

Rabbi Riskin Opens Series With An Analysis Of Rand

Inaugurating a series of lectures sponsored jointly by the Yeshiva Dormitory Committee and the Stern College Student Council, Rabbi Shlomo Riskin, instructor in JSP and rabbi of the Lincoln Square Synagogue, offered "A Personal Reaction to the Philosophy of Ayn Rand." Almost 500 Yeshiva and Stern College students filled Furst Hall's room 501 to

come to see in a twentieth-century construct."

Examples from Science

Citing examples from contemporary science and art, Rabbi Riskin asserted that "man dare not set himself up as the ultimate criteria." For the first time since the Greeks, science has been forced to admit the imperfections of even mathematics. Scientific advances



(by I. Stein)
Rabbi Shlomo Riskin declares Ayn Rand out of step with modern man at opening lecture of series.

capacity on Sunday evening, November 7.

In his lecture, entitled "Man as G-d," Rabbi Riskin explained that according to Miss Rand man is supreme; he is "a being that has superseded the deity." It is Miss Rand's contention that "no power, no being, no one . . . can stand above the actions of man."

Placing this concept in its proper historical intellectual perspective, Rabbi Riskin added that Miss Rand's philosophy closely parallels that of the ancient Greeks. However, Rabbi Riskin stated that this "glorious picture of man is not in any way the kind of man we have

have not resulted in man's happiness; they have, in fact diminished it—"man is not closer to Utopia."

Modern man, as reflected through his art and literature, now sees himself as a finite entity. The
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Mystery Envelops YU As Electricity Goes Out

by Arye Gordon

The lights dimmed, flickered, and went out. Like an electric shock a murmur sizzled across the room. And darkness jelled on the face of the deep. YU lay in blackness.

"An attack."

"From Mars."

"It's the Russians."

"Na. The Cosa Nostra."

A group in the back intoned, "We shall not be moved, we shall . . ."

Wise guys. Good guys. They knew the answers. They always know. Just ask the instructors.

"Let's continue with the lecture," the professor casually remarked. He droned on as if the bulbs were bright in their sockets, however, not for long.

Out of the darkness came a muffled shout. "Look, The Bronx is gone!"

"Shema Yisroel . . ."

That did it. The lecture came to a dead halt.

Peaceful pandemonium reared its lively head on Yeshiva's campus. Gleelessly, students headed for the dining room. What merriment prevailed. How true is the adage that good fare lessens care. Why worry? Whatever the cause, it will be resolved.

We think it was Plato who said, "Nothing in the affairs of men is worthy of great anxiety." The majority of YU students agreed. By candle light, voices loud and strong swept into joyful song. It was a night to remember at Yeshiva.

Heading home, the bus—an island of light—a pretty crowded island at that, inched its way downtown unhampered by traffic lights but shrouded in darkness.

"Give the lady a seat."

"What seat, what lady? She's sitting on me already!"

New Yorkers rose to the occasion with the gallantry of Sir Galahads of the subways.

A drunk, in an envious state of euphoria, attempted to read a large Con Edison poster, "Do not disturb. We are planning for the future."

"What future?" he asked of the smiling blobs of faces. "Now is the future. I fought in Europe for those Con-people. Don't laugh. I lost my best friends. Who? JFK, his brother Joe, the Duke of Kent! It ain't funny. There ain't no future."
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Smilow Says Co-op Is A Service; Will Not Attend YCSC Meeting

Shocked and hurt by Student Council's recent allegations, Alex Smilow, Co-op director, does not plan to attend any council meetings.

"This is a Yeshiva, not a Kangaroo court. As a partner in business with Student Council could I not, at least, expect mutual respect?"

Dorms Hold Talent Show

Sunday night, Nov. 14, YU's Residence Halls held their first Talent Show. The event was co-chaired by Dave Liebowitz, Steve Bailey, and Ted Miller. The audience enjoyed eight acts ranging from an oriental mandolin solo to a Koussevitsky rendition.

After careful deliberation, the judges — Louis Zinkin, Howie Poupk, and Dave Liebowitz — awarded first prize to James Farber '69 for a piano performance of an original work entitled "The First Semitic Dance in E Flat Minor." The second prize went to Shimshon
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The owner of *Tov Ma'od* was commenting on the accusations made by Tobias Feinerman '66, Co-op manager, carried in the last issue of THE COMMENTATOR. Feinerman charged the Council's partners with refusing to keep accurate records and laxity in the payment of bills. (According to the committee report, no records of transactions by strangers using Co-op's name were kept).

Since the first two years of the partnership, the books have not been audited. What records there were were incomplete and disorganized, causing a dispute in regard to the amount owed Student Council by Co-op.

Book Commission

A contract signed three years ago allowed Smilow to take 50¢ or 40% from the booksales, at his discretion, in exchange for rent and other expenses. "I have always taken 50¢ because it is most often the smaller of the two. We also charge 10% less than cover value on all paperbacks — which can be a loss or at least a minimal profit. We are a service," Smilow stated.

According to Smilow, the president and vice-president of Student Council and Tobias Feinerman had access to the books the entire summer. "If they found irregular-

ities then, why did they wait so long? My books have always been open to the council," Smilow added.

"Toby has been a great help, organizing the requisitions and getting student helpers," Smilow mentioned. "This hasn't always been the case with the previous managers."

If Co-op had trouble last year with the bills, it was for the reason that Smilow "wasn't allowed to

Tonight at 8 p.m. in Lamport Auditorium, Dr. Joseph Dunner, David W. Petegorsky Professor of Political Science, will defend the U.S. policy in Viet Nam in a debate with three professors from Beller Graduate School of Science. Those opposing the U.S. policy are Drs. Elliot Lieb, Arthur Komar and Ralph Behrends. The very mootness of the Viet Nam issue promises an enlightening and forceful debate.

return unsold books for credit from the companies early enough."

Co-op Student Service

Feeling that Co-op was set as a student service, Smilow does not regard a profit on students from other colleges as a breach of contract. "The stranger that THE COMMENTATOR mentioned was a graduate from YU who needed some books and was charged accordingly; there was no finagling."

Always being in the neighborhood, Alex stated that he cannot understand why he wasn't informed of the situation earlier.

YU Honors Master Builders For Aiding Expansion Plans

Eighty-five persons who have shown leadership in Yeshiva University's expansion program were honored as "Master Builders" at a luncheon November 7.

cross-section of the Jewish communities of the United States and Canada.

Following the luncheon, Dr. Belkin, President of the Univer-

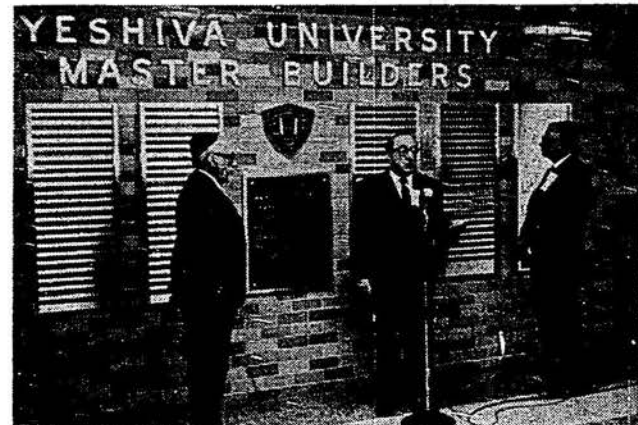
Feldman Gives New Josephus Translation



(by J. Birn)
Dr. Louis Feldman

Nine years' labor of love was climaxed two weeks ago when the Loeb Classical Library published Dr. Louis H. Feldman's translation of the last three books of Josephus' *Antiquities*.

