation."

SSSJ Club

A nationwide "grass roots campaign" of protest in behalf of Russian Jewry was urged by Mr. Milton Brofman, co-chairman of the American League for Soviet Jews, in an address to the SSSJ Thursday, March 11.

Opening with a statement of his organization's contention that "the only way to bring about change is



Mr. Milton Brofman addresses SSSJ club while officers (from l to r) look on: J. Birnbaum, C. Sheer, F. Rubinger.

through a grass roots movement," Mr. Brofman proceeded to describe the plight of Soviet Jewry. He dismissed the Soviet claim that our fellow Jews have lost interest in their faith, by reporting that Russian Jewry is asking "Why are you silent?"

Before taking up the cause of Soviet Jewry, the U.S. government wants proof of American Jewry's

The B'nai Akiva Club heard Dr. Joseph Dunner lecture on the timely topic of Arab propaganda, Thursday March 11. Failing to delve completely into the "pertinent and vital" issues of combat-



Commentator (by I. Halberstam)
Petegorsky Professor Joseph Dunner.

ing such propaganda, Dr. Dunner agreed to a return lecture before the club in the near future.

In attempting to determine the

Physics Club

Size, claims Dr. Jean Landovitz, associate professor of physics at Yeshiva College, is the determining factor in dividing physics into different areas of study. Ranging from elementary particles at 10^{-3} cm. to astro-physics and general relativity which extend to infinity, physics encompasses the entire universe.

Basically, experimental and theoretical physics are the two major categories in the field. The experimental physicist is an extremely sophisticated engineer who designs apparatus to be used in the search for data, its verification or disproof. Theoretical physicists mathematically interpret data and develop theories to help explain it.

concern. If such is demonstrated, the State Dept. will operate through diplomatic channels to obtain concessions from the Soviet government. Increasing trade and welfare exchange have drawn Russian ears closer to American demands, which would include the right for Jews to emigrate and reunite with their families. Nothing

commitment required of Jewish and specifically Zionist youth regarding the State of Israel, the following question was posed: "What would be the duty of these groups in America in the event of

an attack upon Israel?" Dr. Dunner is of the opinion that Jewish youth would be required to immediately depart for Israel, regardless of its military incompetence. Many duties, other than fighting must be met during a war.

Diversion of the Jordan River waters and Bonn's diplomatic recognition of Israel have offered Nasser two substantial areas for Arab unity, according to Dr. Dunner.

Radio Club

Newly formed and dedicated to giving members "numerous opportunities to become acquainted with the many techniques and skills that make radio broadcasting a



Commentator (by I. Halberstam)
Two WCBS radio producers lecture on radio and communications.

popular art," Yeshiva's Radio or Broadcasting Club met twice, Thursday, April first. Elections in the afternoon designated Max Lebow, Alan Wiener, and David Bernstein, three freshmen, Pres., Vice Pres., and Sec. Treas., respectively. In the evening, 2 CBS men, producer of the daily program, "Ask Betty Furness" and a member of the production staff, addressed the club.

A producer, they said, originates and oversees a program, listing leadership, memory, experience and good taste as qualifications for the job. College radio stations offer valuable experience for many students.

In practice, the Radio Club hopes to make possible lectures by professional radiomen, evaluation and production of radio material, building and operation of radio equipment, selection and adoption of music for radio, writing and announcing, analysis of news and its preparation for broadcast, writing top radio stations, and the learning of technical radio theory.

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Faculty Shorts

A \$75,000 Career Research Development Award has been granted Dr. Saul Wischnitzer, associate professor of biology and Assistant to the Dean, by the National Institute of Health. The five-year award will enable Dr. Wischnitzer to devote much of his time for research on abnormal development of vertebrate egg cells exposed to drugs and radiation, in a search for clues to the causes of birth defects.

Such research necessitates the use of an electron microscope, which has extremely high powers of magnification. Dr. Wischnitzer purchased his under a previous \$35,000 grant.

The award, by the National Institute of Child Health and Human Development, was made on the basis of a nationwide competition.

Jewish communities of the 10th and 11th centuries were the source of social institutions of medieval towns two and three centuries later. This is the belief of Dr. Irving Agus, professor of Jewish History of BRGS, who proposed the theory in his book, *Urban Civilization in Pre-Crusade Europe*.

Origin of social institutions of the medieval town has long been a puzzling question. Former theories attributing them to the Greeks were discredited, Dr. Agus said, with the discovery that Greco-Roman governmental forms were not known to early medieval Europeans. However, he continued, Jewish communities in Germany had developed advanced forms of government, including government by the people and legislative councils, long before the feudal period. These were later adopted by feudal towns.

Other Jewish practices foreshadowing medieval custom are documented in Dr. Agus' book. Jews, for example, outlawed trial by ordeal when it was a widely accepted practice. They also eliminated cut-throat competition by equalizing opportunity among merchants for buying raw materials, and formulated an advanced visa system whereby strangers were granted permission to settle in or travel through a town.

Rabbi Dr. Emanuel Rackman, assistant to the president of Yeshiva University, participated in an institute on "The Crisis in Values of the Young Adult in Our Society," sponsored by the 92nd Street YM-YWHA in cooperation with the Metropolitan Association of Jewish Center Workers.

Dr. Saul Wischnitzer, associate professor of biology, wrote an article "An Electron Microscope Study of the Formation of the Zona Pellucida in Oocytes from *Triturus Vividescens*" in *Zeitschrift fur Zellforschung Volumes*.

Dr. Charles S. Liebman, assistant professor of political science, discussed "Social Science and Jewish Faith" at the *oneg shabbat* lecture series in the Rubin Residence Hall.

Dr. Martin Glass, visiting lecturer in English, has a poem "Mistakes and Remarkable Coincidences Seen as Historical Forces" in the winter 1964 issue of *Literary Review*.

Dr. Manny Sternlicht, visiting assistant professor of psychology, had an article, "An Investigation into Perpetual and Cognitive Activities as it Relates to the Resolution of Need Tensions," published in *Dissertation Abstracts*.

Dr. Maurice Wohlgeleertner, assistant professor of English, discussed his book, *Israel Zangwill A Study*, at a meeting of the American Jewish Historical Society.

Dr. Meir Havazelet, instructor of Hebrew, lectured on "The Bible: A Guide to the Economy of Israel," at Histadruth Institute of America.

Dr. Meyer Herskovics, assistant professor of Jewish Studies, discussed "The History of the Jewish Renaissance in Italy," at a meeting of the American Jewish Historical Society.

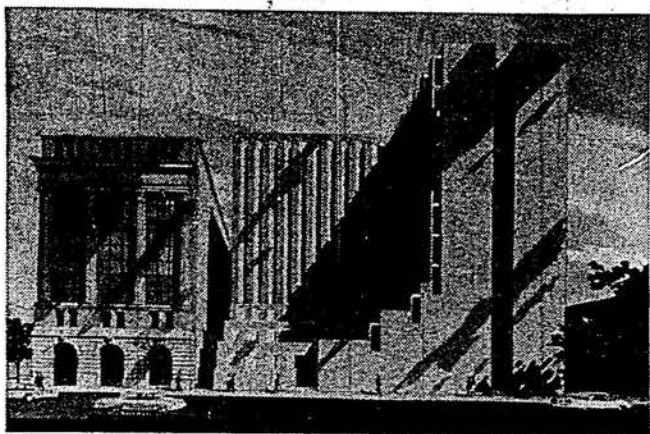
Teachers Institute is offering a course in camping this semester, Education - 68 - Camping. It deals with organizing and developing Torah-spirited camps which supplement the child's Jewish education. Mr. Zvi Reich, director of Camp Morasha, teaches the course.

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Commentator (by I. Halberstam)
Dr. Meyer Atlas, professor and chairman of the biology department, has been selected as this year's recipient of the *Maimid* faculty dedication, announced Sheldon Fink, editor of the yearbook.

YU Blueprint For Sixties Reaches Halfway Mark



Twelve story classroom and residence hall, to cost \$5 million, will be added to the present facilities of Stern College at Lexington Avenue and 35th Street

An existing nineteen-story building at 55 Fifth Avenue near 12th Street, will become Yeshiva University's Graduate Center for the Fall 1965 semester. The Ferkauf Graduate School of Education and the Wurzweiler Graduate School of Social Work will thus acquire additional classrooms, laboratory facilities and library space to accommodate the Schools' increasing

enrollments and research activities. The \$4,000,000 structure has 300,000 square feet of space.

