

Koslowe To Edit Newspaper; Horwitz Named To Assist

by Chaim Lauer

Neil Koslowe '66 was elected Editor-in-Chief of THE COMMENTATOR for the coming year at the annual election held Wednesday, May 12, through Thursday, May 13. Henry Horwitz '66 and Jonathan Bernstein '66 were chosen to be Associate Editor and Senior Editor respectively.

The Editor-in-Chief, a history major attending TIM, served in the capacity of Sports Editor of this year's paper. A graduate of Yeshiva University High School in Manhattan, he is on the Dean's List and the TIM Director's List. He is Vice-President of the Debating Society and a member of Pi Gamma Mu, the social sciences honor society.

A chemistry major in RIETS, Henry Horwitz was this year's Managing Editor. He is on the Dean's List and is a member of Alpha Omega Delta, the pre-med society, as well as Pi Mu Epsilon, the math honor society. The Associate Editor is also Vice-President of the Chemistry Club and co-editor of the Chemistry Journal. A student in the Rav's shiur, Henry, too, is a national treasurer of Yavneh and captain of the YC "B" Chess Team.

Formerly Copy Editor, Jonathan Bernstein is an economics major and is a student in RIETS. He is taking courses to be an accountant, and for excitement he is a Varsity letterman on the Fencing team.

Other members of the Governing Board are: Emanuel Saidlower '66, Managing Editor; Marvin Welcher '66, Executive Editor; Larry Grossman '66, Literary

SSSJ Group Confers With Soviet Official

by Noah Lightman

The Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry sent a small force to Washington, D.C., on May 18 to serve as vanguard for its mass "Geulah" March on October 31. The leaders of the demonstration succeeded in securing an audience with Mr. Mishkov, first secretary of the Soviet embassy.

From the start it became apparent to all that there could be no communication between us. We repeatedly referred to our facts quoted from American sources, and he rebutted by calling them lies and referring to his "facts" as reported in Soviet Life. Our appear was simple. Why are the Jews of Russia not allowed to display the same cultural expressions as the Jews of Poland and Yugoslavia? Certainly the practice of Judaism in these countries has not harmed socialism. Is it a natural, historical . . .

Editor; Arye Gordon '66, Feature Editor; Chaim Lauer '67, News Editor; Howard Rosman '67, Copy Editor; and David Mirvis '67, Layout Editor.

An English major in RIETS, Managing Editor Saidlower is a member of the Varsity Fencing team and is Tournament Director for the Bridge Club.

Former News Editor Marvin Welcher is a chemistry major at-



Editor Koslowe

tending Rav Gorelick's shiur in RIETS. He is President of the American Chemistry Society, Stu-

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Berlin Elected Council President As Write-In Campaign Fails

by Harry Wejsman

In an election in which two of the candidates ran unopposed, Joseph I. Berlin '66, David Eisenberg '66, and Melvin Lerner '67 were elected respectively, president, vice-president, and secretary-treasurer of Student Council Wednesday, May 12, 1965.

Mr. Berlin, a resident of Brooklyn, was the only candidate on the ballot for the office of president. There was, however, a strong last-minute write-in campaign for Gerald Weisfogel. Mr. Eisenberg achieved a large plurality of votes over his opponents. Melvin Lerner from Miami, Florida, ran unopposed.

A student in J.S.P., Joseph I. Berlin is a chemistry major and will be the first student from J.S.P. to hold the office of Student Council President. He was president of the junior class and vice president of the Dramatics Society. He is also president of the Chemistry Club. His campaign, entitled "Renaissance," promised a rebirth of the student government

through implementation of an 18-point program.

A native of Scranton and also a J.S.P. student, Mr. Eisenberg is a pre-med major. He served



President Berlin

as president of his sophomore class, initiated ski trips, and put out the student directory. He is president of the Pre-med Honor

Society. In his campaign, Mr. Eisenberg promised to return the sale of text books to student hands and to change the grading system so that plusses will be counted.

Melvin Lerner, like Mr. Eisenberg a pre-med major, is a student in RIETS. His extra-curricular activities include corresponding secretary of Student Council, an appointive position as the assistant to the secretary-treasurer of YCSC.

The elections for class officers were held May 6, one week prior to executive council elections. Yitzhak Halberstam was elected president of next year's senior class, defeating Milton Ottensoser in a run-off election held concurrently with the executive council elections. The two had tied in the first election. Stanley Fischman and William C. Berkowitz were elected vice-president and secretary-treasurer, respectively. Larry Ciment, a RIETS pre-med major, from Miami, defeated Melvin Haller for the presidency of the coming junior class. Wally Davidowitz was elected vice-president and Rubin Cooper secretary-treasurer.

In the largest class election in Yeshiva's history, Gary Rosenblatt was elected on the first ballot, defeating Chaim Feller and Robert Koppel for the office of president of the sophomore class. Yitzie Pognow was elected vice-president and Ronald Gross secretary-treasurer.

Richard Forman '65, chairman of the elections committee, announced that 94% of the freshman class, 88% of the sophomore class, and 90% of the junior class voted in the class elections. This brought the over-all average of college voting to an unusually high 91%.

Judge Botein To Keynote Graduation; Seven Notables To Receive Degrees

Presiding Justice of the Appellate Division of the New York State Supreme Court Justice Bernard Botein will deliver the keynote address at the 34th annual commencement exercises of Yeshiva University, Tuesday, June 15, and receive an honorary Doctor of Laws degree. Justice Botein is one of seven distinguished people who will be honored.

Justice Botein, a well-known reformer, is a leader in the cam-

pador Nathan Barnes, Dr. Mary S. Bunting, Mr. Francis Keppel, Dr. Willis I. Lamb Jr., and Dr. Solomon Zeitlin.

Ambassador Barnes, the permanent representative to the United Nations from Liberia since 1960, is one of his country's foremost diplomats. He was the secretary of the Liberian Delegation at the San Francisco Conference in 1945 which set up the U.N. He has served as President

U.S. Atomic Energy Commission. She has served as dean of Douglass College, the women's college of Rutgers, the State University of New Jersey, and taught at Bennington College, Goucher College, Yale University, and at Wellesley College.

U.S. Commissioner of Education since 1962, Mr. Keppel served as dean of the Graduate School of Education at Harvard University from 1948-1962. He has served on national and international committees for the Nigerian Government.

A Nobel Laureate, Dr. Lamb is Henry Ford II professor of physics at Yale University. He has done work in atomic structure, microwave spectroscopy, fine structure of hydrogen and helium, and magnetron oscillators. He has taught at Columbia University, Harvard University, and Oxford University, as well as at Yale.

Horace Stern professor of Jewish Law and Lore at Dropsie College, Philadelphia, since 1925, Dr. Zeitlin is known for his investigation of the Dead Sea Scrolls and modern scholarship, and has written many books on Jewish history.

The only Doctor of Divinity degree will be given to Rabbi Mordecai Kirshblum, a member of the Executive and head of the Torah-Education and Culture Department of the Jewish Agency's American Section, former president of the Mizrahi Organization of America and senior Vice-Chairman of the American Zionist Council.



(YU Public Relations)

Participants in YU Commencement, (top, left to right:) Dr. Samuel Belkin, Dr. Mary Bunting, Francis Keppel, Justice Bernard Botein, (bottom, left to right:) Ambassador Nathan Barnes, Dr. Willis Lamb, Jr., Rabbi Mordecai Kirshblum, and Dr. Solomon Zeitlin.

paign for court reorganization. He has written many books, including *The Slum and Crime*, which is regarded as a standard text in the field of housing.

A Doctor of Humane Letters degree will be given to Amba-

of the Security Council, President of the Trusteeship council, and chairman of a number of committees.

Dr. Bunting, president on leave of Radcliffe College since 1960, is, at present, a member of the

Abrams Tells Of Credit For Talmud

College credit Talmud courses in RIETS will now be offered under a newly instituted program. Effective in the Fall Semester of 1965, a limited number of credits may be transferred by interested students on a voluntary, optional, elective basis.

The policy change was announced jointly in a press conference by Mr. Norman B. Abrams, Administrative Director of RIETS, and Dr. Isaac Bacon, Dean of Yeshiva College. This change had been recently approved by Dr. Samuel Belkin, President of Yeshiva University.

Any student in the undergraduate division of RIETS may transfer two credits for a maximum of four semesters.

The Dean stated that Mr. Abrams, Prof. Silverman, and he

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A Cooperative For Students

As the second year of joint management of the student co-op store by Student Council and the owners of Tov M'od Inc. closes, we take this opportunity to consider the sagacity of this arrangement. As most students know, a book store is an enterprise which exists solely for the benefit of the student. There he expects to find the specific books he needs, as well as prices which reflect the lowest possible expense to him.

If these be the criteria for an efficient student co-op, why is it that the present situation is far from ideal? Prices are generally no lower here than at some commercial bookstores, much less at other college bookstores. Bills continue to go unpaid and credit steadily diminishes. Council examiners have not been able to see the books of account. Presumably they are not in order. It is probable that the profit motive plays too great a role under the existing arrangement.

From The Editor's Desk:

Commentator Blueprint For '65-'66

by Neil Koslowe

"The Yeshiva proposes to establish a College of Liberal Arts and Sciences . . . with the double purpose [emphasis ours] of educating both liberally and Jewishly a number of Jewish young men . . ."

So wrote Dr. Bernard Revel z.t.l., first president of Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary and, later, Yeshiva College, on May 31, 1925. The idea contained in that statement appeared to be reaffirmed by Dr. Belkin, President of Yeshiva University. He wrote in one of his essays that, "It is our intention to give to secular education a higher purpose and make the Yeshiva, and Yeshiva College, a living symbol of intellectual progress and moral activity."

Yeshiva College was established "not for the sake of adding another college to the many excellent institutions of higher learning already in existence in this blessed land," wrote Dr. Belkin. Its founders and its leaders conceived of the phrase "Jew-

ish auspices" to connote much more than a general spirit of Judaism that would delicately hover about the place. Rather, the principles and moral teachings of Orthodox Judaism were to be meticulously woven into the college. Today, however, at Yeshiva University, there is evidence that our course has been altered.

Rarely in history has a more crucial threat been posed to religion than the threat now being presented by secularism. It is all too evident that religion is playing less and less of an active role in the lives of Americans than previously was the case. Judaism in America has most definitely felt the sting of skepticism, and the rawness that is a symbol of assimilation has been displayed all too tragically in the mixed marriage and early divorce. We are living in an age, too, when suburbanized Jews at the age of six openly disclaim belief in G-d; when graduates of Yeshiva high schools enter

It is doubtful that we should want a partner whose primary purpose in undertaking this particular venture is to make money.

Since it is beginning to appear that the actual outcome of this year's activities is far from what was expected, we urge Student Council to conduct a detailed examination of the situation so that the student may receive the benefits he deserves.

Urgently Needed

Recent history of Orthodox Jewry in America must be termed a paradox. On the one hand religious commitment on the part of American Jews is obviously less than it used to be. Mixed marriages have become everyday occurrences. Yet, signs of a rejuvenation of religious spirit, especially among our younger generation, are to be seen everywhere. Our own JSP is but one example of this trend.

Some observers emphasize the bleak side of the picture; it is predicted that American Jewry will wither away in a few decades. Many sincerely religious people see only the rosy aspect. They are satisfied to let events take their course; they close their eyes to the deadly dangers which Orthodoxy must face.

There has always been a vital need for an organization which sees the entire situation and is ready to act in defense of our heritage. We are therefore happy to note that such a group has been instituted, the B'nai Avraham. Its energetic leaders have committed themselves to upgrading the level of religious study and practice among junior and senior high school students. It is essential that the efforts of B'nai Avraham lead to significant results.

THE COMMENTATOR applauds the fact that the councils of the three religious divisions have voted to endorse B'nai Avraham, and can only hope that the organization will strike roots throughout the metropolitan area.

All students have a moral obligation to join in the work of this group. The future of American Orthodoxy is not determined by statistics. It is determined by each one of us. Students of Yeshiva University must accept this challenge. We think they will.

A Closer Look

The administration of RIETS has announced that in the future, students will have the option of transferring credits from their Talmudic studies to their college record. It has been recognized for a long time that something in this area had to be done, but we feel that this plan leaves much to be desired, both in the technical aspects of its implementation and in its broader implications.

On the technical level, we question the practicality of the testing system that has been proposed. We are dubious of the validity of any uniform test given to all RIETS students, since the material covered each term varies considerably from *shiur* to *shiur*, both in quantity and quality.

