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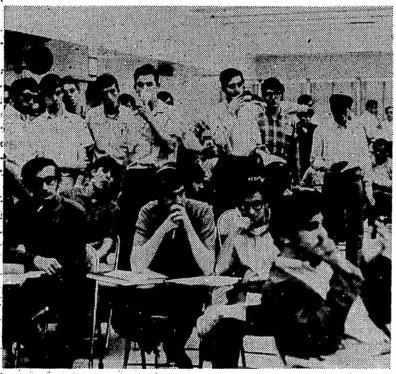
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Pleas Called Unimpressive



Students listen in Furst Hall as referendum is read.

The results of the somewhat ambiguously worded Student 'Council referendum of October 8 was in no way ambiguous. 609 students voted to "back our Student Council in taking whatever steps they deem necessary." Only 64 of those voting refused to support the proposal. The text of the referendum read:

"In view of the administration's attitude with regard to curtailment of student services and the subsequent lack of progress in negotiations, Student Council is considering taking the necessary steps to restore these services."

The referendum was presented to the student body as a result of the Student Council meetings of September 17 and October 8.

Emotional Plea

Viewing the referendum as a prologue to a strike call, Rabbi Miller, the assistant to the Pres-

School Curtails Maid Services

By SHELDON TOIBB

Mr. Jacob Blazer, director of buildings and grounds, has announced that maid service has been curtailed to two days a week for this year. One day will be devoted to a thorough cleaning of each dormitory room, and the other will be used for either 'a linen change or a light cleaning. 👵 :

The reasons surrounding this cutback were enumerated at a meeting of Union Local 1199 of the Hospital Workers of the AFL-CIO held on the afternoon of September 18th, Local 1199 is the union which represents all service and maintenance employees of the university.

In attendance at this meeting, besides Mr. Blazer were Mr. Ronald Fitzgerald, assistant to. the director of Labor Relations of YU, and Mr. Armando Ramirez, vice president of Local 1199.

Nixon Cutbacks

Mr. Fitzgerald said that the University knew last May that and should, have been notified (Continued on page 4, col. 1) during the summer. He called

ident for student affairs, delivered at the Student Council meeting of October 8 a somewhat emotional plea for student tolerance. Stating that the financial crisis facing Yeshiva is not due to poor University planning or a lack of foresight, but to unforseeable circumstances, Rabbi Miller's reasons ran the gamut of financial burdens - from a bear-(Continued on page 6, col. 1)

Miller Addresses Students; Yeshiva Slashes Budget; Einstein Feels Pinch Too

Yeshiva University must reduce its operating budget by \$3.7 million this year. This was the figure announced by Mr. Jacob Levine, vice-president for business affairs, at a meeting with members of the Student Council. The \$3.7 million deficit does not include expenses at the Albert Einstein College of Medi-

Detailing Yeshiva's economic plight, Mr. Levine explained that the university's expenses (again exclusive of AECOM) will amount to \$16.85 million this year, and there will be income of \$10.15 million, resulting in a deficit of \$6.7 million. YU's fund raising activities are expected to produce \$3 million, leaving the final deficit at \$3.7 million.

"We are only concerned that the University continue and that there be no adverse effect on your education," said Mr. Levine. Therefore, those hardest hit by the budget cutbacks are the clerical, custodial and secretarial staffs of the University. The reduction in expenditures at Yeshiva College was the smallest compared to those of the other segments of the university.

Einstein Complains Too

Mr. Levine thought it ironic that while Yeshiva College students complain that the under-

graduate schools are sacrificed to pay for expansion at such schools as the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, the Einstein students complain that the university spends all its money on the undergraduate divisions. He also noted that the budgetary cutback at Albert Einstein alone amounts to \$6 million. The deficit results mainly from cutbacks in funds made recently by the federal government. Similar cuts were also made by New York State.

Dr. Israel Miller, who was also present at the meeting, said that although these cuts were not unexpected, the actual amount of the reduction had not been anticipated. The university administration learned of this only several weeks before the start of the academic year

sult with student leaders about the budget cuts. He indicated, however, that, in consultation with the Student Council, changes could still be made in the present situation.

Courses Cancelled

Several Student Council members responded negatively to the actions taken so far by the administration. YCSC President Richard Sternberg charged that courses had been cancelled and subsequently other sections were overcrowded. Dr. Miller pointed out that only thirteen sections in the entire college have more than thirty students.

Dr. Abraham Duker, director of university libraries, denied the students' allegation that there (Continued on page 6, col. 5)

Library Hours Are Extended; Fiscal Policies Mar Progress

Denying rumors prevalent among the student body, University officials have announced their intention to maintain late hours at the undergraduate libraries. Dr. Jacob Levine, vicepresident for business affairs, confirmed that the Gottesman and Pollack Libraries will re-

main open from 9:00 a.m. to midnight, beginning October 20th.

This policy has been adopted despite the libraries' strained fie nancial situation, caused by recent University-wide budget cutbacks. Dr. Abraham Duker, director of libraries, indicated that substantial restrictions had been imposed on all University libraries. He disclosed, however, that priorities had been given to the Jewish and undergraduate divisions, located in the Gottesman complex, and that they would be the least affected.