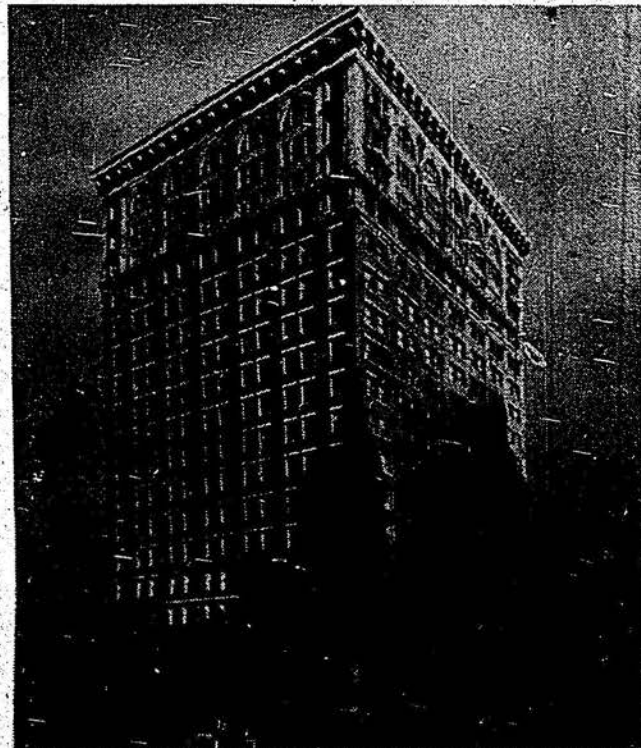
The two graduate schools, together with the University's administrative and development offices are presently located in leased quarters at 110 West 57th Street. The relocation of both graduate schools, announced simultaneously with the \$29 million Yeshiva University City, construction program, is part of the "Blueprint for the Sixties."

The Ferkauf Graduate School of Education, established in 1957,

offers programs in elementary and secondary education (including English and social studies teaching). The School has an enrollment of more than 700 students, with a faculty of 93.

The Wurzweiler School of Social Work was also founded in 1957. Its two year program of study, with concentration in social group work and social casework, leads to the Master of Social Work degree. It has an enrollment of 63 students, with a faculty of 16 full-time and 34 field instructors.

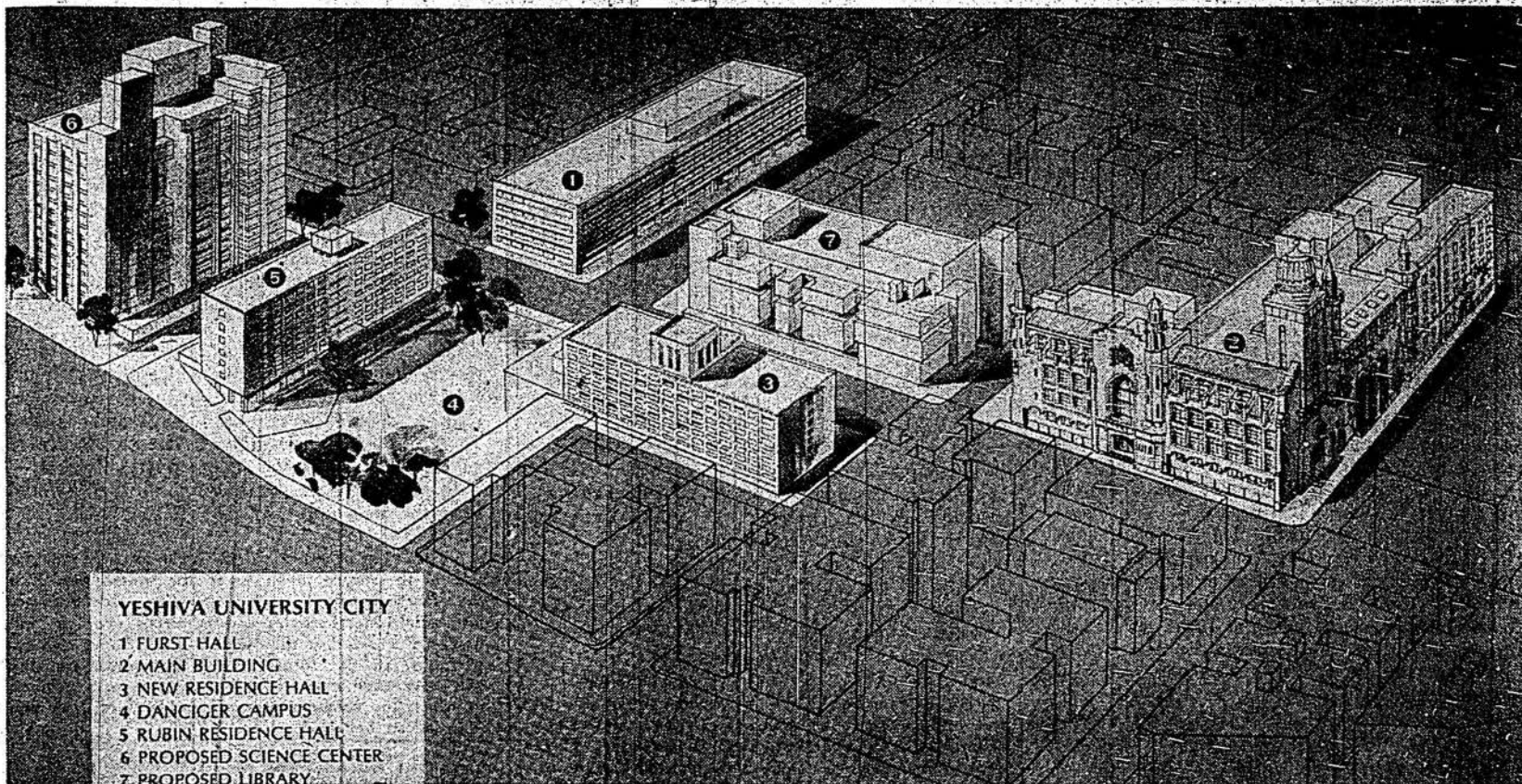
Drawing of proposed 15 story center for Belfer Graduate School of Science (left) and new home of YU Graduate Center.



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will cost approximately \$5 million.

At an estimated cost of \$15 million, the University will build a science center for the Belfer Graduate of Science at its main center in Washington Heights. Embracing 200,000 square feet, the 15 story building will incorporate the most advanced concepts in the construction of science facilities. It will contain a laboratory wing designed for maximum flexibility in meeting ever-changing research requirements; an academic wing, including classrooms, lecture halls, and seminar libraries; and a faculty seminar and research wing. Two major components of the center will be a nuclear reactor and a computer center.

The new structure will make possible the expansion of the School's current programs of science education, the addition of new faculty, and the intensification of basic and experimental research in physics, mathematics, chemistry and biophysics that relate to the endeavors of industry, defense, medicine and space exploration.



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3. NEW RESIDENCE HALL
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5. RUBIN RESIDENCE HALL
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7. PROPOSED LIBRARY

Artists conception of Yeshiva University City, at Washington Heights Campus, when Science Center and Library are completed.

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Literary Supplement

An Evaluation Of Anti-Semitism In The Negro Press

by Milton Ottensoser

Since the historic 1954 Supreme Court decision on school segregation, the Negro Revolution has moved ahead with deliberate but increasing speed. Although most liberal Jews have always sided with the Negroes in their cause, only in the last few years have they played a really active role in the Negro's fight for equality. While Jewish participation was once limited to some vague, half-hearted statements about the "brotherhood of man," we have witnessed in the last twenty months events ranging from the picketing by Jewish youths of "Jim Crow" exhibits at the World's Fair, to the beating of Jewish clergymen in St. Augustine, to the murder of two Jewish civil rights workers in Mississippi.

There is, however, another side to the picture. Like all revolutions, the Negro Revolution also has its more extreme elements. Some Negroes have turned to violence, others to more passive but nonetheless virulent methods. Here too, Jews have been intimately involved, but as victims rather than as crusaders. When riots racked several northeast cities last summer, most of the property damage was suffered by Jewish business establishments.

Using James Elliss's dictum that "newspapers are the world's mirror," I conducted considerable research on the Negro press of the last two years to see if it would provide a clue to the Negro's attitudes towards the Jews.

Like its white counterpart, the Negro press consists of both responsible and sensational newspapers. In the former category belong such newspapers as the *New York Courier*, the *Chicago Defender* and perhaps the *New York Amsterdam News*, while in the latter are such newspapers as the *Los Angeles Herald Dispatch* and its companion Black Muslim "hatesheets." Many boast circulations that are quite large (*N.Y. Amsterdam News* 50,000, *Chicago Defender*, 39,500, and the

fight for freedom. Often, the Jews are praised lavishly, sometimes even to the point of embarrassment.