A more serious problem, not dealt with directly by this new plan, is the equating of credit transfer in RIETS with that in TIM and JSP. In the latter divisions, credits are transferred from the morning studies to fulfill the Jewish studies requirements of the students. Under the new plan, RIETS students still do not have this privilege. The RIETS students must still transfer the same number of afternoon Jewish studies credits, whether they use the option plan or not. A uniform policy, or a complete and clear explanation of the need for a non-uniform policy, should be issued by the RIETS administration.

Another aspect of the administration's announcement that we find ourselves at odds with is the new policy regarding absences. While the optional Talmudic transfer plan applies to only certain students, the administration included in its announcement an absence policy that will be imposed on everyone in RIETS. The maximum announced allowance for unexcused absences has been set at 5, after which a student may be placed on probation. This is an unreasonable and unrealistic limit.

A limited allowance of cuts may be a necessity, but it should certainly be more commensurate with the number of days and hours per term during which *shiurim* are given. We find the limit of 5 unexcused absences to be unjust, and we ask that a more satisfactory arrangement be reached. Consultation with the *Rabbayim*, as well as student leaders, would be welcome.

secular colleges and find that they lack firm roots in their faith and are perplexed and in doubt as to their heritage; and when far too many Orthodox Jews remain aloof and unconcerned over the fate of their brethren or the fate of their countrymen.

Here is where Yeshiva University should be playing a primary role. Its students should be equipped with the educational facilities to inculcate Orthodox principles in their fellow Jews as well as their fellow Americans. They should form the vanguard of our "kingdom of priests," and emerge from Yeshiva University with a "higher purpose" than simply the pursuit of livelihoods. The Yeshiva University itself should be utilizing every resource it possesses to insure that this primary goal be achieved.

Bitterly, remorsefully, the observer can see and hear and feel that such a network of activity is not functioning at Yeshiva University as it should. Too many

students leave and sever official ties with the Yeshiva and its undertakings. Too many Yeshiva high schools graduates are searching for answers about their own beliefs because the most basic and elementary course in religious thought, philosophy, and understanding, was never even touched upon in their four-year curriculum. Too many resources—both human and organizational—of Yeshiva University are not being supported or used as they should. And too many people around here are static in their outlook on these problems.

THE COMMENTATOR will be dedicated in the coming year to making all concerned aware that we have a "higher purpose" to achieve. The view of our yeshiva will be that, hopefully, envisaged by the revered Rabbi Avraham Yitzhak Haohen Kook z.t.l. for his own yeshiva. As related by the late Dr. Isidore Epstein, Rav Kook's model yeshiva would be made up of students who "would

not be encouraged to be pedants but to be active, ever ready exponents in the living world of the thoughts that are in them." In this way, "a satisfactory solution of the problems of the times on the lines of tradition" will emanate.

To attain this goal, Yeshiva University may have to revamp its college curriculum; reorganize the religious divisions; embark on a crash program to build up libraries both of a secular and Judaic nature; seek out the best available talent; support and encourage its Youth Bureau, its Community Services Division, its Audio-Visual Center, its faculty; and re-evaluate its high school system. It ought to do all these things.

The Commentator may achieve nothing. It may, however, cause some to reflect.

If work is required, we will work.

If criticism is required, we will criticize.

And forcefully, for the end we seek is just.

Berman President Of TISC In Unparalleled Student Vote

William Berman '66, Robert Pick '67, and Howard Salob '66 were elected president, vice-president, and secretary-treasurer respectively of the TI student council, Wednesday, May 12. Beating the nearest contender by 22 votes, Mr. Berman defeated Irving Jabitsky '66 and Ephraim Buchwald '67. Mr. Pick defeated

Bell '67 is the new secretary-treasurer.

The Class 7 officers will be Jack Stern '67, Ira Spiler '67, and Howard Rosman '67.

According to Mel Twersky '67, chairman of the Canvassing Committee, a record 80% of Class 3, 85% of Class 4, 94% of Class 5, 95% of Class 6, and 85% of Class



(Commentator) Newly elected TISC officers discuss plans for upcoming year. From left to right are Howard Salob, Sec'y-Treas., William Berman, Pres., and Robert Pick, Vice-pres.

Mark Epstein '66 by a narrow margin, and Mr. Salob beat Isaac Hagler '67.

Wilbur Reinfeld was chosen president of Class 5, the only position in his class for which candidates appeared on the ballot. Joel Cutler '67 was elected vice-president on a write-in but since no one received more than two votes for secretary-treasurer, that position remains open.

President of next year's Class 6 is Barry Levy '67, vice president is Jeffrey Roth '68, and Howard

7 voted. This was the largest voter turn-out in the history of TI. This brought the over-all average of TI voting to an, unusually high 88%.

SSSJ Increases Pressures In Washington; Plans 'Geula' March As October Followup

(Continued from page one) cal phenomenon that over 300 synagogues have been closed down in Russia since 1956? Mr. Mishkov

answered that the Jews do have a Yiddish monthly and a Yiddish newspaper.

In reply to our second question,

he cited an article in *Soviet Life* allegedly written by Rabbi Natan Olevsky, the 92 year old rabbi of Moscow. Rabbi Olevsky states that there is no shortage of religious articles and prayer books. "The number of Jewish believers," he states, "has fallen off greatly and tends to keep falling." Mr. Mishkov concluded that what we are doing by demonstrating under false premises is spoiling relations between our countries.

Later in the afternoon, we met with Mr. Steerman of the U.S. State Department. Mr. Steerman encouraged us to continue demonstrating. He felt, however, that the State Department could not officially take a public stand on the issue.

What have we accomplished with all our lectures, positions, and demonstrations? The best answer to that question is found in quotes from articles which appeared in the *New York Times*. "Washington, April 12, 1965: The Administration has changed its mind and has told Congress that a resolution condemning the Soviet Union's treatment of Jews might have 'positive effects'." "Washington, April 15, 1965: The State Department said today that it now supported a Congressional resolution condemning Soviet persecution of Jews. Such condemnation, the State Department said, might contribute to the world pressure on the Soviet Union to stop anti-Semitic practices. The Soviet Government appears to have become increasingly sensitive to the unfavorable publicity it has received... and may have moderated some of its policies accordingly."

Yeshiva Students Form Group; Sponsor Projects To Aid Youth

by Arthur Saslow

Over 150 representatives of student councils, youth organizations, and student bodies of Yeshiva and Stern College met May 10 to discuss and plan projects to bring the American Jewish teenager back to Torah.

This meeting was held under the auspices of B'nai Avraham, a service organization of youth leaders under the direction of Yitzchak Rosenberg, Joe Wikler, and Arye Strikovsky. The directors stressed that B'nai Avraham is not a youth organization, nor does it in any way compete with any existing organizations. It exists merely to 1) combine the forces of, and 2) assist in all ways possible, the existing movements and those non-affiliated leaders who are working for the same goals.

There were introductory and explanatory speeches on each phase of the organization and its accomplishments to date. Afterwards, the participants broke up into meetings of the various sub-divisions of the organization.

The first branch is Inter-Yeshiva Student Council (chairmen: George Finkelstein and Joe Wikler). Its work is restricted mainly to programs for influencing the *Yeshiva Katana* student to continue his learning. The guest

speaker on this topic was *Moreinu Ha Rav* Aaron Lichtenstein. He remarked that the high drop-out rates of the *Yeshivos Katanos* are caused for the most part by misconceptions and apathy, and explained that there are problems in *Yiddishkeit* today that may fall in the realms of *Hatzalos Nefashos* in a spiritual sense, requiring every yeshiva boy and girl to devote some of his time to these problems. Afterwards, a represen-

enber, Irv Kellmer and Ira Rapaport), has already been going on, on a personal level, in our own YUHSM; and many projects are planned for the future. The sad truth is that many students need the personal contact with older *bachurim* for both aid in *Hashkafa* and development as Torah representatives in the American Jewish Community. Promotion of the *chavrusa* committee's work, training seminars,



(Commentator) Leaders of the B'nai Avraham are (left to right) Yitzchak Rosenberg, Joseph Wikler, Arye Strikovsky, and George Finkelstein.

tative of the Inter-Yeshiva Student Council explained the actual work and recent success of this organization.

The second branch, working in Yeshiva High Schools (Yitz Ros-

and forums are already in the advanced planning stages.

The Office-publications branch (Arthur Saslow) will take care of all office work necessary for the (Continued on page ten)

Letters To The Editor

To The Editor:

Your article criticizing Pollack Library cannot go unanswered. I find it necessary to challenge many of the statements offered.

From my vantage point better than 90% of all students' needs are satisfied at Pollack Library. This statement is due to the fact that we have a policy at the Library, "Don't let the customer leave the store without buying." Staff members are continuously reminded that the student must be served.

Of course, there are areas where Pollack Library cannot be of service. In areas where the University maintains a specialized library, i.e. mathematics, physics, education, and medicine, it would be foolhardy for the Pollack Library to try to build its own empire, duplicating specialized resources which have but a limited clientele on the undergraduate level, especially since budgetary and space limitation problems must be considered. This is the area in which students found fault with the Library in the questionnaire.

It is true that we do not have the *New York Times* microfilm for 1875, but only a few years ago we had no microfilm whatsoever. The Library is building

back files on microfilm each year when it allocates a certain sum of money for the purchase of back files. This year, for the first time, the library has acquired a second microfilm reader. This action indicates the fact that microfilm holdings are being increased steadily.

Periodical-wise, the Library does not own *Delineator*, nor *Woman's Home Companion*, nor *Good* (Continued on page seven)

Geller, Perl YC, TI Leaders

The senior class of '65 has chosen Irwin Geller as its valedictorian. Irwin, an English major in RIETS, is a member of the history, English, and French honor societies. A former Feature Editor of *THE COMMENTATOR* he is also Associate Editor of *Hamevaser*.

Seymour Perl, of Brooklyn, New York, has been chosen Hebrew valedictorian at the Teachers Institute for Men. He will deliver an address in Hebrew on Thursday, June 10, at the TI Senior Dinner. At the same time, the Director of TIM will distribute the prizes.

The valedictorian of the senior class is determined by an election among candidates listed by the Dean. The winner must get unanimous approbation of the faculty. The TI valedictorian is selected by the Director and faculty.

THE COMMENTATOR wishes a speedy *refuah shlema* to Dr. Ralph Rosenberg, Professor of German and Chairman of the Department of German at Yeshiva College. He is recovering from a recent illness at the Flower-Fifth Avenue Hospital in Manhattan. As indicated on the bulletin board near the Registrar's office, he would greatly appreciate student visitors.

Feder Wins Race For RIETS Prexy

Winning candidates in the SOY elections, held Wednesday, May 12, defeated their opponents by large margins. Gary Feder '66 of Rav Lifshitz's *shiur* defeated Mosh Bernstein '66 of the *Rav's shiur*, in the race for the position of president, with 76% of the votes cast. Mr. Feder was vice-president of SOY this year.

Vice-president is George Finklestein '67, of Rav Fishman's *shiur*, who defeated Walter Rosenbaum '66 of Rav Lifshitz's *shiur* by polling 69% of the votes cast. Mr. Finklestein was a class delegate to SOY this year.

Defeating Robert Klingshoffer '67 of Rav Fishman's *shiur*, Eugene Kwalwasser '66 of Rav A. Soloveichik's *shiur* was elected secretary-treasurer. He polled 66% of all the votes cast. Mr. Kwalwasser was also a class delegate this year.

In Retrospect

by Herbert Hermelo

Time, philosophically, is unique and mystifying in its irreversibility; defying definition, it engenders relativity within itself. An hour, depending on surroundings, may be equivalent to a pleasantly fleeting moment, or an eternity of ennui. To assess a year of activity is an overwhelming and perhaps unrealistic assignment. An intelligible assessment of merely what has physically occurred is a formidable task, but to attempt to convey what has transpired in thought, attitude and approach, I believe, is much more difficult. Precisely one year ago tomorrow, "my" first issue of THE COMMENTATOR appeared, and the most rewarding and yet frustrating, exciting and yet monotonous, aggravating and yet pleasurable, year of my life began. This, my concluding, or, in journalistic jargon, "thirty" column, announces retrospection, a looking backwards. The unfortunate necessity of composing this column now, and not several years hence, precludes effective perspective in many instances where the wisdom of certain decisions is still debatable. But the deadline, as always, must be met.

Physically, *The Commentator* published the largest and most comprehensive editions of its history, averaging ten pages per issue, compared with six pages last year, while maintaining a First-Class rating for the first semester, and hopefully achieving an All-American classification for the present term. We presented regular excerpts from past *Commentator* editorials in the new "From the Pages of *Commentator*" column, underscoring the

the consequences. But now to more important, if less easily described, items.

