



Congressman William Fitts Ryan answers questions of Yeshiva College students following address attacking Administration policy in Vietnam.

Rep. Ryan Speaks On Vietnam; Calls on Sec'y. Rusk To Resign

By Raymond Reich

Calling for a new Secretary of State, Representative William Fitts Ryan (D-N.Y.) attacked the Johnson Administration's Vietnam policies in a speech delivered Sunday night, November 19, in Furst Hall, to a crowd of about 400 persons.

The event was sponsored by the Students Opposed to the War in Vietnam. A group calling itself Students Dedicated to the Halt of

Communist Aggression in Vietnam picketed Furst Hall while Mr. Ryan and Miss Linda Morse, executive secretary of the Student Mobilization Committee, addressed the gathering inside.

Pickets Support War

The picketing began about an hour before Miss Morse's appearance and ended about two hours later, shortly after Congressman Ryan appeared. The 20-25 demonstrators, carrying placards saying "Support Our Boys in Vietnam," "End the War by Ending Communism," and "Bomb Hanoi," as well as an American flag, followed Mr. Ryan upstairs to Silver Lecture Hall. At one point, expecting the Congressman's arrival, they rushed, singing the Star Spangled Banner, to the side of a long black car that pulled up in front

terms of their mothers, the consequences of prostitution. "Vietnam has caught up with America," he said, and as "things are falling apart in Vietnam" they are following suit in the United States. Quoting from W. B. Yeats, he said "the ceremony of innocence is drowned."

Domestic Problems

The direction of politics, according to Mr. Ryan, has become centrifugal. The center is rapidly breaking up and power is going to the fringes. The Vietnam escalation has brought with it a resurgence of the conservative element, with the consequences clear: the decline and defeat of the New Frontier and the Great Society programs.

Calling the House a "theater of the absurd" in which legislation is

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YC Student Council Approves Annual Budget; Proposes Ways To Alleviate Dorm Conditions

The allegedly substandard living conditions in the RIETS Hall dormitory was again the main item on the agenda of the Yeshiva College Student Council meeting held November 7.

The Council decided that photographs should be taken of each substandard room and be shown to Mr. Jacob Blazer, Director of Buildings and Grounds, and, if necessary, to Dr. Belkin. Should this not suffice, the pictures will be printed in *THE COMMENTATOR*. And finally, if all else fails, the

Department of Health will be asked to condemn the building.

Student Council Budget

Next on the agenda was the Student Council budget. Expenses for 1967-68 were estimated to amount to \$29,250. The money was divided as follows:

THE COMMENTATOR	\$11,000
WYUR	2,500
Clubs	2,000
Entertainment	2,000
Masmid	2,000
Trips to Intercollegiate Conventions	2,000
Dramatics	1,500
Senior Dinner	1,500
Office expenses	1,100
Telephones	1,050
Miscellaneous needs	1,000
Student Council reception	1,000
Debating	500

The money will be raised by adding the proceeds of a \$21 student fee to last year's surplus of \$2,000.

Representation at intercollegiate

conventions was then discussed. Each year Yeshiva University is represented by members of its Student Council at seminars which are sponsored by various student organizations throughout the country. The first meeting of the year is the Associated Student Governments' Conference in November. President Ronnie Gross '68 and Secretary-Treasurer Sheldon David '69 will represent Yeshiva College. Their purpose in attending is to gain first-hand knowledge of the experience of other schools in such areas as academic freedom, the grading system, student government, course and teacher evaluation, problems of small, intermediate and large colleges, dormitory government, student power, student health program, and student discounts. The five-day trip will cost the Student Council \$650.

In other business, the Council (Continued on page four)

Yeshiva Debaters Win In Inaugural Contest With City Contingent

Yeshiva College debaters Marc Goldstein '69 and David Shatz '69 defeated a forensic squad from City College on the national debate topic, "Resolved: That the Federal Government Should Guarantee a Minimum Annual Cash Income to All Its Citizens." The debate was held on the night of November 13 at the Hebrew Institute of University Heights.

The affirmative team from Yeshiva based its stand upon the contention that the need to combat poverty in the United States is not and cannot be met by present measures. In particular, it described the current welfare system as being inadequate to meet the need, since welfare programs cover only certain categories of poor people, and even those people whom it does cover are considered by experts to be receiving less than the sum needed to live in minimum standards of health and decency.

They contended that as long as public assistance is left in the hands of the states, the Southern states, both because of discrimination and because of a lack of funds, will continue to dole out payments far below the subsistence level. The only solution, therefore, is to concentrate public assistance in the hands of the Federal Government, which is "the only organ combining the commitment and the per-

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Rabbi Hirt Emphasizes Importance Of Traditional Rebirth In Suburbia

By Morton Landowne

"In the last ten years we have established over 90 Orthodox congregations in the United States and Canada, and today, 75% of them have full time rabbis and all

the work of the Community Service Division's New Communities Department, which he heads.

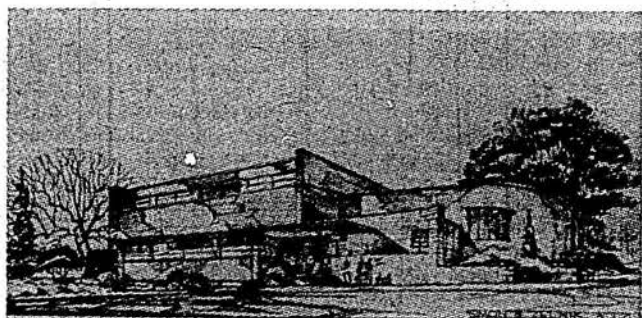
As Rabbi Hirt defines it, the purpose of his department is to assist fledgling groups to form

ditional ones. "It is only by these means," Rabbi Hirt emphasized, "that Orthodoxy will continue to grow in America. The Community Service Division led by Rabbi Morris Finer, is actively seeking to serve the needs of the committed and the yet to be committed."

Study Population Shifts

The New Communities Department goes about its work, aided by members of the Community Service Division and YU *musmachim* throughout the country, by making studies of population shifts, and sounding out areas where the studies indicate a potential for an Orthodox synagogue. A case in point is a new synagogue projected for the north Bronx on the site of a new housing project, Co-op City.

A study determined that the project, which will contain 15,000 (Continued on page four)



The Riverdale Jewish Center — a prime example of an Orthodox synagogue founded with the aid of the New Communities Department.

the accoutrements of a modern synagogue." The speaker is Rabbi Robert Hirt, and the subject is

Orthodox congregations, and to attempt to transform existing non-traditional congregations into tra-



Supporters of the Vietnam War picket in protest of Representative Ryan's visit to Yeshiva University.

of the building, and waved their signs in the face of Rabbi Dr. Joseph Lookstein, whom they mistook for William Fitts Ryan.

Reading largely from a prepared text, Mr. Ryan said that on speaking about the consequences of the war in Vietnam, he must speak about the consequences of a society that is no longer a society, which in terms of children means the consequences of orphanage and in

passed outlawing draft card-burning but in which housing and anti-poverty bills are cut, the Congressman placed much of the blame for social unrest and upheaval at home on the war abroad. Congress promises to help the needy, but being the captive of reaction, spends the money instead for violence in Vietnam. The violence of the summer, he said, is clearly the consequences of Vietnam; revolutionary action in the ghetto prompts blind reaction in Congress.

Looking to the future, Mr. Ryan said, the nation can take either of two roads. War can be declared and North Vietnam invaded; consequently, tax increases, still greater domestic spending cuts, and more violence in streets (by black and white) will lead to a new America with troops permanently mired in Asia and stationed in the ghetto. It would be (Continued on page six)

Class Elects Slate; Lauer Chosen Pres.