Translation of this historic work was begun over four decades ago by H. St. John Thackeray, who
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(YU Public Relations)

Master Builder Wall is dedicated.

Inaugurated in 1961, the Master Builders program honors contributors who have given \$18,000 or more to the University. Individuals enrolled to date represent a

sity, Mr. Max Etra, and Mr. Max Stern, chairman and vice-chairman of the Board of Trustees respectively, unveiled a plaque in the lobby of Furst Hall.

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Grading The Faculty

Throughout the country, many colleges are engaged in various projects aimed at formulating methods of teacher evaluation. The increasing acceptance of this trend in improved student-faculty-administration relations is quite important to every one of us.

Not only are student complaints finally being given serious consideration, but there is now enthusiastic co-operation on the part of both faculty and administration in making corrective programs a success.

Several instructors at Yeshiva are already keenly aware of the importance of constructive criticism of their work and periodically offer their students an opportunity to suggest and criticize. Such a program, expanded to the whole school, would provide the administration with frank and very realistic, yet completely confidential, information on which to base improvements in faculty and curriculum.

We thus propose the establishment of a permanent Faculty Evaluation Board, to consist both of faculty members trained in this area and of student representatives, to organize a durable and constructive program to evaluate teacher performance.

A New Cut Policy

A privilege which some students deserve is unrestricted attendance regulations. We realize that freshmen and sophomores may not yet be equipped for this system. It is desirable that they be exposed to various fields of study through required courses. But surely juniors and seniors, who have chosen their major subjects, and who are busy filing graduate school applications, should have the privilege of running their own lives.

To inaugurate this system, we suggest a trial period of one semester. Students would soon find that it is to their benefit to attend

meaningful classes and instructors might give extra efforts to lecture plans. It would indeed be valuable training for later life.

Who Needs Girls?

On November 21, the Yeshiva College Dramatic Society will present "Twelve Angry Men" at Eleanor Roosevelt J.H.S. It is hoped that this event will at least equal last year's show in both dramatic quality and attendance. However, there is one factor which tends to keep YC students away from this type of function. Many boys feel that there is no reason to attend if they do not have dates.

A Yeshiva College student function is not meant to be an occasion to show off one's date. It is rather intended as an opportunity for students to relax and enjoy good entertainment.

Also, during the active weeks, students of our college do not have the time to become acquainted with their own classmates. We urge them, therefore, to make use of our fine dramatic presentations and become part of a warm and friendly student body.

Phase-In The Sciences

Our technological age requires that every person have a broad, even if shallow, knowledge of the sciences. The science requirement at Yeshiva College, one year of biology or chemistry, fails to satisfy this need.

The courses offered are overly technical and do not relate to the needs of the non-science major. They are full-year courses, and there is little opportunity for a student to familiarize himself with more than one science. Further, there is no physics option, although the field is central in modern life.

THE COMMENTATOR therefore proposes that the present courses be replaced by three single term courses, one each in biology, chemistry, and physics. These should be oriented towards the applications of these fields, rather than to theory. The student should have his choice of any two of these courses; alternatively, he should be permitted to take the regular course in any of the fields, should he desire greater depth.

Likewise, a one-semester course in Principles of Mathematics should be available to serve the students who desire a more extensive background than they received in high school, but do not want the rigor of a calculus course.

To make these proposals meaningful, it is essential that all of these courses be offered in both the fall and spring semesters, so that the student can choose freely, without being hampered by scheduling difficulties.

Follow-Up

1. In our first issue, we questioned the necessity of eight terms of required physical education. *Response:* A plan is being drawn up by the administration and will be taken up at the next faculty meeting.

Results: Still Hopeful

2. Last issue we suggested the establishment of a general humanities major. *Response:* The administration denied the need for such a major, claiming that it was not good educational policy and would serve no useful purpose.

Results: None

3. We mentioned, as we have done so often in the past, the problem of guidance. *Response:* The guidance program will be developed. Also, it is no "fiasco" if the Registrar's Office possibly erred in the closing date it listed for LSAT applicants. It was perhaps a simple mechanical error.

Results: Same As Usual

From The Editor's Desk

No, No — It Will Not Happen Here

by Neil Koslowe

Venice is the city of love. Twisting canals, softly lit cafes, and broad piazzas ringing with luxurious outdoor music all lend it an authentic flavor of romance, almost story-like. Vaporettos chug up and down the Grand Canal at night, humming past the front doors of apartments and stores, their passengers gay and light-hearted. Shop windows display intricate glassware and dazzling jewelry. The stars always seem to shine.

Venice was a city of hate. In 1516 it became the first Italian city to introduce the ghetto for its Jews. Twice, in 1527 and again in 1571, Venice attempted to expel all Jews from its boundaries. The Jews, nevertheless, stubbornly held fast to their faith and their ghetto. Later, Napoleon helped emancipate Jews throughout the world. Venetian Jews knew a total of four months of such freedom.

Today, as one faces the railroad station in Venice, there is a street called Listo de Spagna on the right. Up this street there is a small bridge that crosses one of the 170 canals. On the other side, to the left and 200 feet down, is a small pharmacy. The pharmacy is constructed flush with a huge brick wall, and there is a slight separation between this store front and the next. A path of solid cobblestones begins at this separation, penetrates the wall and opens slowly into a large piazza. Children in tattered clothes play in the street, their stomachs slightly bloated and their faces covered with thick red swellings. Surrounding the piazza are buildings with broken windows and crumbling walls. To the right there is a handsome, decaying building. There is a *mezuzah* on the door. Inside are a synagogue and a museum. To the left of the piazza is a huge edifice with a sign saying: "Jewish Rest Home." On its steps and on the steps of the surrounding buildings, disheveled, broken humans, with vague Jewish features, sit and pass the time. This is the current home of Venetian Jewry.

Amsterdam is the surprising city. It is a bustling port town containing one of the only remaining European sailors' district, the *Zeedijk*. Students dressed informally and sporting sculptured hair-do's ride about on swift bicycles. After sunset, prostitutes crowd the bars or sit casually in large display windows draped only in thin negligee.

Amsterdam once had an important and prosperous Jewish community. It was largely Jewish capital and enterprise that built the Dutch East and West India Companies. The influence of the community was indicated by the size and grandeur of its synagogues. Today, the striking Portuguese Synagogue still stands. But its rich wooden benches are cold; its brass chandeliers are dusty; its Torah scrolls are lonely. Rarely a *minyan* assembles there, even on the *Shabbat*. Of 100,000 Jews before the war, only 10,000 are still living in Amsterdam. Instead there are memorials, museums, and flickering candles.