Thus we find a Negro newspaper extending "warmest wishes to our Jewish friends" just before the High Holy Days. Or on the fiftieth anniversary of the creation of District 65, an affiliate of the AFL-CIO founded to further the welfare of its members, the *New York Amsterdam News* devoted much space to extol the District's efforts in improving the lot of its 11,000 Negro and Puerto Rican members. The article made much of the fact that District 65 was founded by Jews and noted their role in the struggle to improve the Negro's lot.² Along the same lines, Jewish efforts in the fight to obtain fair housing laws, and the rendering of moral and physical support and legal aid to Negro freedom fighters are all duly noted in the Negro press.

Even the problem of Jewish persecution in Soviet Russia has not escaped the scrutiny of the Negro press. The *Chicago Defender*, in an editorial, called for a commission appointed by the U.N. to inquire into the mistreatment of Soviet Jewry. It went on to state, "We who are yet oppressed and brutalized can ill afford to sit back and let persecution of our fellowmen take place without raising our voice against it."³

The Negro press occasionally uses the rise of the State of Israel as an example of how the Negroes should pull themselves up socially and economically. Even Malcolm X, the late black nationalist leader, said in a news conference on May 24, 1964, that Negroes could learn much from Israel's example. And on August 18th of last year, a writer in the *New York Amsterdam News* chastised the U. S. government for not solving the integration problem or aiding school children like Israel was doing.

Despite these positive attitudes in the Negro press, it is still evident that in our larger cities a

table" and went on to deplore anti-Semitism, but reminded readers of "stumbling blocks" set up in front of Negro children by exploiters.⁴ This editorial, as well as others in the Negro press, implies that anti-Semitism is not an intrinsic characteristic of Negroes, but occurred because of the miserable environment in which they are raised, which in turn is partly a result of Jewish merchants and slum lords.

Sometimes, even a respectable Negro newspaper prints an article that is not only anti-Semitic, but also blatantly false, such as a report featured in the *New York Amsterdam News* on March 9, 1963. This article, which stirred up a storm of protest, charged that in a study made by "high level Protestants" (unnamed), it was found that Jews, comprising only 25% of the city's population, controlled over 53% of the top city jobs. Protestants, on the other hand, held only 8.7% of these top posts. The article further alleged that 85% of the City's Protestants are Negroes, thereby suggesting that Jews are grossly over-represented in the share of the city posts they control, at the expense of the Negroes.

The American Jewish Committee promptly issued a rebuttal which stated that: (1) The survey was distorted, since it didn't say which jobs were the "top jobs" or if they were filled through civil service, election or appointment. (2) Only 40% of the City's Protestants are Negroes, not 85% as the survey stated. (3) Jews outnumber members of other faiths only in the field of education, and that is where the highest percentage of jobs is filled through civil service appointments, which are open to all.

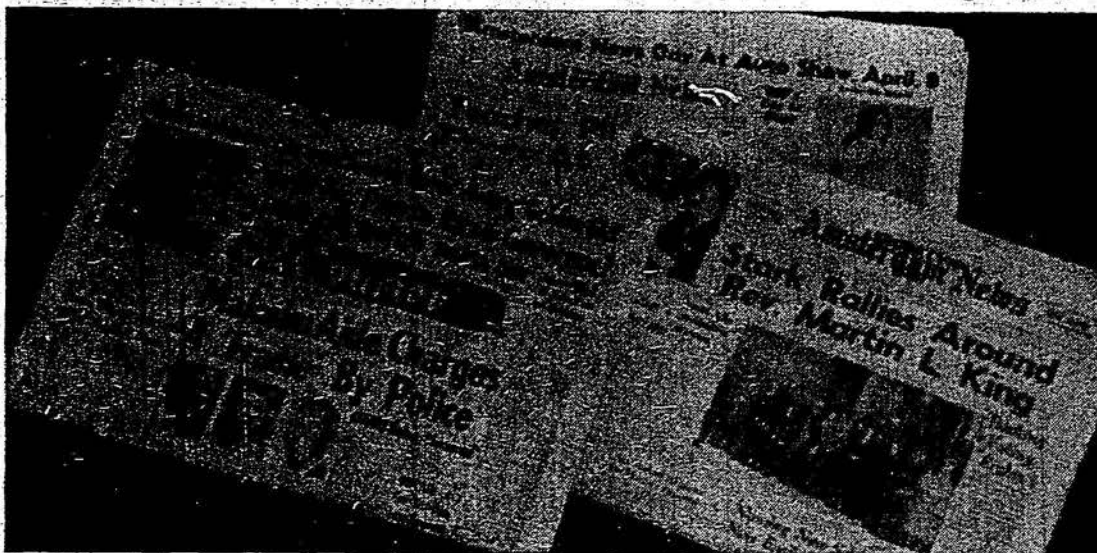
Eventually, the Protestant Council of New York admitted that it had sponsored the survey, but stated that its findings had been of such a tentative and inconclusive nature that the report had not been intended for release. In its March 23, 1963, issue the *Amsterdam News* printed a full rebuttal, including the statement of the A.J.C. that the article had implied that "it's not a man's worth, but his religious affiliation that should be the criterion for determining his right to hold public office, not his qualifications, but his origin."

The *Amsterdam News* gave this rebuttal coverage which was as prominent as the March 9 article that began the entire controversy, thus indicating that this story was a regrettable but not malicious incident.

Unfortunately, such conscientiousness is not the case in the Black Muslim press, where Jew-baiting is practiced nearly as viciously and frequently as it was in the press of Nazi-Germany. One brief example, taken from the *Los Angeles Herald*, deals with Barry Goldwater, "The Jewish candidate for President." It reads, in part, "The Goldwater campaign workers were disappointed to find that 'breakfast' consisted of an empty plate, cup of coffee, and only several doughnuts at each table. The empty plate is no doubt synonymous with what America's future would hold under the Jewish presidential hopeful; the doughnut representing his narrow views that we should be sacrificed for Israel, as well as in the jungles of southeast Asia . . . Revealed to the nation was the image of the frustrated militarist whose personal and political ties would lead the world to war over a lone issue . . . Israel."⁵

This type of article is the exception and not the rule in the Negro press. As in the white press, it is the more conservative and constructive voices that are influential. Most articles and editorials are fair and unbiased and reflect the Negro's fears, hopes and aspirations. In the future, the Negro press probably will serve even more than it does now as a medium in which the common pressing problems of Jews and Negroes can be aired.

1. *Chicago Defender* 9/13/64
2. *New York Amsterdam News* 10/26/63
3. *Chic. Defender* 9/13/64
4. *New York Amsterdam News* 9/12/64
5. *New York Amsterdam News* 5/12/64
6. *L. A. Herald* 6/6/64



Commentator (by I. Halberstam)

Courier which is printed in 12 editions has a total circulation of 91,000) and all are eagerly awaited by their public.

The first fact to note before continuing with the report, however, is that the Negro Press does not occupy itself with lengthy discussions of Negro-Jewish relations. Implausible as it may sound to the more ethno-centric reader, comparatively little space is devoted to this topic. Nonetheless, articles about Jews and Jewish affairs do appear, and they can be revealing.

Except for the Black Muslim papers, which will be briefly discussed later, there is little anti-Semitism, either overt or covert in the Negro press. In fact, the opposite is true. Much recognition is given to the fact that (1) the Jews are (or were) also a persecuted minority and (2) the Jews are the Negro's natural allies in the latter's

great deal of tension exists between the Negro and Jewish communities. This is especially true in neighborhoods where Jews are "colonialists," that is, where they own the shops and tenements, though they live elsewhere. After the riots of last August in which eighty percent of the stores smashed or looted were owned by Jews, Negro newspapers were quick to deny that rioting was directed, specifically against Jews. As one Negro newspaper commented " . . . There was no apparent anti-Semitic intent among the rioter . . . merely anti-white feeling among Negroes."⁶

An incident not so easy to rationalize was the attack of fifty Negro youths on a group of yeshiva students and their rebbi last April in Brooklyn. There were profuse apologies from many quarters for the incident, but the one from the *New York Amsterdam News* is most revealing. It called the incident "repre-

YU Establishes Record In Year-long Blood Drive

Yeshiva College established a one-year record when 162 pints of blood were added to the 203 collected last December. Blood drive campaigns in March and December were held in Furst Hall, 024.

Class contributions breakdown as follows: 50 out of 287 freshman 17.4%; 50 out of 184 sophomores, 27.1%; 30 out of 132 juniors; 22.7%; 32 out of 130 seniors, 24.6%.



One of 162 YC men undergoes bleeding procedure during record blood donation day.

Ta'anis Esther which followed the spring drive is believed to account for the donor difference in the fall and spring. Students were hesitant to give blood before a Fast, while others headed home early for the Purim holiday.

Juniors Establish Lieberman Award

Memorial awards perpetuating the memory of Philip Lieberman, alav hashalom, will be established by the class of 1966 at Yeshiva College, announced Joseph Berlin, junior class president. This idea was confirmed at the class' third meeting this year, last month.