The class of 1971 held its elections for Student Council representatives November 9 in Furst Hall.

Using the preferential system of voting, wherein a student votes for a first, second, and third, Elliot Lauer, Philip Orbach, and Ira Jaskoll were elected to the respective offices of President, Vice-President, and Secretary-Treasurer.

A total of 217 out of 330 Freshmen, or 67% of the class, voted in the election.

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Draft Info

Yeshiva University is justly proud of the fact that over 90% of its seniors continue in graduate work. While Yeshiva strives to maintain this record of student admissions to graduate schools, it seems unconcerned with

the current problem of the students remaining in such schools. The draft law has been altered and rules governing student deferments have changed. Unfortunately, no one is quite sure as to the degree of modification.

Yeshiva must provide a service, perhaps under the auspices of the office of Dean of Students, that would disseminate all information regarding draft law innovations. It is all too typical of Yeshiva that students are referred to various administrators only to obtain uncertain answers. A well-informed advisor, from whom up-to-date statements would be forthcoming, and with whom students can confer concerning individual problems, is a vital necessity.

Heresay and conjecture are certainly not sufficient when a person's future is in question.

Vandalism

The extent of vandalism on the part of members of the student body is appalling. The most egregious example of this irresponsibility is the tampering with public telephones in the dormitories. So severe is the situation that the telephone company has threatened to remove the phones in the residence halls.

This show of irresponsibility, on the part of only a few, no doubt, has gotten out of hand. Mr. Zeides, the chief librarian, reports that pages have been torn from bound magazines costing \$65 each volume. The machines in the dormitory snack-areas, operated not for a profit, but as a service to the school, have been subjected to the sadistic whims of dissatisfied patrons. Lounge room furniture has been mutilated, entailing extensive and expensive repairs.

The *halachic* principles transgressed by such actions are obviously of no import to those guilty. To appeal for consideration of other's rights would be equally futile. Aside from the inconvenience of having phones and machines out of order, books out of circulation and sparsely furnished lounges, the additional expense incurred is, ultimately, paid for by the students in the form of higher dorm fees.

We, therefore, urge students to report violators, and the student court to prosecute offenders.

From The Editor's Desk

4D, 2S, 1A—Bingo!

By Gary Schiff



Now that the sacrosanct *New York Times* has officially enunciated the realities of being a college senior faced with the spectre of the draft, campus conversation has focused on the ubiquitous "Selective Servitude System." A typical 2 A.M. dorm room bull session these days goes something like this:

STEVE: I don't know, what are you doing next year?

JOE: I asked you first.

STEVE: Well my brother's friend's cousin-in-law, who lives in Boro Park, says there's a new *yeshiva* opening in his basement. And for a modest fee . . .

JOE: But what about grad school? You can't go full time to both a theological seminary and a grad school.

STEVE: Who's going to a theological seminary?

JOE: What do you think the word *yeshiva* means?

STEVE: Mmm. Good question.

JOE: And those fellowships you're praying for, you can't hold any of those unless you go full time.

STEVE: Oh . . . (enter MARV) Hi, Marv. What's the good word?

MARV: I feel as a helpless moth enmeshed in a Kafkaesque kaleidoscopic nightmare of impersonal persecution.

STEVE: Is that so!

MARV: Yes, verily. The element of predictability has been eradicated from contemporary American civilization.

JOE: What'll we do, Marv, all-knowing wonder of the philo department?

MARV: Change to Canadian civilization.

JOE: C'mon, Marv.

MARV: I have spoken. (enter MOISH). Greetings, Moish, O great plumbler of the depths of the Talmud. What finds thou in the timeless wisdom of the sages of yore to illuminate our pitiless plight?

MOISH: What's buggin' him? Say, did you guys hear—if you teach in a ghetto school you're *putter* from the draft?

JOE: At least you get a rifle in Vietnam.

MOISH: But how do you get *glatt kosher* over there?

STEVE: I hear if you sign up with *Zahal* they guarantee *kashrut*!

MOISH: But my Hebrew isn't too potent. Keep getting hooked.

JOE: Your Vietnamese any better, eh? (enter COUNSELLOR).

COUNSELLOR: Hey, what's all the racket here? Do you fellas know what time it is? It's 2:30.

MARV: Time. What is time? Time is but ephemeral. Time is of the essence and saves nine.

COUNSELLOR: Who the . . . is this one? Eight hundred kids in the dorm and I got to get stuck with all the kooks.

STEVE: Don't mind him, he just got his 1A.

MARV: 1A, 2S, 4D. What's in a name? A rose by any other name still smells . . .

COUNSELLOR: C'mon, men. It's late. *Minyan* tomorrow at 7:30.

MOISH: *Minyan*? Now there's another problem about going to Vietnam. Where can you get a . . .

Letters To The Editor

To the Editor:

I would like to call your attention to the front page of THE COMMENTATOR which reads, "The Official Undergraduate Newspaper of Yeshiva College". As such, the newspaper's views, whether or not it really desires to present the Orthodox view on a certain issue, are construed as the traditional Jewish viewpoint. There are complex issues in the world today where the true leaders of Judaism, the *Gedolim*, have not taken a stand. It is very audacious on the part of this newspaper to present personal views on these same issues which may affect the thought and action of the entire Orthodox community. (This is true regardless of what the newspaper feels about the silence of the *Gedolim* on these issues.)

Although I doubt your competence to decide questions of *halacha* dealing with U.S. constitutional law, U.S. foreign relations and U.S. political affairs (this being

Yeshiva College they must be judged in the context of *halacha*), nevertheless I respect your personal views as presented in "In Defense of Youth." THE COMMENTATOR, however, should not be used to subject us to your personal views which may be misconstrued to represent the view of Orthodox Judaism. If you could not find any other topic to write about which could not be construed as speaking for entire Judaism, I feel that on such a hackneyed topic as student protest you should have at least been able to find opposing views which you should have included to illustrate that this problem is to date undecided as far as Orthodox Judaism is concerned.

In order not to mislead the Jewish people, THE COMMENTATOR should include in its next edition an explanation stating that the views expressed in the article "In Defense of Youth" are not the only Orthodox views on these matters. Harry Weisman '68

Editor's Reply

The opinions expressed by Mr. Weisman are so alien to the concept of a free student press and so diametrically opposed to my beliefs that I hardly find common ground for rational discussion. In the spirit of free expression of ideas—which I expound in "In Defense of Youth" and which Mr. Weisman objects to—I am printing his letter and dealing with his points.

First, "The Official Undergraduate Newspaper of Yeshiva College" means precisely that; THE COMMENTATOR does not speak for all of Orthodox Jewry. Why anyone would construe our newspaper as being the authoritative official or unofficial voice of Orthodox Judaism or an expounder of *halacha*, which it makes no pretensions to be, is beyond me. THE COMMENTATOR is but one of many publications which share the Orthodox outlook, and is no more or less the final authority than any other.

As for the criticism that THE COMMENTATOR leaves no room for opposing views, the very fact that Mr. Weisman's letter appears in this issue is a patent refutation of that flippant accusation. We welcome other opinions. The fact that none is forthcoming from certain quarters on certain issues is not a reflection on us.

Speaking of opinions, Mr. Weisman presents no views of his own on the substantive issues. Rather he cloaks his dissatisfaction with my right to speak and the independent conclusions I draw behind the fact that the *Gedolim* have not spoken on the issue of student protest. Privately, Mr. Weisman has indicated that THE COMMENTATOR should stick to discussion of unlimited cuts and the like (from which he obviously stands to derive more benefit than from student protest) but leave the big issues of the day to the *Gedolim* to solve.