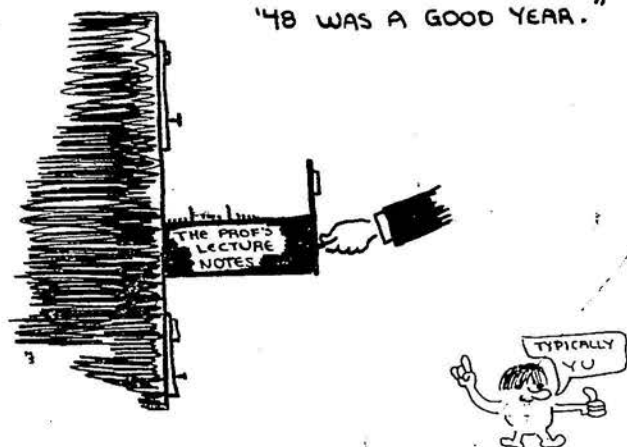
It was the Talmud and the *mitzvot* that carried the Jews through the centuries against persecution, not their wealth, science, or literature. We survived the challenges of the past, brutality and murder. The challenge of today is equality.

Yeshiva University has an important role to play in meeting today's challenge. It is that sweet breath of defiance to the carcasses of once mighty nations. Millions died for supporting its ideals; thousands look to it around the world, now, for assurance and confirmation that their toil is not in vain.

But YU must never forget the lessons of the past, for remnants of the past still live. It dare not forget the *makor* from which it sprang. For now, with medical schools and science centers sprouting, the marrow of the school, the students in the *yeshiva* part of Yeshiva University, have every right to be concerned about the status of Talmudic study in the scheme of things.

History has witnessed enough Jewish obliteration.

"LET'S SEE —
'48 WAS A GOOD YEAR."



The Professor Exposed

Students Welcome Dr. Myron Jacobs — Outstanding In Field Of Biology

by Eli Goldschmidt

The recent addition of Dr. Myron Jacobs, visiting assistant professor of biology, to Yeshiva's faculty is an asset to our school. A rare combination of distinguished scholarship and a delightful manner immediately puts one at ease in his presence. Biology majors, in particular, are in the position to benefit from him.

Since acquiring his Ph.D. from New York University in anatomy, Dr. Jacobs has been teaching and conducting research. He has taught at New York University School of Dentistry and Queens University

in Kingston, Ontario. Besides being a member of the faculty at Yeshiva College, he is on the staff of the New York Medical College conducting research.

Dr. Jacobs' contributions to the field of anatomy have been most significant. He has conducted a survey to evaluate the departments of anatomy of medical schools in Europe. At the close of this survey, he presented a demonstration to the Anatomists of the United States and published his findings. Dr. Jacobs has also been involved in research concerning skin transplants of late-fetal to early post-portal skin to genetic and non-genetic recipients. This field of work was important several years ago and resulted in a Nobel Prize for P. B. Medawer.

Wrote Histology Atlas

Dr. Jacobs, in collaboration with Dr. Saul Wischnitzer, associate professor of biology at Yeshiva University, and Dr. R. Piliero, has published an *Atlas of Histology*. This new Atlas contains actual photomicrographs of human tissue magnified as a student would see them under a microscope. Thus far, the Atlas has been well received and is being used in numerous colleges and universities.

Presently, Dr. Jacobs is occupied with an interesting project. Together with four other men, he is conducting research on brains of dolphins. The five researchers meet monthly in Boston to discuss their findings. They hope to construct an Atlas of the "bottlenose" dolphin with the idea of using the knowledge for physiological studies testing brain function in animals. The Atlas will probably be published in 1967.

Dolphin Interesting Creature

The dolphin, relates Dr. Jacobs, is a very interesting creature. On the basis of studying its brain structure in slides, the researchers are of the opinion that the dolphin has a "tremendous personal experience" — namely that it has mechanisms that enable it to experience everything about its environment. For example, because of a reduced motor area in its brain, the dolphin cannot communicate in normal motor fashion, but, nevertheless, it has an acute sense of vision and hearing that is due to its highly developed sensory

apparatus. Furthermore, a dolphin has an unbelievable learning capacity and is able to remember and repeat more syllables than a human being. Dr. Jacobs feels that due to its highly developed brain, which is larger than that of man, its vocalizing ability, and its apparent intelligence, the dolphin remains one of the most promising animals to help answer many questions concerning brain function.

When a member of the Governing Board of The Commentator undertakes and accomplishes an unusual goal, we take particular pride in announcing it. David Mirvis '67, present Make-Up editor, has been admitted to both the Albert Einstein College of Medicine and the Yale University School of Medicine. Planning to enter after only three years of college, he represents the first student from YC admitted to AECOM this year. Although no definite decision as to which school he will attend has been made, he is favoring Einstein. We wish him luck at either school!

Because of his involvement in this project, Dr. Jacobs has accepted a position as research associate with the New York Zoological Society.

Although Dr. Jacobs is now involved in research, he admits that "my first love has always been teaching." His philosophy is that any scientist with a Ph.D. should be first a teacher, and then a researcher.

As could be expected, Dr. Jacobs finds it hard to understand that our students manage so well despite a double program. "I wonder how they do it, but I ask no questions" is his reaction to the double program. Nevertheless, Dr. Jacobs finds students at Yeshiva College "vastly superior" and greatly enjoys teaching here.

Yeshiva is indeed fortunate that it has so distinguished a personality among its faculty.

Prominent Speakers Lecture At Oneg Shabbat Programs

"Intellect and Emotion in Judaism" was the topic of the Oneg Shabbat lecture given by Rabbi Nathan Bulman (Educational Consultant-Torah U'mosarah) October 29. The program sponsored by the Dormitory Committee was attended by an unusually large audience, including the collegiate group of Shaarei Zedek Hospital.

Given the fact that Judaism is undoubtedly a combination of both intellect and emotion, Rabbi Bulman first tried to define the limits which are enclosed by these two poles. On the one hand, he claimed, even the most rational of Jewish thinkers could not make reason the ultimate arbiter of truth. On the other hand, even those who place greater emphasis on *hergesht* in Judaism cannot go so far as to deny observable scientific "truth".

To be rational, and still admit that reason is ultimately inadequate is the unique and difficult position which Jewish thought has maintained throughout the generations. Rabbi Bulman also suggested that Judaism has, in its own historical perspective, rejected its thinkers to the degree in which their approach was one-sided and failed to recognize the vital necessity of both intellect and emotion.

Rabbi Bulman then showed how Judaism's two most recent attempts at radical revitalization—the *Musar* movement and *Chassidic* movement—were born from a recognition of the decay of religious emotion and intellect. While Rabbi Israel Salanter sought to give form to a Jewish ethic which would create a total religious personality, the *Baal Shem Tov* and the early founders of *Chabad* tried to revive a more intellectual approach to Judaism.

Rabbi Bulman concluded by saying that if modern Jewry is to achieve a badly needed revitalization in modern times, the approaches of the *Musar* movement and *Chassidic* movement should offer valuable guidelines in their

perceptive understanding of the roles of emotion and intellect in religious life.

Haskalah And Jewry

Speaking on "The Haskalah Movement and its Effect on Modern Jewry," Dr. Irving Agus, professor of Jewish history, warned that we are faced with the same problem today.

During the Haskalah the Jews forgot about the elementary aspects of study to go almost immediately into "graduate study." Thus, when the Gentiles started to come out of barbarism, they discovered many things which had been forgotten by the Jews. They felt awe for the general scientist and contempt for the specialist. The Jews, on the other hand, were specialists and the "new" ideas of the Gentiles struck like a thunderbolt.

