



Dr. A. Leo Levin, vice-president designate (second from right), meets with student leaders last Thursday. The reception was held in Dr. Belkin's office and presided over by Rabbi Israel Miller.

## Levin Meets Students In Role As New Veep

By Marc Sicklick

In a precedent setting event, a member of Yeshiva University's administration was introduced to the student body Feb. 13, prior to the official announcement of his appointment. Selected student leaders from the Yeshiva College, SOY, JSS, SCW Student Councils as well as THE COMMENTA-

A question and answer period followed a brief talk by the VP on his hopes and aspirations for Yeshiva and in response to a query from YCSC President Ken Hain he said that the real job facing him is to beef up the undergraduate segment of the university. For a university to be good, continued Dr. Levin, its undergraduate level must be good. In his official capacity, Dr. Levin will correlate the various divisions of YU and will handle the day to day problems facing the administration. Although the obligations and powers of the office of vice-president in charge of academic affairs are not yet fully defined, as Dr. Levin said, "It's the man that determines what the job will be."

The Rav, Rabbi Dr. Joseph B. Soloveitchik, will speak to the student body on Sunday evening, March 9, on the topic "Holiness and Kingship." The lecture, in English, which is being sponsored by the student councils of YC and Stern, will be dedicated to the memory of Mrs. Tonya Soloveitchik and Dr. Samuel Soloveitchik, the late wife and brother of the Rav. Tickets may be obtained from the presidents of the student councils and Dean Miller's office. **THE COMMENTATOR** urges all students to attend.

TOR and *The Observer* were privileged to be introduced to Dr. A. Leo Levin, RIETS '39 who will be the new vice-president for academic affairs.

Since graduating Yeshiva University where he was a student of Dr. Belkin while the latter was a Rosh Yeshiva, in RIETS, Professor Levin has been very active in student-faculty relations. While serving as a professor of law and vice-provost in the University of Pennsylvania, Dr. Levin kept in close touch with the problems of contemporary university students. Dr. Levin himself is a former student leader, having been editor-in-chief of *THE COMMENTATOR* in 1937.

## Forensic Finesse Marks Annual Debate Tourney

The motto of the Yeshiva College Debating Team last year, as evolved by past president Alan Rockoff was "Splutter to Greatness." Realizing the slim hopes of improvement, especially with the absence of Joe "Lips" Telushkin, this year's president and captain, Marc Goldstein '69 has chosen as his standard the desire to "Splash to Greatness." If the activities of the team on Sunday, February 9, at the 13th annual Yeshiva College Invitational Debate Tournament are any indica-

tion, the team is well on its way toward achieving its modest goals. Albert Milstein '69, tournament director, announced that twelve teams from nine schools including Pace, Hofstra, NYU (Heights), Brooklyn, CCNY, Mt. Holyoke, Bridgeport, University of Scranton, Penn State and Yeshiva participated, with Ithaca College and West Point failing to come because of the weather.

Debating affirmative for Yeshiva on the national topic: "Re-

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## New Gottesman Library To Open Shortly; Transfer Will Take Two To Three Weeks

By Sheldon S. Miller

Mr. Solomon Zeides has announced that he intends to start moving Pollack Library's store of books to their new home in the Mendel Gottesman Central Library this week. The first books being moved are in the circulation department, followed by the reference books, offices; and the periodicals.

During the transition period, which should take from two to three weeks, both the new library and the present temporary building will be open. A student wishing to take out a book will first have to go to the old building and check to see if the book has been moved. If it has, the student will then go to the new building and secure it there. Mr. Zeides stressed the fact that the library staff will do all it can to minimize the inconveniences.

What's Inside

The first floor of the new library consists mainly of a main student lounge and a museum. Levels 2 and 2a, and levels 3 and 3a, will house the Pollack Library and will include study areas and cubicles. There are also plans to

use the basement as a stack area with books probably available on a "call basis" only. The fourth floor will be used for office space, a rare book room, seminar rooms, and the Yeshiva University archives. Levels 5 and 5a will be the new home of the Mendel Gottesman Library, presently located on the second floor of the main building. As yet, plans for the sixth floor appear to be somewhat vague, but it may be the site for general archival material.

Elaborate security precautions will be in effect in the new library building. There will be everything from a security guard who will check the contents of briefcases to special black lights which are able to detect and photograph library invaders even in the dark. However, as Mr. Zeides emphasized, it is the student who is primarily responsible for the proper upkeep of the materials in the library. Special care will have to be taken with such things as the custom made furniture in the reading rooms and lounges.

The library has been long in coming and is presently about two years behind schedule. According

to Mr. Zeides, the major reason for the delay has been dissatisfaction on the part of the administration with much of the workmanship in the building. Mr. Zeides feels that the new building will no doubt greatly increase the quality and quantity of Yeshiva's libraries.

## Three Yeshiva Seniors Win Wilson Fellowships For Graduate Studies

Woodrow Wilson Fellowship winners were recently announced, and included among the 1,106 stu-



Gary Epstein

dents chosen as Woodrow Wilson designates from 349 colleges and out of a field of 11,704 candidates were three students at Yeshiva College: Gary Epstein, associate editor of *THE COMMENTATOR*, an English literature major; Perry Davis, a political science major;

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## Gesher Foundation Hopes To Act As Bridge Between Orthodox & Non-Orthodox In Israel

Bridge to Progress

In meetings with YC leaders, Rabbi Tropper stated that the Gesher Foundation dedicates itself to mastering and overcoming the dynamics of religious decline. It will work along with the most perceptive and creative minds, he stated, to develop realistic solutions to the problems of religious alienation in Israel. It will attempt to harness the talents of the organizational establishment in a coordinated, long range effort to implement these solutions. "As the efforts toward constructing the *gesher* (bridge) progress," Rabbi Tropper added, "the non-religious community will be impelled to re-examine their attitudes toward religion, and the religious community will be persuaded to redefine their message in bold, relevant terms. Modern Israel will be confronted with a spiritual alternative."

Gesher was begun by Yeshiva students who had spent time in Israel, many of whom are planning on *aliyah*, who were concerned with the religious alienation they discovered there. Other YU alumni on the Foundation's Executive Board are Dr. Philip Hershenfeld and Mr. Carmi Horowitz.

Money Talks

Currently, a great deal of effort is being expended on fund-

raising in the hope that Gesher's projects will be able to be begun as soon as possible. Among the initial projects are a series of publications, and a number of seminars with Israeli youth.

## Goren Calls For Aliyah; Mourns Iraqi Hangings

Rabbi Shlomo Goren, chief chaplain of the Israeli Defense Forces and recently elected Chief Rabbi of Tel-Aviv and Jaffa, addressed the student body of Yeshiva University on Thursday evening, January 30, in Silver Hall. Despite the fact that he was invited by the Alumni Association during intersession, on a cold slip-

that we are all sitting *shivah*, so to speak, as a result of the recent barbaric hangings committed earlier in the week by Iraq. "After seeing what happened," he remarked, "we can see what would have happened had we not, G-d forbid, won the war." If there is any consolation for us to glean from this mass display of unmentionable horror, it is that the nine Jews were martyred *al kiddush hashem*, sanctifying the name of the Almighty, which is considered the greatest commandment in the Torah.

An Invitation

Rabbi Goren then reminisced about the June, 1967 war. Shortly before the Six Days War, Nasser invited the Israelis to meet him at a certain desert town near Mount Sinai to negotiate. Rabbi Goren recalled how the following Passover with Sinai safely nestled under Israeli control the Chief Chaplain conducted his twenty-first annual military *seder* at this very

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Dr. Moses D. Tendler, chairman of the Department of Biology at YC and a Rosh Yeshiva in RIETS, will deliver a 3-part lecture entitled "Jewish Medical Ethics" before the Alpha Epsilon Delta Pre-Medical Honor Society. The first two talks will be on February 27 and March 13, respectively, and the third will follow shortly thereafter.

per evening, F501 was packed. Rabbi Goren had one purpose to his speech — encourage *aliyah*.

Lesson From Iraq

Mourning transcends nationality, and Rabbi Goren observed

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## In Us We Trust

Considering the pressure the double program and the competitive environment place upon the Yeshiva student, one might be tempted to condone any efforts on his part to alleviate some of his burden. There are a great many extralegal procedures available to the student who wishes to make life a bit easier and is willing to cut a few corners. Some of these are laughable, others distasteful, but only one is morally reprehensible, and, sadly, that is the one that is most prevalent at Yeshiva—cheating.

The extent of cheating that goes on during examinations is common knowledge to most of the Yeshiva community. Taken into consideration along with the plagiarized term papers, lab reports, and homeworks, the

problem assumes major proportions. The system currently employed to stop cheating—proctoring—is not only largely ineffective, it is also a blot on the good name of Yeshiva. Proctoring, first, admits of nefarious intent on the part of the students and, second, makes the whole affair much like a game: if you can get away with it, you win; if you're caught, you lose. The moral considerations are eliminated.

To us, one system alone seems worthy of Yeshiva and the Yeshiva student—the honor system. It might seem outlandish to attempt to remedy the current situation by trusting to the honor of the previously indicted students, but only this plan is consonant with the values of Yeshiva. We further feel that an ironclad honor system, once established as tradition, would effectively curb cheating. We propose the immediate consideration of such a system by the Yeshiva University Committee on Academic Administration for inclusion in the Yeshiva catalog.

## Probation Penalties

The practice of sending letters to the parents of students on probation has long been a device used by the schools of the undergraduate divisions. Its recent widespread use has necessitated a review of this practice and its purposes. We do not wish to deny the right of the University to place any student on probation; indeed, we recognize the underlying principles. However, we cannot support the immature, unnecessary and purely punitive method of notifying the parents of the indicated students.

College students should be considered capable and responsible enough to determine their own actions. The practitioners of this policy have succeeded in nullifying the academic advantages of probation by reverting to it as a means of punishment. We urge the administration to abolish this vilifying procedure and return probation to its proper educational uses.

## Letters To The Editor

To the Editor:

Your editorial "A Stern Proposal" in the issue of December 26, 1968, concluded by saying: "We urge the Dean, Registrar and Faculty to examine the merits of this approach and institute the Pass-No Credit system in the spring semester."

The office of the Registrar has already studied this system, and a two-page memo of analysis was prepared on December 16. Briefly, what it said was that the proposal had many merits, but that the particular form of the plan at Stern College was flawed. We pointed out the problems and asked that certain points be clarified. As soon as we get an answer from SCW we want to sit down with the students and faculty of YC to discuss the application of the plan uptown.

Professor Morris Silverman  
Registrar

## Equity For All

To the Editor:

I read with great interest the articles that recently appeared in your newspaper concerning the faculty salary scale at Yeshiva College. I was happy to see this concern on your part for the welfare of the Yeshiva College faculty.