By collecting \$5.00 from each junior this year and next, the class hopes to support a \$50.00 award to be given at graduation for at least the next twenty years. Although a decision has not yet been reached as to the particular name of the award, each year's senior class will vote on the recipient for that year. Devotion to the school and character traits rank high among the probable area in which the award will be given.

Opening the meeting was President Berlin, who thanked Messrs. Halberstam, Weisfogel, and Poupko for their major contributions toward winning two Dean's awards. He noted that members of the Brookline, Mass. community were favorably impressed with Yeshiva's wrestling and fencing teams and congratulated junior sportsmen for representing Yeshiva with honor.

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YC Tattlers Defeated By Stern College

Two members of Yeshiva College's Debating Team fell before an especially aggressive onslaught of two representatives of Stern College February 25th. Don Davis '65 and Jonathan Helfand '66 were the surprised but gallant losers to Gilda Schuchalter and Bernice Golden of Stern.

Topic of the debate was: Resolved, that to be a complete observant Jew one must live in Israel. "To have denied this would be to negate a basic tenet of Yiddishkeit" — observed one member of the audience.

The girls' attack was emotional; unusual for the usually "cool" Stern debaters.

Judges for the debate were Dr. Leo Jung, professor of philosophy at Yeshiva, Hon. George Postel, Supreme Court Justice of the State of New York, and Rabbi Shalom Replun, Principal of Manhattan Day School, who fixed their verdict after a few words on the subject by Rabbi Jung.

Chairman of the blood drive was Herbert Horowitz '65.

Experience Not The Only Teacher For Modern Historical Analysis

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standing of their present state. It is no longer open to doubt that cumulative experience of the past can serve as a frame of reference for the choices that are made in response to current needs. Knowledge of the past reveals much about the source of problems, and points to questions and change of development; but historical treatment of the emergence of a social problem does not automatically lead to an understanding of their contemporary status and function.

In the first place, historical investigation is not the whole of theoretical analysis. It is unreasonable to assume that the past is the sole basis for prediction or that the only kind of knowledge and skill that is attainable is social science in historical investigation. Furthermore, there are always alternative causes and problems of choice. The future is not always contained in the past. Novelty, uniqueness, chance and accident cannot be ruled out by a supposed logic of historical development.

Professor Commager overrates the explanatory value of history when he assumes that historical theory alone can deal with social policy and predict or effect concrete changes. Technology, for example, poses novel problems which the historian cannot answer. The history of a problem and its basic nature and structure are distinct; they do not readily merge into one and neither can absorb the other. Historical insight and judgement, however necessary for the understanding of things as they actually exist, do not provide all the skills to render the future predictable.

Unfortunate Dave Schvitz Having Headache Over Yeshiva U's Move To The Village

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Hartstein, "if things go well, this should be one of the happiest relocations any University has ever had—we look forward to becoming a part of the Greenwich Village community."

Critics Label Film As Unusually Charming

by Stephen Rabinowitz

Yeshiva cognoscenti have, no doubt heard of *Umbrellas of Cherbourg*. For those who have not yet visited this new French film at the Little Carnegie (146 W. 57th) we should like to present a few of our own observations.

where Genevieve works. The shop is in financial straits, and a handsome, young stranger (a diamond merchant, to be sure) comes to the rescue.

Francois leaves, at the government's request, for the Algerian war. Sad to relate, Genevieve is enceinte. The remainder requires



Catherine Deneuve and Nino Castelnuovo in scene from "The Umbrellas of Cherbourg."

In the realm of motion pictures, this film, being entirely in song, is something of an innovation. The first bars take one rather unawares, and the setting, a gas station, doesn't reassure one. The novelty fades; but, the voice of the central figure—Francois, a station attendant, seems awkwardly close to the upper registers during much of the picture.

Presently Genevieve, an astonishingly shapely 16 year-old meets Francois. They are very much in love, but cannot marry, as Genevieve's mother, a widow, thinks the girl too young.

The title of the film originates with the widow's umbrella shop,

no explanation, save that Francois returns to marry his dear, old aunt's pretty, young housekeeper.

For the most part the photography is well done; although the high price of filming in color on the Continent apparently persuaded someone to retain a remarkable street scene in which the actors appear stationary and the buildings float by.

Lest anyone be deceived by the shallow plot we have depicted, it must be remarked that "boy-meets-girl" is an old story anyway, but its attraction is undeniable. This version is charming, the colors pastel, the melodies haunting, and the dénouement bitter-sweet.

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"And now?"
"Comes along this fellow Hartstein and destroys my whole conception of Yeshiva. He must have spent some happy hours figuring that one out."
"But why does it egg you?"
"Simple. Are we a yeshiva as we know a yeshiva ought to be, or is our 'psycho-sociological' makeup such that we need the Village to have a 'salutary' effect on us?"

I was, as you can imagine, really touched.
"Perhaps," I said reflectively, "the climate today requires closer identification?"
"A gratifying thought," Dave mumbled.
"Cheer up, pal," I said, "it's a new world." My comment gratified me, as I suppose people are gratified when they sound off with trite remarks.
With a curious sidelong at me, Dave intoned, "On the day of judgment when we'll have to defend ourselves we'll have Public Relations, do it for us."

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Club Corner

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English Fraternity

A Yeshiva College chapter of the Sigma Tau Delta English Honor Fraternity was officially started at a recent installation meeting. Drs. Murray Hartman

Hartman is faculty advisor to the Sigma Tau Delta chapter there.

Ralph Cheifetz '65, president of the new Psi Iota chapter, which boasts twenty members, officiated at the installation proceedings. The other fraternity officers are Milt-



At English Honor Fraternity dedication, seated (from l to r): Dr. Martin Glass, Dr. Manfred Weidhorn and Dr. Seymour Linnoff of the YC English department. Standing (from l to r): Dr. David Fleisher of YC, Dr. Paul Siegal of LIU, Ralph Cheifetz, Dr. Murray Hartman of LIU, Dr. Irving Linn of YC.

and Paul Siegal of Long Island University acted as installing officers of Psi Iota, the new chapter. Dr. Siegal is chairman of LIU's English Department and Dr.

Psychology Club

Retardation can be caused both by hereditary and metabolic factors, noted Dr. Manny Sternlicht, visiting assistant professor of psy-



Commentator (by E. Silovitz)
Dr. Manny Sternlicht

chology, when he spoke on "The Mentally Retarded and Their Therapeutic Treatment" before the Psych Club. While some mentally retarded people cannot hope for anything more than institutionalization, others can look forward to useful, productive lives.

Dr. Sternlicht runs the Woodbury School for the Retarded on Staten Island. Speaking from personal experience, he told how he begins therapy for delinquent adolescents. In order to attain the aura of "superman" Dr. Sternlicht "arm-wrestles" the strongest member of the group. He cannot lose because his elbow is on a slightly higher level, and after displaying physical superiority, effective counseling can begin—to help patients develop their full intellectual potential.

on Ottensoser '66, vice-president; Victor Didia '66, secretary and Toby Feinerman '66, treasurer.

Before the presentation of the charter, Drs. Fleisher and Linn, senior professors of the English department, made some apropos remarks. Dr. Fleisher stressed that cultural development, especially in the field of literature, has always been part of the Jewish heritage. "It is therefore only natural," stated Dr. Fleisher, "that an English fraternity be established at Yeshiva College." Dr. Linn expressed gratification in being present, for the fourth time, at the installation of an honor society in Yeshiva.

After Dr. Hartman presented the charter to Mr. Cheifetz, Dr. Siegal, who has written articles and books on Shakespeare, delivered a stimulating talk on "The Achievements of Contemporary Shakespeare Criticism." Dr. Siegal emphasized that while the eighteenth century did not understand the dramatic conventions of Elizabethan drama, modern criticism properly deals with both the imagery and symbolism of Shakespeare's poetry and the conventions of Elizabethan drama.

Classics Society

Three members were inducted



Shragal Silverman '65 speaks at Sociology gathering.

into Eta Sigma Phi, the Yeshiva College Classical Honor Society, at the society's first meeting of the year in March. Richard Hochstein '67, Harold Bell '67, and Irwin Geller '65 who met the requirements of "B" or better in nine credits in classical languages, were welcomed to the honor society by Prytanis (President) Moshe Bernstein, who chaired the meeting in advisor Dr. Louis Feldman's office.

Partaking in the initiation, Messrs. Bell and Hochstein corrected the Latin and Greek translations, respectively, of Chapter 53 of Isaiah according to the *Masora*, removing Christological references. A Yiddish-Latin dictionary was presented by Mr. Geller.