I made it clear in my "In Pros-

pect" column last May that I consider THE COMMENTATOR a vehicle of leadership in the American Jewish community; and that its scope is not limited to YU issues, but, rather, covers the entire spectrum of contemporary affairs as well. As the responsible leader of that vehicle, I would be remiss in my duties if all I discussed was the same old drivel. (Why Mr. Weisman considers student protest "hackneyed" and limited cuts not perplexes me no end!)

I have not shirked my responsibility of leadership. The fact that others may choose to do so is their prerogative. It is not "audacious" for me to print articles which Mr. Weisman worries "may affect the thought and action of the entire Orthodox community." It is my solemn obligation to publish such thought-and action-provoking articles. And I will continue to do so, G-d willing.

—G. S. S.

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Poet Probes YU Mind— Exclaims "I Don't Know"

By Ivan Esterman

This pleasant little
New Year thought
Is going out your way
To hope your New Year brings
you joy
That grows from day to day!

Where you from?
Cincinnati.
Do you know Sandy Schwartz?
Yes.
Nice girl?
Ya, she's a nice girl. Is she...?
I don't really know... I don't
think she's...
I don't care really, if she's nice.

I received your letter
I am glad that everything is fine
Mr. Katz told Daddy that he
saw...
It has been hot and raining—
I see that...
If it comes... Be careful—
Don't go...

We are fine — What is new—
Love...

Everyone doesn't like it here
anymore. Our freshman year
it was nice — you meet all
the girls; and our sophomore
year. But now, it's terrible.
Larry.

Mr. and Mrs. Lainer Pollak
Mr. and Mrs. David Friede
request the honor of your presence
at the marriage of
Beila
to
on Tuesday

Temple
Brooklyn
Ladies Kindly Dress According To
Orthodox Tradition

Will I be invited to Susie's wed-
ding
I don't know
What do you think
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In My Opinion



This Land Was His

By Joseph Kaplan

Music has different meanings to different people. It runs the gamut from Congreve's positive outlook that "music hath charms to soothe the savage breast," to Johnson's negative statement that "of all noises I think music the least disagreeable." Music can be a mode of entertainment, an aid to study, or a spiritual experience. There are also some types of music that are almost wholly connected with one man. Yet if the music is good, it will live on as a memorial to him, or independently, on its own merits, even after his death.

Woodrow Wilson Guthrie died a few weeks ago, yet his music lives on. As Pete Seeger, dean of American folk singers said, "Woody will never die as long as there are people who like to sing his songs." There will always be those people. Anybody who has listened to a Pete Seeger record, seen Peter, Paul, and Mary, or gone to Festival has been exposed to Woody. Sing "This Land is Your Land," "Reuben James," or "So Long, It's Been Good to Know You," and you are singing his songs; hear Bob Dylan, Tom Paxton, or Phil Ochs and you are hearing his pupils: see all the United States from coast to coast and you are seeing his land.

Woody did not have a good voice or extraordinary musical ability, yet he became the greatest folk singer and writer of his generation. He never graduated high school, yet he wrote over one thousand songs, a newspaper column and a widely acclaimed autobiography. What Woody had was a feel for words and for people. He knew what made people tick and wrote and sang about that. He hated songs "that make you think you're not any good." These songs didn't help the people

who listened. "I am out to sing songs that will prove to you that this is your land," Woody said.
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Yeshiva Physics Major Utilizes His Talent In Shrewd Experiments on Dorm Residents

By Edward Abramson

You're an innocent, hardworking student (there are still one or two left) taking a few moments out for relaxation, listening to your favorite radio station. Suddenly an authoritative voice interrupts the program and announces that Yeshiva's Uptown Center is under cosmic ray bombardment by Reform Martians. You, never one to question the veracity of the broadcast word, batten down the hatches and begin reciting *Techilim*.

You're the esteemed floor counselor of the fourth floor, Morgestern Dorm. You are in the midst of performing your daily duty (nay, privilege) of awakening Yeshiva College students so that they may arise and acknowledge their Maker. You arrive at Room 410, turn your passkey in the lock, and reach out to push the door. Suddenly, one thousand volts of electricity are coursing through your body. You jerk your hand away, firm in the belief that if the good L-rd had wanted kids to go to *minyan*, he would have put them there.

You are in the position of the Director of Residence Halls. You have just executed a perfect fire drill, and every resident of the dorms is standing on Amsterdam Avenue. Suddenly, you hear the unmistakable wail of a police siren. You rush back to your office, frantically trying to think of ways of explaining to the authorities that this assemblage is not an anti-Viet

Professor Exposed

Dr. Roth Finds His Talmud Training Aids Him In Analysis Of Philosophy

By Noah Baer

Though a new instructor in philosophy, Dr. Sol Roth is no stranger at YU having received a BA from Yeshiva College in '48, *semicha* from RIETS, and later having taught at Stern College. While teaching at Stern, Dr. Roth continued his studies at Columbia and received both an MA in math and a PhD in philosophy. At pre-



Dr. Sol Roth

sent, Dr. Roth is also rabbi of the Jewish Center of Atlantic Beach, Long Island.

Dr. Roth finds that his years spent at Yeshiva served him well in his philosophic studies. "After studying under Rabbi Soloveitchik," Dr. Roth explains, "one learns an analytical method." And this analytical method and the logical approach of the Talmud were equally applicable in the study of analysis and the philosophy of science. Dr. Roth does admit, though,

that philosophic approaches are not very useful from the pulpit since a congregation usually has difficulty in understanding thoughts expressed in philosophical language.

No Religious Conflict

The alleged conflict between religion and science and philosophy is highly unwarranted, Dr. Roth believes. Referring to a monograph he wrote for the *Studies in Torah Judaism* series published by Yeshiva University, Dr. Roth contends that each system is built upon a different intellectual basis stemming from differing systems of "knowledge" gathering and evaluation.

Dr. Roth thinks that not only are there no conflicts between modern philosophy and religion but that the two are complementary. He notes that modern linguistic analysis, the study of word meaningfulness, can be used to clarify religious terms and beliefs. Dr. Roth finds that the great-

est problem facing religion today stems from the onslaught of secularism, not from any philosophical or theological problems. "A social force has more impact than a logical one and the basic problem can be traced to attitudes," he observed. However, not willing to relegate philosophy to an inferior social force in the contemporary world, he noted that "philosophy

The Editor-in-Chief and Governing Board of THE COMMENTATOR extend a heartfelt *masal tov* to their colleague and friend Bill Brustein, executive editor, upon his engagement to Sharon Parker.

can clarify problems, some of which we have yet to realize exist. Science has evolved from philosophy and philosophy will be the proving ground for future bodies of thought."

Fishman Report Asks For More Bilingualism

Organized efforts to strengthen and preserve the Yiddish language are extremely beneficial to the United States because they bring to congressional and public

attention the need to recognize our non-English speaking cultures as "great national resources," according to Dr. Joshua Fishman, a noted authority on bilingualism, and research professor of social sciences at Yeshiva University.

Dr. Fishman said that he hoped that other nationality groups would emulate the well-organized effort of the Yiddishists who have organized a letter-writing campaign urging Congress to liberalize and amend the currently pending legislation on behalf of bilingual education.

Encourages Bilingualism

He warned that the more than thirty bills currently in Congress concerning bilingual education are unnecessarily linked to poverty programs and concentrate on the Spanish speaking population. While being worthwhile as far as they go, he said that the bills fail to take into consideration the fact that 14% of the American population, about 20 million people, speak a language other than English.