I am surprised, however, that you did not discuss the salary scale of the Jewish Division of Yeshiva University. It is often said that the faculty of the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary is tragically underpaid. It would be interesting to see whether Dr. Belkin regards their services as of equivalent value with those of the

Yeshiva College and Stern College faculties.

Also, there are other schools which merit investigation. Consider, for example, an entire school which is supposed to be staffed with part-time faculty only. I refer to the Teachers Institute for Women based at the Stern College campus. And what of the Revel Graduate School? Are new scholars being recruited to replace those who have retired or left? And consider the library resources for the Jewish Studies programs at Yeshiva. Does the present Hebrew library boast the type of technical organization desirable for one of the great Torah centers in the world?

Perhaps Dr. Belkin ought to be reminded that he too once taught Talmud in the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary.

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## Eliminate Registration

To the Editor:

Previous criticisms of registration by students, some adopted and some not, have been intended to improve registration; but a simpler and far more valuable reform would cure the problem entirely: eliminate registration. This is not meant to be a joke, but a serious proposal based on highly workable and educationally meritorious procedures at other colleges.

Essentially, the elimination of registration involves the selection of one's teachers and courses by the student himself. He is given two weeks to shop around, to visit any course he desires and then decide — on the basis of actual observation — his own schedule. He simply turns in a list of his preferred subjects after two weeks, receives an attendance card which he turns over to the teacher, and is then an official member of the class.

This type of registration usually causes an imbalance in the number of students per class. The best teachers' classes usually number up to 150 (depending on the size of the student body), and the poorest teachers are inversely rewarded. At first glance, this may seem disadvantageous, but, on the whole, it is actually worthwhile for a number of reasons. First, each student is given the opportunity to study with a top professor. Unfortunately, a quick survey at Yeshiva would reveal that some students feel that their entire undergraduate curriculum has been mediocre. Secondly, the poor teachers receive a substantial psychological shock which usually leads to their improvement or retirement. Third, those teachers whom the students judged unfairly, who ended up with small classes, would enable the student with more perception into teacher ability to choose a course which would provide the ultimate in education: a small class with an excellent in-

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### From The Editor's Desk

## Reflections



By Morton Landowne

The events of the past semester were much more tumultuous outside Yeshiva than within it, but there is growing student unrest at the delay in instituting a College Senate. As we have reported, meetings have been taking place on a regular basis among student, faculty and administration representatives, and the current thinking is that a workable proposal will soon emerge. The only question mark, and it looms large, is to whether this compromise proposal will be acceptable to Student Council and the Faculty Senate; then, of course, there's always Dr. Belkin.

One of the most positive accomplishments of the past semester, and the one with the most unlimited potentialities, is the announcement of the University's intention to establish a YU "presence" in Israel.

This "presence" presently consists of a 20 dunam site in Bayit V'gan (near the Holyland Hotel). The site was selected by Rabbi Emanuel Rackman and Rabbi Israel Miller on a series of trips to Israel and will be purchased for YU by the Israeli Government and the inspired generosity of Mr. Jacob Gruss, who, through the types of projects he has sponsored, seems to be one of the most enlightened of Yeshiva's benefactors.

Plans for the project were outlined at a meeting of student leaders which was arranged by Rabbi Miller. He began the meeting by stating: "YU's first step on Israeli soil must be a 'Torah step,' to let the Israelis see that what we are producing in America is Torah personalities." Admission to the program will be very selective. Rabbi Rackman foresees the project as beginning with a building similar to the Main Building—RIETS Hall complex: housing classrooms, dormitory rooms, a cafeteria and an auditorium, but, he added, it will be more than just a building, it will signify a tie between our respective Jewish communities.

Rabbi Miller then explained that the Israeli Government is very anxious to have YU establish a presence there in the hope that Yeshiva will be able to paint the same positive picture of Orthodox Judaism in Israel that it has in America. But at this moment, with the opening of the building slated for the early 1970's, the details of the YU "presence" are yet to be worked out. This is where the student body comes in. Dr. Rackman has urged all students to submit ideas as to how to best utilize YU's facilities in Israel—to determine what programs can be arranged that will best encourage the participation of all YU students. YU students can and should play a large role in bringing to fruition this plan which they have demanded for so many years. Any student suggestions may be placed in the COMMENTATOR box in the Registrar's Office, and they will be forwarded to Dr. Rackman.

Finally, I want to mention two very positive occurrences of the past week. The first was the proposed strike at Stern College. Stern women had a very good reason to protest, and they acted with a great deal of maturity in both planning the strike, and then postponing it after receiving personal reassurances from Dr. Belkin that all attempts are being made to begin construction immediately. Stern has once again demonstrated the effectiveness of the strike threat when it is employed toward redressing a legitimate grievance.

The other positive note is the appointment of Professor A. Leo Levin '39, as the University's Vice-President for Academic Affairs. Dr. Levin, who is a former Editor-in-Chief of THE COMMENTATOR and talmid of Dr. Belkin, will directly manage many of the affairs of the University. And, meeting with student leaders last Thursday, his knowledge, intelligence and candor left a very positive impression, as did his stated desire to give top priority to improving the quality of the undergraduate schools.

## Development Aberman's Goal As New RIETS Administrator

By Norman Alpert

As a *rebbe* of a freshman *shiur* in RIETS last year, Rabbi Reuven Aberman seemed to impress all who came into contact with him with his dedication to Torah, his sincere interest in his students and his ability to communicate with them. His recent appointment as administrative director of RIETS should contribute to a greater rapport between RIETS students and administration and inspire more student confidence in the direction of RIETS.

Rabbi Aberman sees his new post as not merely an administrative one, but as the office where any RIETS student can bring his problems, and possibly get help. He will have an important role in formulating RIETS policy, and

of the skills which will enable him to use all of the material available to him in his life search for Torah. He denies that most RIETS students are really not interested in Torah as a life study and do not aspire to become Jewish scholars, and has found that on the contrary, the students with whom he has had contact, primarily incoming freshmen, are indeed, most interested in becoming *talmidei chachamim*. He also points to a study by Dr. Ljebman which states that 82% of the students in RIETS are satisfied with its program and aims.

In line with his emphasis on the development of Torah skills, Rabbi Aberman feels that the RIETS program of talmud study to the exclusion of other Judaic subjects is "the most solid of all programs." Only through intensive study of *Gemorah* can one acquire the skills necessary for knowledge of all aspects of Torah.

Greater emphasis on the more philosophical or halachically relevant *Gemorahs* will not serve as well toward the development of the analytic skills required for Torah study as the *Gemorahs* traditionally studied have. Similarly, an exclusively topical approach to the teaching of *Gemorah*, with the emphasis on the understanding of major concepts found in the entire Talmud rather than on the traditional close reading of a particular tractate which gives partial treatment of many different major and minor concepts, is not desirable. Since, topics in the air, without basic skills won't get us anywhere, "the basic skills which will prepare one for further Torah study can only be acquired in careful analysis of texts and commentaries."

Rabbi Aberman feels that every (Continued on page 5, column 1)



Bob Miller

Rabbi Reuven Aberman

has some plans for change in mind, but feels that he must become better acquainted with the school before he attempts to implement any of these changes.

### RIETS Students

Rabbi Aberman sees the purpose of the four year RIETS program as the imparting to a young man

## Marigene Cleveland Moves Her Residence To Make Way For Yeshiva's Expansion

By Ari Goldman

Ten years ago when Miss Marigene Cleveland moved to 185th Street, right across from the Furst Hall entrance, there was no Furst Hall, no Rubin, no Morg, and certainly no new library or science center. With all of these edifices looming over her small green three-story house, Miss Cleveland inconspicuously moved out last month. Her house will soon be demolished to make way for a tentatively planned University parking area, according to Mr. Sidney Schutz, YU's General Counsel.

For the last few months, Miss Cleveland's house has presented an added curious looking site to Yeshiva's uptown campus. Similar houses connected to hers on either side were demolished, leaving the small house with battered and peeling walls to face the massive Furst Hall across 185th Street. In an interview with Miss Cleveland, I was told that she was not ready to move when the neighboring houses were demolished. She postponed the sale of her house to YU until she found a suitable place.

### Demolition Moves On

Miss Cleveland, a tall handsomely aging woman, was in no way bitter about having to move. "I hate to go," she said, "but I don't want to hinder progress; I want to move along with it."

Yeshiva's expansion to date, has only brought Miss Cleveland pleasure. She noted the increased safety of the neighborhood due to the student body and the security guards. (She said that she was unaware of the muggings that took place early last semester.) Her property value also rose as a result of the University, especially in connection with the "fairly good price" she said she was given for



A. Goldman

Miss Marigene Cleveland stands in front of her new apartment on Washington Terrace. Her old home is in the background awaiting demolition.

her building. Most important, Miss Cleveland gave me the impression that she has a maternalistic feeling toward the school. "When I bought this building there was only the old science building on this street," and she proudly concluded, "and now look at it."

During my interview with Miss Cleveland, who proudly footnotes her name with: "like the city and president, Grover," she was in the process of moving to her new apartment on Washington Terrace, a street located between her old house and Yeshiva's Main Center. Her cousin, Mr. Ernest Rich, was loading his car with Miss Cleveland's belongings to drive them over to her new apartment, when I asked them their feelings

about Negro anti-Semitism in New York. Miss Cleveland responded with a firm, "I don't see why people can't get along." Mr. Rich, a resident of Washington Heights, added that his young children get along well with their Jewish neighbors. As a gesture of good community relations, I went with them to Washington Terrace, laid down my pad and camera, and helped Miss Cleveland carry her things into her new house.

Miss Marigene Cleveland is just one of several hundred local residents who are daily affected by YU. It is gratifying to know that YU has been a source of pride for at least one of its neighbors, . . . that is, unless the University decides to demolish Washington Terrace in the near future.

## Critic Praises "Billy Budd" As Lively, Forceful Acting

By Professor Irving Linn

Ed. note: Technical problems delayed the appearance of this review.

The Yeshiva College Players

have done it again! Under the extremely capable leadership of Mr. Anthony Beukas, the group has once more achieved a new peak of excellence in its splendid presentation of *Billy Budd*, which had a run of four performances before large and enthusiastic audiences beginning on the night of December 14.

By whatever standards, this was great theatre. First of all, there is the subject. *Billy Budd* is a novella that Herman Melville worked over, judging by manuscript evidence, for a number of years during the period of disillusionment which clouded the final period of his life. His lifelong interest in the adequate literary expression of good and evil, which he knew he had failed to achieve in *Moby Dick*, he kept striving for in *Billy Budd*. But he never submitted this work, which was first published as recently as 1948.