At this point Prytanis Bernstein, who prior to the start of the meeting was the only member of the society, resigned as *Hyparchus* (Vice-President), *Grammateus* (Secretary), and *Chrysophylax* (Treasurer). By the classical custom of drawing lots (the holiday of Purim was also approaching) the following new officers were chosen: Mr. Hochstein, *Hyparchus*; Mr. Bell, *Grammateus* and Mr. Geller, *Chrysophylax*.

Pointing out that its membership has been increased by three hundred percent, the society rejoiced with refreshments prepared by Mr. Geller, chairman of the refreshment committee, and Mr. Bell, his assistant, who acted as *magistri bibendi*.

Bridge Club

Election of officers for the Yeshiva College Bridge Club saw Murry Jacobsen '66, assume the office of president, and Moishe Bernstein '66 vice-president. Presently underway is a school-wide bridge tournament. In charge is Emanuel Saidlower '66, Tournament Director.



Commentator (by I. Halberstam)
Microscope demonstration at pre-med club.

Bridge Society Created At YCSC Meeting

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vid Eisenberg '66 noted that the Student Directory, despite many mistakes, was well received and that the ski-trip, with no casualties, was a big hit. Intra-mural schedules, reported Chico Wasserman '65, are handicapped by limited gym time. Student Court is attempting, under Chief Justice Norm Smith '65, to formulate a complete method of procedure. Dramatics Society has been more active than ever before in distributing discount tickets, free samples, and fine-arts information. The junior class, noted Joseph Berlin, president, and Dramatics Society vice-president, has won 2 consecutive Dean's Awards, a first at YC Assemblies, it is hoped, will help celebrate *Yom Ha'atzmaut* this year.

After council heard that Rav Aharon Lichtenstein had been consulted regarding bridge playing, and upon presentation of a petition, Mr. Berlin moved to estab-

lish a bridge club. Council approved unanimously. A broadcaster's club was also voted affirmative.

Other announcements included: an 8-floor library will be constructed across from the New Dormitory, Council will run a survey on religious "problems" at Yeshiva; a Dean of Men will be appointed next year.

Health Center Gets Grant

Plans for the 10-story Rose Kennedy Mental Health Center at AECOM were outlined recently by N.Y. Senator Robert F. Kennedy at a luncheon there.

Announcing the \$1.45 million grant from the Joseph P. Kennedy Jr. Foundation, Senator Kennedy cited the momentum given to mental health programs by his brother, the late President John F. Kennedy. Ultimate elimination of mental retardation, stressed the Senator, rests on the abolition of poverty in our society, as well as more care and information.

Increasing enrollment and expanded research and service pro-

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grams will be met by the \$4 million purchase of the 19 story building. Additional class room, laboratory, library, and office space will be provided for. Studies are currently under way to determine how best to utilize the space with minimum alteration.

Faculty Shorts

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Rabbi Avigdor Cyperstein, *rosh yeshiva* in RIETS, spoke at "Evening of Prayer for Russian Jewry," sponsored by the *Vad Hara-bonim* and Community Council of Queens.

Rabbi Norman Lamm, TIM, has published *Rav Kook: Man of Faith and Vision*, part of a JNF series on Zionist personalities.

Rabbi Israel Wohlgelertner, TIM, addressed the West Side Jewish Center on "Jewish View of the Ecumenical Council."

Rabbi Aaron Soloveitchik, *rosh yeshiva* in RIETS, addressed the annual *melava malke* of Israel's Kollel Rabbi Moshe Shatzkes.

YC Grads On the Outside

Graduates of Yeshiva College earn doctoral degrees at the rate of four times the national average.

Professor Morris Silverman, University Registrar, who recently compiled a national report in this area, said that at least 10.4 percent of the 1,655 graduates of Yeshiva College between 1932 and 1959 went on to earn research doctorates. The national average for graduates receiving doctorates in the 1950's was about 2.4 percent.

Doctoral productivity is generally considered to be a major factor in assessing the quality of work in an undergraduate institution.

Religion and Theology, Education, Social Sciences, Psychology, Mathematics, and Chemistry were the 6 major fields in which 66.2% of the doctorates were earned.

Approximately 75 percent of advanced degrees were received at five universities: Yeshiva University, Columbia University, New York University, Harvard University, and Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

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Campus Chatter

by Leslie Walter

In the wake of the Air Force Academy's scandal, many colleges have begun self-investigations. Scholars at the University of Minnesota are debating whether merely "glancing at another person's paper during an exam (should be) included in the definition of cheating." A scholarly questionnaire and analysis concerning cheating at Adelphi revealed that cheating is "widespread." The questionnaire also disclosed that the most prevalent rationalizations permit cheating for unreasonably hard courses and for a needed grade.

St. Bonaventure claims that at Columbia, 50% of the students cheat and that a liberal interpretation (including part time plagiarism and forgery) would reveal that over 75% of St. Bonaventure's students cheat.

Carleton University is attempting to rectify this situation with a unique method. They are grading seniors with only a "pass" or "fail." Other colleges are experimenting similarly with freshmen classes.

Drinking

Equally depressing is an enormous increase of drinking on campuses. In fact, at Harvard, where allegedly one fifth of students have tried marijuana, drinking has become "square." The student council at the American University in Washington, D.C., is considering a motion to legalize on-campus drinking. Its proponents claim that "there seems to be a definite correlation between the prestige of a university and the amount of on-campus drinking permitted." They obviously lack a Bridge Club.

The president of Vassar College stated that students indulging in premarital sex or excessive drinking have to leave the college, whereupon a student remarked that only one third of the student body will be able to remain.

A Stanford educator claims that the American college student is still politically passive despite the Peace Corp, Southern sit-ins and presidential campaigns. This can be attributed to an unhealthy col-

lege environment where "a host of requirements, and exams all too often induce the undergraduate to 'think small' and to clear each hurdle in the academic race, rather than think widely and imaginatively about the world about him."

Students at Walla Walla in Washington explain that "what is most distressing about this trend is that the college student—the very lifeblood of society—seems to be leading the way toward moral sin." They therefore believe that "compulsory worship attendance in the dormitories . . . should continue." At Walla Walla there is a two dollar fine for excess unexcused "worship skips."

Bond Attacked

The British Salvation Army assailed Ian Fleming for his novels depicting "violence, illicit sex, gambling and gormandizing." They claim that the recent demoralization and increase of the adolescent crime rate may be attributed to James Bond. "Violence in the Bond books reaches psychopathic degrees. Cruelty seems to be for the love of cruelty. Sadism is present too."

Eisendrath Condemns Orthodoxy In Israel; Condoned Intermarriage As Reform Tenet

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that he could lose himself in the crowd and gain a measure of equality without broadcasting his message too loudly. Just as things are looking up, the Jew is confronted with the "burden" of tilling his own soil, guarding his frontiers, teaching his own traditions in his very own schools. With the restoration came the challenge of dual allegiance which sorely bothered the assimilating Jew.

Eisendrath realizes that the social consciousness of Jews differs

little from that of their neighbors, yet he will not lay down the claim. To be social reformers at the expense of our own traditions, nationhood and self-fulfillment is to exact a price which was never asked of us.

On intermarriages: "I cannot see how the illiberal rejection by the rabbi at such a crucial moment can do anything but repel the non-Jew — and the Jew as well — from any potential attraction which Judaism might hold. Intolerance is no solution to intermarriage, and hatred and rejection are incompatible with both Judaism and civilized human relations."

If intermarriage is acceptable, from whence will Jewry spring? "I firmly believe some . . . of our offspring . . . will be here tomorrow." Or, "Jews . . . must survive for the sake of the world." Such prophecies of mystical survival are, historically, just so much hogwash. More than one Jewish community in the past has perished and the link was maintained by a diehard group well-versed in Torah and halacha. We are here as Jews because our Ashkenazic forefathers governed their communal and personal lives according to strict Talmudic law, and not because the world "needs" Jews.

All this bending over backward can be viewed as part of Reform Judaism. I see it as the dog glancing back at his master.

seniors. If anything, present policy will tend to negatively affect the school, and the students — both those now enrolled and in generations to come. There are only two possible paths of action: abolish the GRE as a requirement for graduation, or institute a new policy for administering the tests.

Superficially, the abandonment of the entire system appears most attractive (but not its possible replacement by comprehensives or a senior thesis). However, a deeper examination reveals that the GRE has the potential to significantly bolster the reputation of Yeshiva, and thus attracts more and superior students, who in turn will excel academically, producing a most desirable cause and effect relationship. The fact that YC men can, and do, successfully compete with the best of any college in such exams is made abundantly clear by the results of the Medical College, Law School, Business School etc. Aptitude Tests. Furthermore, the unbelievably high percentage of YC graduates who continue on to graduate school (*Time Maga-*

zine of March 12 reports 66% at Brandeis, 67% at Harvard and Yale, while Yeshiva boasts 94%) underscores the ability and determination of Yeshiva men to go beyond the bachelors degree. Thus the GRE represents an opportunity to demonstrate academic excellence which can not lightly be dismissed.