Following this revelation of a new way, the Jews abandoned their traditional ways, which had been going by inertia. The main contribution of the Gentiles in this period was the idea of analyzing so it could be taught step by step to anyone. Previously, a genius would have an intuition and would not analyze the steps by which he reached his conclusion. Instead he would teach it on his level, and anyone who couldn't supply the missing steps on his own was out of luck. Since the Jews taught on a high level, many were attracted to this new method of teaching.

Today, an analogous situation exists. However, where once Judaism was forsaken because it was too high above secular learning, it is now being left because it is taught on too elementary a level. The level which was satisfactory for grammar school is unsuited for college students who are used to the intricacies of mathematics and science. Again it is a problem of our method of teaching. Dr. Agus felt that we should put more emphasis on "graduate" and "post-graduate" studies of the meaning of Judaism to combat this danger.

Riskin Calls Rand Shallow

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heroes of such books and plays as *Herzog* and *Death of a Salesman* are "paltry and pitiful," to say the least.

Cubism in art, the theatre of the absurd in drama, and cacophony in music present a more realistic view of modern man, according to Rabbi Riskin. As a result he finds Miss Rand's views "hopelessly shallow and exceedingly superficial."

"When a man believed in G-d and a world created by G-d . . . there was a great chain of being . . . reaching man . . . and culminating in G-d." Modern man has become "alienated from his world, living on the brink of insanity."

The next lecture in the series will be December 12. The speaker has not been announced. The third lecture, which will be held at Stern College in February, will feature the noted author, Isaac Bashevis Singer, as lecturer.

Fortnite

November 19-20, Far Rockaway Weekend
Sunday, November 21, Twelve Angry Men, Open House.
November 23, Basketball Intramurals
November 30, Kol Dadi
December 2, Clubs: Pre-Med, Psychology, Mitznei Hatzlari, Young Dema, Bridge.

In a letter to dormitory residents, Rabbi Joshua Cheifetz, director of Residence Halls, announced that the use of minyan cards has been discontinued. Hereafter, each counselor will supervise the attendance of the students on his floor.



(by I. Stein)

MEMBERS of the Yeshiva College Student Court: (seated, left to right) Howard Rothman, Senior Justice; Abraham Whahartig, Associate Chief Justice; Steven Dworken, Chief Justice; Marvin Waltuch, Senior Justice; Victor Didia, Senior Justice. (Standing, l. to r.) Steve Bailey, Junior Justice; Jay Kimmel, Junior Justice; Jerry Rozenkranz, Clerk; Sidney Tessler, Senior Justice; Irving Bodner, Clerk; David Shapiro, Junior Justice; Hillel Schnelderman, Chief Clerk. Smile, you devils!

Utility Or Futility

by Stephen Bailey

They told me when I entered college
To take a varied plan,
"Avail yourself of diverse knowledge—
Become a worldly man."

"All things you learn are practical
Like math and chemistry,
And when you choose be tactical,
Add art and history."

I took the courses they advise,
Partiality I spurned.
(I would become so worldly-wise)
Just listen what I've learned:

Polynomial functions, implicit relations,
Differentials dx , dy ;
Trapezoid rules, curve integration,
And Greek like alpha and pi.

Oxidation potentials, alkali metals,
Graham's old law of diffusion;

Charge distributions, energy levels,
acidic and basic solutions.

Sculptural form, romanticism,
Principles of design;
Intaglio prints, impressionism,
Expressive use of line.

Right extremism, political theory,
Causes of industrialization;
Enlightened depotism, united Italy,
Changes of population.

There you have the courses I chose,
(I've finally finished the task)
But before I bring this verse to a close
I've just one question to ask . . .

I now possess a rich education,
I've certainly learned a lot—
With all my "valuable information"
I must be prepared—But for What?

CLUB CORNER

Prof. Speaks At Physics Meeting; Tells Of Career Opportunities

Speaking before the Physics Club Thursday, November 11, on "Career Opportunities in Physics," Dr. Arthur Komar, associate professor of physics at Belfer Graduate School of Science based his

Universities, industry and Government prefer. He also stated the qualifications the different groups require and some of the opportunities.

As time was running out



Dr. Arthur Komar elaborates on physics careers, noting that his is not too rugged. (by A. Landau)

speech, on the interplay between the sciences. He stated that all sciences, including sociology and political science, describe different aspects of the physical universe.

The complexity of a science can be determined, Dr. Komar said, by the number of degrees of freedom in the objects it studies. Physics, since it deals with objects of the least degree of freedom, is the simplest and potentially, the most accurate. As the number of degrees of freedom rises, the accuracy of the law drops. An example of this is in sociology where the laws are often merely guesses.

Listing a few of the many fields of physics, Dr. Komar observed that even this "simplest" field is fantastically complex and is split into many sub-groups. He then pointed out those fields which the

Maurice Zauderer '66, president of the club, thanked Dr. Komar for his remarks and brought the meeting to a close.

Literary Society

At the first Literary Society meeting of the year, held last Tuesday night, Dr. Maurice Wohlgerenter discussed several aspects of his recently published book, *Israel Zangwill: A Study*.

Illuminating analyses of Zangwill were provided along with stories of the many interesting things that happened to Dr. Wohlgerenter as a result of the book.

In his typically lively manner of speaking, Dr. Wohlgerenter enlightened the audience on some of the important contributions of Zangwill and the role of his influence on the literary world.

The assistant professor of English has recently written a foreword to one of Zangwill's books, *King of Schnorrers*, which he also briefly discussed.

Psychology Club

Career opportunities in psychology was the topic of a talk given before the Psychology Club by Dr. Helmut Adler, professor of psychology, on November 11. He discussed the different types of psychology and qualifications one must possess in order to become a psychologist.

Future psychologists, Dr. Adler stated, may choose among three branches of psychology: clinical, which deals with problems of individual; social, which concerns itself with the community problems; and industrial, which is the branch that plans programs in worker retraining and personnel relations.

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Russian Jews Can Be Helped; Protests Number One Weapon

by Jacob Birnbaum

Good causes and not so good causes abound, but good causes have priority and it is these crises to which it is our primary duty to respond. The challenge represented by the tragedy of Russian Jewry has never been so painfully clear as at this time. We stand at a point of crucial transition for we now know that we can help a great deal. We now know, in the words of a leading rabbi, that responsible protest is "of inestimable value."

Who's Whose

Engaged

Arthur Berger '66 and Barbara Prenner

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Uri Hain and Tova Wagner

Avi Hochstein '64 and Ester Pernikoff

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Leonard Weiss '62 and Diane Horwitz

Married

Nathan Epstein '62 and Diane Engelberg

We may sum up the new situation emerging in the last year, broadly in four ways:

1. The unexpected sensitivity of the Soviets toward the Jews.

2. The slowing down, and in some cases, even the halting of the greatly accelerated campaign under Khrushchev against the remains of Jewish life and consciousness.

3. A considerable number of small but significant concessions.

4. The strengthening of the Jewish will to survive, indeed the birth of a new hope.

All this represents a major breakthrough seen in terms of what previously appeared to be a hopelessly worsening situation. Only a vastly expanded campaign will ensure that this breakthrough will not just remain a single step, but a first step leading to second and third steps.