The alterations in his own hand in the surviving manuscript copy show that he was now off on a different sea quest, not a black whale or a white whale, as it were. Rather, he was fascinated by such a fine and reasonable man as Captain Edward Fairfax Vere, who, under a challenge to authority, authority which is delegated to him and authority which he and his men are sworn to obey, will allow primeval and illogical considerations to boil over and deliver a judgment of primitive doom. And (Continued on page 5, column 1)

## Yeshiva Inaugurates King-Kennedy Medical Program To Subsidize Ghetto Youths Studying For Med. Degree

By Isaac Gowlitz

The average New York City citizen is certainly aware of the shortage of doctors when at twelve-thirty in the morning not one may be coaxed forth to treat an illness in the family. The subsequent wait in the physician's office the next day with fifteen other people disrupts his schedule and is an all around "pain in the neck." Blacks in New York have this problem on a more magnified scale. Their treatment of illness is usually located at city hospitals or clinics where they may sit an entire day with the prospect of shelling out the required twenty dollars for services rendered. If any serious attempt is to be made to alleviate poverty conditions in the ghetto, the physical well being of its inhabitants must be one of the primary considerations of this effort. Black doctors willing to work in ghettos are desperately needed.

A program has been initiated at Albert Einstein College of Medicine which points the way for supplying the black community with the needed physicians. Its name is

the King-Kennedy Program and was established after the assassination of the late Senator. As much of the Yeshiva College student body is aware, the pre-medical program is an arduous undertaking even for

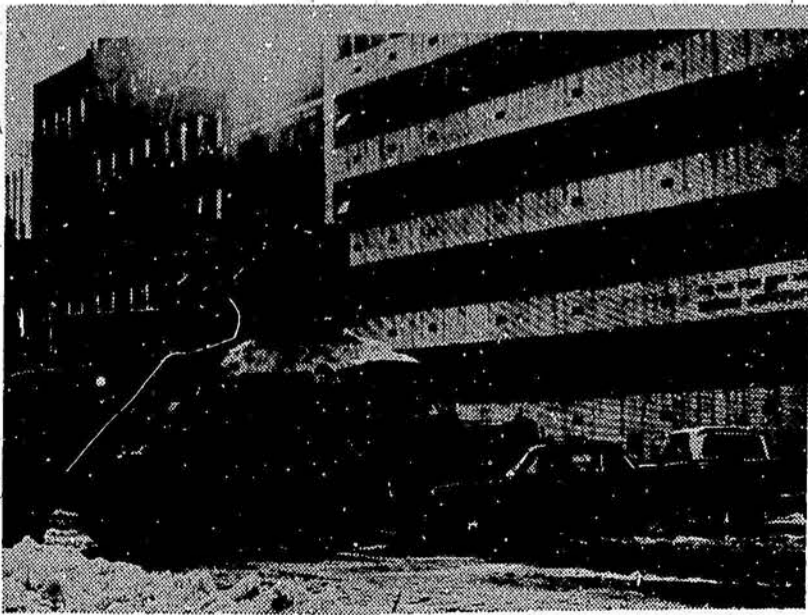
a student who has time to study. When the student must also work until 3:00 in the morning to support his family, his chances of success in his courses are minimal. This is the predicament many

black pre-med students are confronted with. The result is that their grades do not permit their acceptance to a medical school, and they become either lab technicians or lose interest in the subject entirely.

### Aid Is Afforded

The King-Kennedy Program will bring students of an economically and academically disadvantaged background to the level of entering first year medical students. At present, due to the experimental nature of the program only seven students are enrolled in it. Each student receives a full tuition grant of \$2,000 and approximately a \$4,000 living stipend. Success in the program is not necessarily an assurance of acceptance to Einstein. The aim of the program would be fulfilled if all the students were accepted to any medical school and went into the ghettos with their acquired skills.

All of the students in the program with whom I spoke had a strong sense of direction and also a commitment to the poor and (Continued on page 6, column 1)



I. Teitelbaum

This was the scene last Thursday on Yeshiva's rolling campus as a fleet of bulldozers and trucks cleared the bulk of the remaining snow from Amsterdam Avenue. A near-record amount of snow had paralyzed the city the previous Sunday, but at Yeshiva it was business-as-usual and the school was kept open.

# Letters To The Editor

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Under this self-registration method, students would still, of course, be subjected to required courses. But only those courses whose operation is dependent upon balanced classes, such as beginning French or Speech 1.1, would utilize the present struc-

## Who's Whose

### Engaged

Benjamin Fialkoff '64  
to Kay Levin

Sam Unger '69  
to Rosalie Essig

Joel Kutner '68  
to Penina Reich

Jacob Bauman '68  
to Sheila Kleiman

Lester Miller, Semicha '69  
to Sorchie Baker

### Married

George Stanislawski '68  
to Kathy Dukoff

ture of sections. All other courses for freshmen and sophomores would be selected on the basis of their own wishes. Many required courses do not require balanced sections, such as hygiene, physics, chemistry, art, biology, math, etc.

No doubt, there is some disadvantage to imbalanced sections, but we are dealing with other disadvantages whose high degree of negative influence should take precedence in being rooted out: the pointless necessity of taking poor courses; rearranging one's schedule—and even one's academic plans—due to closed sections; belittling and humiliating treatment during present registration; an overabundance of poorer teachers; and the frequent unavailability of better teachers.

The above is merely an outline of registration reform (elimination). I am not so naive to believe that its implementation would be simple or that exceptions (in addition to the ones herein suggested) would not be necessary; I know that YC is different from other colleges. However, the basic procedure is sound: don't improve registration, eliminate it.

Harold Goldberg '69

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To the Editor:

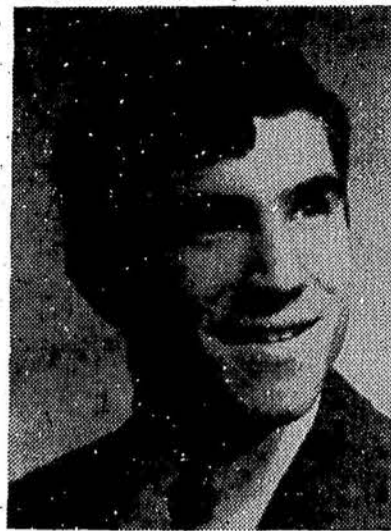
Although Kenny Koslowe's article "No Soap Radio" (December 12) presented some of the problems facing WYUR in acquiring a listening audience, he entirely over-simplified the matter when discussing our termination of basketball game transmission. It would appear from Mr. Koslowe's article that he feels that this year's WYUR governing board is unsympathetic to the basketball team and was "injudicious" in not broadcasting games. I fail to see how responsible action to keep within our allotment can in any way be considered "injudicious." Not being entirely unsympathetic to sports at YC, we have reporters at all basketball, wrestling and fencing events to cover them and report back.

Mr. Koslowe quotes me as saying that game broadcasts were terminated due to a budget cut. Although Mr. Koslowe reported the essence of our problem, he failed to cite details. Last year an itemized budget totaling \$1600 was handed Student Council. They, not we, struck off the \$400 allotted to sports broadcasts. Our present allotment barely covers our essential costs. Had Mr. Koslowe inquired, he would have learned that the transmission of even a nearby away game would cost over \$100, an impossibility under our present budget. Last year's radio station was allotted \$2500 and so was able to broadcast games.

Finally, I would like to comment on the offhand manner in which Mr. Koslowe treated our programming schedule. Although we are glad to hear from students regarding our shows and have distributed survey forms, we feel that it does not fall within the providence of Student Council to dictate programs. We are quite sure that Mr. Koslowe would not like Student Council to regulate what should or should not be written in his column.

Noah Baer  
Station Manager, WYUR

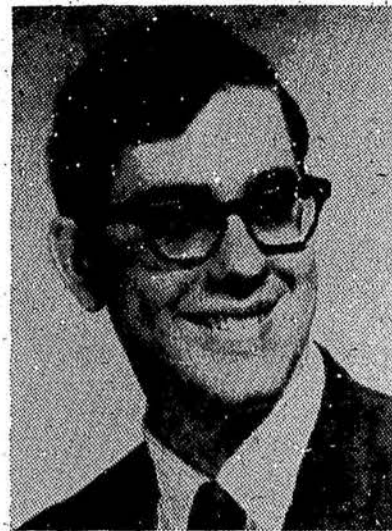
## Epstein, Davis, Goldstein Get Woodrow Wilson Fellowships



Sheldon Goldstein

(Continued from page 1, column 5) and Sheldon Goldstein, a physics major. Yeshiva students receiving honorable mention classifications were: Harold Goldberg, Avi Grossman, Amiel Ungar, George Weiss and Morris Whitcup.

Fifteen regional selection committees chose the Woodrow Wilson designates, all of whom were nominated originally by their college professors. After being nominated, candidates were invited to submit their credentials, including



Perry Davis

college transcripts and a 1,000 word statement of their intellectual interests. Committees then read the completed dossiers and selected the strongest candidates to be invited for interviews. After the interviews, the committees selected by quota (based on the proportion of liberal arts degrees awarded by colleges in each region) the Woodrow Wilson designates and those to be given an honorable mention.

## Delegation Capitol-Bound Supporting Israeli Action



Will the real council president please stand up. (Left to right) Sacknovitz, Hain, Safran, Bertram.

An unprecedented plan has been formulated by the three student councils of Yeshiva University, YCSC, EMCSC, and SOY to match the unprecedented character of the Middle East situation. Sometime in early March, the three presidents of the three councils: Kenny Hain, YCSC; Norman Bertram, EMCSC; Eliyahu Safran, SOY—and the editors-in-chief of the three major Yeshiva College student publications—Morton Landowne, COMMENTATOR; Harry Berkowitz, Hamashkif; David Shatz, Hamevaser—will travel to Washington, D.C. with a statement of support for Israel signed by the Yeshiva student body and faculty. There they hope to meet with Senator Jacob Javits (R-New York), and some of the other Senators who signed the recent statement deploring the United Nation's condemnation of Israel for the retaliatory raid on Beirut airport. In addition, attempts are being made for this YU delegation to present the statement and its signatures to Presi-

dent Nixon in person as a sign of Jewish youth's support for the State of Israel.

### Purpose of Trip

Norman Bertram, president of Erna Michael College Student Council, in an interview with THE COMMENTATOR, gave the purposes behind this trip: "President Nixon has often stated that he wants a dialogue between him and the youth of America. I know of no better opportunity for the Jewish youth to communicate with the President than in this manner. The purpose of this trip, therefore, is twofold: first, it will to some degree call to the attention of the administration that an entire American university strongly supports Israel and urges it to do so also; second, it will be good public relations for the Nixon Administration. Since we may very well be the first youth delegation to meet with the President, he will show that he is indeed in favor of communication between his administration and the youth of America."

## Debators Leave Triumphantly For National Speaking Tour

(Continued from page 1, column 2) solved: That executive control of United State foreign policy should be significantly curtailed," were novice Peter Rosenzweig '71 and veteran Daniel Kurtzer '71. After a loss to the University of Scranton in the first round, they rallied and defeated Pace and Mt. Holyoke. The negative team consisting of four year veterans Marc Goldstein '69 and Gary Epstein '69 made a clean sweep, defeating the University of Scranton, the University of Bridgeport and Pace with Marc finishing the day in second place behind Marge Aydelatte of the University of Bridgeport, who received the award as best negative speaker of the tournament.