However, previous attempts to coerce seniors to take the exams seriously led to disastrous results. Under Dean Gutterman, the re-

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sults were counted towards honors at graduation. The outcome was a revolution, the institution of marble throwing, and, coincidentally, the replacement of Dr. Gutterman, but the results of the GRE's were very good. Dr. Bacon, convinced of the maturity of the seniors, abolished the inclusion of the results in determining honors, won the approval of five years of seniors, and made possible the antics enumerated earlier, but the curve for the GRE took a very steep drop. Apparently, some intermediate course is needed.

The most logical approach would call for the faculty to determine a minimum possible score acceptable for graduation, to be revised annually, on the basis of the particular exam and national results. The fact that the GRE is designed so that the average student will correctly answer only about 50% of the questions should dispel the fears of any literate and sober senior that he will not achieve the necessary grade. Furthermore, the proctoring system must be revised. At present, only lower faculty members, and outside proctors who cannot even command the respect of a room full of seniors, are involved. Noteworthy is the fact that when Dr. L. Feldman, who was in charge of proctoring all sections, entered the rooms, the unruly seniors suddenly became civilized. If it becomes necessary to use only associate and full professors to remind seniors of their age, then the Dean must require that they surrender teaching hours to supervise the administration of the exams. Also, no one should be allowed to leave the test until a reasonable amount of time has expired. This would eliminate the mass exodus after the first hour when many answer sheets are left almost entirely blank.

The above suggestions should insure that the best interests of all concerned, Yeshiva students, present and future, will be considered. True, the pure joy of finally taking an exam of this type, without caring a damn about the outcome, will be forever lost. But the more meaningful satisfaction of serving Yeshiva, with no strenuous effort involved, will partially fill the gap.

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Letters To The Editor

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which were then in session, a Jewish boy desiring to be excused from classes, had to obtain a note from the Rabbi of the synagogue he was to attend, as evidence of his presence therein during the holy days. Considering the predisposition among students to take as many leaves of absence as possible from school, one can well imagine the number of Jewish, as well as non-Jewish boys who suddenly realized a spiritual reawakening.

Shul Filled

The festive holiday began; the shul was filled with the observant dressed in their finest clothes and carrying in their hands the traditional lulav and etrog. It was already 10:00 A.M. As a silence filled the usually talkative room, the cantor began to chant the *Amidah* for *Shaharit*. He had reached the final blessing before the *Kedushah*. His voice was soft, low, almost inaudible, and then slowly it became louder and louder resounding through the entire synagogue with the praise of the Lord, when suddenly there appeared before his eyes, three youths modestly attired in dungarees and t-shirts. His voice, which had by then reached volcanic proportions, cracked at this sight, and hung in mid-air as if unable to utter the final words, *mechayey hamesim*, the boys promptly walked over to the Rabbi and collected their excuse notes.

I assure you, as unbelievable as this incident may appear to be, it did occur. And I think that it is quite apropos of our own situation. I do not mean to imply that any Yeshiva student would ever venture forth into the recesses of our own synagogue at 7:45 in the morning, clothed merely in his pajamas — yeshiva students have more sense.

I can only say, that if by some miracle such an incident should occur, it would do justice to the absurdity of the present situation. *Minyan* was intended to be a rewarding spiritual experience; by not attending it the *davening* of *Talmidei Hayeshiva* will understandably be lacking. But forcing attendance under the threat of

academic and dormitory suspension gains only a resentment towards the *minyan* and the *Shaharit* by the students, and creates a disrespectful davening, and one unworthy to be offered before the Almighty.

Name withheld upon request

New Shul

To the Editor:

I have been *davening* in the new dorm synagogue and it has made a great impression on me. Although the crowd is large there is the feeling of a small *hamesha* shul. However, I would suggest that the *mechitsa* be lowered about three feet. The Rav has *poskened* that for a *mechitsa* to be perfectly kosher it need only be 48 to 50 inches high. I fail to see any advantage obtained by having the *mechitsa* an extra three feet. Quite the contrary, I feel that there are certain disadvantages in having a *mechitsa* so high. I became aware of this problem when two of my cousins were *davening* in the women's section of the new dorm. They told me after the *davening* that they felt themselves completely cut-off and even somewhat degraded while sitting behind the eight-foot *mechitsa*. The extra height of the *mechitsa* is a *chumrah* without any *halachic* basis since the women's section is placed in a far corner and anyone sitting in his seat would not be able to see the women's section unless he makes a concerted effort to do so. We should treat our wives and daughters with more respect and make them feel themselves more a part of the *kohol* by lowering the *mechitsa*.

Jerry Aranoff

Purim Chagiga

To the Editor:

It is this writer's opinion that the festivities of Purim were seriously marred by the nature of the performance at the *chagiga*. Poking fun is within the spirit of levity of Purim. But there is a profound difference between poking fun and outright, malicious slander. *Lashon harah* has no place on Purim nor at any other time, and its usage as part of an official,

schoolwide activity is an evil commentary on Yeshiva.

The attack on the intelligence of a well-known member of the administration was unwarranted and unjustified. I am certain that the individual in question, after having acquired the learning necessary for *simicha*, has far more intelligence than his self-righteous, hypocritical mockers give him credit for. In any event, such vicious libel humiliates the man before others and in his own eyes. Let the slanderers henceforth remember the saying of our sages:

"Let the honor of your friend be as dear to you as your own." And let them remember that a truly religious individual is concerned for the feelings of others.

This writer is confident that those students who were part of that shameful incident do not, in any way, represent the majority of Yeshiva students. It is hoped that they will not again disgrace and distort the image of the student body.

Name Withheld

To the Editor:

We feel compelled to express our disappointment with a specific aspect of the recent Purim Chagiga. Purim is, no doubt, a time for *ad delo yoda*, but this certainly is not justification for unfounded, personal attacks against anyone. We are particularly upset with the *hotzaas shem ra* against those sincere people whose efforts to improve life at Yeshiva are quite apparent to us. We would like to emphasize that those malicious attacks by a few individuals are not representative of the *talmidei hayeshiva*.

10 *Smicha* students

Dr. Liebman Addresses Pi Gamma Mu Society

Bureaucratic-rational, traditional, and charismatic authority were discussed by Dr. Charles Liebman, associate professor of political science, in his address to Pi Gamma Mu, National Social Sciences Honor Society, March 25. His topic was, "The Nature of Leadership in American Orthodoxy."



Commentator (by I. Halberstam)
Professor Charles Liebman

When a group believes that its ends will be achieved by following the directions of a particular leader, the bureaucratic rational type of leadership is in effect. Reason for the directives need not be understood because the group feels that an explanation would be forthcoming from the leader if necessary. An example is the corporation in which orders are obeyed though not understood.

A traditionally led community accepts the status quo leadership because it believes that theirs is the way it has always been. Caste systems typify their authoritative form.

Charismatic leaders are followed because they possess charisma qualities especially suiting them for the job. *Chassidic Rebbeim* lead because they are, in di-

rect communication with G-d, a quality only they possess.

Before World War II, the traditional system prevailed in all major cities, excluding New York and Chicago. Each city had its own *Rav*. Today the three branches of American Judaism are tending towards charismatic leadership.

Orthodoxy's chief problem is that it is no longer the roam of a majority of Jews.

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Dr. Liebman cited the stifling of dialogue, between the leaders and the lay as the major problem of charismatic authority. It can force dissenters to leave the movement for lack of room for expression. In order to prevent such losses, it will be necessary to provide dissenters with access to the leaders as long as *P'sak* is not challenged.

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Brooklyn Poly Provides Excitement As YU Wrestling Team Finish Season

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him away" early in the second period.

Usually the only excitement left in Joel Pruzansky's matches is seeing how fast or by how much he'll beat his opponent. But it being his last collegiate match, he put on an extra display of courage. Joel has been trying to protect his injured shoulder for much of the season, but in this final match his luck didn't hold, and he suffered a separation. The match was again stopped for injuries but Joel insisted on finishing his match. Even with the use of one arm, Joel fought with all the strength and heart he had and won by a six point lead.

When Lewis Zinkin, co-captain of the team, stepped out, the score was 8-8. Wrestling a man fourteen pounds heavier than himself, he stayed conservative throughout the match and shut-out his opponent by a 5-0 decision, putting Yeshiva ahead for the first time.

Peter Barron wrestles as smoothly as anyone could wish, and recent wins bear this out. But Peter found his man difficult to keep down and lost his match on a decision. Once again the score was tied up at 11-11.

With the pressure of each match piling up, Shelly Katz knew he had to secure a win and nothing less. Shelly went to town much to the displeasure of his opponent who kept trying to run off the mat. Shelly just couldn't find the chance to turn him over and had to settle for a decision.