"Bilingualism," Dr. Fishman added, "should not be viewed either as a liability, or as a route to Americanization, but instead should be nurtured and implemented in the creation of a permanently, culturally, pluralistic American society."

Ghetto Study Made

Referring to an unusual four-month study in Jersey City's Puerto Rican ghetto that he conducted last spring and summer, Dr. Fishman said that he is convinced that Puerto Ricans will not disappear into the American melting pot as early immigrants did because they are not immigrants—they are commuters. They will always be bilingual and bicultural.

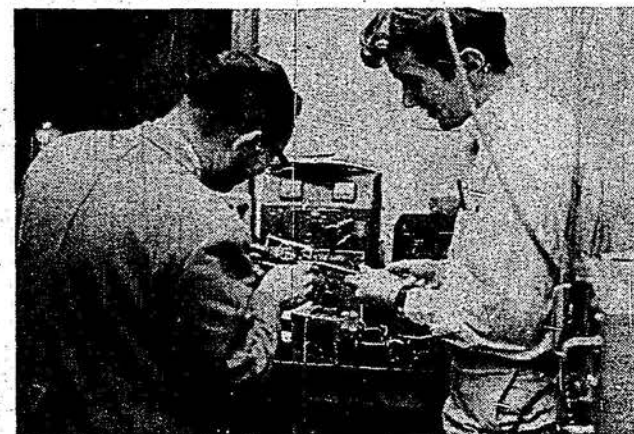
For the study, Dr. Fishman and a ten member research team of linguists, psychologists and socio-

Nam rally staged without permit.

Well, my friend, you who thought yourself hard-headed and un-gullible, you have been taken in. There are no anti-religious Martians, no lightning bolt from Heaven, no angry cops. All of these weird effects are controlled by the hand of Yeshiva College Senior David Bernstein. David, a physics major, has, in his spare

the desired effect. The electronic siren was fashioned by David from parts that he purchased.

David, who hails from Springfield, Mass., is also using his talents in the serious academic vein by means of an honors project in physics. Working under the direction of Dr. Leon Landovitz, associate professor of physics at YC, David is building the apparatus to



Dr. Landovitz and Dave Bernstein fiddle around with fabulous new-fangled physics paraphernalia.

time, built a small radio transmitter with a range of two dormitory floors above and below and several rooms on either side. To produce the shocking effect on the doorknob, David has constructed a setup which is battery-powered and delivers negligible amperage, but sufficient voltage to produce

measure electron paramagnetic resonance. Electrons, which spin, create a magnetic field. Their direction of spin may be changed by applying a modulated external electric field, which is stronger than the existing field. This change enables scientists to detect certain properties of various substances.

L. Teitelbaum

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Rapid Growth Of Traditional Synagogues In Suburbs Permits Many More Orthodox Jews To Leave City

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apartments, will have a vast majority of Jewish residents. However, there is no synagogue in the area, which, incidentally, is the site of the unsuccessful Freedomland Amusement Park. Rabbi Hirt contacted the United Housing Foundation, builders of the project, and requested that an article be published in the newsletter to prospective tenants advising them that Yeshiva University was eager to assist them in establishing a synagogue center to meet their religious and educational needs. In addition, the aid of Young Israel was enlisted in the hope of building one Orthodox synagogue, rather than having a needless duplication of efforts.

Large Synagogue Seen

As a result, people began responding, and only eight months after the original article appeared—and ten months before anyone will be living in Co-op City—over 600 families have expressed interest in joining the congregation. Meetings have been held, architectural plans prepared, a youth group formed, and money raised. Rabbi Hirt is of the opinion that the Young Israel of Co-op City could well become the largest Orthodox congregation in America.

The story of Co-op City effectively illustrates one aspect of the operation of Rabbi Hirt's department. The Lincoln Square Synagogue, in Lincoln Towers is an example of another way in which new traditional congregations come into existence. This congregation was begun under Conservative auspices. A YU rabbi assumed the pulpit in 1964, under the condition that if, at the end of a six month period, the congregation did not wish to adopt *halachic* standards, he would leave. However, because of the leadership of the rabbi, the standards were met, and the congregation is now one of the most rapidly expanding traditional synagogues in the New York area.

But, while these two examples effectively illustrate the in-city work done by the New Communities Department in terms of new housing developments, the bulk of the new communities founded within the last ten years have been in suburbia, the move to which, Rabbi Hirt observed, has also been caused by the urban deterioration which resulted in the erection of these housing developments.

In suburbia, the work of the department has been more difficult. Originally, it was quite a handicap for an Orthodox Jew to move to suburbia because of the lack of essential religious institutions—the *shul* and *mikveh*—and necessities such as the kosher butcher and *shomer Shabbat* baker. As a result, in most cases, the Jew who left the city was the one who would join the Conservative temple when he moved to the suburbs. Rabbi Hirt feels that many of these people would be quite willing to join traditional synagogues if they existed in their communities, and cited as an example the case of Fairlawn, New Jersey.

Children Use Influence

A number of Fairlawn residents, all belonging to a Conservative congregation, had sent their children to a *yeshiva ketana* in nearby Paterson, New Jersey, and some had gone on to high school here at YUHSM. Rabbi Hirt indicates it was the children's dissatisfaction with the Conservative congregations that the parents had joined for the lack of a traditional one, that caused a group of Fairlawn residents to contact Yeshiva, and to establish an Orthodox congregation.

"In this case, and in many others," Rabbi Hirt noted, "the people that came to the new synagogue were the religious core of the Conservative temple, people who were dissatisfied with the existing standards, and were ripe for an Orthodox congregation. And, though these Orthodox con-

gregations may now be small, they are enabling ever-increasing numbers of religious Jews to move to suburbia. For example a congregation established in Merrick, Long Island in 1961 began with 21 families and now has over 125."

Today a traditional Jew can move to practically any type of suburban environment, and have his religious needs met in that area.



Rabbi Robert Hirt

YUPR

The services offered to the beginning synagogue by the New Communities Department are manifold. Usually, it provides the fledgling congregation with a *sefer Torah*, a suitable *aron kodesh*, and a supply of *siddurim*, *chumashim* and *talitot*. In addition, the services of a rabbi or *semicha* student are provided, and, while the congregation is being formed, his salary is subsidized by the University. "Yeshiva University, for a decade, has been the only Orthodox institution," Rabbi Hirt stated, "to offer subsidies to new congregations." In addition, the Department, through the varied facilities of the Community Service Division, offers the congregation guidance in adult education, youth work, architectural design, and the establishment of a *Talmud Torah*.

Highest Standards

Summing up, Rabbi Hirt reflected that "our job is not simply to establish a synagogue, but in addition, to transmit to the people in

these communities the traditional Jewish ideology. While many of the people in these communities might not characterize their observance as 'traditional,' they are looking for a synagogue that will challenge them with the highest standards, and, all new synagogues established by Yeshiva University reflect the highest *halachic* standards."

Examples of this type of synagogue, founded within the last twenty months, (all with full-time rabbis) include: London, Ontario; Lido Beach, New York; Ottawa, Ontario; North Bellmore, New York; Montreal, Quebec; and New Rochelle, New York. In addition, on January 1, an office of Yeshiva University will be established in Montreal to better serve the needs of the traditional Jewish community of Canada. "It's a tremendous growth area," Rabbi Hirt noted. "There have been eight new congregations in the Montreal area alone, in the last ten years." The rabbi hopes the future will see more of these offices established, especially in the mid and far-west.