Mt. Holyoke, the only affirmative team to have a 3-0 record,

met the University of Bridgeport, which was chosen on the basis of total points as the best negative team, in the championship round in F 024 following the traditional buffet dinner. In a split and hotly disputed decision, the University of Bridgeport was declared overall champion of the tournament.

Some sidelights—on the tournament include the fact the team from Mt. Holyoke left at 6:00 A.M. to arrive in time for the first round and along with the University of Bridgeport, never did make it back home on Sunday night, spending the night here as unexpected guests; Jerome Wal-fish of Pace debated all three rounds as an "iron-man," that is, singlehandedly, because his partner got lost in snow; and finally, for the first time ever it was an all female final, with every trophy including both best speaker awards going to the girls.

### Thanks, etc.

Special thanks go to Dr. G. Colbourne (Pace College), Professor Norman Puffette (NYU Heights), and our own Dr. David Fleisher for judging the championship round. In addition, several students assisted the director during the day including Steven Winter '72 who, along with Peter Rosenzweig and Albert Milstein, was recently elevated to varsity status, and Bernard Rosenberg '69 who served as Yeshiva College's judge for the tournament.

In two weeks, the team plans to leave on its annual tour. Going North will be Albert Milstein and Peter Rosenzweig; going to the Mid-West will be Daniel Kurtzer and David Shatz; and going West will be Gary Epstein and Marc Goldstein.

## 14 Yeshiva Students Named In Who's Who

Fourteen YC undergraduates have been included in the national listing of America's most outstanding college students, *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*, for the current school year.

This annual compilation lists campus leaders from more than 1,000 of the nation's institutions of higher learning whose academic standing, service to the community, leadership in extra-curricular activities and future potential are deemed outstanding. All together there are 23 YU undergraduates listed in the publication.

The YC designates are: Michael Bashevkin; Jon Bloomberg; Sol Dan; Sheldon David; Gary Epstein, associate editor of THE

COMMENTATOR; Israel Farkas; Lazar Fruchter, vice-president of YCSC; Ezra Lightman; Eliyahu Safran, president of SOY; Norman Seidenfeld, president of the Senior Class; David Shatz, editor of *Hamevaser*; Bruce Spinowitz,

The Editor-in-Chief and the Governing Board of THE COMMENTATOR extend a sincere *mazal tov* to two former Sports Editors, Howard Bodner '68, and Bruce Spinowitz '69. Howie recently married Sandy Adler, and Bruce is engaged to Rena Kaplan.

senior editor of THE COMMENTATOR; Steven Wachtel, president of the Neighborhood Youth Corps; and Morris Whitcup.

# Rabbi Aberman Becomes New RIETS Administrator

(Continued from page 3, column 2) — *rebbe* is torn somewhat between the desire to present unified concepts and to develop analytic reading skills in his students, and that in practice both are accomplished to an extent by the present method. There are, then, no changes in sight as far as the curriculum and teaching methods in RIETS.

The amount of time which the average RIETS student may have to devote to acquire Talmudic skills can, of course, hurt his chances for success in the college.

The solution for such average students who want to succeed in both divisions is the existing five year plan, whereby, one less college course is taken per semester. But the five year plan should not be made mandatory, the new administrative director explains, for this would hurt above-average students who can handle the present double program.

Rabbi Aberman thinks that Torah and secular knowledge are certainly not incompatible; and indeed, when they come together,

they are a blessing. The double program does expose students to problems about the meaningfulness of religion, and Rabbi Aberman agrees that "there is a need for a systematic program of *hashkafa* in RIETS." But he feels that the person best able to help a student with such problems is the *rebbe*, as part of the student-*rebbe* relationship. Experience has taught him that such rapport does not depend on the European or American training of the *rebbe* and that language is not a major problem.

He does, however, hope to have at least one English class at every level of RIETS. Rabbi Aberman also mentioned that he has been told that "those who learned here twenty years ago were . . . having more severe religious problems than those here today," and more of them left to Conservative and Reform institutions.

Rabbi Aberman explained that he has not yet had time to study the questions of cuts and probation. But he did state that since RIETS seeks primarily to develop skills, a student must be present and use the time and instruction provided toward this development. One can learn the material covered through another student's lecture notes, but he will not be developing the skills. The school is also justified in putting a student on academic probation for difficulties he is having in the religious divisions. This is because "the basic reason for the existence of Yeshiva College is the religious divi-

sions," and a student failing in RIETS may, therefore, be told that he must lighten his college program if he is to fulfill his purpose in this institution.

Rabbi Aberman was raised and educated in Chicago, where he was ordained at the *yeshiva* and received his B.A. and M.A. at Roosevelt University. After this he went to Israel to teach at *Yeshivat Kerem B'Yaavneh* because he thought he could best make a contribution to the Torah world there. He came to RIETS in 1967.

Rabbi Aberman finds that YC students are very sincere; religion is a basic part of them. The externals of religion, which are sometimes absent here, are not always important. YC students have a positive attitude toward all knowledge, which students in other traditional *yeshivot* do not have. He feels strongly that gifted Yeshiva graduates can make a tremendous contribution to Israel and *aliyah* should be encouraged.

# Writer Lauds "Billy Budd" Production; Realistic Acting Figures In Its Success

(Continued from page 3, column 5) as though such a throwback were not enough, all is masked by the fair countenance of righteousness.

In the novelette, Melville's intentions are allowed to develop, but in a play there is no time to learn how the characters have become what they are. Mr. Beukas is perfectly correct in giving us the essence of these figures even as they were distilled by Louis Coxé and Robert Chapman, the dramatists. Thus, the master-at-arms, John Claggart, depicted as thoroughly evil by Chaim Rothstein, does not even need his official rattle or club for us to recognize him easily as the Devil aboard ship. And Billy, played so winningly by Gerry Wolkinson, is such goodness that we almost refuse to believe he must submit to the noose at the end. Yet we know he does because we, too, are convinced by Captain Vere, a forceful and authoritarian officer, who, in the person of David Zigelman, dominates, as he must, the stage when he is present. His stature is enhanced by the ease with which he sweeps away the humanitarian sentiments of his sub-

ordinates, the first officer, the first lieutenant, and the sailing master, played by Sheldon Schorer, Michael Andron and Solly Dan, respectively.

But there is, as Melville knew from his own experiences, a vigorous and brutal life behind the mast. The captain of the maintop, Jenkins, is quick with his knife, and Jeffrey Schwartz gives him such a dexterous turn that he makes us forget we are watching our Yeshiva students on an improvised platform in Furst Hall. His self-protection is life-preserving in the presence of one Squeak, Claggart's informer, a rank villain in the understanding hands of Eugene LeVee.

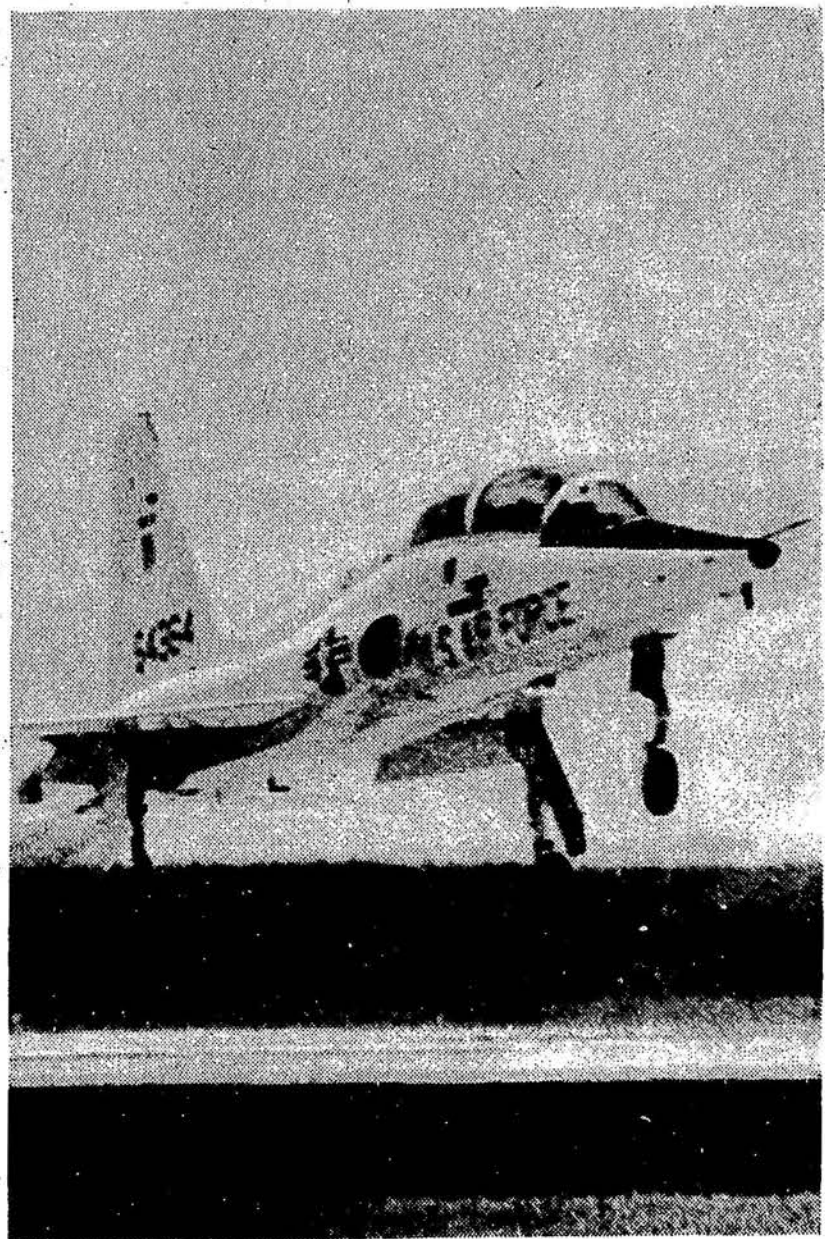
Since Melville is telling us about life — remember that Billy Budd, the fore-topman, is transferred by being impressed from "The Rights of Man" to "The Indomitable" — we must expect to find Melville's man among the work crew, too. He is the older philosopher whom nobody really knows but all hearken to, the mainmastman, identified only by his nickname, The Dansker. Aaron Rothstein plays him with a dignity which is relieved only by the display of a supple physique to convince us that he is strong enough to play the ropes. Other members of the cast in this excellent performance can only be mentioned by name: Billy Bogner, George Klein, Norman Levin, Charles Ramat, Shalom Brilliant, Lewis Cohen, Joel Traube, Marvin Sru-lowitz, Abby Leizerowski, Joshua Fink and Mark Berkowitz.