Responsibility

The most pressing problem facing an editor is "to print or not to print." The physical consequences are immediate: either the news or opinions on a particular issue are made public in unclarifiable and frightfully permanent print, or they wallow and die in



Former Editor Hermelo

the editor's mind. A choice of this nature presents two conflicting considerations: the journalistic responsibility of THE COMMENTATOR as a monopoly press to print all the news, analyze it, and raise issues of concern to the students, and the opposing moral responsibility to consider the possible impact on the reputation of Yeshiva and, therefore, a large segment of American Jewry, that a negative or unpleasant article will have, and every misunderstanding and exaggeration that a comment, lifted out of context by an outside reader, may produce. Within YU itself, the appearance of an editorial to publicize a hotly debated matter may arouse the readership,

ume, the results of the Curriculum Evaluation, instituted by YCSC 1963, appeared. The Report succeeded in arousing a great deal of heated argument, unjustly criticized several professors and courses, embarrassed the administration, almost instituted official censorship of COMMENTATOR, narrowly avoided causing myself to be brought before the Judiciary Committee, and little else. In hindsight, it is difficult for me to comprehend the factors that led the editor at that time, an idealistic 19 year old with the same name as mine, to choose to print rather than the more mature alternative of quietly discussing the results with the Dean. This observation, that the confidential use of the conclusions of the Evaluation would result in concrete improvements, not mere sensationalism, was the sole foundation for withholding the second part of the Report. The belief, noted in a letter to the editor printed in the last issue, that a "conspiracy" existed on the Governing Board to print only the first part, on the Humanities and Social Sciences, and to conceal the results of the Natural Sciences, is pure and unadulterated nonsense. The coincidental fact that the editors-in-chief of last year and this year were both pre-meds is irrelevant and the proposition that fear of vengeful science professors was a factor is an insult to the meanest intelligence.

The next issue, and a decision to utilize the power of persuasion rather than print, was partially responsible for the most personally satisfying achievement of the year. The details, by necessity, are still confidential, but the problem can now be recalled. From its founding, the question of what policy the Admissions Committee at YU's Albert Einstein College of Medicine should assume towards applicants from the University's undergraduate division has been raised. Does Einstein, as the only medical school under Orthodox Jewish auspices, have the unique obligation to observant applicants, and if so, to what degree? Student feelings at YC have been consistent and straightforward: Einstein, at worst, was prejudiced against Yeshiva applicants, and at best, was indifferent. University officials expressed varying views, even to the extent of differentiating between personal and official comments, and refused to delineate an official policy. Omitting the details of weeks of discussions at various levels, overt threats, subtle persuasion, and almost James Bond-like intrigue at the highest positions, and fortuitous mistakes, an arrangement was concluded which promises to satisfy the demands of justice and equity. This was an occasion where a decision to publicize the issue would have been disastrous.

Homecoming

The furor surrounding the now infamous "Homecoming Affair" resulted from an initially unwise decision to print what was, in

effect, editorial comment in a sports column. The commotion following the article was aggravated by a classically asinine Student Council meeting, with incomprehensible vascillation of the Council members. The extended discussions following on what Yeshiva is, however, contributed significantly to the spiritual and intellectual atmosphere at YC. I do not believe that any serious reader still believes that the Homecoming Weekend, per se, was the major issue of the debate. Personally, I cannot more vehemently disagree with Neil Koslowe's position on the role of sports at YU. But THE COMMENTATOR has, and I hope always

to news and comment on the election. Under pressure from the YCSC and unofficial advice from College sources, we relented and agreed to treat this major story as if nothing had transpired, as if the Student Court decision, the unparalleled postponement of elections—though there was only one presidential candidate, the confusion in the minds of the voters, the rumors of conspiracy, character assassination and malicious charge and countercharge, did not exist. The decision was a lapse of moral obligation, the consequences of which will crystallize only with time.

There have been several other noteworthy issues. COMMENTA-



(Commentator)

Incoming *Commentator* Governing Board joins in first session. Around the table are, from the left, Editor Koslowe, and Messrs. Saidlower, Welcher, Grossman, Mirvis, Rosman, Lauer, Gordon, Bernstein, and Horwitz.

will, defend the right of an individual to be heard. I viewed the arguments over sports as merely an avenue to reach the central issue of what Yeshiva means.

YU is in the midst of an unparalleled period of physical expansion, but growth must never overshadow the basic and unchanging principles upon which the University was founded. A Harvard University offers nothing unique to prospective students beyond excellence. If Yeshiva strives for mere academic excellence, it loses its *raison d'être*, its singular character as the most influential academic expression of Torah Judaism in America. With this incontestable fact firmly embedded in the mind and spirit of all connected with YU, an analysis of every facet and institution within Yeshiva must become a continuing and serious task. By chance, the role of sports vis a vis Judaism was the present fulcrum to initiate such an analysis, and, as could be anticipated, led to a more profound survey of YU's philosophy and objectives. The day that *Commentator* ceases to function as the open forum for student opinion, of every type, YU will be in danger.

Elections

The presidential campaign was mishandled. Again, the question of journalistic responsibility versus the possibility of a misconstrued or exaggerated topic becoming scandalous was at hand. COMMENTATOR planned for a special edition, to appear two days before the balloting, devoted exclusively

TOR kept the plight of Soviet Jewry, and the obligation of YC men to do something about it, in the forefront. The establishment of an SSSJ chapter will insure the continuance of interest and involvement. The perennial editorial plea for expanded and revitalized religious guidance appears to have aided in the unprecedented conferences of University administration and student leaders, and our complete satisfaction with announced plans for next year. Contrary to common belief among many of the faculty, COMMENTATOR has not waged a personal vendetta against any member of the English Department, and his involvement in two separate issues over the year was not part of a contrived plan. Our criticism of the method in which YU sponsors a particular TV series raised a valid point, as evidenced by its expansion into a more basic problem, the role of the *yarmulka*. Yeshiva has not yet heard the final episode of this story. The relationship of officially sponsored socials and YU has not been adequately defined yet either. Although specific alterations are not yet announced, the untenable status quo of the Graduate Record Examination will be abandoned. The quest for the Student Union, unfortunately, has not been materially forwarded, but the ambivalent nature of *Hamevaser* will, I believe, catalyze new interest and lead to more lasting and unified student leadership. The credit system in RIETS, long the object of negative comment, has been

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OUTGOING GOVERNING BOARD

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perennial nature of many problems at YC. Regular issues carried scholarly articles in our "Literary Supplements," whose authorship was restricted to students only and dispersed over the entire year's editions, instead of constituting the exclusive content of one issue, which was too burdensome to be digested in one installment. Of special note was the wide coverage given to the still unresolved issue of ecumenism, and the role of The Church and traditional Judaism. Recognizing the importance of the debate, *Commentator* devoted an entire Literary Supplement to it, and reprinted Rav J. B. Solovitchik's essay, "Confrontation." We included several pages concerning the University's building programs, from the High School complex through the medical school, with our views on

but irretrievably alienate segments of the students, faculty or administration, and contribute nothing but hot air while destroying rapport and any possibility of equitably settling the issue at all. In illustration, the older residents of the Main Center will recall the national implications that a front-page editorial entitled "With Malice Towards None" had in 1960. That classic goof did succeed in emphasizing the need for reevaluation of religious guidance and the basic theological, social and sexual problems of YC men, but it also defamed and maligned the name of Yeshiva across the country. With this introduction, allow me to recount four such decisions of the past year, two of which may possibly have been correct, and two of which were definitely wrong.

In the first edition of this vol-

In Review

by Steven Katz

Being president of the student body makes one acutely aware of the purpose and direction of Yeshiva College. It makes one acutely aware of what is, or should be, central and what is, or should be, secondary. It has always been my opinion that the directives and leadership of the school should be coming from the yeshiva, and I have thus always tried to keep in mind what the *Rebbeim's* views were, be it Russian Jewry, religious guidance, socials, etc., and this is as it should be. Unfortunately, the *Rebbeim* have taken a back seat in steering the course of the school, and I can very well understand why. Nevertheless, we tried, and next year's leadership will have to continue to push and pull them forward so that they will openly lead, if we are to maintain a reasonable semblance of a yeshiva.

Religious Guidance

The uniqueness of our institution and its demands cause many pressures to play on our students. The most important service the school can offer the students to help them become aware, stable, thinking American Jews would be a well organized religious guidance program. The patchwork setups which presently exist cannot be the ultimate solution; and it was with relief and great expectation to hear Dr. Belkin tell the student leadership that guidance is truly a serious matter, and it will be receiving the proper attention.

Next year will see the institution of an expanded guidance set-up where *Rebbeim* like Aaron Solovitchek, Lichtenstein, Feld-

blum, Parnes, Kreiser, Wohlge-lernter etc. will be available for consultation on a regular weekly basis. But again, the students, not the administration, should be satisfied with the situation only when full-time guidance personnel are appointed to co-ordinate and integrate the guidance efforts in the college, religious divisions, and the dormitory.

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It is understood that there exist built-in obstacles in obtaining the right man for the right job; but the search must not falter and the necessary changes must be instituted without regard to anyone's obsessive fear of replacement. The student's well-being is more important than any individual's position.

The so-called "homecoming af-



Former President Katz

fair" stemmed largely from a lack of definition or position as to what is acceptable in the realm of socials at Yeshiva. The hysteria and emotionalism that prevailed and Herbie's love of printing whatever had the slightest sem-

blance of an English sentence created the tumult after Council's rejection of the weekend proposal. This problem whether Yeshiva has an obligation to meet the social needs of its students has still to be ironed out. I hope that next year's leadership will strive to establish a formulation as to what our limits are. This formulation should not be subject to vote by Student Council, but it should be determined by our *Rosh Yeshiva*, and it will be up to the leadership to draw a statement from him. I've been trying for several months now and I assure you it's no easy task.

Russian Jewry

I think we all owe Mr. Jacob

The Rav was then badgered into taking a stand and what he said is to the following effect. He took the problem out of the *Halachik* realm and placed it squarely into the political one. He said that one should do whatever he felt would best ameliorate the situation. When confronted with the fact that most *gedolim* seemed to be against demonstrations, he retorted, "Ich bin echet a *shtikel godel*." Council then became an active supporter of SSSJ.

I hope that Rabbis Riskin and Greenberg appreciate the student body's position and approach, and I further hope that Mr. Birnbaum will continue to give selflessly of himself to continue his fine work.

Gratitude

I want to thank Dr. Bacon for the co-operation he showed Student Council this year. Although at times we amicably disagreed, he proved to be reasonable and understanding, and I always felt he was sincerely striving to find an equitable solution to the problem at hand.

I must thank my roommate of three years, Norman Smith, for his patience and understanding. It was no easy task living with me and wanting to be a good student. As described by a jesting JSP Talmudist, my room, although lacking the physical requirements, had more than the necessary amount of people going through to establish a *r'shoos harabim*. I know, Normy, it was hectic and trying, but that's why I roomed with you — you could take it! And I promise you that from now on I'll buy my own toothpaste.

Then there's Marvin and Mina. Two wonderful people whom I'm honored to say are my friends. I have to thank them for all their help, and, above all, for getting married in the middle of the year. It was a refreshing change of pace.

A good thing about the Hain family of Virginia is that there were so many brothers attending Yeshiva that everyone had a chance to be friends with at least one of them. I had the fortune of learning with Danny in my freshman year and being close friends with him ever since. Danny is a person, whom I respect for the solid, mature personality he has. He is, what I consider most important, a *mensch* and all who know him well appreciate the fine qualities that are characteristic of everyone in that family. (I changed your draft just a little bit here, Danny).

Then I must thank Dvora Minder and Ruth Scheur, Editor of the *Observer* and President of Stern College respectively, for always being ready to lend an ear at 1:30 in the morning.

I want to thank Herbie for being such a good partner. He has such a bubbly personality and is almost always in cheerful spirits. Then there's congratulations to Billy Schwartz who handled the Washington trip beautifully and to Marty Soshtain who handles everything.

Finally, I must say that I was

In Preview And Prospect

by Joseph I. Berlin

Traditionally the "incoming" editor of THE COMMENTATOR and the "incoming" President of Student Council record their expectations for the coming year in two articles, In Prospect & In Preview. In deviating from this norm I purport to emphasize a complementing relationship between the student body and its bi-weekly newspaper, between Student Council and THE COMMENTATOR. We are not planning a close association, we are not planning to work harmoniously, we are not planning a united cause. That relationship already exists. The future can only offer bond strengthening conditions.