But, for the present, the challenging and important work being done by Yeshiva University, as typified by Rabbi Hirt and the rabbis of these new synagogues, is going a long way toward furthering the meaningful way of life that is traditional Judaism.

Charter Is Granted To New Betar Club At Council Meeting

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heard a request by the Administration that it decide what to do about the many beggars that haunt the cafeteria, the study halls, the dormitories and even the classrooms. The Council took no action on this question.

Draft Problems

A new law limiting Selective Service 2S deferments to the four-year college course only and abolishing it for graduate students, coupled with the increasing difficulty of changing from 2S to 4D deferments, prompted the Council to appoint a committee to arrange for speakers who can advise the students on Selective Service regulations and on deferment possibilities.

Citing the precedents of the *Mizrachi Hatzair* and *B'nei Akiva* clubs, a representative of *Betar* submitted a petition expressing the wish to form a *Betar* club on campus under the faculty leadership of Mr. Joseph Hausner. Council approved the formation of the club.

The subject of spring term registration was then discussed. It was generally agreed that section changes should be permitted without the \$5 nominal fee. Argument followed concerning the right of students to change sections in mid-year. The meeting was adjourned at 12:15 A.M.

Letters To The Editor

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To the Editor:

As a freshman, I was very pleased when I learned of the student lounge in Furst Hall—a place where I could sleep between classes or play ping-pong. I was quickly disillusioned when I found that it was impossible to play ping-pong because there were no balls, and impossible to sleep because students brought ping-pong balls from home and played ping-pong. I would appreciate it if you could pressure some person into donating a ping-pong ball so I could play ping-pong, or prohibit the importation of private ping-pong balls into the lounge so that I could sleep.

Saul Shajinfeld '71

Discount Tickets

To the Editor:

For the past two years the Dramatics Society handled the theater discount tickets very effectively under the guidance of Mr. David Broth. Now that Mr. Broth has graduated, it seems that the distribution of theater discount tickets has been left unattended.

There are a few tickets in the registrar's office (F125) which are usually good for only one or two weeks after they are put on the counter. These tickets are left out in the open so that students may take as many as they want and leave none for others.

The bulletin board on the second floor of Furst Hall still displays the outdated tickets of last year. I feel that the Dramatics Society should see to it that tickets are again distributed in an efficient and proper manner. This will be a service of great value to the student body.

Maurice de la Fuente '69



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Guthrie Overcame Personal Privation To Emerge As Greatest Folk Singer

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"I am out to sing the songs that make you take pride in yourself and in your work." To the unemployed, the Dust Bowl victims, the Okies and the union men, it was Woody's songs that kept them going.

His life was not an easy one. He had more than his share of rough breaks, from the time his mother died from Huntington's chorea, a degenerative nerve disease, until he died at the age of 55 from the same disease. Yet, through all his hardships, he never lost his love of excitement, of adventure, of fun, of justice and of people. A fighter his whole life, Woody always defended the underdog, both in song ("Deportee," "Do Re Mi") and in deed. He gave up many good jobs to live life as he thought it should be lived and crammed as much living into his 42 active years as he could. You cannot retell his life story in one column or in a book, and for the best glimpse of Woody you must read his autobiography, *Bound For*

Glory. It's a good beginning to understanding Woody—yet only a beginning.

What was Woody Guthrie? He was not a beatnik, a hippie or an acidhead—yet he certainly was no member of the Establishment. He was called "a rusty voiced Homer" and "the greatest ballad maker America has even known," yet

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that tells only part of the story. He was a man who could criticize and condemn—yet he always ended with hope. He could find fault with many features of the United States and its social structure yet still sing "This land was made for you and me."

One would think that the migrant worker situation was

hopeless. Not Woody. In his great song about the migrant workers, "Pastures of Plenty," he ends "My Land I'll defend with my life if it be/For my Pastures of Plenty must always be free." In his personal life there was always hope, as can easily be seen in his book of essays *Born To Win*. It was hope Woody taught to his generation singing "There's a better world a-comin'" and it is hope that he continues to teach ours.

In a world filled with Vietnams, Koreas, and Newarks, it is always good to realize that it is also filled with people—many of them good people. Woody Guthrie was one of them. He is dead now, yet his songs still live. We can listen and we can sing, but most important of all we can learn from them. Perhaps one of the most moving tributes to Woody Guthrie is a song "Bound for Glory" written by Phil Ochs a few years ago. Its last stanza speaks eloquently to all those who knew of Woody:

*Now they sing out his praises on every distant shore
But so few remember what he was fighting for
Oh why sing the songs and forget about the aims
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Further information can be obtained by writing to the College Proficiency Examination Program, State Education Department, Albany, N. Y. 12224.

The Chief Justice Speaks

Judicial Preview

by Arthur Rosenbaum



It is hoped that this year, unlike past years, the Student Court will be a potent force in student government and successfully aid in developing a respect for public property and the rights of others.

Part of this attempt to increase the effectiveness of the Court will be a formulation of a code of procedure. This code will include both a specific statement of the procedures to be used by the Court and the type of offenses that lie within the scope of the Court's jurisdiction. This should increase the efficiency of the Court and eliminate the claim of defendants that their offenses were committed unknowingly. The publication of the code will serve notice to the student body that vandalism and the infringement upon the rights of others will not be tolerated.



Student energetically adjudicates landmark case. W. Herzberg

The cases that came before the Court in its first meeting were of paramount importance. Tampering with public telephones and the elevators are frequently recurring offenses which cause both damage to public property and inconvenience to the student body. The first case involved a charge of tampering with the public phones. Although the charge was a serious one, the defendant was found not guilty "due to a lack of evidence proving his guilt beyond a reasonable doubt." The court issued a warning to the entire student body to the effect that "any tampering with public property, especially the telephones, will be dealt with most severely."

In the other case the Court heard a charge of tampering with the elevators. The defendant pleaded guilty to pressing the emergency stop button between floors. The court placed the defendant on dormitory probation for the fall semester, noting that "any subsequent offense will result in the maximum penalty."

These two offenses and all others of this nature will be dealt with severely. Clear cases of vandalism to public phones will result, for the first offense, in immediate expulsion from the dormitory and/or payment of the damages caused.

The goals of this year's Court are, therefore, to establish respect for the Court and its powers, to set forth clearly its procedures and the list of offenses, and to eliminate those serious offenses which would be punishable in the criminal courts of the State of New York if offenders were to be turned over to the police.

Dr. Fishman Urges Strong Tie To Ancestral Language

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logists set up tape recorders in a four story neighborhood tenement to study "how the people talk in relation to what they do."

The researchers, with the permission and cooperation of the tenants, recorded such natural sounds of the household as family

arguments and calls to the children to come to dinner.

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Me! I'm not good friends with
Susie? I don't understand.

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I didn't have a stamp
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bye to you
I'm still trying to get to New
York
I can't think of anything else to
say
Stay well

Dormitory
Can I have the phone number to
the fifth floor
Who do you want to speak to
What is this

I can't give out phone numbers
just to anyone
Who are you
I'm a purple angel. They're train-
ing me to be a receptionist
I don't believe this... Look I
want to speak to my brother
Who's your boyfriend
I'll call my brother and have him
come down there
You don't have the number. It's
9-6-6-5-4-3-2
Thank you
You're welcome
What kind of angel are you
A purple one
I know some yellow angels—
Yesterday I was yellow. Today I
changed to purple. I'm a
madras angel
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What
Do you run
Oh. Where do you go to school
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Why
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Ryan Attacks War Policy; Applauds McCarthy's Role

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an America in which the center would be dead and liberalism defeated.