Perhaps a tribute to them can be paid, however inadequately, in the following anecdote. This reviewer found himself sitting next to the mother of one of the players. Watching the vigorous thumping, throwing and falling of the cast in a realism which even on-Broadway cannot boast, after a sailor was thrown into the hod, she allowed an involuntary mother's cry to escape from her. Then she said to no one in particular, "They shouldn't do it that hard! Now I know why he's been coming home black and blue."

I take this as homage to the cast's hard work. The attractive set, seaworthy to the capstan, was designed by Aaron Fertig. Make-up, uniformly good, was under the charge of Chaim Warhaftig. Keeping the actors moving and on cue was Bruce Horowitz. The lighting was professional, even to audio equipment, and was guided by

Michael Ross.

Mr. Beukas' boys took their final bow in a tableau so delicate and so charming that many of us will remember it every time we re-read Herman Melville's *Billy Budd*.



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# College Survey Reveals 51% Of Student Body Prefer Social Sciences

The upsurge of interest in the physical sciences among college students declined suddenly and sharply among undergraduates of Yeshiva University last year. In a report by Professor Morris Silverman, the registrar, it was disclosed that the percentage of June graduates at Yeshiva College who majored in the physical sciences declined to its lowest point since 1955.

### Social Science Rise

"Replacing the physical sciences as the subject area of major interest were the social sciences," said Professor Silverman, noting that some 51% of the undergraduates had chosen to major in this area, more than at any other time since records began to be kept in 1951. He suggested that it "might be reasonable to assume" that college students of today are responding to the "events of our time" just as students a decade ago responded to the events of theirs."

The report showed that in 1967, 42% of the graduates had majored in the physical sciences as against only 34% in 1968. Conversely, 44% of the 1967 graduates had majored in the social sciences, compared with 51% last year.

# YU King-Kennedy Program To Provide Scholarships For Ghetto Med. Students

(Continued from page 3, column 4) black. Herman Maisonet attended Columbia University and registered there as a pre-med student. He found the courses too difficult. Mr. Maisonet believes he wasn't at that time psychologically prepared for college and became a Chinese major. In his senior year, however, after much inner conflict and debate he realized that he wanted to become a doctor and was prepared to undertake the necessary work to attain his goal. Through his guidance counsellor he was granted an interview with Dr. Marie Daly and was accepted at the King-Kennedy Program. A doctor with a B.A. in Chinese doesn't conform to the accepted academic pattern, but this program is a pattern-breaking undertaking. What is looked for in a student is strong motivation and the ability to succeed in medical school regardless of previous achievements.

### Careful Scrutiny

Due to the program's uniqueness and experimental nature, the seven enrolled students are constantly being scrutinized. There is frequent testing and members of the advisory committee meet with the professors and students to check on the progress being made. Each student has also been assigned a student advisor who helps with any social or tutorial problem which may arise. Dr. Lazar, the head of Student Finances, also speaks regularly with the students to solve any financial difficulties or

general problems of adjustment.

The courses given are undergraduate, and are as arduous as any offered by college pre-med curriculum. The courses, organic chemistry, cell biology, and introduction to biochemistry were organized by the Einstein faculty, and reflect a focusing on the medically or professionally relevant material in each of these areas. The one-year period encompasses the breadth of the entire under-

**David Mirsky '42, dean of Stern College for Women; David Maier '46, director of Shaare Zedek Hospital in Jerusalem; and Joseph Karasick '43, president of the Union of Orthodox Jewish Congregations, will be the recipients of the 13th Annual Bernard Revel Memorial Awards given at the Yeshiva College Alumni Association's Annual Dinner to be held on March 16.**

**The reception will take place at 6:00 P.M., followed by dinner at 7:00 P.M. The covert is \$15 per person; interested alumni are asked to make their reservations before March 10, 1969.**

graduate pre-medical curriculum and must be concentrated and thereby emphasize the type of information which will later be called into use. Even the mathematics course "has been designed to train the students to handle the mathematics required in medical society." Dean Mirsky of Stern College, who was Dean of Admissions at Yeshiva when the program was being formed made alterations in course descriptions and credits allotted for each course. The entire curriculum is of a superior nature and was praised by the Council on Medical Education.

### Special Status

Dean Mirsky's involvement stems from the fact that the students were registered as attending Yeshiva College under special status. The most special thing about their status is their absence from the campus or college classrooms. There were two major considerations, Dean Mirsky said, in designing the program in this manner. One may choose whichever appeals to his sense of values. Albert Einstein was reluctant to develop an undergraduate division, and felt it would be an added complication of the already complex institution to create a new structure when an old one for this purpose already existed. The students who are registered here attend there because of the inevitable discomfort which would be engendered by black students attending Yeshiva College classes. The stu-

dents in the program apparently aren't bothered by this and are merely appreciative of the opportunity that is being offered them. The program and the dedication with which it is being implemented are praiseworthy. When these students are accepted to medical school and graduate into the black ghettos praise should be given to Albert Einstein and Yeshiva University.

### Students Needed

But the program's major deficiency cannot be overlooked: only seven students are enrolled and will benefit from it. The number however could be substantially raised, with perhaps partial scholarships given to more students. I received a disturbing reply when I asked Dr. Lazar if this program would be expanded or continued. He informed me that almost every major medical school in the nation has some type of program to help a few disadvantaged students. It was hoped, he continued, that in a couple of years the "problem" would no longer exist. The problem referred to is obviously the lack of doctors in ghetto areas, and the large number of disadvantaged students. Neither problem is going to be solved in a few years by the recruitment of seven pre-med students by every major medical school in the country.

The program is an excellent one and deserves support. An effort could be made by Einstein to encourage the broadening of the other existing programs while doing the same with its own. The help then being given to the ghetto would be marked in its effect and not merely of a token nature.

## Nixon Appoints YU Alumnus Assistant In Talent Search

A 1962 graduate of Yeshiva College and the James Striar School of General Jewish Studies, Stuart L. Berman, has been named a member of President Nixon's White House staff. Mr. Berman will be working as an assistant to Harry Fleming, Jr. in the recently established Talent Search Program, created by the President to aid in staffing Presidential commissions.

During his years at YC the Pennsylvania born Republican worked in the campaigns of Senators Javits and Keating. Upon receiving his B.A. in sociology, Mr. Berman continued his studies at NYU Law School and Pennsylvania State University as well

# Roving Reporter

By Paul Pollack

During its thirty-six years of existence, THE COMMENTATOR has constantly striven to provide for the students a means of airing their beliefs and their complaints, an arena where ideas can be objectively and sagaciously scrutinized. There are, however, many students who, though they have many strong beliefs concerning points of controversy at Yeshiva, do not avail themselves of the opportunity for voicing their opinions that THE COMMENTATOR offers—perhaps they are already overburdened with the enormity of a double program, perhaps they are a bit shy. Whatever the case, many good ideas and much good criticism is lost. Being cognizant of this fact, and realizing its responsibility as the foremost student publication of Yeshiva University, THE COMMENTATOR has gone out to the students and asked them what they thought the main problem at Yeshiva was, and what could be done to correct it. These are their replies:

**JERRY BERKOWITZ** (Soph, RIETS, Economics): "I don't think the students have enough voice. Dean Bacon stands aloof on a high plateau from the students. I think the whole administration should start listening to the students."

**DAVID MERZEL** (Freshman, RIETS, Psychology): "YU has too much stress on the competitive system. The present mark system should be junked in favor of a P or F system."

**JIM MICHAELSON** (Soph, JSS, Psychology): "I deplore the hypo-

critical religious atmosphere at this school. I think we should take the money from the grad schools and use it to improve the religious as well as secular divisions."

**WILLIAM IRA SCHECHTER**



(Soph, EMC, History): "YU is too involved with the graduate divisions, and not enough with the undergraduate. I think more money should be channeled into the college rather than the graduate schools."

**ALLEN KUPERMAN** (Junior, RIETS, Philosophy): "Synthesis is used here as hot air so that the orthodox Jewish community won't spit on us, but they do anyway. There must be a change in attitude on the part of the rebbeim, teachers and the students."



**MICHAEL WENDROFF** (Soph, EMC, Political Science): "The teachers strive valiantly to bring quality education to Yeshiva but are severely handicapped by overburdening



caused by a lack of sufficient teachers. More competent professors are needed to alleviate this problem."

**IRVING ZOLTAN** (Soph, RIETS, Pre-Med): "I don't think there is anything wrong with YU. I like it the way it is."



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# Chief Rabbi Piatelli Describes Jewish Community Of Venice

Members of the Sephardic Students Activities Club were privileged to meet the Chief Rabbi of Venice, Rabbi Avraham Piatelli, Thursday, February 6, 1969. Rabbi Piatelli, who traces his Roman Jewish lineage back almost 2,000 years, presented an enlightening forty-minute lecture that was highlighted by the showing of slides of Europe's oldest ghetto.

The first Jews arrived in Italy before the destruction of the Second Temple in 70 C.E. There, they and thousands of other Jews who followed them found a refuge from persecution. From Rome, the Jews spread throughout all of Italy, especially its southern provinces. They settled in Venice a thousand years ago and made it one of Italy's most important Jewish communities.

### The Community

The ghetto of Venice was not formed until 1517, when the Jews were forced to live in a separate part of the city. The settlement gave rise to the name ghetto, from the Italian word for founding.

The Venetian community has distinguished itself by its many contributions to the world Jewish community. The first *Shulchan Aruch* was printed in Venice. The second printing of the *Mishneh Torah* and the *Tanach* were also published there. One of the world's oldest *Yeshivot* was founded in the Venetian ghetto in 1528. Of special interest to American Jews is the fact that the first rabbi to arrive in America came from Venice.

The Jewish population of Venice, Rabbi Piatelli stated, has declined from 5,000 in the 17th century to 1,500 today. Only ten families still make their homes within the ghetto walls and among those is the family of Rabbi Piatelli. Although most of the other Jews of the city live in the surrounding sections, much of their business and social activities take place inside the ghetto. Rabbi Piatelli explained that the exodus of Jews from both the ghetto and

Venice itself was due primarily to economic considerations. The Jewish community still maintains a welfare office to help support its poorer members.

### The Ghetto

Understandably, the ghetto is not very impressive in appearance. Rabbi Piatelli's slides showed its exterior to be dark and drab, with long gloomy passages leading from the city into the ghetto. Due to limited space, many of the ghetto's buildings are seven and eight stories high, giving it a gaunt forbidding profile. But the interiors of the buildings, especially the magnificent synagogues, reveal the unmistakable presence of a vibrant

The Editor-in-Chief of THE COMMENTATOR and the President of YCSC extend a sincere *mazal tov* and best wishes to Dr. and Mrs. James J. Hain on their recent marriage, and to Mr. Jack C. Bendheim '68 and Miss Giti Butler, on their recent engagement.

Jewish community. Indeed, Rabbi Piatelli likes to explain the ghetto's "skyscrapers" as a manifestation of its citizens "yearning to reach heavenward."