The score was now 14-11 in our favor, and one more match to go. Sandy Hirsch, wrestling heavyweight, had only a few months' experience and had been meeting men much bigger than himself, costing him all of his matches. If Sandy lost by a pin it would cost us the meet; if he lost on points it would be a final draw. It seemed doubtful if he could go through a whole nine minutes and win on points. And so it was up to Sandy to pin his man if we were to win. When his opponent stepped out on the mat, chances

looked dim. But Sandy wrestled with all heart and was not to be shaken by anyone. He was taken down in the first period but held out for the rest of the period. In the second period, his opponent secured a near fall on Sandy but with an amazing display of strength and will power, Sandy fought out of it, reversed on his man and pinned him. As soon as the referee slammed the mat for the pin, the crowd went wild. Sandy was mobbed from all sides even before he could come off the mat. Cheers were shouted over and over again; Sandy was picked up and carried around the mat; everyone hugged and congratulated each other. The coach just smiled and said, "He's a winner," and Sandy could only say, "It feels great!" Everyone had reason to feel great.

Coach Sarachek Touting Rokach For Metropolitan Cage Honors

Sheldon Rokach has won top honors in the 1964-65 Knickerbocker Collegiate Basketball



Sheldon Rokach '66 (left) and Steve Gralla '65 both won spots in the Knickerbocker Collegiate Basketball League for scoring and rebounding. Rokach placed in the 'A' team while Gralla was included in the 'B' team.

League for scoring and rebounding. Rokach, a junior, averaged 24



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Coach Bernard 'Red' Sarachek, who is booming his court ace for All-New York City honors, maintains that "Shelley's performance this season certainly makes him eligible for metropolitan area honors. A lot of people know his record: 470 points for 20 games; 48 points against Queens College to set an all-time high for Yeshiva scoring; he shot 18 out of 28 from outside the bucket and grabbed 30 rebounds in that game. Against Marist College, he scored 38 points and had 17 rebounds. Against Drew University, he got 32 rebounds and 30 points. In eight out of the 20 games we played, Rokach scored 25 or more points per game."

Sarachek, who is marking his 21st year as coach of the Mighty Mites, says that Rokach's performance this season is one of the greatest he has ever seen at Yeshiva. "Shelley, on numerous occasions, outshot, and outjumped men who were a lot taller," the Yeshiva University athletic head said.

Rokach, a graduate of Rabbi Jacob Joseph High School is a junior majoring in history at Yeshiva College.

Maccabiah Preliminaries In Yeshiva Gymnasium

American Maccabiah Wrestling Team tryouts will be held Sunday May 2, in the YC gymnasium at 1:30 & 7:30 P.M. Olympic gold and silver medal winner YC wrestling coach, Henry Wittenberg will recruit and train the team.

"There should be some very exciting matches," Coach Wittenberg said, noting the numerous champions among the 35 applicants. Mike Wittenberg the coach's son, a member of the 1964 Olympic squad and 1964 Senior Met Heavy Wt. Champion will be present along with the Pruzansky brothers, Yeshiva's Joel and his younger brother David, N.J. State Champion. Second place NCAA winner Dick Slutsky will compete in the 171.5 lb. class; Bruce Jacobsohn, University of Pennsylvania champion will start as a heavyweight. Penn State's third place NCAA winner, Mark Pives will also see action on the mat.

Donations of 50 cents will be collected at the door to help equip

the team for the trip. "It will be more than worth it," predicted Coach Wittenberg.

Original short stories by YC students may be entered in the Jerome Robbins Memorial contest before April 30th in the office of the Dean. Prize for the contest sponsored by the class of '43 is a \$25-E bond.

Entries should be typed or clearly handwritten on one side of 8x11" paper, and include a title page as well as author identification submitted in a sealed envelope along with title page information. Although contest rules impose no limit on length, the judges, English dept. faculty members, will take conciseness into consideration.

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points-per-game this season in league play and 23.5 points-per-game in overall play for the Mighty Mites who finished this year with a 7-13 record.

Shelley, ranked among the top ten in the nation in small college rebounding with a 21.2 average, had a 20.6 average in Knickerbocker League play.

Y.U. BASKETBALL STATISTICS													
Name	G	PG	FGA	Pct.	FT	FTA	Pct.	RB	Avg.	Pts.	Avg.	Stk.	Avg.
Rokach	20	169	390	.433	132	195	.677	411	20.6	470	23.5	124	6.2
Gralla	20	99	220	.450	49	68	.721	164	8.2	247	12.4	12	0.6
Stern	20	89	191	.466	53	108	.490	75	3.8	240	12.0	12	0.6
Halpert	20	63	128	.492	27	62	.519	73	3.7	153	7.7	13	0.7
Wiener	16	34	92	.370	23	30	.767	45	2.8	111	6.9	5	0.3
Palefski	19	28	44	.636	12	22	.545	35	1.8	68	3.6	8	0.4
Shumansky	15	6	12	.500	8	12	.667	7	0.5	20	1.3	1	0.1
Spelner	17	3	15	.200	7	9	.778	7	0.4	27	1.6	0	0.0
Pachter	9	4	16	.250	3	8	.375	10	1.1	11	1.2	1	0.1
Sherman	6	1	2	.500	1	2	.500	2	0.4	3	0.5	0	0.0
Kurz	11	0	1	.000	3	6	.500	0	0.0	3	0.3	0	0.0
Bernstein	3	0	1	.000	2	2	1.000	0	0.0	2	0.7	0	0.0
Goldschmidt	3	1	2	.500	0	0	.000	0	0.0	2	0.7	0	0.0
Horn	1	0	0	.000	0	0	.000	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Fine	5	0	1	.000	0	0	.000	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Total	20	497	1116	.445	328	506	.650	880	44.0	1323	66.2	144	7.2
Opponents	20	696	1316	.460	242	384	.630	776	38.8	1454	72.7	144	7.2

Juniors Clinch Third Position After Seniors Cop Top Spot

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bench with two minutes remaining in the game. This was a successful piece of strategy by Coach Gralla as Chico Wasserman put on a "spectacular" dribbling exhibition to check the sophs from any further scoring. The game ended on a sour note when Chief Referee Wettstein had to reprimand some of the sophs for their unsportsmanlike conduct.

Senior Jay Garsman and Neil

Katz shared game scoring honors with 11 points apiece while Murray Goldstein and Barry Rosner paced the sophs with ten points each.

In the preliminary event the juniors copped third place in the league by defeating the freshmen, 49-41, to avenge an earlier loss at the hands of the frosh. The juniors overwhelmed the freshmen in the first two periods of play and then battled to hold onto their lead for the remainder of the game. Freshman Jake Bauman led all scorers with 16 points and was followed in his team's scoring by Dave Fiedler with 12 points. High men for the winners were Steve Katz with 15 and Vel Werblowsky with 11.

The juniors, in winning, improved their record to three victories and four losses. The frosh finished with a 2-5 record.

In a game played on Tuesday, March 9, at the YU gym, the juniors defeated the Semicha team for the second time this season. After a nip 'n' tuck battle for the first three quarters of play, the juniors overwhelmed Semicha in the fourth quarter and rolled up an impressive 66-47 victory. The Semicha team has the dubious distinction of not winning a game all season. They have lost four.

Zauderer And Kops Named Leaders Of Next Season's Fencing Team

Maurice Zauderer '66 was unanimously elected captain of the

FENCING AVERAGES			
NAME	W	L	Pct.
ADRIE Feldman	20	13	.606
John Konovitch	7	6	.538
Alan Felsenfeld	14	20	.412
Martin Feldman	2	13	.138
Shalom Rackovsky	1	2	.333
Mark Berels	0	4	.000
Robert Danziger	0	4	.000
Total	47	61	.435
FOIL			
Sidney Kallah	9	16	.375
Maurice Zauderer	11	22	.333
Emanuel Saidlower	6	12	.333
Arthur Mantel	2	5	.286
Victor Kops	1	0	1.000
Howard Rosenberg	0	3	.000
Howard Davis	0	2	.000
Total	33	75	.305
EPEE			
Victor Kops	10	6	.625
Warren Goldman	11	10	.520
Howard Davis	8	13	.385
John Konovitch	4	8	.333
Howard Rothman	4	8	.333
Alan Lehrer	4	6	.444
John Bernstein	2	6	.250
Robert Danziger	0	2	.000
Robert Goldberg	0	2	.000
Howard Rosenberg	0	1	.000
Arthur Mantel	0	1	.000
Mark Berels	0	2	.000
Total	43	66	.349

fencing team for the 1965-66 season. At the team meeting held after the Merchant Marine Match, Vic Kops '66 was elected co-captain.