Expresses Optimism

While America seems to be following just such a path, however, the Congressman expressed optimism in America's future, which can be bright if, as appears likely, enough pressure is brought to bear on the Administration to end the war by an honorable settlement.

But the end of the war will not automatically solve social problems. The funds paying for the war will not necessarily be directed for social investment. And the restoration of order may be taken over the redress of grievances.

Congressman Ryan closed with calling for a complete re-evaluation

As in the past, season's passes for Yeshiva basketball games will be made available to students at reduced rates of \$5. They may be obtained from the Athletic Office or from Manager Michael Faber.

of this nation's foreign policy establishment and for the appointment of a new Secretary of State. The latter statement was met with mixed applause and jeering.

Favors McCarthy

In the question and answer period that followed, Mr. Ryan said that he favored the candidacy of Senator Eugene McCarthy (D-Minn.), "or any other Democrat" in presidential primaries as healthy for the country and the Democratic Party. When asked if he would run against Jacob Javits for the



M. Friend

Student hawks oppose Ryan.

Senate, he answered that it was too early to tell, but he was considering it.

A founder of the Reform movement in the New York Democratic Party, Mr. Ryan was first elected to represent the 20th Congressional District in Manhattan, in which Yeshiva University is located, in November, 1960.

YC Debaters: Negative Tax Best Solution

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severance and the wherewithal to sustain an efficient and successful system."

Negative Income Tax

The affirmative proposed that the United States adopt a "Negative Income Tax," whereby the government would determine how much money is necessary to live in a particular region and then, through the Internal Revenue Service, would pay each citizen the difference between that level and that which he actually earns, thus providing him with the necessary income.

The negative objected saying the Job Corps Program, Housing Projects, and numerous other Federal programs are currently in effect,

THE COMMENTATOR joins the student body in extending its deepest sympathy to Lenny Steinberg '68 on the recent passing of his mother. May he be comforted amongst the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

thus obviating the need for the affirmative plan. Yeshiva replied that experts cannot see such long-range programs helping more than 5-7% of the poor. It added, however, that inasmuch as these programs are of definite value, they will be retained even under the affirmative plan.

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Soccer Squad Searches For Experienced Coach

By Ira Oster

With the popularity of soccer spreading throughout the country, it is now evident that it has even reached the campus of Yeshiva University. After months of planning, it appears that Yeshiva will have a varsity soccer team in the near future, according to Professor Abraham Hurwitz.

The team has a good foundation, with David Anfang and Chaim Frydman serving as co-captains. Anfang and Frydman, who spearheaded the program, are both native Israelis and know the game thoroughly. Professor Hurwitz is very proud of both boys "since this is the first time that foreigners have taken an active part in the athletic program at Yeshiva University." But to field a team there must be a coach, and the procuring of a well qualified mentor seems to be the team's biggest problem.

Coach Not Available
Unfortunately, Director of Athletics Sarachek has been unable to

secure a coach, and the team's future seems to be just a dream. But this misfortune seemed to invigorate the administration and the team. Both "Doc" Hurwitz and Captain Anfang are searching for a coach whose leadership will help the team win many a game. Hopefully, a coach will be found very soon in order to get the team off the ground and on the winning road.

Teach Basics

Anfang and Frydman are making plans for the future, by taking over the leadership of the team and reviewing the basics of the game with the prospective players. These practices will help the captains in sifting out the future team from the 40 hopefuls. But Anfang's purpose is also to give some of the newcomers a feeling for the game. By doing so he hopes to give the team depth, thus assuring YU of successful teams for future years.

Getting a team started and keeping it going is a very difficult task. Yet, David Anfang and Chaim Frydman seem to be doing an excellent job, without a coach and without the basic equipment. Their leadership and managerial qualities should not be underestimated. If anyone wishes to try out for the team, practice is held every Wednesday night at 8:30 P.M. at George Washington High School.

Hoopsters Face Queens In First League Game, Then Meet Pace Team

By Michael Faber

Editor's Note: As in the past, the sports page will regularly feature a prediction of the outcome of the basketball games for the two week period following publication. This column will be written by Manager Michael Faber.

Our first two games will be indicative of the type of season we will have. We open Saturday night, December 2, on the road against Knickerbocker Conference foe Queens College. As the maxim says, "as Larry Zolot goes, so goes Queens." Last year this proved true as we beat Queens, with Zolot's broken leg keeping him out of action. The prospect of opening our

Basketball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Location
Sat., Dec. 2	*Queens College	Away
Mon., Dec. 4	*Pace	Home
Thurs., Dec. 7	Kings Point	Away
Tues., Dec. 12	C.W. Post	Home
Sat., Dec. 16	*Brooklyn Poly	Home
Tues., Dec. 19	Adelphi	Away
Thurs., Dec. 21	Brandels	Home
Sat., Jan. 6	City	Home
Sat., Jan. 13	*Stony Brook	Home
Wed., Jan. 31	Drew	Away
Thurs., Feb. 1	Bridgeport	Home
Sat., Feb. 3	New Paltz	Home
Mon., Feb. 5	Monmouth	Away
Wed., Feb. 7	*Pratt	Away
Sat., Feb. 10	Kings (Pa.)	Home
Tues., Feb. 13	Sacred Heart	Away
Sat., Feb. 17	*Hunter	Home
Wed., Feb. 21	Hartford	Away
Sat., Feb. 24	*Brooklyn	Home
Tues., Feb. 27	Paterson State	Away
Sat., Mar. 2	Marist	Home

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season away, with a win against Zolot and Co. looms dim, unless center Aboff can handle him.

Monday, Dec. 4, we play another Knickerbocker foe, Pace. They have a fine junior pivotman in 6'5" Jeff Kelly, one of the league's outstanding scorers and rebounders. Pace is a well-balanced team, and we will have great difficulty coping with their attack unless, again, our big men come through on the defensive end of the court.

Coach Sarachek Views Gymnasium As Vital To Further Improvement

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the Young Israel Basketball League. as one of the most important accomplishments of the YU Athletic Program.

As the situation stands, the Coach feels YU is severely handi-



Coach "Red" Sarachek

capped in pursuing the already mentioned objectives. The major obstacles preventing a realization of the program's goals are the absence of a fieldhouse and a lack of financial support for YU student-athletes. If YU is to be established as the focal point of Jewish athletics, it must attract top Jewish athletes from all over the country.

Such a program is, of necessity, doomed to failure from the start without the facilities and scholarships needed to draw these athletes to our school. Coach Sarachek stresses the recruiting aspect and says that just as Yeshiva tries to attract the best students, so it must also seek out the best Jewish athletes if it is to field representative teams.

Funds Limited

At present, however, the University has no definite plans for the construction of a gymnasium and can only spare limited funds for athletics. Thus, the Coach must count on the YU Athletic Association, which is nothing more than a group of individuals working separately to raise funds and interest athletes in attending YU. It is hoped that eventually Yeshiva will become the center of Jewish athletics and thus will receive substantial backing from various Jewish communities, but this remains to be seen.

Looking to the future, the Coach expressed pessimism regarding the expansion of athletic facilities, uncertainty about his own health, and optimism concerning the basketball team. He does not see the building of a gym or expansion of athletic facilities in the near future. This situation is particularly upsetting as the Coach thinks that YU sports have reached the stage where

further improvement is contingent upon improved facilities.

Will Be Sideline

As to the state of his health, the Coach is not sure how long his operation will sideline him. Needless to say, he will be back at the earliest opportunity, hopefully before January.