Although only 30 years old, the enthusiastic but modest Chief Rabbi already has an impressive list of achievements to his credits. Among them are the founding of a *B'nei Akiva* group in Venice, the opening of the city's *mikvah*, and the institution of youth seminars. In addition to these, Rabbi Piatelli, who is a graduate of the Rabbinical College of Rome and the University of Rome, is a leading researcher in the study of Italy's ancient communities.

## Four Win Medical Scholarships

Four Yeshiva College students have recently been designated recipients of New York State Re-

### The President Speaks

# An Immodest Proposal

By Kenneth Hain



After months of weekly meetings, the negotiation of a YC Senate has become an increasingly complex and tedious affair. While progress has been made in each meeting, every matter concerning the Senate's makeup, power or scope has required lengthy and often exhaustive discussion for passage. The result is a formulated set of by-laws that is in its final stages of completion.

Of the basic features of these by-laws, some are highly progressive and others merely reinforce the weaknesses of the present system. The proposed Senate will decide on all academic affairs including requirements for degrees and majors, institution of new courses, scholastic regulations, attendance and grading policies, and curriculum improvement. All faculty committees which deal with these matters will have two student members on each of them. The Senate membership will include five administrators, six students (two juniors and four seniors), and eight faculty (one of which is a non-voting chairman). The decisions passed by the Senate are limited by the veto of the President of the University or a veto passed by two-thirds of the faculty. The role of the Senate in non-academic policies, e.g. dormitory and faculty welfare, salary, has not been fully determined and is still under discussion.

The cumulative effect of this proposal is not merely an increase in student involvement but an almost complete reversal of YC's

present bureaucratic structure. Student Council representatives were charged at the emergency meeting in June to negotiate for a Senate that would be decision-making and functionally operative. We rejected a vaguely defined and purely advisory committee that would in the words of the faculty resolution "consider problems of the College and make recommendations for their solution." Thus the student and faculty representatives to the steering committee have worked to establish a body that, to a large degree, will legislate freely in all areas of the most crucial concern to students and the College as a whole. While Student Council and COMMENTATOR have long pleaded for improvements affecting the student body, the Senate proposal may culminate these efforts by redefining the student's role in the entire decision-making process.

In effect, some administrative and faculty power will be usurped, or at least shifted, but the change is clearly for the better. As the need for a more democratic structure is being realized in all universities, certainly this need is even more acute at Yeshiva. Every YC student has learned to live with arbitrary decisions made by administrators in which students were allowed little or no part in prior discussion. This situation is bound to lead to unjust policies especially at a school with our "unique" educational goals where an individual cannot hope to embody the diversity of approaches at YC. Clearly, as YU grows, the inequities will intensify unless students are made partners in every facet of the College structure.

In asking for acceptance by the faculty and Student Council of this proposal, the need for greater responsibility and serious-

ness of purpose must be borne in mind by both students and faculty. A sense of mutual trust must be developed for the Senate and it cannot only aid the cause of students but dramatically alter the position of faculty. The valid demands of the faculty can be acted upon with expedience by a joint body whose rulings are given credence and made binding. Unfortunately, the degree of responsibility and dedication demanded of students has not always been exhibited by our faculty. Their attendance at their assembly and committee meetings indicates their rampant disinterest in the affairs of the College. This attitude coupled with a general reluctance of the YU hierarchy to institute innovations has unavoidably left YC students disenchanted with their academic climate.

The question, then, is will YC opt for retention of an out-moded, unproductive and highly personalized system, instead of a progressive and equitable structure. Certainly the faculty would be taking a far-reaching step toward the advancement of the educational standards of Yeshiva College by approving the Senate. Students no longer need demonstrate the sincerity of their intentions; for if anyone is unconvinced he has only to read the minutes of the Senate negotiations. We students are now prepared to enter into the policy-making process with knowledgeable maturity and honest dedication. We must be fully aware of the ramifications of this responsibility, but the faculty must be equally cognizant of the serious concern and involvement that students expect of them. Thus, acceptance or rejection of the Senate proposal may very well decide the trend of future YC policies — whether by sober discussions or bitter confrontation.

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(Continued from page 10, column 3) the sabre team's performance so that entering the second round Yeshiva led 8-1. After sabre repeated their sweep, the foil squad also joined the "whitewash club" with Jerry Krantman clinching the match at 5-0.

On Thursday, Feb. 6, the fencing team continued its winning streak, easily defeating St. Peter's 19-8. The confident crowd never doubted the final outcome and few were surprised as the sabre and especially the foil squad demonstrated their superiority.

The first round of sabremen gave St. Peter's its only lead with Brandstatter and Hametz losing while Larry Rosman won. Norm

## Schaechter Says Yiddish Is A Living Language Despite Other Findings

The contention that Yiddish is a dying language was vehemently attacked by Dr. Mordkhe Schaechter, visiting assistant professor of Yiddish at Yeshiva University. "A language with eight dailies published on three continents is not dying," said Dr. Schaechter. He cited evidence that, quite to the contrary, Yiddish is currently experiencing a dramatic resurgence. This is attributed to the "longing for Jewish identity" by American Jews who are turning to their immediate past, rather than to their biblical past as they had previously done. Dr. Schaechter further attributes the upsurge of Yiddish to the play "Fiddler on the Roof" and to the literary works of I. B. Singer, Abraham Seitzkeuer and Chaim Grade.

Dr. Schaechter, 40, a native of Rumania, has been active in the preservation of Yiddish since he arrived in the United States in 1951. He has been a research associate of the language and culture atlas of Ashkenazic Jewry at Columbia University since 1962. He has been, since 1958, vice-chairman of the committee for the implementation of the standardized Yiddish Orthography. In 1961 he co-authored the "Guide to Standardized Yiddish Orthography."

From 1960-1967 Dr. Schaechter was chairman of the linguistic circle of the Yivo Institute for Jewish research. He was an instructor in Yiddish at the school for Jewish studies of the Jewish Theological Seminary from 1960-62, and since 1963, assistant professor of Yiddish and Yiddish literature at the Jewish Teachers Seminary, New York City.

Seidenfeld got the foil squad off to a good start by fighting back to win from a 3-4 deficit. When Krantman won and Fruchter lost the score was tied at 3-3. Epee then won two out of three bouts

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to give the Taubermen a lead which they never relinquished. Mandel and Schoffman won, Schoffman winning 5-0, while Murphy Rothman lost.

In the second round the sabre squad reversed their previous record with Leo Brandstatter and Larry Rosman winning and Irwin Hametz losing. The foil squad (which lost only one bout all night) swept its bouts and Yeshiva led 10-5. Epee finished the second round with two losses and one win to leave the Taubermen with an 11-7 lead.

Sabre, which also had an excellent night, won all three bouts to clinch the match at 14-7. Hametz and Brandstatter (3-0) won easily and in what was surely the most exciting bout of the match, Larry Rosman came back from a 2-4 deficit to clinch the match. Coach Tauber then cleared his bench which proceeded to display the excellent depth that the Taubermen have this season. Dan, Gewirtz, Sprung and Beiler all won to make the final score 19-8.

On February 17, Yeshiva faced Fordham, away, and beat its opposition 15-12. Sabre fenced superlatively, winning eight out of nine; foil came in next with a six and three record; while epee came in last with a one and eight mark.

The match was clinched by foilman Lazar Fruchter, co-captain of the team, in his third bout. Fruchter was undefeated along with Brandstatter and Hametz of the sabre squad. Larry Rosman also contributed a fine 2-1 performance.

Co-captain Seidenfeld had a 1-2 record while foilman Krantman evened at 1-1. Krantman was replaced by Dan who won his bout.

In the disappointing epee squad Mandel came out with a 1-1 record.

## Yeshiva Sneaks Squeaker Over Drew; Salit's Last Foul Shots Clinch Victory

By Ira Oster

In the most spectacular game of the season, the Mighty Mites defeated Drew University's Rangers 75-72, February 8, in the Yeshiva home court at NYU. The win was beneficial to the team in two ways. Firstly, the win broke a four game losing streak and secondly, it gave the squad confidence in its ability to score consistently and dominate the boards without Ray Aboff.

The contest was decided in its waning moments as the Mites overcame a five point deficit and went on to victory. With the score 72-67 and 1:12 left in the game, Danny Wiener drove up the middle and sunk a basket to bring Yeshiva within three. After Drew turned the ball over to the Mites without extending their lead, Howie Hecht, a reserve forward, hit on a jump shot from the corner to close the gap to 72-71 with 20 seconds left to play. Richie Salit then intercepted a Drew pass, and was fouled with seven seconds remaining in the game. The fans went wild as the freshman sank both shots to give Yeshiva a shaky 73-72 lead. The Rangers took the ball out and it was again intercepted, this time by Alan Blumenthal. He passed it to Salit who was immediately fouled with three seconds left. Salit again hit on both attempts to put the game out of reach at 75-72.

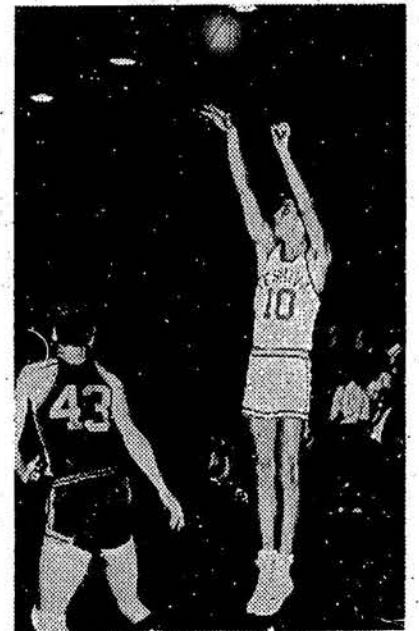
The match was fast paced from

the outset with Yeshiva taking a 4-0 lead on a Stu Poloner field goal and two foul shots. However, Drew fought right back and went ahead 5-4. The Rangers extended their lead to 13-8 on the fine outside shooting of Biff Clark (32 points) and John Kane (20 points) and then to 17-12 before Yeshiva called time with 11:04 left in the half to cool them off.

Mike Koenig's aggressive play in filling in for the ailing Ray Aboff and Dave Hershkovits' huttling, gave the Mites the rebounding strength that they thought to lose with the 6'4" senior on the bench. After causing costly turnovers the Mites crept up to within two points and with 8:22 left, Richie Salit hit on a three point play to tie the game at 20 apiece. Taking advantage of the many Drew fouls, the Mites solidified this lead. With Poloner rebounding and a 72% mark from the foul line, Yeshiva led at the half by a 40-33 score.

In the second half, since three starters were in foul trouble, Coach Sarachek began substituting freely. The free throw situation helped the Rangers as they closed the gap to 44-43. The three starters then fouled out in succession as Dave Hershkovits left with 14:41 remaining. The lead then changed hands four times and in the process Harold Perl fouled out. With 5:25 to go in the game and the score 61-57, Stu Poloner also

left due to fouls. The outlook for Yeshiva was bleak, but Richie



The cool one: Richie Salit

Salit and an inexperienced squad kept their cool and with 2:52 to play Salit sank a foul shot to bring the Mites to within one at 66-65.