Unless Jewish people in large numbers show the world that they really do care, we cannot expect a corresponding awakening among the larger American public. We believe that the Yeshiva University student who has a special role to play in the rousing of public ferment, has indeed a special responsibility to show his concern for a suffering part of *Klal Yisrael*. If he does not, who will?

In future issues we will discuss, in more detail, many points of fact, our theory of action, and the many things which the individual can do to help. Here we must stress that

Riskin Discusses Ayn Rand; Finds Her Out Of Step

by Larry Grossman

Rabbi Shlomo Riskin addressed a gathering of Yeshiva and Stern College students, Sunday, November 7. In his inimitable style, Rabbi Riskin attempted to analyze the philosophy of Ayn Rand as expounded in her book, *The Fountainhead*. He showed that Rand's notion of man's omnipotence is as old as Western civilization itself, for the idea that man is perfect is the cornerstone of ancient Greek thought. Indeed, the tragedy as a dramatic form is based upon the innate nobility of man, which is tainted by a "fatal flaw."

In modern times, the deification of the human race has culminated in humanism and worship of science. Man sets his own moral standards; he does not allow any factors outside of himself to dictate his actions or beliefs.

In the 20th century, according to the speaker, a reaction has set in. Science has been found wanting in two respects. New discoveries have shown that in certain areas, cause and effect relationships are based on probability rather than certainty; in addition, scientific progress has not brought human happiness. Rabbi Riskin feels that in an age which doubts man's perfectibility, Ayn Rand's philosophy is hard to accept. It is Judaism which is more fitting for our time, since it recognizes man's depend-

ence on a power outside of himself—a G-d.

Logical Points

The speaker's points are logical; indeed, they are almost truisms. However, I believe that a view which sees Rand's philosophy as out of step with the modern mood lacks a certain perspective, for there is a definite link between the loss of faith in humanity, which is characteristic of contemporary thought, and Rand's worship of the individual.

Science traditionally belonged to the realm of objective reality, as did the world of social relationships. Many moderns have lost faith not in man per se, but in man as an objective entity. Social groups are looked upon as possible dangers to the individual spirit, and science is seen as a dehumanizing force; hence the growth of existentialism and political neo-conservatism which emphasize the importance of man as a subjective entity.

The drab picture which modern literature and art have of mankind is, more often than not, a picture of man in society; of man the conformer. The hero of our civilization is the lover. Thus, Ayn Rand is quite relevant to our day and therefore her philosophy has gained popularity. In short, Rabbi Riskin misconstrues the modern mind. Faith in man, that is man on his own, has not been dwindling; it has been rising.

Preference for Judaism

Of course, the speaker's preference for Judaism is shared by his audience. I regret, however, that Rabbi Riskin did not discuss a possible explanation of Judaism in Kantian or existential terms in which the impulse for worship of G-d and performance of religious acts would come autonomously from the individual, thereby conveying a degree of relevance for the modern intellectual.

Indeed, the Rabbi confined himself to discussing the place of man vis a vis G-d, while neglecting the problem of just what is the attitude of Judaism to the every day relationship of man to G-d. A recognition of the nominal existence of G-d above man is not enough. Of course, a completely comprehensive survey of Jewish theology is not possible in an evening's lecture. Yet, some of these essential points should have been mentioned.

Rep. Tenzer Elected To Board Of Trustees

Herbert Tenzer, the first Democratic Congressman from New York's Nassau County, has been elected to the Board of Trustees of Yeshiva University.

Active in numerous philanthropic activities, the Congressman has long been an active supporter of the University and was for many years chairman of Nassau County's "South Shore Friends of Yeshiva University." In addition, he was one of the founders of the Yeshiva of Crown Heights, and he helped start one of the first orthodox synagogues in that area.



(YU Public Relations)

Herbert Tenzer

Feldman On Sabbatical To Pursue Work

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was then followed by Ralph Marcus, both famed Greek scholars.

"Not to coin a phrase for Yeshiva, it was a matter of *amoris causa*. Anyway, it's a good way to learn a language," Dr. Feldman said in his classical mode and way.

Commissioned by the Loeb Library to translate the last books "which include the famed Jesus passage," Dr. Feldman has spent the last few years sifting through different manuscripts and cataloging an extensive index of the entire twenty-book work.

Legends.—or rather almost divine myths—about Dr. Feldman abound. He has allegedly lectured to empty class rooms, been threatened by students with the ancient punishment of stoning, and has also been known to conclusively prove two opposing points two years running.

Next semester, students will not be treated to the sight of Dr. Feldman speeding through the halls, cackling jovially to himself. He will be taking a semester Sabbatical to continue his work.

Club Corner

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Dr. Adler mentioned how one becomes a licensed psychologist. Today it is necessary to have a Ph.D. in psychology and then pass state administered qualifying tests. A period of "internship" is necessary, but it is served while in graduate school.

Pre-Med

Several dozen students heard Dr. Felix Glaubach DDS, speak about the requirements for dental school, what dental school is like, what opportunities are open in dentistry and the advantages of the profession.

A college diploma and manual dexterity are two major requirements. The Dental Aptitude Test



(by A. Landau)
Dr. Saul Wischnitzer and Dr. Felix Glaubach advise on dental school requirements.

tests aptitude in both these areas. Tuition, book fees, and instruments alone cost about \$10,000 for

the four years. Scholarships and loans are available to defray some of the expenses. For the first two years various courses are taken. In the last two years the dental students do clinical work.

After dental school many opportunities are open. The dentist may choose to receive an internship and residency leading up to specialization or first practice general dentistry and specialize later on.

Some of the advantages of the profession, according to Dr. Glaubach, are the hours, good standing in the community, and a good living.

Debating Society

In order to provide speakers for various synagogues and other parties interested in Yeshiva University, the Debating Society has established a Student Speakers Bureau.

Jonathan Helfand, president of the Debating Society, explained that the College receives many requests for student speakers during the year, and that they are usually chosen on a haphazard

There are going to be thirteen angry men this coming Sunday, if many of you do not avail yourselves to a fine opportunity. Howard Poupko '65, President of the Dramatics Society and star wrestler, cordially invites the entire student body and faculty to this year's showing of "Twelve Angry Men." For only 50¢ you can spend a pleasant evening watching the climax of many weeks of hard work. So be at Eleanor Roosevelt Jr. High School this Sunday at eight—or else.

basis. This year, the Society decided to do something about the problem.

Interviews for positions in the Bureau were held Thursday, November 11. President Helfand explained that if the Bureau has a large enough roster of speakers, an attempt will be made by the administration to create a demand for speakers, since in the past, all inquiries were unsolicited.

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Talent Show Phase Of Dorm Program



(by I. Stein)

Denburg Brothers swing-it for capacity crowd at first Dorm Talent show of the year.

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Hammerman, the youngest *hazan* in Canada. The Denburg Brothers, a folk singing group, gained the third prize.

The Talent Show is one phase of a three-point program. The

program consists of a spiritual element—Oneg Shabbat and Hashkafa; an educational element—YU-Stern joint lectures; and a recreational program which will include international entertainment.

New Yorkers Use Blackout As Reason For Drinking

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Much drinking, little thinking. Whiskey is a bad thing, especially bad whiskey.