It is significant that the editors of governing board have accepted the authority of their chief

fashion; with minimum time consumed and not at great inconvenience to the students; most effectively and feasibly without compromising to foreign considerations. Two groups may best realize what is best for Yeshiva, what Yeshiva really is, and what Yeshiva should be: the *bonei hayeshiva* and the alumni. The faculty, the administration, the donors all have side interests.

On the lips of everyone who knows Yeshiva is the assertion that Yeshiva bends only to money and image. In the science of optics we learn of many types of images. Let us be sure that the image of Yeshiva reflects a real image and not a virtual one, erect and not inverted, exact and neither magnified nor diminished. The image must have

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unanimously. There is no dissension on this matter. There is surely difference of opinion on particular points, a sure sign of a healthy, effective organization. It is significant, too, that the President of Student Council had no opposition on the ballot, that he won without ever having asked a single individual for his vote. This will undoubtedly be a source of strength to Student Council and inspiration to its dynamic membership.

With two main interests in mind—the benefit of each student and the benefit of Yeshiva, we will embark on a year of activity and accomplishment.

Some administrators, a few members of the faculty, and a sector of the student body equate activity with "trouble." There is perhaps no greater sign of irresponsibility and immaturity and the discussion table has no place for these individuals.

Yeshiva has many problems and imperfections; to deny this will be foolhardy and an attempted escape from the realities of life. Often there are several approaches to a situation. Yeshiva must unceasingly deal with its problems directly, and not in a round-about

proper focus; it must be sharp, and it must be clear, and it must be bright.

Rumors have it that next year will be a "big" year. Personally I don't believe much in rumors but perhaps in this case, there is some element of truth, some reason for optimism, validity to the suspicions that Yeshiva's imperfections will be attacked and dealt with. It will be a "big" year if everybody participates, if everybody realizes a sense of school spirit, and this is a serious consideration. There are areas for activity, but accomplishment will come only if we join in the belief that "things" can and will be done. We all see the urgency for certain changes. When it comes to being asked to serve the student body, in any and every way, the answer "no" must be banished. Otherwise, the year will be a big nothing.

Yeshiva,—and let us never forget what that means, is a "school" for students. It was to serve these students that the institution was founded. In both academic and world affairs in general, the voice of the college student is gaining important recognition. We are the

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very fortunate to have as colleagues Yitzchak Handel, Mike Harris, and Bruce Rachlin, presidents of SOY, TIM, and JSP respectively — three fine students who were vital in the important accomplishments this year.

Joseph I. Berlin

I know Mr. Berlin well, and I know him as an able, aggressive worker with many good ideas and intentions. I am confident that Joe

will be an outstanding president, able to organize the student council, with its committees and publications, into a well-functioning organ in the service of the student body. I am hopeful that the administration will treat him with the same respect that I was privileged to receive as representative of the student body.

I wish him and Neil the best of success in the coming year.

Pollack Library Moving; Will Improve Facilities

by Hillel Markowitz

Moving to new quarters this summer, the Pollack Library will be much improved in September.

RIETS Studies Masehet Gittin Next Semester

Undergraduate *shiurim* in RIETS will continue to study *Gittin* next year. Mr. Norman B. Abrams, administrative director of RIETS stated that "starting from the fourth *perek, Hasholach, these shiurim should be able to finish the whole masehet.*

First year *semicha shiurim* will learn *Chullin*, while Rav Paley-off's second year *shiur* will learn *Kiddushin*, and Rav Lifchitz's second year *shiur* will learn *Kesuboth*. Harav J. B. Soloveitchek's *shiur* will study *Yebamoth* until December and then another *masehet*.

Rav Shatzkes' *shiur* will be elevated to sophomore level, and advanced freshman will be placed there. Also the practice of placing freshmen with weaker backgrounds in High School *shiurim* will be formalized.

Rav Aaron Soloveitchek will teach a *shiur* in *Brochos* during the summer; anyone wishing to attend, may.

Kennedy Speaks At Belfer Dinner

Highlighting the Second Annual Distinguished Science Award Dinner, May 23, were a keynote address by Senator Robert F. Kennedy and the presentation of the award to Mr. Robert I. Wishnick, a prominent philanthropist, and chairman of the executive and finance committees of the Witco Chemical Co.

The dinner, sponsored by Belfer Graduate School of Science, is designed to raise funds for Yeshiva's \$15,000,000 program for expansion of its science facilities.

Co-chairman of the dinner are Mr. Gustave L. Levy, a member of the board of governors of the New York Stock Exchange, and Mr. Joseph A. Martino, chairman of the board of the National Lead Co.

Senator Kennedy's family recently gave over \$1 million to the Albert Einstein Medical School.

Who's Whose

Married:

Harvey Makovsky '64 and Yaffa Feldman

Engaged:

Michael Chernick '63 and Miriam Stern

Samuel Fuhrer '64 and Denise Doppelt

David G. Shapiro '65 and Miriam Bworetsky

Warren Goldman '65 and Jackie Friedman

Although not as centrally located, since a new building is to be built on the present site, the library will be located on one floor, with one room walled off and sound-proofed for reference work and individual studying. Even the microfilm readers will be outside this room in order to keep out all noise.

Next year the library may better the current acquisition rate of 5,000 books a year and will increase its pamphlet collection. In order to make sure that the needs of all students are met and that the library continues to improve its service, Mr. Solomon Zeides, librarian of the Pollack Library, announced that a complaint and suggestion box will be added.

Pre-Med Admissions Up; New Program Is Praised

An unprecedented 78% of senior pre-meds and 88% of pre-dents have been admitted to professional schools, according to figures released by Dr. Saul Wischnitzer, assistant dean and chairman of the pre-medical and pre-dental committee. The national average for premedical admissions is 60%.

Dr. Wischnitzer attributed part of the increased acceptance rate to changes in the pre-medical advisory program. These include detailed evaluations after the sophomore year to redirect students unlikely to be admitted to medical schools; having students take the MCAT in May of their junior year so that medical schools can receive complete records at an earlier date; counseling students on choice of medical schools; and arranging for transcripts and committee evaluations to be sent out

Dramatics Posts Filled; Poupko To Head Society

Appointments to the new governing board of the Dramatic Society were announced last week by Martin Soshtain '65, former president, and Joseph I. Berlin '66, former vice-president. Howard Poupko '66, director of the winning plays at the last two Dean's Receptions, was chosen as president.

To serve along with Poupko will be Isadore Halberstam '66 and Stanley Schneider '66 as Dramatic Society vice-presidents, Sidney Tessler '66 as treasurer, and William Swartz '68 and Herschel Handler '68 as corresponding and publicity secretaries respectively.

"Poupko, who is also on the YC Judo team, is known throughout the school for his directional ability, dramatic flair, and quiet strength," said outgoing officer, Marty Soshtain.

Co-author of two winning Dean's Reception plays, "Izzy" Halberstam is still remembered

New Officers Installed At JSP Meeting; Curriculum Evaluation Committee Reports

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also said that he will soon meet with Rabbi Steven Riskin, chairman of the JSP Faculty Curriculum Committee, to discuss next year's electives.

Reporting on the YU Charity Drive, Fred Nagler '67 stated that a balance of \$186 would be left for next year. A motion giving a \$100 scholarship to JSP students who wish to study at Camp Morasha this summer was passed, reducing the actual balance to \$186. A loan of \$150 to SOY for establishment of a *seforim* outlet for those attending NCSY and YU Youth Bureau seminars was approved, the money having been previously set aside. This money will be returned in the Fall increasing the carry over to \$236.

The meeting was then adjourned and a new meeting begun by the new officers; Murray

surer. Following a few words by the new president, Bruce Rachlin, the former president, was present-



(Commentator)

JSPSC Executive Board from left to right: Fred Nagler, Vice-Pres., Murray Jacobson, Pres., and Joseph Potasnik, Sec'y-treas.

Jacobson '66, the former secretary-treasurer, president; Fred Nagler '67, vice-president; and Joe Potasnik '68, secretary-trea-

ed with the gavel that he used while officiating at JSP council meetings in honor of his "perseverance and hard work."

Radio Broadcasts Yeshiva Debate; Judges Declare Brooklyn Winner

Two members of the Yeshiva College Debating Society met a team from Brooklyn College in a

radio debate, broadcast on WYNC-FM Monday evening, May 17. By a 2 to 1 decision, the judges declared the Brooklyn team the winner of the debate.

Jonathan Helfand '66, President of the Debating Society, and Neil Koslowe '66, Vice-President of the Society and Editor-in-Chief of THE COMMENTATOR, argued the affirmative to the resolution: "That all American citizens over 21 should be allowed to vote in all elections with no further qualifications required."

YU Plans Summer Programs; Two Will Be Held In Israel

Full summer programs will be given at the Harry Fischel School for Higher Jewish Studies, and at the Ferkauf Graduate School of Education, while a number of seminars, institutes, and travel and camp programs will be given in the other branches of the University.

Belfer Graduate School of Science will offer "Selected Topics and Analysis for Teachers of Advanced Placement and Honors Courses in Mathematics" from June 28-August 5. The course will be taught by Dr. William Zlot, associate professor of mathematics education. Two programs will be run in Israel. The first will be a seven week "Second Level Summer Institute for Secondary School Teachers of Modern Hebrew." Also set is the Youth Bureau Summer Tour, which is intended to deepen the participants' knowledge of and kinship with the country and the people. Two weeks in Europe will be included in the program. The trip will last from July 5-August 24.

An innovation is the Grand

The Ephraim Fleisher Memorial Award was presented to Lawrence Kaplan '65. His essay, "When G-d Is Silent: *Hester Panim* in the Books of *Eicha, Iyov, and Chabakkuk*," will be published in *Masmid*. The contest was judged by Professor David Mirsky, Dean of Admissions and Dr. David Fleisher, chairman of the English Department.

Tour of Europe, which the Youth Bureau will run from July 5-August 24.

The annual Torah Leadership Seminars will be held in four regions. Canadian, August 25-31, at Camp Massad, Montreal; Midwestern—June 10-27, at Camp Moshava, Wildrose, Wisconsin; Central Eastern—August 30-September 5, at Camp Shor, Aurora, Indiana; and Eastern—August 25-September 2, at Camp Morasha, Lake Como.

Commentator Appoints Five New Staffers

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dent Affiliate Chapter.

A member of the English, French, and Social Science Honor Societies, Literary Editor Larry Grossman is a student in Rav Lifchitz' *shiur* in RIETS. He is presently Research Coordinator for the Debating Society.

Arye Gordon is an economics major and is President of the Economics Club. A former Assistant Feature Editor, Arye is a Senior SOY representative.

News Editor Chaim Lauer is a history major and attends RIETS. Hailing from Miami Beach, the former Assistant News Editor was President of the Class of '67 in his freshman year.

A pre-med major, on the Dean's List, Copy Editor Howard Rosman is Secretary-Treasurer of Class 7 in TIM. He is a member of the Fencing team and Alpha Omega Delta, the pre-med honor society.

A student in TI, David Mirvis is past president of the sophomore class, and a General Motors Scholarship holder. He is also on the Dean's List and a member of Alpha Omega Delta.

Club Corner

Former Addicts Address Students; Discuss Problems Of Withdrawal

Two former drug addicts now undergoing treatment at *Dayton Lodge* on Staten Island spoke to a gathering sponsored by the Sociology and Psychology Clubs

come there) but to enable the addict to exist without them. It achieves this by putting addicts in stressing situations with which they must cope.

out by statistics which show that the cure rate at federal hospitals is under 5%.

The speakers pointed out that legalization of the sale of drugs is definitely not the way to stop addiction. Aiding in the creation of new addicts will not alleviate the problem. However, they did say that something must be done for the incurable addict. An addict cannot live normally on drugs because what is normal to him is considered abnormal by the rest of society.

Economics Club

In an address to the Economics Club on Thursday, May 13, Mr. M. Ossias of the Henry George School of Social Science discussed President Johnson's anti-poverty program.

After the speech, Arye Gordon, Feature Editor of THE COMMENTATOR, was appointed president of the club. Enrique Fenig, former junior class vice-president, was chosen vice-president of the club for the coming year. Peter Hans

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Two drug addicts discuss problems of rehabilitation with convinced Psychology and Sociology Club members.

May 18. Mickey and Bob, the two former addicts, spoke briefly about themselves and then answered questions about addiction and *Dayton Lodge*.