After a rapid turnover Yeshiva was unable to score and Drew extended their lead to 68-65. The Mites fought back and again sliced the lead to one on a Danny Wiener jump shot. However, a foul and a misplay gave the Rangers a 72-67 control which they ended up losing with seven seconds left. Richie Salit led all scorers with 37 points (25 in the second half), Stu Poloner had 25 and Koenig 6.

## MIT Engineers Top Yeshiva Mites With Strong Second-Half Defense

By Ronnie Gottlieb

On Wednesday, Feb. 5, the Mites travelled to Queens to meet MIT at one of Yeshiva's three home courts. Although they led for most of the game, the Mites faltered badly in the second half and lost 58-51.

The fine defensive efforts of Co-captain Dave Hershkovits and the scoring of Stu Poloner enabled Yeshiva to capture an early 11-5 lead. They maintained this margin, and with nine minutes remaining in the half Mike Koenig scored to make the score 20-12. With an offense consisting solely of Poloner, Yeshiva led 28-17 with 4:17 left. At the half MIT had closed the margin to 32-26.

The first half was easily one of Stu Poloner's most impressive performances at Yeshiva University.

Utilizing a great variety of moves and shots, he scored 24 of Yeshiva's 32 points, hitting on eleven of his fourteen field goal attempts.

### Defense Well Learned

However, the Engineers learned their lesson well in the first half and concentrated on stopping Poloner in the second. Two factors enabled this strategy to work: Rich Salit was bothered by a bad ankle and at 15:16 Perl committed his fourth personal foul. The Engineers went ahead to stay at 11:32 of the second half and with four minutes left in the game they

led 42-35. On the shooting of Rich Salit the Mites closed the gap to 48-45 but this was as close as they got to recapturing the lead. The scoring totals showed Yeshiva's difficulties as Stu Poloner had 32 points (equaling his career high) while Rich Salit scored 11 points.

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# Big Red And Lancers Subdue Hoopstuffers; Monmouth Takes Advantage Of Missing Stars

(Continued from page 10, column 3) Hartford's reputation, scored first. Yeshiva, despite its lack of height, performed admirably off the boards and opened up a 19-10 lead. However, the pace of the highly defensive game appeared to be too much for the Mites. The Big Red substituted freely while Coach Sarachek limited his selection to six men. Hartford gained a 25-21 lead, slowly breaking down the Mites' zone. At the half they led, 35-30.

Hartford jumped ahead in the second half, but the fine offensive play of Rich Salit narrowed the gap to 37-34. The Big Red did not falter and displayed fine team shooting to augment their height as they built a 47-40 lead.

### Fighting Finish

Once again the Mites fought back and, led by Stu Poloner, ran off six straight points. Hartford then clamped a lid on the basket and shot ahead to a 52-46 lead, effectively putting the game beyond reach. The final minutes of the game were not indicative of the high level of play during most of the contest.

The skirmish that followed the game, though not in the spirit of collegiate athletics, was certainly in the spirit of the contest. Play underneath both baskets was brutal, despite stern officiating. Stu Poloner led Yeshiva scorers with 20 points, while Ray Aboff, playing what turned out to be his last game before taking ill, tallied 18 points and was excellent under both boards.

Yeshiva's Mighty Mites returned to their home court (NYU) on Jan. 29, to meet Monmouth College. The Mites were without the services of Coach "Red" Sarachek and Co-captain Ray Aboff. The game that followed perfectly mirrored these factors as Monmouth romped over Yeshiva 91-58.

The Mites scored first, but Monmouth, led by backcourt star Ron Kornegay quickly opened up a lead. Yeshiva height deficiency enabled Monmouth to control the boards and not even Rich Salit's dazzling tan upset Yeshiva's opponents. Stu Poloner made the game a contest, however one sided, with his fine floor play. At the half Monmouth led 43-18.

### Hopelessness

There was very little that Yeshiva could do, for besides Aboff, Mike Koenig was also unable to attend the game and interim coach Marv Hershkovitz had a small squad to work with. Monmouth was able to substitute with an entire second squad of men and increased its lead to 62-32.

Highlighting the game was the amazing play of Ron Kornegay, dazzling his opponents and the audience alike. Poloner led the Mites with 20 points while Perl and Salit each tallied 12. Dan Weiner had a hot second half in which he scored all of his 10 points.

On February 3, the Mites played the newly renamed Lehman College Lancers, Knick Conference leaders, at the Lehman college campus. The Lancers, despite the absence of their team's leading player, displayed the phy-

was the highlight of the evening, especially during the first half. The Lancers crawled to a 16-13 lead with Yeshiva, guided by Poloner and Salit, close on their heels. Lehman was unable to increase this margin and led at the half 21-18.

### Second Half

The Lancers scored first in the second half, but Salit and Perl scored for Yeshiva to cut the edge to 23-22. The Mites' zone defense proved fruitful at this stage as the Lancers were called for five traveling violations in the early moments of the half. However, Yeshiva failed to take advantage of this.

With 9:21 left in the game, Rich Salit connected an "impossible" jump shot to tie the score at 31. Harold Perl then hit on a foul shot to give Yeshiva its last lead of the night. Lehman's physical superiority showed itself as the Lancers tipped in a missed shot and went ahead to stay.

From this point on the Mites were forced to play "catch up" ball and unfortunately Stu Poloner (20 points) fouled out with 2:09 remaining. Dan Weiner put Yeshiva within two points of tying at 43-41, but this was the last basket scored by Yeshiva as Lehman held on to win 51-44.

The Mites now have a 2-3 league record while Lehman, by virtue of this victory, assured itself of at least a tie for first place in the league. Rich Salit leads the Mites in league scoring with a 19.8 points per game average while Stu Poloner, a league All Star selection last year is averaging 14.2 points per game.

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sical strength and offensive ability that enabled them to win the conference title last season. The Mites, playing without top rebounder Ray Aboff, exhibited a tenacious defense but lost 51-44.

The Lancers took a 6-0 lead before the Mites woke up and Harold Perl and Rich Salit combined to tie the score at 8-8. Defense

# Chief Chaplain Goren Chides YU Crowd For A Dangerous Disinterest In Aliyah

(Continued from page 1, column 5) spot and declared dramatically, "You invited us; now we are here!" Unlike the newly emancipated Jews who had to trek through the Sinai Desert with Moses, our Defense Forces today are strong "with power and spirit." The war, "proved that our youth are deeply religious," although sometimes "you can see it only in danger."

Fifteen minutes before the war opened, Rabbi Goren gave the commander in chief of the Air Force — who knew nothing about *Yiddishkeit* — a printed prayer card similar to those given to all Israeli soldiers, but with the words "Presented on the day of victory"

scrawled on it in longhand. "Now," says Rabbi Goren, "if you go over to him and ask him what he has in his pocket he'll show you two things — his flyer's license . . . and the prayer card!"

### Calls For Aliyah

At this point Rabbi Goren decided he had set us up sufficiently for his primary mission — enlistment of students toward *aliyah*. "We're facing one problem. We'll do all in our power for peace. If necessary we'll enforce peace on them. The only danger is that the Jews will become a minority in their own homeland. . . What are you doing here?" He sees no justification in our remaining away from Israel when, in addition to the obvious nationalistic considerations, for the first time in history, all four of our holiest and most highly regarded sites are under Israeli control, *Har Habayis*, Mount Sinai, the cave of Rachel, and the cave of *Machpela*. "And you're sit-

# YU Tops Manhattan After 2 Tough Losses

(Continued from page 10, column 4) in, facing an extremely strong opponent seemed to have matters well in hand when in a sudden reversal he was pinned. In the next bout the large Yeshiva crowd finally had something to cheer about. Marc Spero, after almost pinning his man, outpointed him 12-6 to close the score to 11-8. In the 152 lb. weight class Morty Finkel con-

within three points of a victory at 16-14. Lew Cohen made a valiant attempt but was unable to stave off defeat as CCNY won again 19-14.

The YU grapplers broke a two-match losing streak Monday night, February 17, with a 26-13 win over Manhattan. This being their sixth victory of the season, the wrestlers are assured of their first winning season in three years.

The match began with Co-captain Arnie Weiss scoring a pin over Manhattan's captain. Brother Bob followed suit with another strong pin. Gary Rubin was then pinned and with Marc Spero gaining a forfeit, the score stood at 15-5.

Morty Finkel and Noah Nunberg wrestled well but were pinned and lost on points respectively. Then, Co-captain Marty Twersky smashed his foe for a victory and Lou Cohen clinched the match with a pin. Elliot Shapiro finished the evening with a win, the score ending at 26-13. It is a fitting tribute that in this last home match all the YU seniors won their crucial matches.



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Morty Finkel is up in arms over his opponent's tactics.

tinued the Yeshiva upsurge by also outpointing his opponent to actually tie the score (again including the forfeit).

The next three bouts were especially exciting for victory was easily within the grasp of either team. Noah Nunberg started strongly but soon had a cut lip to deal with. Although he wrestled well he finally was pinned with thirty seconds left to his bout. Co-captain Marty Twersky, with the match on the line, came through with a decision to put Yeshiva

# Audit Shows Perfect Books

For the first time in the history of the Yeshiva College Student Council, the books of the Council were opened for inspection to an outside source. The audit, which was conducted by Mr. Isaac Shapiro of the firm Shapiro & Friedman, showed the financial records kept by Student Council Secretary-Treasurer Richard Sternberg to be in perfect shape.

To maintain honesty in all future bookkeeping endeavors by the YCSC, an article was added to the new constitution requiring an audit by an outside firm every February.

Although this year's Council started off with a \$2,000 deficit left by the previous regime and was forced to eventually pay off \$2,500 in outstanding debts, the books now balance. Close to \$20,000 has passed through Secretary-Treasurer Sternberg's hands this year, and the auditor assured the Council that if the present rate is maintained, the Council will end up in the black for the first time in recent years.

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## On The Sidelines

## A Mighty Mite By Any Other Name . . .

By Kenneth Koslowe



While Yeshiva University has been rather plain in naming most of its varsity sports teams (i.e.—Steinbergers, Taubermen) the one unfortunate exception has been the basketball team, the Mighty Mites. Somewhere in Yeshiva's past lies the secret of the identity of the man who selected the name and it is our hope that this identity remain buried in the past along with the name he chose.