A bar is lit with macabre glow from *Yahrzeit* glasses scribbled with peculiar lettering on its side. A drunk scrutinizes the glass, looks up and asks, "Mister, what does it say?" "It says, 'this light is in memory of those who are dead, uh... drunk!'"

At the crossroads of our city, Times Square, people scurry along aimlessly. Panhandlers approach passersby as usual, yet their line is changed. "Gotta dime for a phone call, mister?" You chuckle to yourself and move on.

Port Authority resembles a fall-out shelter. Bulbs strung along the wall like carnival lights are charged by auxiliary power. Hundreds of stranded people mill about, waiting, hoping, wondering. The marble floor is a make-shift bedless dorm, with sleeping humans. Nearby, a man snores peacefully. Another grumbles, "Shut that guy up, I can't sleep." "Peace, peace; when there is no peace."

Back on the street.

Loud clapping catches your ear. It's coming from the subway station. Scores of people are gathered in a circle. The faded light of a lone candle is held high to illumine the area. Everyone is clapping. A hard core of Negroes in the center holds everyone's attention. A harmonica is heard. How appropriate the tune, "Night Train."

"Hey man, you a soul-brother? Yea? Then get in and dance, brother!"

Music — the universal tongue.

You've had about enough excitement to make a cat speak. There is a time for all things, and now it's time to go home. Back on the bus, the Con Edison poster stares at you. You stare back. Something new has been added. There is a sticker plastered over its face. "Have you been conned by Con-Edison? You have? Then why not get your electricity from New Jersey..."

You are on 184th and Amsterdam. No lights, no candles, no nothing. You recall the visit last week from Eliezer, prophet of the Lord, prophet of doom, with his message. You wonder, what is he saying now. Could it be, "I told you so!"

Letters To The Editor

To the Editor:

There were several errors in your editorial in the November issue entitled "The Yearly Fiasco":

1—While it is not the duty of the Office of the Registrar to provide information on the various testing programs, as a convenience to the students we have for several years been posting a detailed memorandum on the subject. In fact, it has proven so helpful, that this year Student Council reprinted it in its entirety for distribution to the students.

2—The dates on the memorandum which was posted on October 1 are correct, and the statement that for Sabbath observers they are a month earlier than what we posted is incorrect. The student who reported this to you misunderstood the statement in the ETS bulletin. The delay our students experienced in receiving their tickets of admission to the Law School Admission Test was the result of a heavy load at Princeton, and not because of any mis-information

they received from us. I understand that all students who applied by the date listed in our memorandum received their tickets about a week before the test.

I would be pleased if you could

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Letters To The Editor

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call these facts to the attention of your readers.

Professor Morris Silverman,
Registrar

Editor's Note: Our editorial contained no factual errors. Item 7 on Page 8 of the LSAT instruction booklet said: "To avoid possible assignment to a Saturday Center, be sure that your Registration Form, confirming letter, and fee are sent in together to reach ETS no later than five weeks before the scheduled administration date." That would be Oct. 7, not Oct. 30 as was posted.

To the Editor:

"I believe in the Bible"—from this statement, without an ethnic qualification, or statement of commitment on my part, the reader may draw varying and contradictory conclusions. Yet those words must be spoken, and then, of necessity, challenged with all the emotional and intellectual resources the speaker can muster. A solid adherence to orthodoxy does not preclude delving beyond belief. Rather, it requires it.

A Jewish student who fancies himself receptive to modern ideas, both religious and critical, but does not know the basic tenets of documentary hypothesis, is no longer challenging himself, but restricting his mind in a most damaging manner. A student of the Bible who knows nothing of the J, E, D, P etc. stands still posited by the most competent and religious of Biblical scholars, cannot presume to understand his testament. Knowledge of any controversial issue entails, almost by definition of itself, knowledge of at least two points of view.

The original attackers of the conservative, layman approach to Biblical scholarship had what they considered serious misgivings concerning the divine authorship of the Pentateuch. They followed their researches through with a high degree of intellectual honesty, and much of what they hypothesized is still accepted by the modern critics. Yet much is not. Countless theories, some no

less valid, and a good deal more complicated than the original ones have appeared, and today, criticism as a whole is in a state of flux, so much so that general statements regarding its theories would run the risk of a distorting oversimplification.

The implications of this fact are obvious. No cursory glance at such outdated "standards" as Wellhausen or Driver, can give the student an up to date account of what is current or even an inkling of what his limited knowledge is up against. Today's critics attack Wellhausen with even more vehemence than the original attack on divine revelation. If one wishes to study the Bible as a serious scholar, then he must immerse himself in research of truly great depth and complication. Such a quest

needs guidance; the uninitiated could only shirk and flounder if he presumed to study honestly such an encompassing field—one which would include not only textual criticism, but Biblical history, archaeology, and the cultural and historical environment of the Ancient Near East.

The resources of Yeshiva College are not adequate to the task. The complex issue of a modern approach to Biblical literature must be raised again. If scholarship is the basis of a university, then scholarship must be offered.

Robert Koret '66

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Upperclassmen Learn Of NYS Scholarships

"Scholarship and Fellowship Opportunities" was the topic of an address given by Dr. Paul Brown of the New York State Department of Education, Nov. 4. Speaking before the junior and senior classes, Dr. Brown discussed grants given by the State of New York.

He pointed out that a good academic record is important because awards are based on transcripts and recommendations. Dr. Brown also urged candidates to apply early because deadlines are early. A question and answer period followed the talk.



Dr. Paul Brown

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Dale Anderson
B.A., Wittenberg University

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YC Bowlers Beat Fordham;
Team's Outlook Brightens

"B" Team Chessmen Take Title;
Successful Year Again Envisioned

Contrary to popular opinion, the Yeshiva bowling team is not a losing team. They rolled to their first victory of the young season, Sunday, November 7. Behind the strikes and spares of Captain Howie Salob and Lettermen Aaron Altman, Willie Helmreich, Mike Witkes, and Myron Iteld, the YU Pinnen defeated Fordham. Since, as Mr. Salob said, "Bowling is a close game where a fraction of an inch can make the difference between victory or defeat," the match was close and exciting all the way. The squad won by forfeit when Fordham failed to appear. It took a real team effort to win.

Captain Salob attributed the victory to the great improvement of all the Keglers in recent weeks. Despite the inability to have organized team practices, all the Lettermen have consistently improved from meet to meet. Mike Witkes should be singled out for his exceptional improvement in the last few weeks. He is now sporting the second highest average on the team, bettered only by the Captain himself.

With one victory already in their favor the YU Bowlers' future prospects have changed for the better. In the next few weeks they will meet Kings Point, Queens, and again Fordham. The team is very confident of victories over Kings Point and Fordham, but Queens may prove to be difficult. However, as Mr. Salob says, "If the team's spirit remains as high as it was for the last match and if the gradual improvement continues, there is no reason why Queens or any other team should stop us."

The "B" Checkmates captured Columbia, Brooklyn College, and Fordham. There were many exciting matches during the year, notably the City College meet, which deserves special mention. To quote Henry Horwitz, captain of the "B" team, "After an early victory over Brooklyn, the team Phil Kleiner '68 contributed most to this drive and ended the season with a perfect record.

The "B" Checkmates were ably led by Captain Horwitz and Kleiner. Other prominent boardmen were Co-captain William Helmreich '67, Alex Mandel '68, Alex Zauderer '68, and Morty Frank '67.