Dayton Lodge is a halfway house for addicts. It does not attempt to withdraw addicts from drugs (this is done before they

According to the speakers, an addict is an immature person who has never learned to cope with real life. Narcotics are the addict's escape from reality. Curing addicts takes much time and patience. Withdrawal from drugs, which is the cure advocated by most officials, is not permanent. This is borne

Commentator's Power Play's Important Role

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changed to approximately the system now in operation in TI and JSP, and will markedly favor the students. These, and other issues, are public knowledge; the more numerous category which never find their way into print will never be recounted, and rightly so. The foundations for all major stories, and the entirety of minor ones, are lost in history.

Administration

For all practical purposes, Dr. Bacon is the Administration. President Belkin, by the sheer necessity of overseeing the University by himself, remains unaware of the detailed problems of the College. The Dean's relationships with COMMENTATOR were friendly, but never to the degree of familiarity. A first name basis, I thought, destroys a segment of the effectiveness of the position of editor, and the freedom to speak as the collective voice of the student body. On the basic assumption that two parties, both honestly interested in the solution of a problem, can always reach an equitable agreement, in time, my dealings with the Dean were excellent. We often disagreed, but never on a fundamental objective, only in methods. A good deal of my optimism for the future of Yeshiva College rests on two admirable traits to be found in the Office of the Dean, sincerity and dedication.

Thanks

Now, for the more pleasurable task of expressing gratitude. No one person is indispensable to the continuation of a newspaper, but Alan Felsenfeld approached as close as possible to that extreme. He was more than my associate, willing and able to do anything at any hour; he was my friend. It is difficult to explain how indispensable a friend can be when you are bleary-eyed, suffering from

fatigue which Dr. Sar describes so well as "editoritis." I quiver to recall those seemingly endless sessions at the printer, when we were never quite able to get back to the dorm before the birds reckoned the sunrise. To Felsie, who was more than my right-hand man, I owe more than a mere thank you can convey.

To Steve Katz, Felix to me, a note of debt. He devoted himself unhesitatingly to the welfare of the students and often appeared to reside in the Dean's office. There are

The State Commission for Human Rights has established a College Intern Program designed to afford interested college students the opportunity to share in the Commission's work. Each student intern will participate, on a regular part-time basis (at least one half-day a week), in one of the Commission's specialized divisions: Regulatory, Employment, Education, Housing, or Research. Wherever possible, students' assignments will be related to their course of study and interests. Those interested should contact Dr. Joseph Dunner RIETS Hall, room 592.

Letters To The Editor

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Housekeeping, nor *Colliers*, nor *Archiv Fur . . .* but it does have a representative, strong collection of serials which is the envy of many graduate schools in New York City. Even the Federal Government borrows from us. Binding is as current as the most exacting librarian might ask for. Items which are not bound are not bound because they are not worth the cost of binding, although they are necessary in the library.

POLLACK LIBRARY, FOR THE PAST FIVE YEARS HAS REMAINED AMONGST THE TOP 10%, NATIONALLY, OF COLLEGE LIBRARIES IN RATE OF GROWTH, CIRCULATION OF BOOKS, USE OF READING ROOM FACILITIES AND REFERENCE SERVICES. This information is collected nationally and is available readily to interested parties. It is quite interesting to note that with so high a recognition given Pollack Library nationally, the students feel, according to your statement, that the Library falls short of its mission.

Space-wise, staff-wise, heat-wise, acoustics-wise, the student has reason to voice his opinion, but he knows that soon this problem will be forgotten.

Despite the Library problems, one thing is certain: the student does use his Library and he does get the material he wants. Many students from sister institutions, which are larger in size and concurrently much larger in student enrollment, find that Pollack Library grants them the material they need more readily than they find at their own Ivy league colleges. Our own graduate students use our facilities and come

back to tell us that now they first appreciate the library they had in their undergraduate years.

As for the survey: it was understood at the very outset that the questionnaire was poor. It was pointed out that most students did not bother to answer the questionnaire because they felt that it was in need of serious revision before it could be offered to the student body.

The original plans called for every "no" answer to be followed by a statement of why or where the answer was negative. As the question was presented, it requires a team of psychiatrists to decipher what the blank "yes" or "no" statement really meant.

There is one thing, however, which must be said inasmuch as this article has been written. I, for one, am always interested in learning where the library should be improved. No library is the last word in collections. Otherwise, in ter-library loan and letters of recommendation would never be necessary. As stated above, we give more help to more outside people and institutions than we request. This can only indicate that our library must be good. We realize, however, that there are areas in which we are lacking only because we are unaware of such cases. I welcome letters directed to me personally or to a committee to be set up by COMMENTATOR to spell out title, author, or cases where the library has been not true to its calling. I feel certain that under such circumstances Pollack Library will be vindicated in all ways of any charges which might have been suggested in your article. Very truly yours,

Solomon Zeides, Librarian

To the Editor:

I was shocked to read your false

headline over the "Letter to the Editor" submitted by Mr. Jacob I. Dienstag which reads "Dienstag Doubts the Need of *Yarmulka*." Nowhere in his analysis of the religious aspect of the *yarmulka* does he state that he "doubts the need of the *yarmulka*." In his attempt to defend the personal right of a faculty member to appear on a television show bare-headed, he naturally produced the *halachic* background material so as to prove that there was no call for the attack on that member of the faculty.

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Annual Dinner Held By Yeshiva's Debating Society; Dr. Fleisher Says "This Was The Finest Debating Year."

by Alan Felsenfeld

Newly elected Yeshiva College Debating Society president, Jonathan Helfand '66 was proud to greet Dean Issac Bacon and Rabbi Bernard Walfish, Community Service Division, as guests of honor on the occasion of the annual dinner held May 9, at the Windmere Hotel. Dr. David Fleisher, faculty advisor to the debaters, began the festivities by stating that this was undoubtedly the finest year for debating on the basis of the won-lost record compiled on the recent tours. Dr. Bacon then added his compliments and comments along the same lines.

Highlighting the evening was Rabbi Walfish's impromptu address explaining that the Yeshiva boys were truly agents of good will for the purpose of spreading the name of Yeshiva throughout the land. Most of the towns which housed the boys for the contest already have sent requests for future debates.

Other officers recently elected

include: Neil Koslowe, vice-president; Harvey Silberstein, secretary; Wally Greene, treasurer;

Larry Grossman, Director of Research; and Marc Angel, Campus Manager.



Assembled at Annual Debating Society Dinner are: (top, left to right) ex-Society Pres. D. Davis, Dean I. Bacon, new Pres. J. Helfand, advisor Dr. D. Fleisher, Rabbi B. Walfish; (bottom, left to right) Mrs. B. Fleisher, Mrs. E. Bacon, and Mrs. H. Walfish.

Dr. Joseph Dunner Attacks Arabs' View Of History; Reasserts Israel's Ancient Claim To The Holy Land

by Petegorsky Professor
of Political Science,
Dr. Joseph Dunner

The following is the text of the speech delivered at the YU assembly, on Yom Haatzmaut.

Seventeen years ago, on the fifth of Iyar 5708, the fourteenth

the establishment of monopolistic political power over their people, whom they exploit as they have rarely been exploited before. It is this double-talk which allowed North Korean and Chinese Communists to invade the Republic of Korea and call their aggressive war a "war of liberation." It is this double-talk which allows

century or in the years following the Balfour Declaration of 1917. We established on the shores of the Jordan River our national existence many hundreds of years before there was a Roman Empire, many hundreds of years before the rise of Christianity and Islam. We found our statehood stretching from the Hermon

We came as workers and farmers, and we rebuilt our land which those who had usurped it had neglected and nearly destroyed. We, not the Turks, the Arabs or the British, drained the swamps and fastened the shifting sands. But as we returned and we rebuilt the empty spaces left to barren desolation, many Arabs came from

world. The domain of Arab independence stretches across four million square miles. This vast domination makes a mockery of the grudge of Israel's national existence in an area of eight thousand square miles, offering shelter and a life of freedom to 2½ million people, 250,000 Arabs among them. This is the answer I would give to Habib Bourguiba, Tunisia's President, who recently offered Israel a peace treaty on condition of her absorption of the Arab refugees and the return to the 1947 partition scheme of the UN; and I am sure he would understand that since the leaders of the Arab states want to use the return of the so-called Palestine refugees "to Palestine" for Israel's destruction, Israel cannot possibly be expected to accept them into her borders. Bourguiba is of Beber origin. He must know from the history of his own people, conquered and abused by the Arabs, that the claim of Nasser and similar Arab spokesmen to supremacy throughout the Middle East, and even Africa, is based on nothing but brute, aggressive force. He must know that just as the Berbers constitute the only legitimate native group in Libya, Algeria and Morocco, the Jews form the only legitimate native group in the whole of Palestine since their former neighbors, the Philistines, are no longer extant.

A few days ago the members of an organization which reiterated what peripheral, faint-hearted men and women of Jewish origin, ignorant of their history and tradition and possessed by self-hate have said since the days of the first World Zionist Congress — that Zionism, the love for Zion, creates the problem of a dual political loyalty. As Americans, being appreciative of the freedom and democracy in the United States of America, we who are assembled here to celebrate Israel's Declaration of Independence, know no other political loyalty than that to the United States. This is so self-evident, that it needs no further elaboration. But as Jews, conscious of our Jewish heritage, we feel completely free to recognize our deep attachment to the land of Israel, to the Hebrew tongue, to the religious and ethical principles which unite the Jews throughout the world. We know that there is no conflict between these principles and the ideals of American democracy. Indeed, America's stand for human dignity throughout the world is based on Jewish principles, on the legacy of Israel's prophets. As many Christian Americans see the fulfillment of their religious commitment in serving with the Peace Corps or the missions of their churches abroad, some of you, I hope many, should seriously consider a similar service in the Land of Israel. Israel needs engineers, agricultural experts, trained men and women who can help in speeding the process of Israel's economic development, and thereby enable her to absorb and rehabilitate the

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(YU Public Relations)

Spontaneous street dance formed by numerous YU students on Yom Haatzmaut.

of May 1948, the representatives of the Jewish community of Eretz Yisrael and of the world Zionist movement proclaimed the establishment of the third Jewish Commonwealth in the history of mankind.

If you listen to the voices of the Arab delegates and their Communist wire-pullers and protectors in the United Nations, you will hear that it is their aim to destroy that Jewish Commonwealth, to "liberate" Palestine from the Zionist Jews, to convert it into an Arab state, the fourteenth Arab state on this globe, and to "restore" the Palestine Arabs to "their land." You will also hear that our fellow Jews in Israel are aggressors, racists, pawns of western imperialism and that by liquidating Israel, the Arabs will have won another and decisive battle in the struggle against colonialism.

This is the era of double-talk, a language of deliberate deceit, created and used by the Communists with their Moscow and Peking centers. It is this double-talk which allowed the Soviets to imprison the leaders of all anti-Communist parties in Eastern and Central Europe, to prohibit all opposition to the Communist regime, and yet parade these regimes as "Peoples' Democracies." It is this double-talk which allowed Mao Tse-Tung's followers in China, the Castroites in Cuba, Ben Bella's adherents in Algeria, and the Viet-Cong in South Vietnam to fool the masses of their own people into believing that they were genuine social reformers, while all along they had no objective but

Nasser to send close to 40,000 Egyptian soldiers into Yemen to establish there a puppet regime, but accuse the Israelis of colonialism and imperialism when they try to protect their borders against Arab invaders or insist on their rightful share to the water supply of their major river. This double-talk, which calls slavery "freedom," aggression "peaceful co-existence," and suppression of human liberties "liberation," has its eroding effect on gullible people everywhere, also on Americans, also on American Jews.

How else could one explain the sympathies which some Americans — particularly in the academic community — show for the Communist Viet-Cong in South Vietnam? How else could one explain the sympathies which some Americans seem to have for the Castro regime which overthrew Batista's dictatorship, not to present the Cuban masses with the personal and political freedom for which they longed for decades, but rather, with a totalitarian dictatorship which, if anything, is worse than Batista's regime? How else could one explain that even some American Jews echo the Moscow-Peking-Cairo line and condemn Zionism and Israel as products of colonialism, and imperialistic aggression?