Maurice is a math-physics major and attends RIETS. He is a resident of Manhattan and graduated Rabbi Jacob Joseph High School. Maurice was started on foil and won 11 matches this season.

Vic is a psychology major and also attends RIETS. He is from Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. Vic fenced both epee and foil and won a total of 11 matches.

At the meets, Maurice said: "There's not much to say about this year's record. I can only say we all hope to reverse it next season." The fencing team finished with a 1-11 record.

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Tennis Schedule Lists Nine Racketeer Meets

Yeshiva University has scheduled nine tennis matches for the 1965 season, it was announced by athletic director Bernard (Red) Sarachek. The tennis team, coached by Eli Epstein, now in his 14th year with the Blue and White, will volley its first ball on April 12.

Last season, Yeshiva University ended its intercollegiate tennis season with a 6-2 mark. This season, Coach Epstein hopes to better last year's won-lost record due to a more experienced squad.

The Yeshiva netmen take to the courts on Monday, April 12 at Adelphi. Yeshiva University will play its home matches at Mullaly Park Tennis Courts, 164th Street and Jerome Avenue, Bronx, N.Y.

Seniors Down Soph's Team

by Michael Groob

In a playoff game on Monday, March 15, at George Washington High School, the senior intramural team defeated the once-mighty sophomore team by a score of 42-30 to capture the Intramural League championship.

The seniors, although playing without starter Mike Aronwald, simply outplayed a sophomore team that had not lost a contest until their last game of the regular season. In that game they were beaten by the same senior team, 41-27. It seems that the sophs have not recovered the spark that carried them to 15 consecutive victories over a two year span.

Their 6-5 first quarter lead was the closest they got to victory as the seniors, coached by Steve Gralla, outscored them in the second quarter, 14-1, and again in the third quarter, 13-4.

In fact, at one stage of the final quarter, the seniors had opened up a 25 point spread. At that time the score was 38-13. The sophs in an effort to make their defeat less humiliating, instituted a full-court press. This proved to be quite effective as they narrowed the gap to ten points. Never to be outdone, the seniors cleared their

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The Schedule:

April 2, at Adelphi; April 14, at City College of New York; April 27, Pace Institute; April 30, Long Island University.

May 3, at New York Maritime College; May 6, Pratt Institute; May 7, at Iona College; May 13, Webb Institute; May 18, at U.S. Merchant Marine Academy (Kings Point).

Michael Samet, a senior from 1136 Harris Street, Far Rockaway, N.Y., is captain of the Epstein-coached squad.

Other tennis team members are: Jack Haller, senior, of the Bronx; Mordecai Lightman, freshman, of Lowell, Mass.; Noah Lightman, senior, of Lowell, Mass.; Victor Kops, junior, of Philadelphia, Penna.; George Kornfeld, freshman, of Elmira, N.Y.; Donald Zisquit, sophomore, of Miami Beach, Fla.; and David Shapiro, sophomore, of Miami Beach.

Also on the Blue and White tennis squad are: Jack Bendheim, freshman, of Manhattan; David Carmel, sophomore, of Paterson, N.J.; Elliot Gellman, freshman, of Charleston, S.C.; Sanford Moos, junior, Hicksville, N.Y.; Steve Savitsky, sophomore, of Brooklyn; and David Schreiber, senior, of Manhattan.

Intramural All-Stars To Face MJHSL; Exceptional Team Led By Four Seniors

by Fred Nagler

Twelve intramural stars, including four from the victorious senior team, were chosen to represent Yeshiva against the all-stars of the Metropolitan Jewish High School League.

In selecting the team, Mr. Hy Wettstein, head of the intramural committee, refused to name a starting five, explaining: "It is impossible to pick out five at the moment because of the depth of the team."

The team is led by a senior, Shelly Silver who, with his Elgin Baylorlike movements, led the seniors to the Championship and acquired the Most Valuable Player award. Other seniors include Mike Aronwald, Jay Garsman, and Neil Katz. The sophomores placed three on the team, Harv Bachman, Murray Goldstein, and Mel Haller while the juniors and frosh two each. Harvey Ostreicher and Vel Werblowsky represent the juniors and Jack Bauman and Barry Eisenberg were the frosh selected.

Matty Shatzkes, the lone smicha student to make the team, has been singled out as an outstanding contributor to the intramural program throughout his stay at Yeshiva and will receive an award at the Athletic Dinner.

Athletic Coordinator Harold "Chico" Wasserman announced that the final standings in intramurals are as follows: basketball — seniors, sophomores, juniors, freshmen, smicha; and volleyball — seniors, juniors, sophomores, freshmen. He further stated that the ping-pong tournament would be

held some Tuesday within the near future and that all those interested should contact him.

A special thanks is owed to Mr. Wettstein for giving his time to the intramural program and especially for his acquisition of the George Washington High School Gym for the Playoffs.

On The Sidelines



The Psychology of Tennis

by Neil Koslowe

"The most important thing in a tennis match," declared Don Zisquit, number one player on YU's tennis team, "is to come out on top." Mike Samet, the number two player, heartily agrees. "I just don't like the thought of coming back to my friends after a match and telling them I lost."

"You'd be amazed," said Don, "as to how many matches can be clinched through psychology. Of course, psychological techniques are only useful in limited cases. But they are an important part of the game." Don and Mike went on to explain some of the special techniques that are always useful, and some that are employed as a means of counter-attack for especially uncouth opponents.

The first thing is the approach to the court. "You've got to look like a professional," said Don. "Always enter with a number of good-looking rackets." Mike makes sure to wear those little white sweatbands many pros wear around their wrists. "I often bring a number of sets of sunglasses with me," related Mike, "and when I switch sides or a cloud appears, I exchange them. This usually impresses my opponent."

A special invention of Mike's was to wear a blue baseball cap. The utter ridiculousness of it was usually enough to intimidate an opponent. But to make sure the opponent noticed, Mike would catch out-of-bounds balls in it like Willie Mays or stretch it over his head to snare high, errant shots. Mike sometimes brings bottles of alcohol and tubes of suntan lotion along. The alcohol (you'll never guess) is used to clean his glasses every so often. "It really works."

Once the opponent has stepped onto the court, the first size-up takes place. "Last season," recalled Mike, "I walked onto the court, looked across, and raised my eyes six feet and seven inches off the ground." This obviously required a special technique because any guy that tall means trouble. "So," he continued, "during the warm-ups I hit every shot into the net or off the court. If before the game the guy thought he had me, after this exhibition he was positive. On the first point, though, I lobbed the ball over his shoulder and out of reach. He was so shaken that he won only three points the entire match!"

The second general area of technique is related to the score of the match. "When you're behind, you try to slow it up, and when you're ahead, you try to quicken the pace," said Don. This is where Mike's suntan lotion comes in handy. Mike may sometimes take a break for a special rubdown for 'medical reasons.'

There are other, more specialized techniques, but they are used only in extreme cases where the opponent has started first or is overly obnoxious. They include calling out the score when it's in your favor, calling out double faults on serves, expressing regret on nifty shots off the net or right on the line, etc. But it must be emphasized that these or any of the techniques mentioned are rarely used at all, and when they are, it is only once or twice in a very inconspicuous manner. Nevertheless, even the real champions use them, for they are all permissible.

There is no substitute, though, for talent. "The best way to win," concluded Don, "is to outplay your man. That's the way I like to win." A good supporting crowd helps immensely, too, so students who have the time are urged to attend the matches. It will certainly be an unusual experience.

Hirsch Wins Close Match; Grand Finale Arouses Fans

by Lewis Zinkin

After losing their last few matches, the wrestling team ended the season against Brooklyn Poly in a match that few will forget. The tenseness and excitement car-

ried throughout the meet broke loose into uncontrollable joy with the final and deciding victory by Sandy Hirsch, Yeshiva's heavy-

weight. It was close — the score never indicating victory for either team — until the upset gave Yeshiva a 19-11 win.

Steve Brimer stepped out to an



Commentator (by I. Halberstam)

Joel Pruzanaky scores for Yeshiva at Brooklyn Poly match.

enthusiastic round of applause as the match began. Steve's man was fast and strong but Steve held a definite control over him. During the first period, though, while his opponent attempted a "snap-down," Steve hit the mat and dislocated his elbow. The match was immediately stopped and a makeshift support was applied to his arm. Steve suffered great pain and after several minutes was taken to the hospital. Yeshiva was down both in spirits and five points.

Harold (Chico) Wasserman, 130 lb. division, held a lead on his man until the last period. Chico had escaped and taken him down but his man reversed and put Chico into a predicament, giving his opponent a win by decision. Yeshiva was now down 8-0.

Neil Ellman gave us our first break. Neil has a tendency of starting off a little unsure of himself, but as soon as he saw that he was the better of the two he "put

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