"B" Team Optimistic

Under the leadership of returning Captain Horwitz, the "B" Checkmates are looking forward to a season as successful as last year's. The main reason for this optimism is the return of four lettermen to the team: Horwitz, Frank, Helmreich and Mandel. In addition, an influx of talent from this year's entering Freshmen class is expected.

This year a new method is being employed to fill the berths left open on our teams (four on the "B" team, and four on the newly formed "C" team). There will be a schoolwide tournament in which all aspirants will play five matches, with those having the best records gaining the open positions.

"A" Team In Top Shape

The "A" Checkmates, captained by Paul Schneid and Ira Rapaport, are expecting as successful a season as the "B" team had last year. With four returning starters, Captains Schneid and Rapaport, Moshe Morduchowitz, and Maurice Zauderer, the prospects look excellent for this year.

Undoubtedly, the team will feel the losses of Benjamin Tabory, who graduated, and Jerry Aranoff, who is spending this year in Israel (Mr. Aranoff placed second in the Florida State chess championship). Nonetheless, two top prospects from last year's "B" team, Alex Zauderer and Phil Kleiner, should more than adequately round out the "A" Checkmates. This year the "A" team will have talent and experience and should definitely be a contender for league honors.

Mites' Spirit
Carries Team

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Herschkowitz and Stein copped first-team positions on an All-City squad selected by a local radio station.

Yeshiva's Big Years

Despite these outstanding ballplayers, a period of eight years, 1945-53, passed before the squad managed to post a winning season. From 1952-54 the hoopsters compiled identical 10-10 records and then followed with a 1954-57 cumulative mark of 41-17. This three-year stretch was highlighted by a 16-2 record in the 1955-56 campaign — Yeshiva's finest year and the third-best mark in the entire New York City area that season. Irwin Blumenreich, the 1954-57 star, set a number of records, among which were the most points per career, not to be broken until 1958 when Irving Bader scored 1374; most points per season, 513; most field goals, 211; and highest average per game for one season, 24.7. In addition, his record of the most points for a single game, 44, was unbroken prior to last year's memorable Queens game, in which Sheldon Rokach tallied an amazing 48 points.

Yeshiva had a few winning years after that '54-'57 period, but the losses of Blumenreich, Bader, Goldstein, and Grossman turned victory into an elusive goal. Although the Mighty Mites have had their share of outstanding players, it has been the spirit and drive that helped organize the team and continued to carry them through their victorious contests.

Flu Shots Given
To Avoid Crisis

Influenza vaccinations were made available to dorm residents last week. This action on the part of the medical office was in response to a statement issued by the Public Health Service, warning of a possible nationwide flu epidemic.

In 1958 an epidemic hit the YU dormitories, confining 85 to 100 students to their beds.

Due to the demand created by the Surgeon General's statement, only a small supply was available. For this reason, the medical office had restricted the opportunity of getting vaccination to dormitory residents.

Stern, Halpert, And Rokach Named Starters
As Others Compete For Remaining Positions

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der the offensive boards, and should prove a welcome help in that department.

Paul Palefski, a sophomore, and Hillel Wiener, a senior, are returning lettermen who will see lots of action this year. Palefski in his initial year under Coach Sarachek showed great hustle and fine ball-hawking ability on defense. He has also impressed many with his sharp,

All seniors are reminded to take their swimming tests which are required for graduation. Seniors should appear at the George Washington H.S. gym Tuesday or Wednesday nights. They may exempt themselves by showing a Red Cross card to Stan Schneider '66, swimming instructor.

accurate set shot. His 60% field goal percentage led the Mites in that department. The coach explained, however, that Palefski did not shoot often enough, thus permitting opposing players to fall off him and double-team Sheldon Rokach. With this in mind, the coach has made Paul concentrate on shooting more and passing less, believing that with his fine shot there is no reason why he should not average in double figures this year.

Wiener was unfortunate in sustaining a painful arm injury before the start of last season and was forced to miss the first four games, while seeing only limited action during the remainder of the season. This year, Hillel has fully recovered from the injury and expects to enjoy a fine season. He scored most of his points on his deadly jump shots and drilling lay-ups. He has a keen knowledge of basketball strategy and is an excellent defensive player.

Two of these five ball players will be named to start along



Chess team captains Paul Schneid and Ira Rapaport express anguish over opponents devastating moves.

with seniors Sheldon Rokach, Johnny Halpert, and junior Sam Stern — all returning lettermen who will occupy the three remaining starting positions.

Captain Jonathan Halpert will start at one of the backcourt positions when Yeshiva opens its schedule on December 1. Last season Jon started off brilliantly and had a 13.0 points per game average for the first five games. But then an ankle injury slowed him down considerably, and he finished with a 7.7 norm. Halpert is known for his beautiful drive and his accurate outside shot; but his alertness on defense, his speed and hustle on offense, and his ability to execute set plays will be a key factor in the hoopsters hopes for a successful season. If his ankle doesn't slow him down, there is every reason to believe that Jonny will have a glorious year.

Nothing that is said can be enough to describe Sheldon Rokach's feats on the court last year. He scored 470 points, the second highest total for one year in Yeshiva's history, and 48 points in one game to break Irwin "Red" Blumenreich's single game record of 44. He led the Knickerbocker Conference in scoring with a 23.8 average. He scored over twenty points in a game thirteen times last year, and was one of the top college rebounders, averaging over twenty per game.

In his one year at YU, Sam Stern has captivated crowds wherever the Mites have played with his fancy dribbling and phenomenal playmaking. His average of 12 points a game tells only half the

story. Sam's presence on the court has made the offense work with the smoothness of the great Boston Celtic offense (however, not with always the same results). He is a great team-man. No matter whether

er the hoopsters succeed this year or not, they will be exciting to watch with Sam Stern on the court.

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Masmid ads have not been coming in as expected. All seniors should remember that an individual's picture will not be shown in the yearbook unless a minimum of \$20.00 in ads has been collected.

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Mighty Mites Remember Past While They Prepare For Future

by Ronald Damboritz

As the basketball season draws closer there is much optimism that Yeshiva University will have its first 500 season since finishing 10-10 in 1961-62. Although Yeshiva lost Steve Gralla through graduation, the Mites have acquired three new men that certainly will brighten Coach Bernard Sarachek's fortunes for the next four years.

Ray Aboff is one of the rookies who will see a lot of action this year. Aboff, playing for the Jewish Educational Center in the MJHS, last year broke the existing all-time league scoring record while leading his team to a third place finish. He scored 40 points or more in a game three times last year, while amassing over 350 points for an amazing 29.2 scoring average. Aboff has displayed an excellent one-handed jump shot and has been very impressive under the boards in varsity practice.

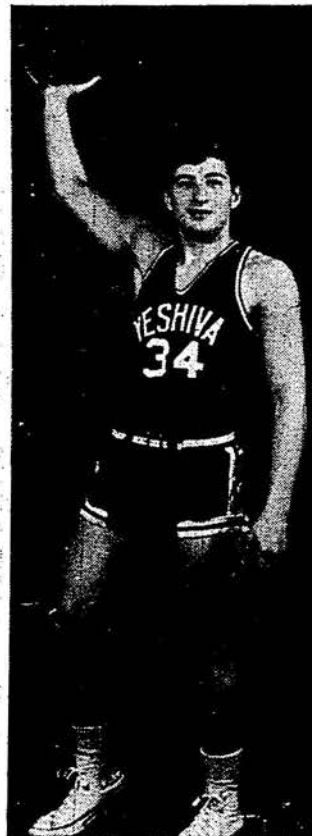
The second freshman to join the team this year is Dave Hershkovitz, a fine ball handler with unlimited potential, who starred for Brooklyn Yeshiva. He was selected to the all-league team for the past two years while leading BTA in scoring with an accurate jump shot. His other assets are speed, hustle, and an ability to play alert, aggressive defense.