For those who want to know the historical facts, let it be restated: We Jews did not come to the land, which the Romans to obliterate our name deliberately called Palestine on their maps, when Theodor Herzl called the World Zionist Council into session at the end of the nineteenth

Mountains to the Red Sea, sixteen centuries before the Arab nation was born. Today we speak the same tongue, uphold the same faith, and bear the same name as our ancestors who formed the state of Israel in the days of David and Solomon three thousand years ago. We were driven from our land by the Assyrians and Babylonians, but we returned and built a Second Commonwealth in the days of Ezra and Nehemiah, twelve hundred years before the first Arab set foot on the holy soil of Israel. We were again driven from our land by the legions of Rome in the year 70, and a new exile began which was to last for nearly 1900 bitter years. What was once our land, what was the cradle of our national and cultural existence, was conquered by the Byzantines, the Persians, the Arabs, the Seljuc Turks, the Crusaders, the Kurds, the Ottoman Turks, and the British. Yet, wherever we were, in every land of our dispersion and in every generation, we repeated the oath, sworn for the first time by our ancestors in the Babylonian captivity, "If I forget thee, O Jerusalem, may my right hand lose its cunning." Finally, when we had recaptured our strength and unity, when at last we began to understand that emancipation cannot be won on a silver platter but has to be won by a people's own efforts, we returned to what was ours. We did not come as conquerors, as the Arabs came to North Africa and the lands of the Eastern Mediterranean. We did not come as the European colonists came to Tunisia, Algeria and Morocco.

the neighboring regions to profit from the labor of our pioneers.

We did not ask them to leave in 1948 when we again proclaimed a Jewish statehood in the land of Israel. We, who knew only too well what homelessness means, were willing to live with them in peace and on the basis of complete political equality. Their leaders, however, wished otherwise. Although they demanded the right to national self-determination and cultural freedom for themselves, they tried to deny these rights to our people. They could have solved, and they can solve today, the Arab refugee problem which they created by their war on Israel and rehabilitate their kinsmen, if they did not desire to keep the problem tragically alive, as an excuse to boycott Israel and to restart the war which they had begun even before the Jewish state was formally organized.

For those who do not know, it should be restated that the vast majority of the Palestine Arab refugees are no refugees at all, but live to this day in what was Palestine before May 1948. For they dwell in the area of the former mandated territory which is now occupied by Egypt and Jordan. Only double-talk can call Arabs, who live on the soil of former Palestine, Arab refugees from Palestine. Those Arabs, who on order of the Arab High Command and the governments of the Arab states, left that part of Palestine which now forms the territory of the State of Israel, could easily be resettled either in the rest of Palestine or in other parts of the Arab

YU Charity Drive Aids "Kollel" Named For Rav Moshe Shatzkes

As YU Drive collectors scurry about the *Beis Hamedrash*, a question arises in the minds of many *kollel* is organized through personalities from YU: Dr. Belkin, as President, Rav Soloveitchik, Mr.



Leading *talmidim* review an important point at *Kollel* Rav Moshe Shatzkes in Israel.

students: where does my money go? What is it all for?

One recipient of our funds is the *Kollel* Rabbi Moshe Shatzkes. This *Kollel* is a unit of *Kfar Hasidim's Yeshiva Knesset Chizkiah* that receives some 5% of YU Drive funds. Many of the *Kollel's* thirty students are former *talmidim* of Rav Moshe Shatzkes z.t.l., father of RIETS *Rosh Yeshiva* Rav Aaron Shatzkes. Well-known in Israel as a center of Torah and mussar — many *gedolei* Torah study there — the *Kollel* has as its *mashgiach* Reb Eliyahu Lapon, known as "Reb Eliyah Kelemer," "theologian" of the Mussar movement and one of the greatest of European *mashgichim*. American support for the *Kol-*

Abrams, as Treasurer, Rabbi Weinbach of YUHSM, as Secretary, and Rabbi Schwartz the Young Israel of Parkchester.

WNBC To Carry Three Outstanding TI Alumni Yeshiva TV Series

Minorities in American Literature, Yeshiva's series on WNYC-TV (channel 31-UHF) will be the basis of another series on WNBC (channel 4) between August 23 and September 3. The show will be seen weekdays from 6-6:30 a.m. and will be rerun for ten consecutive Sundays at an unspecified date.

Professor David Mirsky, Dean of Admissions, will serve as moderator. He will be joined on a rotating basis by Dr. Seymour Lainoff, associate professor of English, Dr. Irving Linn, professor of English, and Dr. Maurice Wohlgernter, assistant professor of English.

The series will also be seen in Washington, Chicago, Denver, and Los Angeles.

Teachers Institute Associated Alumni Present the Fifth Annual Horeb Awards May 16, to Dr. A. Leo Levin for communal leadership, Dr. Isidor Margolis for Jewish education, and Dr. Noah Rosenbloom for Hebrew literature and scholarship.

Dr. Levin, professor of law at the University of Pennsylvania, has written many articles about the Jewish community. He received an honorary Doctor of Laws from YU in 1960 for distinguished service in arts and sciences.

Famed educator Dr. Isidor Margolis is an associate professor at Ferkauf Graduate School of Education and TIM. He has been executive vice-president of the National Council of Torah Education and is editor of *Yeshiva Education*. Many studies on Jewish authors

and their works have been written by Dr. Rosenbloom. The noted scholar is associate professor of Jewish history and literature at Stern College. *Horeb* awards, instituted in 1960, serve to honor outstanding alumni of TIM and TIW.

Club Corner

(Continued from page seven) will serve as Editor-in-chief of the *Economic Mind*, the journal of the Economics Club.

The newly appointed president hopes to expand the club's activities and list of guest speakers.

Radio Club

The Radio Broadcasters Club of Yeshiva College, already growing by leaps and bounds, has recently announced the acquisition of nearly \$5,000 worth of equipment. The materials were given to the club by the American Broadcasting Company with the intention of furthering the interest in, and providing a basis for, the many activities of the club. Among the more important pieces of equipment received are high power amplifiers, receiver units, and a high capacity transmitter.

The purpose of the club is not to create a radio station. Rather, it is to train students in the use of equipment so that shows may be produced for airing over established stations throughout the nation. Similarly, the facilities of the club could be used to supplement courses given in various departments of Yeshiva College. As David Bernstein, President of the club, has explained, the equipment not presently needed will be traded to the many other college stations in the area for equipment more valuable to the club.

In an effort to gain as much knowledge as possible about the workings of a radio center, the Broadcasters Club has arranged several informative discussions with representatives of the major networks, and has made use of the large amount of literature supplied by the Intercollegiate Broadcasting System.

Above all, however, is the desire of the club to get as many students as possible involved in the challenging opportunities presented by the arrival of the new equipment. In the event that a station is sanctioned, there will be a large group of boys who will know every aspect of the venture and will be able to implement it most skillfully and knowledgeably.

Pre-Med Society

The Pre-Med Club officially disbanded at its last meeting and re-formed as the Pre-Med Honor Society. David Eisenberg '66 was elected President, Gerald Weisfogel '66 Vice-President, and Philip Shelnitz, Robert Pick, and Arthur Lacher, all '67, Secretary, Treasurer, and Historian respectively.

army or a flag, not for any other materialistic benefits, but for the Kiddush Hashem, the sanctification of His name.

Faculty Shorts

"The Impact of Social Change on Religion" was the topic of the lecture delivered by Dr. Emanuel Rackman, assistant to the President, before the American Ortho-Psychiatric Association.

Interracial Review recently published "Labor and the Negro; 1886-1910" by Dr. Herman Bloch, visiting lecturer in economics.

Dr. Saul Wischnitzer, associate professor of biology, is acting as prepublication reviewer for "Atlas of Surgical and Applied Anatomy" by Rehman and Hiatt.

The Kappan recently printed "Experiments in Expanding Educational Opportunity for the Disadvantaged" by Dr. Abraham Tauber, Visiting Professor of speech.

A review of *Imogene* by Godwin was written by Dr. David Fleisher, professor of English, for *Nineteenth Century Fiction*.

An article on Simon Weiner of the biology department, who is doing research on cancer with Dr. Moses Tendler, professor of biology, was featured in the *New York Sunday News*.

Dr. Joseph Dunner, Petegorsky Professor of political science, and Dr. Frank N. Trager, professor of international affairs, New York University, co-authored a letter to *The New York Times*, opposing U.S. withdrawal from Viet Nam.

Dr. Meir Havazelet, assistant professor of Hebrew, was interviewed on WKCR, the Columbia University Radio Station. The program discussed the *Shagas Aryeh*.

Dr. Manny Sternlicht, associate Professor of psychology, had an article "Some notes concerning the Roles of School and Clinical Psychologists" published in a recent issue of *Psychology*.

A bibliography of Rabbi Moses (Continued on page eleven)

Dean Cautions Students: Program Has Handicaps

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"suggested that the four semesters of Talmud credit be taken in the junior and senior years. During these years the student is burdened with fewer prerequisites and has already chosen his desired career."

College regulations will apply to this program; students will register in advance during college registration; as usual only five cuts a semester will be allowed without a medical note. The only departure from regular college procedure will be that a mark below 70 will be recorded as an F. While following the college practice of recording marks of 90-100 as "A's," 80-89 as "B's," and 70-79 as "C's," the program disregards the existence of "D's."

The examination process has not as yet been worked out, with either uniform level tests or individual class tests given as pos-

sibilities. Grades will be submitted by January 15 for the Fall Semester, and June 1 for the Spring Semester by the individual *rabaiim*, who alone will determine the mark.

Transfer credit from JSP and block transfer from TI and RIETS will be listed as "Hebraic Studies—Hebrew, Language and Literature." RIETS courses will be described as "Analysis of Talmudic Texts and Commentaries." TI block transfer credit will be described as "Study of Ancient, Medieval, and Modern Hebrew Texts on the intermediate and advanced levels."

Professor Silverman pointed out that Talmud courses taken in other theological seminaries will not be acceptable for Yeshiva College credit.

Dean Bacon noted that some graduate schools, in fact, may not give full recognition to a course entitled "Analysis of Talmudic Texts and Commentaries." He added that the whole intent of the action was to enable overburdened students who might be pursuing careers in the rabbinate to lighten their course burden. The Dean did not feel that other RIETS students should plunge into this new program of credit transfer without considering all the various consequences.

Mr. Abrams hoped that this program will be taken seriously and not as a filler for "undernourished schedules."

Dunner Asserts Jewish Fellowship: Israel Represents Kiddush Hashem

(Continued from page eight) many immigrants she has received into her borders, 450,000 Jews driven from the Arab states among them.

Just as we are interested in the well-being of the Jews of Israel, we are concerned with the fate of our fellow Jews in the Soviet Union, where attempts are made to crush their cultural heritage and their chance to live as Jews. Unlike the members of the Council for Judaism, we proclaim the fellowship of the Jewish people and the unity of the Jewish faith throughout the world; and we know that in doing so we speak for the overwhelming majority of American Jewry.

Politics in the narrow sense is an ephemeral activity. States come and go; empires come and go. However important this or that contemporary event in domestic or international politics may seem to be, however involved we may be in the aims and tactics of this or that political party, as we take a long-run historical view, we are bound to realize that there are certain significant *leitmotifs* in all of human existence which stand

out while the rest of the political "ups" and "downs" is only implementation and commentary. The most significant *leitmotif*, as we Jews see it, is man's struggle for a world in which the human being is recognized as an end and not as a means. This *leitmotif* is fundamental to our entire history. It caused us to become the People of the Covenant. It inspired us in the days of the Maccabees, as in the days of Bar Kochba. It caused us to preserve our identity throughout the ages and to remain faithful to the Torah. In one of the most critical hours of our entire history, when one-third of our people had been murdered by the Nazis, we were forced to reassert our will to survive by the restoration of the Jewish Commonwealth in the land of our Fathers. The people of Israel, the Torah and the Land of Israel form an indissoluble bond, and no earthly force has ever been able or will be able to destroy that bond. As we celebrate the seventeenth anniversary of the Third Jewish Commonwealth, let us remember that we rebuilt it not for the sake of national prestige, not for the possession of an

Fortnite

- Weds, May 26 Last day of classes for TIM and JSP
- Thurs, May 27 Final examinations begin in TIM and JSP—Recess at RIETS for YC examinations 8:00 p.m.—El Gaimma Mu: Dr. Irving Greenberg—"American Judaism Today"
- Fri, May 28 Last day of classes at YC
- Wed., June 2 Final examinations begin at YC
- Sun-Mon., June 6-7 Shavuot
- Sun., June 13 TI Senior Dinner-Parker's
- Mon., June 14 YC Senior Dinner-Fort Tryon Jewish Center
- Tues., June 15 YC BCW, TI commencement exercises
- Sun., Aug. 8 Tiaba B'av
- SSBJ-Tiaba B'av fast at Soviet Mission

Collegiates Go Abroad; Dean Bacon Tour Head B'nai Avraham Meet To Discuss Projects; Plan Extensive Activities To Save Youth

Forty select college students will participate in a European Tour, sponsored by Yeshiva University's Youth Bureau during the summer of 1965. It is especially designed for students interested in enriching their knowledge and experience of the cultural and historical aspects of Europe. Famous landmarks, museums, theaters, and operas will be visited, with a special emphasis on places of Jewish

interest and on "2000 years of Jewish history in Europe." Dr. Isaac Bacon, Dean of Yeshiva College, will lead the tour.