Coach Sarachek did express cautious optimism when questioned about the prospects of his hoopsters for the season. While he proclaimed the Knick Conference as a whole to be "strong," he described our cagers as improved, though youthful. He did note that there seems to be a feeling of expectancy concerning the team. Everyone is anticipating a winning season, and "Red" hopes that this year's edition of the Mites will reward their long-suffering, loyal fans with a successful campaign.

YU Hoopsters Are Confident

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Wiener on the bench.

Sheldon and Alan are both fast and good defensive men. They add experience and talent to the reserves.

All three of the freshmen were on the MJHSL All-Star Team last year. Each of the trio possesses a fine shot and has the ability and desire to help the team as the season progresses.

Shimmy Leads Team

Up front, the team is led by Captain "Shimmy" Shimansky, who can also assist in the backcourt when necessary. Last year, despite his playing with his arm in a cast for part of the season, Shimmy averaged 10.1 points a game. His shot has improved and the responsibility of captainship has made him a mainstay of the team.

Under The Boards

When Yeshiva plays an opponent it is usually David vs. Goliath (thus the Mighty-Mites). This year, "David" has grown a bit with Ray Aboff's return to varsity basketball. Ray combines desperately needed board strength with fine shooting ability, both underneath and from the outside.

Together with Aboff, freshman Larry Schiffman should provide the height necessary to start the fast break. While Poloner was getting all the headlines in high school, Larry was politely stuffing the ball down opponents' throats and inconspicuously shooting around 50%. To be effective against tough college competition, Larry has to avoid a recurring ankle injury.

Additional height and muscle is supplied to the team by Efreim Zuroff. Efreim has a good shot and has been working on correcting his inability to drive to the basket.

Abe Waller is the tallest player on the team, but must overcome inexperience.

The team will have its difficulties during the first part of the season as players adjust to each other. Prominent improvement will mark the second half of the year and with a little luck the team should sport a 500 record.

Sophs, Semicha Win Intramurals And Move Into First Place Tie

By Sheldon Feinstein

It was "shirts" versus "skins" once again at George Washington High School, as the Sophomores beat the Juniors 58-40 in an intramural basketball contest. In bringing their record to 2-0, the Sophs displayed brilliant teamwork, as well as fine individual effort.

The game was fast-paced from the beginning, with both teams displaying a run and shoot style. Mike Friend scored eight points for the Sophs who emerged from the first period leading 13-12.

The underclassmen broke the game open in the second quarter, outscoring their opponents 13-4, to lead at the intermission by ten, 26-16. Friend scored eight more in that period, and Harry Winderman swept the boards. In the second half, Jonas Lew had the hot hand for the third-termers, and, led by his nine points, they pulled away to win by 19 points.

Friend High Scorer

Mike Friend led all scorers with 22 points, and Jonas Lew chipped in 12 for the winners. The Juniors were paced by Charlie Gottlieb's 12 and Aaron Kindlehrer's ten. Junior Sheldon David, last year's leading scorer, was held to nine points, all of them in the second half.

One week later, Semicha met the Freshmen in a battle of undefeated teams. Semicha was led by sharpshooter Matty Shatzkes, while the Freshmen depended on a swift passing attack.

In the first quarter, tremendous

hustle and fine play by Cary Sprung helped the Freshmen overcome their lack of experience and grab a 10-7 lead, but Semicha came back in the second period, as Shatzkes popped in seven points, and Avi Weiss scored six. At one point Semicha took a five point lead, but two clutch baskets by Reuben Nayowitz and a three point play by Sprung helped the Frosh to a 25-22 halftime edge.

The teams traded baskets in the third quarter. Despite six more points by Shatzkes, Semicha was still on the short end of the 37-33 third quarter score.

Semicha Wins

From the opening tap-off, the final period was packed with action. Scoring two quick buckets, Semicha moved into a 37-37 tie, then forged ahead 49-44 as Shatzkes popped in two quick field goals and Avi Weiss and Bennie Leibowitz pulled rebounds on both ends of the court. At this point the Freshman went into a press, and it paid off as Cary Sprung converted a couple of turnovers into Freshman baskets, and made the score 49-48. Shatzkes scored again with less than a minute remaining, and Semicha led by three, but a layup by Ira Jaskoll brought the Freshmen to within one. Semicha went into a freeze, and the desperate Freshmen were forced to foul in order to get the ball. In a one and one situation with just 13 seconds to go, Myron Bari converted two free throws to put the game out of reach. A last frantic attempt by

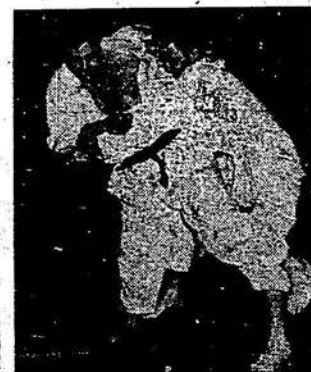
the Freshmen failed, and the game ended with Semicha victorious by a score of 53-50.

Outlook Bright For Judo Team

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opponents include last season's competition in addition to Newark College of Engineering and Pratt.

The outlook for this year is



Heave-ho!

bright. Over one hundred boys are registered in judo classes, and twenty are on the team. Unfortunately, last year's strong heavyweights have graduated. Due to the influx of new talent, however, this should not prove detrimental. Holdovers from last year include Lee Haaron and David Gitler (co-captains), Arnie and Bob Weiss, Alex Pludwinski, Jeff Trudler, Barry Mehler, and George Kline.

Judo Squad Schedules Matches To Be Played During Next Semester

By Ronny Gottlieb

Last year, for the first time, Yeshiva organized a judo team. Two matches were held, against New York Maritime College and Mount Vernon Judo Club. We lost both of them. However, the team was impressive, especially against Maritime. Had the match been official, we would have won.

This year, Yeshiva is again fielding a judo team and it will again be coached by Mr. Wu. Head of the school's judo program, Mr. Wu is a native of Formosa and is a second dan black belt.

Lack Practice

The team is faced with the traditional YU handicap—little time to practice. This problem is especially significant in a sport such as judo since knowledge of moves in itself is not enough to insure success. Judo players are not matched according to weight, but by ability. It is not uncommon, therefore, to find a 150 pounder facing a man weighing 180 pounds. The moves, therefore, must be perfected to the extent that their application in a *ronduri* (match) is second nature. This can be accomplished only through extensive practice.

Official team practices are held on Sunday afternoons. This semester is devoted to conditioning team members, and matches are planned for the spring term. Prospective

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Sports Profile

Sarachek Guides Cagers, Directs Athletic Program

By Effie Zurroff

Bernard "Red" Sarachek needs no extensive introduction to Yeshiva students. As athletic director of the University and its head basketball coach for the last 24 years, Coach Sarachek has been the moving force behind the athletic program at YU and has been personally responsible for a large measure of the success attained by the Mighty Mite hoopsters.

In his capacity as athletic director, Red has tirelessly striven to improve and expand the program, not only for the students of the college, but also for the members of the Jewish community as a whole. It is the Coach's belief that YU should not only provide for the athletic needs of the student

The entire faculty and student body of Yeshiva College join together in wishing a speedy and complete recovery from his recent operation to Director of Athletics Bernard Sarachek.

body (by means of varsity teams, intramurals and gym classes) but should also serve as the focal point of Jewish athletics throughout the country.

Emphasizes Dual Role

He, therefore, emphasizes the unique dual role of Yeshiva athletics—providing the school with successful varsity teams of whom the student body and the University family can be proud, and, giving, at the same time, the whole

Outlook For Mighty Mites Optimistic Despite Lack Of Experienced Players

By Avi Borenstein

Basketball, perhaps more than any other sport, is an offensive game. A team that has the ability to harass its opponent into turnovers, poor shots, and errant passes still will not win unless that same team can come downcourt and score points.