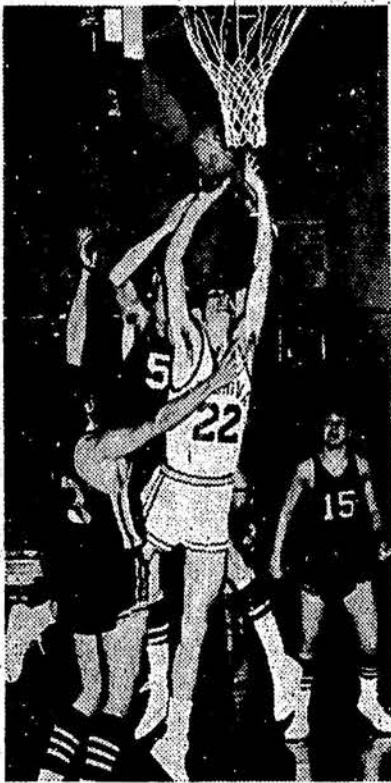
Although the team's present ill-fortunes cannot be blamed on its name (for after all, a team called the Mighty Mites was once 16-2), it is hard to see the beneficial aspects of being called the Mighty Mites. Whenever a YU student hears his team announced he almost immediately cringes in expectation of the snickers that are sure to follow.

Five years ago MTA (that's Yeshiva University High School for Boys—Manhattan) was faced with a similar problem, the name in that case being the Mini-Mites. This was solved simply by calling upon the students to rename their squad. An appropriate title was selected and the results were immediately apparent. The team went from a mediocre 7-5 to an outstanding 0-10 record. However, this obstacle on the road to progress was only temporary, as the Lions then had successive 9-1 and 10-0 seasons.

Therefore in the hope of emulating MTA's success, the students of Yeshiva University are hereby invited to submit any suggestions they may have to this column. Since we are a most creative school, as anyone reading our public relations department's releases can readily see, the task should not be a difficult one.

In order not to prejudice the selection in any way, no suggestions will be listed here. However, to aid those who may be a little slow, certain source material will be mentioned. One possible source is the Talmud. Since all Yeshiva students are well versed in its contents, this should prove a fertile and appropriate source. The Soncino editions and classroom notes may be used. A second area to be searched is that portion of Jewish literature available to the students in the Gottesman Library, admittedly a less fertile source.

## Roundballers Find Hoopstuffing Difficult Despite Superb Individual Performances



Poloner gets the shot away

By Avi Borenstein

Yeshiva met the Hawks of New Paltz, January 8 at the Hawk's gymnasium. Last season, in the first meeting between the two teams, the Mites won 61-54. In an exciting finish, Yeshiva repeated its success by winning 74-72 on Rich Salit's basket at the buzzer.

Yeshiva controlled the opening tap and Salit sank a jump shot. The Hawks displayed superb outside shooting that nullified the effect of the Mites' newly acquired fast break, as New Paltz took an

early 19-11 lead. At this point Yeshiva's defense jelled, and led by Stu Poloner, the Mites assumed a 21-19 lead. The Hawks tied the score but Yeshiva soon increased its lead to 30-21. By halftime Yeshiva had increased its lead to eleven points, 43-32. In the second half New Paltz set a trend that was to be seen later in the MIT and Drew games. With only Stu Poloner scoring for the Mites the Hawks managed to outshoot him and closed the lead to 50-46. The Hawks pressing tactics paid off as they tied the game at 51 apiece.

### Down But Not Out

When Rich Salit sat down after acquiring his fourth, personal foul, New Paltz quickly gained a small lead. However Ray Aboff and Poloner managed to keep the Mites close, so that when, with four minutes to go, Salit was reinserted in the Mites' lineup, the score was tied 64-64. The Hawks greeted Salit's arrival with an

## Taubermen Top Fordham, Farleigh Dickinson, St. Pete

By Elieha Kirs

On Monday, Feb. 3, the Taubermen started the second term in the right fashion by easily defeating Fairleigh Dickinson University. Yeshiva's fencers took an early lead, then clinched the match at 14-1 before winning by a final score of 19-8.

The outstanding squads of the night were sabre (8-1) and foil

## Adelphi, City Snap Matmen's Victory Streak; Manhattan Conquest Assures Winning Season

By Sheldon Feinstein

Yeshiva's wrestling team finally met defeat, Thursday, January 9, at the Yeshiva College gymnasium, when they were beaten by a powerful Adelphi squad, 26-15. The loss was especially disappointing because Adelphi had only brought six wrestlers with

greeted his appearance soon turned to silence as he was pinned in just 41 seconds. That made the score 15-10.

At 160 pounds, Noah Nunberg began by wrestling very cautiously and he soon found himself on the defensive. Although he managed to avoid being pinned, he

Adelphi 23-15, and making Yeshiva's previously unblemished record 5-1.

### Final Fall

Although the final bout did not affect the outcome of the match, it was more trouble for the Steinbergers. Heavyweight E. J. Shapiro suffered a bruise near his eye with the score 2-2, and afterwards, wrestled with a bandage across his forehead. He did not seem to be the same after the injury, and worked hard just to stave off a pin, losing 11-5.

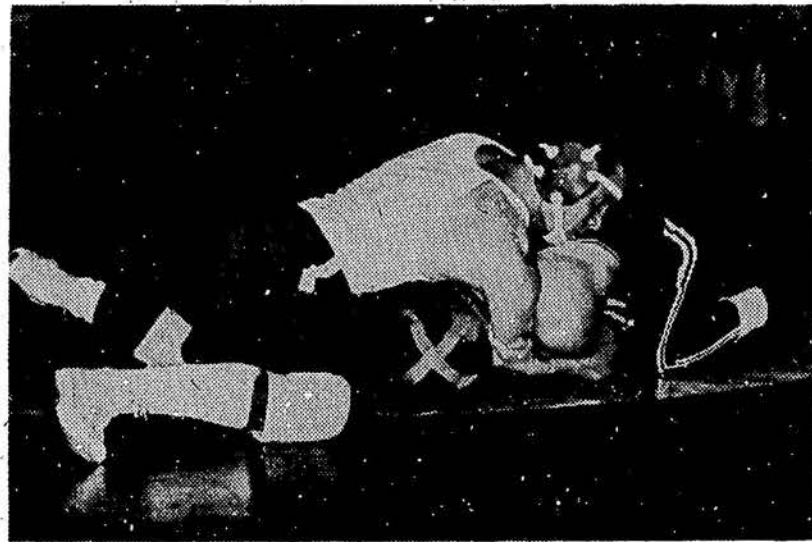
Although the final score showed Yeshiva's wrestlers to have scored all their points on forfeits, they made a good showing in most of the bouts, and with a few breaks, could have won the match. As it was the grapplers needed only one more victory to be assured of a winning season, and despite the loss, have every reason to be proud of themselves.

Yeshiva's wrestling team met with traditional rival CCNY on Feb. 12 at the Steinbergers' home gymnasium. Last season the Beavers narrowly escaped defeat with a last minute pin, to win 18-13. This season the script only underwent minor alterations. The first alteration was the absence of City's heavyweight thereby causing a forfeit in that weight class. The second alteration was that the deciding match was won on points; however the outcome was the same, as the Steinbergers lost 19-14.

The first match had Co-captain Arnie Weiss slated to face Mike Murray. Although both men started aggressively, a near pin by Murray towards the end of the first period turned the tide and City had scored its first three points. Rob Weiss followed with another tough bout but followed his brother to defeat giving City a 6-5 lead (including Yeshiva's five points from the forfeit).

While the outlook was not particularly bright at this point it quickly became darker. Gary Rub-

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### New wrestling hold: The smother of invention

them, forfeiting the three light-weight classes to co-captain Arnie Weiss, Bob Weiss and Gary Rubin. Unfortunately, with Morty Finkel injured, the Steinbergers were forced to forfeit the 145 pound weight class, so the score stood at 15-5 when Marc Spero took the mat for Yeshiva in the 152 pound bout. The cheers which

lost on points, 6-0, closing the score to 15-13.

### Sudden Shock

Co-captain Marty Twersky, wrestling in the 167 pound class, had his opponent down with the score 2-2 in the second period, and was attempting to turn the Adelphi grappler over on his back to pin him. Suddenly, the Adelphi wrestler broke loose and got on top. Seconds later, Marty was pinned, the fans were stunned, and Adelphi led for the first time, 18-15. The 177 pound bout could decide the match in Adelphi's favor, so it was up to Lew Cohen.

Lew went after his man immediately, but sustained a bloody nose in the first period. When the bleeding had been stopped, he continued his aggressive wrestling, getting his man in a tight hold. Then disaster struck, as the Adelphi wrestler tripped Lew, came down on top of him and pinned him, clinching the victory for

eight point surge and with 3:11 left to play they led 72-66.

Salit and Harold Perl closed the gap to two points and then Perl stole the ball and fed Poloner who knotted the score at 72-72. New Paltz tried to play for one shot, but with 42 seconds left to play, Perl stole the ball once more and called time out. Yeshiva now had its chance to attempt one shot, and Rich Salit was chosen to take it. With two seconds left Salit started to shoot, and as the game ended Yeshiva won. Poloner once again led Yeshiva's scoring with 25 points, while Salit tallied 16, Aboff 15, and Perl 8.

Saturday night, Jan. 11, the Mites faced an eastern seaboard power, University of Hartford. In a hard fought contest, the Mites faltered at the close of the game to lose 71-61.

The Mites, unimpressed by

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## The Shot Heard 'Round the World

By John Doe (an athletic supporter)

Editor's Note: This piece of plagiarized poetry was proffered with the proviso that it be published pseudonymously.

The outlook wasn't brilliant for Yeshiva's five that night,  
The opposition had the ball and was holding to it tight.  
So when Stuie fouled out, Dave and Harold did the same,  
A morbid silence fell upon b'nai yeshiva at the game.  
With but eighty seconds left, hope had vanished from the hall,  
But they'd still give even money if Richie had the ball.  
For with Richie's shot and Richie's poise, the game might still be won—  
If Richie could get hold of it, his shot might beat the gun.  
But Hecht was in the lineup and so was Alan B.  
And the former was a novice, the latter five foot three.  
So when little Alan stole the ball and Hecht put through a swish  
It seemed as though Yeshiva fans might finally get their wish.  
And then from out the multitude there rose a startled yell,  
It shook the gates of heaven and waked sleepers down in Hell,  
For God was with Yeshiva; all things would be just fine,  
The freshman kid from Jefferson was on the foul line.  
He'd scored some three and thirty and played a damn good game,  
As he stepped up to the foul line the crowd roared out his name.  
He bounced the round ball slowly—our stomachs tied in knots,  
And the heck with Mighty Casey, mighty Richie sunk those shots.  
Oh, spread throughout this farflung world, alumni make their homes,  
Their memories of Yeshiva games hardly topics are for poems.  
But we who saw that Drew game will forever keep in mind  
The picture of poised Richie, scoring at the foul line.

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(7-2) with only epee having a losing record (4-5), with all five losses coming after, the match had been clinched. Brandstatter, Rosman and Hametz swept the opening bouts (as they did in the second round also) and combined with Seidenfeld and Fruchter to give Yeshiva a 5-1 lead. Mandel, Rothman and Schoffman repeated

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