Including visits to eleven countries and some thirty major cities, the 48 day tour will cost \$940. Transportation, kosher food, hotel accommodations, group admission to theaters, museums, etc., are included.

(Continued from page three) success of the many projects. In addition, a Torah Bulletin and publications on various topics within Orthodoxy will be published to supplement the ones put out by the various youth organizations.

Community work (Joe Wikler) has already had much success. A youth conclave was held in Westchester during *Chol Hamoed Pesach* and various *onegi Shabbat*,

conclaves, and study groups have been co-ordinated in the Westchester area. In this realm B'nai Avraham strives to aid the existing youth organizations, synagogues, rabbis, and lay leaders in their work.

Saul Rotter is in charge of Co-ordination With Other Organizations and Arye Strikovsky of Zoning and Area Co-ordination. The latter will assist the institutions active in the various parts

of the city and suburbs by increasing personal contact between leaders and youth.

There were further explanations and assignments of projects in the sub-division meetings. Much work will be done before and during the summer. The directors urge anyone interested to contact them.

Gerald Weisfogel and Norman Meskin, both '66, were appointed Co-Editors of the *Masmid*, the Senior Class yearbook, for the coming year. In a joint statement, the new chiefs promised complete dedication in their future tasks and asked for the support of their classmates.

Letters To The Editor

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Mr. Dienstag justifiably elaborated on the subject of the *Yarmulka* as a symbol of piety which also demands great responsibility on the part of those who wear it. We should be grateful to him for having the courage to present the problem as it is. It is only surprising that no other member of the faculty dared to tackle the subject.

In view of the fact that some people may only read the headline and never manage to read through the long analysis of this problem, you have created a false impression by printing this yellow press heading, undoubtedly not authorized by the author.

Your headline is therefore both false and misleading, and this is not a matter of piety, this is *Halacha*. It is known as *genevath daath*, intellectual deception, which is a Biblical prohibition. (See *Mishna Torah, Hilchoth Deoth*, Ch. II, 6 and the *Encyclopedia Talmudith* Vol. 6 p. 225-231 where all *Halachic* references are listed.

Sheldon Weinreb '68

To the Editor:

As a graduate of Yeshiva College, I read with great interest your evaluation of the Pollack Library. It is difficult to take exception regarding some of your comments. Clearly, the library is short of space, and the students are not as quiet and reserved as might be desired. However, the statement made by some students, that the library does not fulfill their research needs adequately, is a serious one and must be carefully considered.

I am currently a student at the Columbia University Graduate Department of Psychology. The Columbia Psychology Library is reputed to be one of the best in the country, and, being the oldest of its kind, has an excellent collection of books, reports, and journals. Nevertheless, I do a considerable amount of research at other libraries, including Pollack, because of the accessibility of certain volumes.

No library, because of physical and financial limitations, can be

expected to carry all the journals and books desired by the users. Research, almost by definition, implies that the student will be forced to use many libraries with special collections. Such collections can and should be maintained by college libraries. Particularly in New York, with a wealth of fine special libraries, and at Yeshiva, with its own series of specialized collections, there is a place for the college library.

I have had the opportunity to use the psychology, biology and physics collections at the Pollack Library, and have found them, for most purposes, comparable to the facilities of other fine libraries. I invite you to visit the Columbia Psychology Library, or, perhaps even better, the Columbia College Library. Perhaps then you will appreciate the excellent library provided for your use at Yeshiva.

Eliot Shimoff '64

To the Editor:

I was amazed at the recent criticism leveled at Pollack Library. As a person who has had occasion to use other libraries, I must say that Pollack is exemplary. Its social science collection is superior to that of a well-known graduate school of social science which I have occasion to use frequently. As to personalized service, I have yet to find a library where I received better service and assistance.

The students do not appreciate the library staff. I recall that when I was a senior, office secretaries received invitations to the senior dinner, but librarians were not invited. Apparently, you are still biting the hand that feeds you.

Chaim I. Waxman '63

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To the Editor:

This past *Shabbos* in the dormitory we were privileged to hear two stimulating speakers, Rabbi Isaac Trainin and Rav Meir Feldblum. Although their orientations were a bit different, they both spoke about the American Jewish Community, its failings, and our responsibility to it. On Friday night Rabbi Trainin showed us that the Jewish Community was floundering. At *Shalosh Seudos* Rav Feldblum made the point that if all those present would assume the responsibility for one *kehillah*, then the problem of saving the American Jewish Community would be well on its way to being solved.

On Sunday morning in Rubin Dorm, we had to wait fifteen minutes before we started *davening*, and even then, we started *Mizmor Shir* without a *minyan* (causing one boy to miss saying *Kaddish*).

If we, as future Jewish leaders in America, are going to rejuvenate Judaism and try to save American Jews from assimilation and possible extinction (as Rabbi Trainin pointed out), shouldn't we set the example? The problem of *minyan* attendance is not only acute on Sunday mornings, but on every morning! Frequently, the same situation arises in the New Dorm too, where some boys also say *Kaddish*. Why is this happening at YU? Is it meant to be understood that only ten to fifteen (sometimes as many as twenty-five) hardy souls can manage to drag themselves out of bed at twenty-to-eight in the morning?

I will admit that I have only been in the dorm for a month; but perhaps it is precisely for this reason that I am aware of and negatively impressed by the dearth of boys coming to *minyan* in the morning.

Why is it that at *Ma'ariv* the *shul* is full? Is it simply because more boys awake at ten at night? If so, then are we really only practitioners of a religion of convenience? If a person has to walk a long distance in order to attend a *minyan*, one recognizes the difficulty there. But in the dorm?

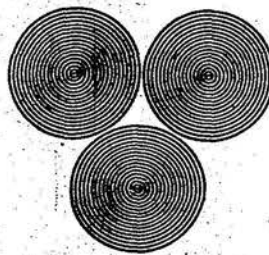
Why doesn't the *Shabbos* spirit, which finds boys filling the air with *zemiros*, carry over to the rest of the week? Surely Judaism must mean more to Yeshiva College students than whether a certain professor should wear a *yarmulka* on television, or whether it is proper to have socials. Or am I mistaken?

Wally Greene '66

To the Editor:

During the evening of May 17, an Athletic Dinner was held in Parker's Cafeteria. It was also the 31st day of the *Omer*. According to *Halacha* it is forbidden to listen to music, since the days of the *Omer* are considered a period of mourning. How could Yeshiva University sponsor an Athletic Dinner where music was given as entertainment? Is this not an Orthodox institution, and are we not supposed to adhere to *Halacha*?

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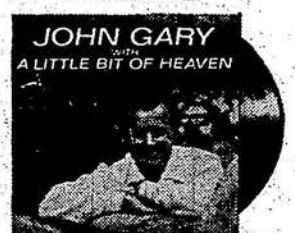
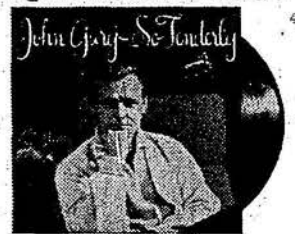
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Athletes Honored At Dinner As Coaches Bestow Awards

(Continued from page twelve) ability to score points — but because he had the necessary spark that propelled the Mighty Mites to many victories." THE COMMENTATOR award for fencing went to Alan Felsenfeld. Felsenfeld was co-captain of the team

this year, and won 14 matches, second highest total on the squad. Joel Pruzansky won THE COMMENTATOR award in wrestling, while Mike Samet "who ranks as one of Y.U.'s all time greatest tennis players," won THE COMMENTATOR award in tennis."



Myron Iteld presents Commentator Sports Awards to outstanding YC athletes of '64-'65: Mike Samet, Joel Pruzansky, Alan Felsenfeld, and Steve Gralla.

Many Seasoned Wrestlers Selected; Former Olympic Champion On Team

(Continued from page twelve) Chairman of the United States team, decided to hold the wrestling tryouts here, at Yeshiva, even though he received many offers from other institutions equipped with better physical plants.

The tryouts were held Sunday, May 2. Hopefuls came from all over the country and ranged in age from 14 to 32 years old. The rules used followed international style (slightly different from those found in collegiate matches) with weight divisions determined by kilos. Only one member — Joel Pruzansky — of Yeshiva's wrestling squad entered the competition, but he lost in the semi-finals. A total of 44 wrestlers competed: nine in the 114.5 class, eight in the 125.5 division, seven in the 138.5 class, six in the 154.5, four in the 171.5, one in the 191.5 class, and four in the heavyweight division.

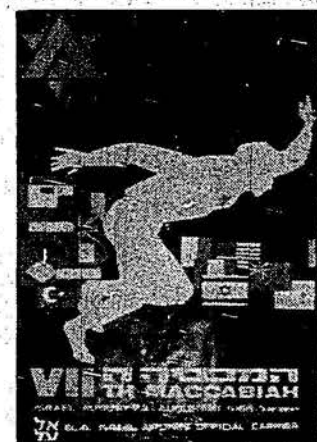
Capturing the 114.5 division was Drew Algase. His first match offered him no serious competition, and he beat Lenny Pruzansky (one of the four Pruzansky brothers who entered the meet) by a decision. He then defeated James Gordon and Michael Murray. Dave Pruzansky, Joel's brother, is only a senior in high school, but proved himself man enough to win the 125.5 class against stiff competition. The matches in the light-weight divisions were the most interesting, since there was greater emphasis on agility and speed rather than brute strength.

Ted Lansky won his first two matches in the 138.5 division and was pitted in the final round against Mark Piven in what was probably the most exciting match of the day. Piven previously pinned our own Joel Pruzansky in 5:43.

When the two five minute periods were over, the score was tied at seven all, and an overtime period was called. Lansky, resorting to his last ounce of strength, pinned his man—winning himself a trip to Israel and the Maccabiah Games. Mark Miller, an exceptionally strong and seasoned

matman, had no trouble winning the 145.5 berth.

Ernest Fisher will be making his second trip to the Maccabiah Games, wrestling in the 171.5 class. Four years ago he won a gold medal in Israel to the sur-



prise of no one, since he had fought in the 1956 Olympics and had placed second. Fisher, who is 32 and a practicing attorney, had many years of wrestling experience, a factor which helped him emerge victorious.

Faculty Shorts How Unclean We'd All Be If Not For Our Creativity

(Continued from page nine) Isserles' works by Dr. Asher Siev, associate professor of Hebrew, was published in *Talpioth*. Dr. Siev discussed "Implications of the cultural struggle in Israel" at a meeting of the Religious Zionists of America, East Bronx chapter.

Rabbi Dr. Gilbert Klaperman, visiting assistant professor of sociology, was a Rabbinical Council of America delegate to the European Orthodox Rabbinical Council Conference in London.

Dr. Gershon Churgin, professor of Hebrew, has written "The Philosophy of Herbert Samuel" for *Talpioth*.

Dr. Menachem Brayer, consultant Psychologist, delivered a paper "Anthropopathos in Pseudo-Jonathan and *Targum Yerushalmi* on the Pentateuch" before a Middle Atlantic States Conference of the Society of Biblical Exegesis and Literature held at Union Theological Seminary. Dr. Brayer also spoke on "Psychological and Family Aspects of the Qumran Community in Normative Judaism" at Young Israel of Forest Hills.

Rabbi Norman Lamm of TI has been promoted to visiting assistant professor of Jewish philosophy.

Dr. Yakir Aharanov, associate professor of physics, lectured on "Measurement in Relativistic Quantum Theory" at a University of Delaware *Philosophy of Science Seminar*.

Dr. Abraham Duker, Director of Libraries, lectured at Harpur College, Binghamton, N.Y., on "Jews and Negroes in American Life."

Dr. Duker participated in "Report on Freedom," Tuesday, May 4th on WEVD radio.

Dr. Moses D. Tendler, professor of biology, has selected 25 high school juniors to participate in his "Summer Training Institute in the Biomedical Sciences."

An article "Dreams and Guilt" by Dr. Manfred Weidhorn, assistant professor of English, appeared in *Harvard Theological Review*.

Inadequate housing conditions, poor sanitary facilities, and a general cry of "slumming" have necessitated the removal of the white tile rat chamber. Under the fine leadership of the coaching staff—both Olympians and Maccabeans—the chamber has risen to newer Heights—188th St.