The Mighty-Mites have been plagued by lack of a strong offense since the early '60's. The team, almost invariably, had to key on one player—the Shelly Rokachs and the Sam Sterns. They never had the 1-2 punch; somewhere along the line someone forgot the 2.

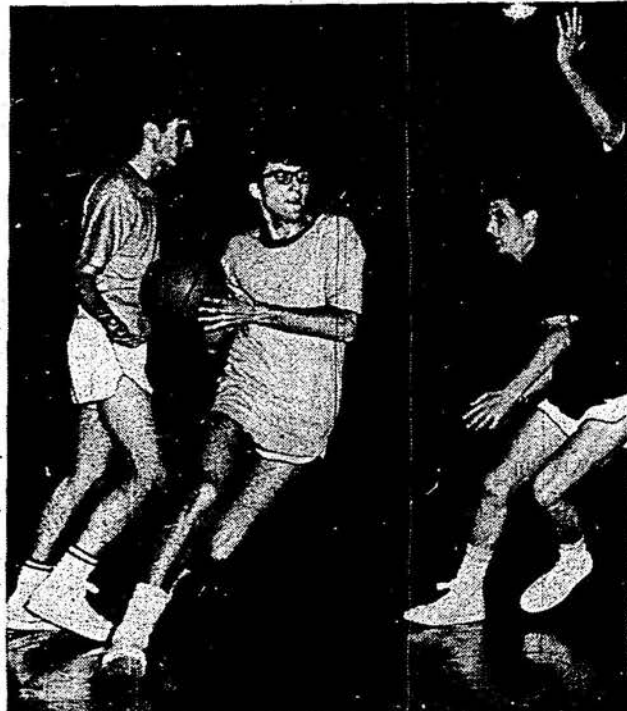
Team Has Shooters

This year, outwardly at least, things appear to have changed. There are no stars on the Mites anymore—everyone can shoot. Optimism is riding a new crest and the diehard fan's hopes have been revived.

Those hard-core optimists, however, should be wary. If last year's team was embryonic, this year's squad is in its infancy. At least two prospective starters were not with the team last year. Its high scorer is only a sophomore and the freshman group is long on talent but short on experience.

Fisher Will Star

This lack of experience will be most obvious in the back court. Sam Stern, who has exhausted his eligibility, will leave the team without an operative able to con-



Shimansky drives in while Poloner, Wiener and The Hand look on.

trol the tempo of the game. The backcourt will contain a mixed bag of heroes, beginning with Joel Fisher. The Newport News Whiz last year set the all-time freshman scoring record of 13 points a game. This season Joel will not have to shoot as much and will, therefore, be able to work for the percentage shot.

Last season Dave Hershkovits had trouble with his shot. His balance was off and his rhythm upset. This year, under the guidance of Coach Sarachek, Dave has regained the touch that made him a high school all-star. He passes well, plays heads-up defense and hustles endlessly. Dave adds experience and depth to the backcourt.

Stuart Poloner has the height, the moves, and the shot to become

great. Many observers are counting on Stue to assume team leadership, but his inexperience leaves room for speculation. The question is not his ability, rather his transition to college pressures and college play; only time will tell how he will react.

Palefski Returns

Paul Palefski has not played varsity ball in two years. However, his drive (smooth and often spectacular) coupled with a tough defense makes him a valuable asset. Paul's ability to maintain his composure should lead the team down many a tough stretch.

The backcourt has much depth with Irwin Kurz, Alan Blumenthal, and freshmen Joel Friedman, Norbert Stern and Danny

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Intramurals Open As Seniors Defeat Junior Footballers

In the opening game of the intramural football season, the Seniors were pitted against the Juniors. In the early minutes of the game, the Seniors took charge and went on a long drive to the Junior 20 yard line. A touchdown pass intended for Eddie Davis was then intercepted by Lebowitz of the Juniors. Two downs later Senior Tuly Polak intercepted a pass by Junior quarterback Harry Jakubovich, and led a drive to the 15 yard line where Senior quarterback Mandel ran the ball in for the only touchdown of the game. The first half ended with the Seniors leading 7-0.

Scoreless Second Half

While there was no scoring in the second half, the defenses of both teams were strong. For the Seniors, Jerry Rosenkranz intercepted a pass on a key Junior play, showing his fine defensive abilities. Harry Jakubovich played a fine passing game, while intercepting one pass. The ball see-sawed back and forth for the rest of the game with the Senior front line of Aaron Chasan, Richie Simmons, and Rosenkranz showing fine defensive form. The Senior team was rounded out by Bernie Lipman, Morty Twersky, Ken Young, and Kennie Chels. The Junior front line, with Sam Goldman and Morty Nauman completing the starting team. Referees for the game were Arnie Weiss, Stu Forman, and Boruch Buchbinder.

Athletic Committee Chairman Adnie Weiss, was pleased with the turnout for the first game of the year and hoped that in the future the attendance would be even greater. Arnie emphasized that the success of the intramural program depends on the students' interest and participation in all activities, and he urged all students to attend.



By Bruce Spinowitz

And None Ever Rise

The best way to attack a problem, as any logician would agree, is to seek out the root of the difficulty and attempt to remedy it, rather than its manifestations. There are, however, many dilemmas which defy even this very sensible and orderly manner of solution. Yeshiva University, undeniably, has its share of such inherent "unsolvables"; and without a doubt, general topic number one must carry the heading "APATHY."

Please, reader, do not be shocked. I know this comes as a sorrowful surprise to you, but it is true. Yes, our institution has been struck by the great debilitating scourge of "apathia." This listless condition has manifested itself so variedly that the astute observer may view this to be Yeshiva's only problem. But the concern of this column is its perfusion into one aspect of campus life, which, naturally, is sports.

Its prevalence in this area, I am happy to say, is not beyond comprehension. In contrast to the other areas of indifferent feelings about our college, the apathy surrounding sports is well understood. This, naturally, is a great relief to participants, as well as potential observers, of sports at Yeshiva. Indifference is a necessary evil at our school simply because it could not accommodate a highly interested student body. Just for a moment, imagine our intramural activities attended by a large group of desirous participants. Could you imagine the dissension that might arise as to who would play and who would watch? As of now, five members a basketball team do make, so please do not crowd the gym floor.

Another aspect is attendance at varsity sports. Our victorious fencing squad and hopeful grapplers compete in the confined quarters of the sub-level gymnasium of the main building. It gets extremely stuffy down there before the boys even begin to do their "stuff." Thus, it shows a great amount of consideration and self-denial on the part of those who voluntarily absent themselves from viewing such meets. There just is not enough room for a crowd to show up. Perhaps we can work out some sort of rotation system, whereby everyone will be afforded a chance to support our varsity men, not just a selfish few.

Lastly, there is the matter of supporting our Mighty Mites. Certainly the rationale for non-attendance is the desire not to embarrass our seldom victorious hoopsters. Very thoughtful, indeed.

All these noble considerations are certainly to be complimented, but their well-intentioned outcome must be analyzed. The fact is, that our teams very much desire cheering extras. This season, more than any other, our squads have been scheduled for many games. Eight out of the cagers' twelve home contests are on Saturday nights. Certainly, this scheduling was done to encourage attendance. Season's passes for these events are now on sale for a very nominal fee. The wrestling and fencing teams will meet more than half their opponents in the Yeshiva University gymnasium (?).

Having concluded that we are a considerate student body, we must reevaluate our thinking and direct our consideration in a more obvious and worthwhile direction.