Canadian Player

The third newcomer to the Mites is Stan Raphael, a native of Hamilton, Ontario. "Rafe" was



Sam Stern



Shelly Rokach

(YU Public Relations)

named to the all-Hamilton basketball team for the past two seasons, while playing for Westdale High

School in Hamilton. Raphael has outstanding rebounding ability un-

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Yeshiva Recalls Past Days Of Great Basketball Teams

by Bruce Spinowitz

Varsity basketball at Yeshiva College has always encountered two major handicaps: a lack of a home court and little time to practice. But strong spirit and excellent guidance have produced some of the most colorful ball players in the Metropolitan area.

Although it was 1928 when Yeshiva College was founded, it wasn't until seven years later that the Blue and White five was formed by a small group of interested students. Coached by Milt Trupin, they were led to an unbelievable record of 5-4.

It wasn't until the Mighty

Mites were taken under the aegis of the able and vibrant Bernie "Red" Sarachek that they attracted public attention. His first efforts, 1942-43, produced a 10-5 season, with high-scoring Stan Doppelt a major factor in this accomplishment. This winning record continued for the next two years; the highlight being the 42-35 upset of NIT-bound Fordham. In the five years that followed, Yeshiva starred such names as Marvin Freedman, who received honorable mention on the All-City squad, and Artie Stein, and Marvin Herschkowitz. Both

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On The Sidelines

Where Have All The Weekends Gone?



By Myron Iteld

If one should happen to glance through the Yeshiva athletic schedules, one would surely notice the presence and absence of many traditional events. The Mighty Mites for the first time in recent memory will not meet the Beavers of City College. On the other hand, the Brooklyn College encounter, which normally attracts a turnaway S.R.O. crowd, promises once again to be financially and artistically, a highlight of the campaign.

Notably outstanding on the minus side of the ledger is the absence of an event rather than that of a match. Usually (i.e. on an annual basis), one or more of the varsity teams would travel to an out of town university and spend the weekend either on or off campus while awaiting their Saturday night or Sunday afternoon contest. This year, no such program has been planned or envisioned. While the members of the squads will certainly lose an opportunity to enjoy an enlightening weekend, free of charge, the losers in the end result will be the Jewish communities unable to host a Yeshiva contingent.

Last year, the fencing and wrestling teams travelled to Brandeis University and spent *Shabbat* in the outlying communities of Newton and Brookline. The mere presence of Yeshiva *bachurim* within the midst of their hamlets generated such excitement that, as the rabbi of the Brookline Orthodox community stated: "Our synagogue had not been so crowded since the High Holidays." Why was there such a positive reaction in Brookline and Newton?

Perhaps the answer lies in the existing level of "out-of-town" *Yidishkeit*. The greatest challenge facing Orthodox Jewry today is the enticement of Jewish youth to embrace the principles of our religion. In great urban centers such as New York, Boston, etc., the problem of assimilation is at a dangerous but non-critical level. In small communities such as Newton this danger is unfortunately real and ever present. Orthodox Jewish youth are few in number. Rabbis, in unyielding efforts to halt this trend of "leaving the fold" have met with, at best, limited success. However, an aggregate of athletes from Yeshiva spending a *Shabbat* in such a community can aid the Orthodox cause more than any greater sermon as they proudly exhibit themselves to the youth as living examples of Torah-true Judaism.

Response to such visits have been favorable in other respects, too. Attendance at the Brandeis wrestling and fencing meets was at an all-time high. Last year, when the hoopsters bussed to Wilkes-Barre, Pa., to play Kings College, many Jews from the immediate area and nearby Scranton witnessed the game, thereby giving much needed moral support to the quintet.

Annually, the debating and chess teams tour designated regions of the United States, not only exhibiting the talents of the Yeshiva student, but also demonstrating and practicing the underlying precepts of Judaism. At this writing, plans are being formulated for the tours of the aforementioned groups. Surely, plans, too, can be arranged for the basketball team to play New Haven College on Sat. night Dec. 25 (instead of Dec. 22), after having observed *Shabbat* in that community.

The responsibility of Yeshiva athletes is not solely to represent Yeshiva athletically, but additionally, to stand proudly as examples of modern orthodoxy. In the past, our athletes have distinguished themselves thusly and have accomplished much in enhancing the name of Yeshiva. Their obligations have not been fulfilled—they are just beginning. They welcome such an opportunity. They shouldn't be denied.

Fencers Add New Coach For Beginners; Expect Greater Freshman Interest In Sport

by Gary Epstein

As one of the three major sports at Yeshiva College, fencing is rapidly gaining importance through the implementation of more modern methods of training. The fencing team, once the product of a few students' efforts, now gleams its members from a well-organized system of selection and training.

No matter how outstanding a coach may be, and Prof. Arthur Tauber is truly an outstanding fencing instructor, he cannot hope to both coach experienced fencers in the intricacies of the sport and teach beginners' basic fundamentals. And yet this is exactly what Prof. Tauber was doing, and doing well. There was a crying need for another instructor and none was forthcoming.

Donations to the Leiberman Memorial have not been received. Professor Linn has contributed and all seniors are urged to do likewise. If not, plans for the memorial will be called off and all donations returned.

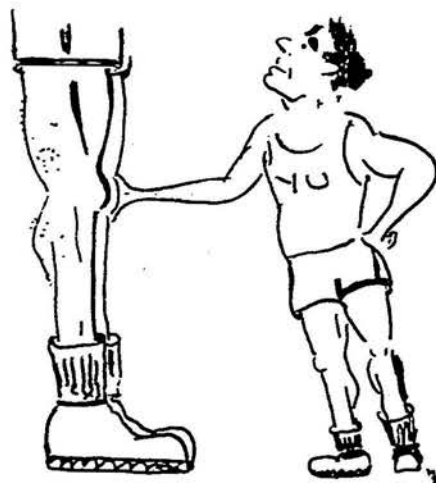
This past year in the midst of a renewed interest in fencing, came Mr. Lorand Marcel, who assists in the teaching of the art of sword play. With the advent of another qualified instructor, Prof. Tauber was freed to devote his valuable time to the more expert fencers. With this added instruction available, the varsity team looks forward to a very successful season.

Along with these brightened

prospects for the varsity swordsmen, there is also an optimistic outlook blossoming among the freshmen interested in fencing. With their own private teacher, the freshmen have been molded into a team of their own which will undoubtedly offer many members to the varsity in future years. Freshmen may even compete in interschool matches this year.

Realizing the avid interest with which ex-students of Professor Tauber view the fencing team, the squad decided to offer another innovation. A letter was sent out to all graduates who have been on the Yeshiva College fencing team, informing them that there will be a match between this year's varsity and the alumni on December 26.

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