The extrication process took one month and was effectuated in the following manner: On Monday and Wednesday evenings the pathetic phallic combined with the frothing frosh would congregate inside the pool area and wait for instructions. Through a series of strange gestures they managed to pry loose a few floor boards, and they continued walking down the length of the chamber, bending over boarded with loads (rather loaded with boards). The frothing frosh removed all fixtures and

ornamental hoops with a series of jumping movements which succeeded in rattling everything loose.

But what to do with the walls of white tiles? Immediately the mat monkeys were called in, and, after incessant kicking, twisting, and gouging, they removed the white tiles.

Early the next morning before sunrise (such dedication) the pathetic phallic, the frothing frosh, and the mat monkeys, loaded up their sacks and transported their walls, ceilings, and floor. After a hard day's night's work, the structure, a shining ritualarium emerged, and to this day it is still standing in the same spot.

However, despite the precision of the work crews and the plans of the well-wishers, one problem still remains—What to do with the big hole?

Guidance Still Vital Issue; Students' Welfare Primary

(Continued from page five) leaders of today. As such we must be respected.

Students are not merely entitled but obligated to offer their criticisms and describe the goals of Yeshiva University. The primacy of Yeshiva must be maintained in the engulfing expansion of the university.

Guidance is one major area, one major problem for next year. It is not a matter of improvement, rather a realization that a beginning must take place. Acad-

emic as well as religious guidance at Yeshiva does not exist, in whole or in part. A religious guidance office is a start. But let us not be fooled into thinking that it will solve our problems. Each and every (and here's where the problem lies) mentor in TI & JSP & RIETS must develop a close relationship with his *talמיד*. He must be aware of the problems. And in the end, students will best help students. Academic guidance will see a breakthrough in the Student Council Senior-Freshman Guidance Program.

Next year will be, *im yirtzeh hashem*, a banner year for Yeshiva. We are selfish because we are Yeshiva and we will try harder to serve ourselves. We ask the cooperation of the students, the administration, and the all important faculty. And most of all, the secretaries.

Hermele Reflects On Office; Notes Educational Experience

(Continued from page seven) lightened by the omnipresence of "The Boys." They continuously provided the opportunity to laugh at it all, and consoled me in times of what then appeared to be a crisis (and now appears to have been a daily routine.) In effect, they helped contain my numerous neuroses, and prevent the development of psychoses. It is only a few days to graduation, and the unavoidable dispersion of the group to points across the country. Age creeps on, more and more become engaged and married, the protectiveness that YU offered from the cruel realities of life is at an end. I wonder if the warmth, sincerity and comradeship will ever again be repeated. To Moose, Felsie, Freddy, Carrot, Bert, Shapiro, Willy, Rocky, Yak, Otto, Heshie, Iggy and all the others, a grateful thank you.

As vital to the existence of my precarious stability was the reassurance of several kind souls and gentle people. In particular, a bright-eyed girl at Stern who patiently assured me that people are basically good, that it all has a purpose, that life is not the dread and anxiety that contemporary philosophy may proclaim, that God is not dead. To her, I wish bluebirds in the spring, to give her heart a song to sing.

To THE COMMENTATOR, as a tradition which almost assumes a lifelike personality, and to the innumerable students directly and indirectly involved with it, from the overworked Governing Board to the cub reporters: it has been a year I won't readily forget. Neil will be a fine editor. He has the requisite characteristics of stamina and level-headedness, and devotion to the ideal of justice. My only advice is to seek out those people who really care about the welfare of Yeshiva, and unify

your activities. The coming year may very well see crucial decisions as to the future of the University, and top administrative appointments. THE COMMENTATOR must inject the unique perspective of youthful idealism into the scene. Apathy is one of the major crimes of a thinking mind; despair and lack of faith in the power of an aroused press, and an aroused readership, is equivalent to cowardice; bitterness, a feeling often detected in Yeshiva College student leadership, is an excuse for surrender into a shell of inaction.

The Commentator demanded a great deal. Endless loss of sleep, and fatigue, sacrifice of the leisure and carefree attitude traditionally reserved for seniors, accepting the reality of gaining nothing from the few courses I found time to periodically attend, and watching my index plummet, the abandonment of a last chance

at formal "learning," which will undoubtedly pain my conscience several years from now, and the unending aggravation associated with "meeting the deadline." Notwithstanding protestations, my often serious questioning of the sanity of my decision to ever accept the job, I would repeat the year of madness without hesitation. The Commentator concluded my education. Without attempting to describe what it has meant to me, suffice it to note that I feel infinitely older and wiser than I was a mere year ago, and am slowly gaining the experience and perspective to reach that enviable plateau of recognizing my youth and realizing that I know nothing.

Netmen End Fine Season; Rank High In Conference

by Mike Groob

After losing the first match to City College, Yeshiva's tennis team finished strongly to win their next six matches before dropping their final two contests to Iona and Kings Point. This gave the netmen a successful record of six wins



(Commentator)

Slamming Mike Samet, Capt. of Blue and White netmen, serves an ace.

against three losses, resulting in a third place finish in the Metropolitan Tennis Conference standings.

A big factor in this season's successful campaign is sophomore Don Zisquit, Yeshiva's answer to Chuck McKinley. Zisquit, with his fine play, established himself as the greatest tennis player in Yeshiva's history. Having posted an undefeated record as YU's number one man for the past two seasons, he is also considered the best player in the conference. In fact, he has been first seeded in the All-City tournament to be played at Forest Hills starting June 1. His great natural ability and impressive accomplishments make him an outstanding prospect for the U.S. Maccabiah Tennis Team.

Unfortunately for the Blue and White, Zisquit will not be around next year, since he plans to spend the year in Israel. He will return the following year, however, to resume his Yeshiva tennis career. This, unfortunately, cannot be said for the seniors on this year's squad. Lost forever are Captain Mike Samet, Noah Lightman, and Jack Haller. Samet, Yeshiva's number two player, finished his final year at YU with a 7-2 mark. This, added to the records of his two

previous years of competition, gives Mike a remarkable record of 18 wins against only five defeats. Samet will also participate in the All City Tournament.

Not to be discounted is Noah Lightman, the number three man. His hard aggressive play was instrumental in providing him with a winning record. Noah received the Norman Palefski Memorial Award which is given to the varsity athlete with the highest scholastic average. Also lost through graduation will be the services of Jack Haller.

The only returning upperclassman next year will be Victor Kops. Kops, a versatile athlete, also started on the fencing team. Soph Dave Shapiro played fine tennis while alternating in the number four and five spots in addition to helping out in some key doubles victories.

A good prospect for next year's team is hard hitting George Kornfeld, who filled in for the ailing Jack Haller. Kornfeld, a freshman, was involved in numerous spectacular matches and finished the campaign with a winning record.

Another fine prospect is Morty Lightman, also a freshman. Morty, Noah's brother, won his only singles match and participated in several doubles matches. Together with Mike Samet, he helped decide the outcome of the Maritime match by winning the key doubles engagement.

Others who saw action in doubles matches this year were sophomores David Carmel and Steve Savitsky, and freshman Elliot Gellman.

Speakers Present Athletic Awards At Fifteenth Annual Sports Dinner

by Ronald Damboritz

The fifteenth annual Athletic Association Awards Dinner was held on May 17 in the Rubin Hall Cafeteria. About 130 athletes, coaches, faculty members and guests attended. Attending the reception, too, was Prof. Hy Wettstein, who is making a speedy recovery from his unfortunate accident. He thanked all of the people who sent him get-well wishes. He also presented the Offenbacher Memorial Award to Stanley Schneider '66 for excellence in physical education.

Other awards, given out by Prof. Abraham Hurwitz, were the Mortimar Kogan memorial Award to Herbert Horowitz '65, who was in charge of the Blood Drives at YU. Harold Wasserman '65, who did an excellent job with the intramural program, received the American Legion Award for "patriotic services." Arthur Feinerman '66 received the Norman Palefski Memorial Prize for excellence in safety education.

Steven Katz and Herbert Hermele both '65 received the Mina Belkin Memorial Prize for service and devotion to the school. Dean Bacon presented Professor Hurwitz with the Athletic Association Administration Award for "recognition of his loyal efforts in furthering student athletics at YU." Prof. Hurwitz, in accepting the award, reminded us of our need to pressure the administration for a gym. Intramural awards were presented in fencing, ping pong, volleyball and basketball. Shelly Silver '65 received the

intramural Most Valuable Player Award for basketball.

After a few words from special guest Lou Carnesecca, coach of St. John's basketball team, the remainder of the awards were presented. The first of these awards was the Norman Palefski Memorial Award, which went to

Noah Lightman, '65, for outstanding scholastic and athletic achievement. Noah is a member of the tennis team.

THE COMMENTATOR award for basketball was presented to Steve Gralla '65. Gralla received the award "not only for his great

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On The Sidelines



A Man To Remember

by Myron Iteld

In the recently concluded election campaign, one proposal basic to almost every candidate's platform was the expansion of the intramural program to encompass all seasonal sports. This innovation is a highly gratifying and significant move forward, as it reflects a heightened interest in sports participation at an institution not renowned for its athletic achievements. But what precipitated this sudden adherence to the famous adage, "a sound mind, a sound body?"

The answer is a powerfully constructed five and a half foot package of bubbling energy and infectious enthusiasm — Harold "Chico" Wasserman. Chico, a moderately successful grappler for Coach Henry Wittenberg, was profoundly affected by the words of one of his favorite professors. Said the latter, "A fundamental problem with Yeshiva students is that their intellectual growth far surpasses their physical development!" Disturbed by this embarrassing yet unfortunately incontrovertible observation, Harold decided to take matters into his own hands. In an era when school spirit is practically nonexistent, he stands out as a giant among men in reaching heights heretofore unattained.

Two years ago a relatively unnoticed but far-reaching event occurred at Yeshiva. Harold Wasserman was appointed student Athletic Manager. Harold's first task was to reorganize a faltering intramural basketball program which was beset by poor planning and apathetic students. Together with Professor Hy Wettstein, (whom we hope to see back at YU in the near future), Chico completely revamped the format of the schedule and eliminated the inter-division competition, a root of many problems in the past. With only the four college classes and Smicha being represented, the calibre of play vastly improved and, as a result of a broad publicity campaign, student interest and participation became genuine.

The pinnacle of accomplishment was realized this year when playoffs for first and third places were necessitated due to ties in the standings. Harold, once again keeping in mind the benefit of the students, petitioned Mr. Wettstein to acquire the gymnastic facilities of George Washington High School for the extra games, as Yeshiva's antiquated thirteen-foot high "gymnasium" was unsuitable for a meaningful basketball game. On Monday, March 15, 1965, the playoffs were successfully held at GW and were received so enthusiastically that playoff games at GW are now an integral part of future intramural schedules—a fitting climax for a fledgling and rapidly improving program.

Intramurals, however, are not limited solely to the roundball sport. Due to Chico's earnest endeavors, tournaments in volleyball and ping-pong were initiated. These too, were warmly accepted, and as one can see from the platforms of the numerous political aspirants, there is yet more to come.

What function do intramurals serve? In addition to being an outlet through which many of us can vent our excess energy and satisfy our aggressive tendencies, they are a useful complement to a very meager and lacking physical education scheme. Of late, though not intended so, they have served as a proving grounds, a sort of farm system, for one of the varsity aggregates. Henry Schumansky, a promising young basketballer, for example, originally participated in intramurals before joining Coach Sarachek's squad. Hank is not unique as there are many more like him who have gained much needed confidence and valuable experience from this program.

Tuesday, June 15, Harold Wasserman will be graduated from Yeshiva College and will further his education elsewhere. He will take with him many fond memories and recollections of his four year sojourn at YU. However, Chico's imprint on Yeshiva will not be merely a memory but rather a reality. The foundation that he laid in building a strong intramural project will be expanded upon in years to come, and will serve as a monument to his unceasing efforts to help the boys of Yeshiva. We can hope that his successors will realize their responsibilities and will pattern themselves after his noteworthy example. Thank you, Chico!

Maccabiah Team Trials Held At Yeshiva Gym

by Lewis Zinkin

"Wow! What a tournament!" That, perhaps, is the best description of the wrestling elimination

trials participate in international amateur sports games in Israel, much in the same spirit and style as the Olympics. But the excep-



(Commentator)

If you get in the way of either of these two Maccabiah hopefuls, watch out!

trials for the United States Wrestling Team which will represent Uple Sam in Israel for the VII Maccabiah Games this summer. Every four years, over 30 coun-

tional facet of these contests is that all of the athletes are Jewish. Yeshiva's wrestling coach, Henry Wittenberg, who was appointed

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