Freeze in Effect

Professor Solomon Zeides, director of the Pollack Library, indicated that several, definite economic measures had been taken, but expressed the hope that the students would not be affected. "The library will continue to keep abreast with current literature," he stated. Professor Zeides further indicated that all book purchase requests submitted by both the faculty and the student body would be carefully considered. Other sources, however, indicated that a freeze on book purchasing was indeed in effect at present.

The financial cutbacks will sharply curtail previously planned long-range growth. The purchase of a union catalogue, which would list all the books in the University libraries, is one of the items whose purchase has been temporarily delayed. The classification of the archives will also be halted.

Other measures have also been taken to ease the financial strain. Dr. Duker's assistant has left, and will not be replaced. Professor Zeides will cut down on maintenance services and staff telephone use.

The University administration apparently appreciates the important role the library plays in the college experience. Dr. Levine emphasized, "Library services have a top priority in budget considerations."

Sternberg Calls Initial Meeting To Order; Council Debates Over YU Budgeting Crisis

By RICHARD SCHIFFMILLER

The students' position in the current University financial crisis was the topic of the first Yeshiva College Student Council meeting of this year.

Council President Richard Sternberg explained that he had sent a letter to Rabbi Israel Miller, assistant to the President for student affairs, asking him why the council was not notified officially of various cutbacks in student services for the coming year. He was not answered. Phone calls to Mr. Jacob Levine, vice president for business affairs, and Dr. Belkin proved equally futile. Finally, after a warning from Mr. Sternberg that the present course of events could lead to student unrest. Dr. A. Leo Levin, assistant to the President for academic affairs, granted a meeting between members of the Student Council and the administration.

Breach of Trust

Mr. Levine explained to the council that a decrease in federal funds to the university had necessitated cutting back in many areas of student services. Council was not consulted, he added, because of the summer recess. Mr. Levine's statements were picked up by Israel Teitelbaum, junior class president, who felt that the students could,



YCSC Executive Council discusses financial problems.

the administration's recent actions a breach of trust, since Council was promised at the time of last year's tuition hike that it would be consulted in advance in all financial matters.

One member of the Student Council maintained that a more equitable approach to the financial situation would be to decrease further the budgets of the graduate schools rather than those of the college, since tuition in the latter is several hundred dollars greater than in the graduate schools.

Return to Pre-June Services A debate ensued as to the at-

titude that the student negotiashould take the conference table. Some felt that the students should reject all cutbacks made heretofore and begin bargaining from that point, while others departed from this hard-line stand and contended that the negotiators would accomplish more by accepting the status quo and then trying to reduce the scale of the cutbacks.

The sentiments of the audience seemed to be with the former group. One student was loudly applauded when he clamored that at Yeshiva, "The more you pay, the less you get!"

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"We Went Out"

Yesterday's moratorium once again indicates the continuing and expanding opposition to the war in Vietnam. It serves as a notice to the President that his piecemeal and token gestures to pacify students will fail unless the war is ended. Disgust with this conflict is so great that people have ceased to care that extensive protest might hamper the prosecution of the war. Because, basically, we want out.

Opponents of the war often speak of a ravaged Vietnam. But more than Vietnam has suffered. This war has spawned a generation where far too many have come to feel that loyalty to country means disloyalty to conscience. This war has robbed money from ghettoes and grants from medical research. More deaths than the forty thousand Americans killed in Vietnam are traceable to this conflict. For think of the social and scientific advancements that have been sacrificed for armaments. The human toll is even more tragic considering that presently we have despaired of winning.

Currently, the President is buying time. We request that he try instead to save lives.

Plan Ahead ...

As numerous freshmen and other unfortunates have already discovered, the tradition of "stuffing the dorm rooms" has been diligently prolonged for another agonizing year. This time around not only have the double cells in Rubin become for the most part hovels of three, but also the lounges on the second and third floors of Morgenstern have been transformed into "bedrooms" for four.

That students have somehow tolerated this situation in the past is no justification for its continuation; that the administration has continued this policy only reveals once again its utter inability to plan rationally and with simple common sense for the benefit of the whole university community.

The immediate, most simple and best solution to this problem is surely obvious enough: the establishment of an admissions policy that recognizes the physical limitations of the University. When the University admits a greater number of students than it can adequately serve it is acting both falsely and unfairly; the whole student body suffers as a result. To meet the long term ideal of YU of serving the maximum number of students, a long-term solution of expansion must be taken. For the present, the University's responsibility is toward the students in attendance. In stuffing the dorm rooms the University is not meeting this responsibility.

For the despairing few who see no possibility of change we offer one hope: the situation can't possibly get much worse. After all, there are only five more lounges left to stuff.

Talk To Us

Last summer a decision was made to cut back certain services at Yeshiva University. Who made the decision? After the college administration was informed that there would have to be a general cut in expenditures certain priorities were established without the knowledge and consent of the student body. And here lies the crux of the crisis of mistrust which exists today between the students and the administration.

YCSC, in the heat of anger, demanded that two students be appointed to the Board of Trustees. We feel that this proposal is misguided in that it misses the point as to who is making the concrete decisions relevant to Yeshiva College.

The Commentator believes that it is much more realistic to have a student representative where he can best serve the undergraduate community. For this reason we suggest that regularized meetings be set up so that a designated student representative can meet with a group consisting of the Dean of the College, the Directors of Admissions, Student Finances and Residence Halls, the Assistant to the President on Student Affairs, the Vice Presidents for University Affairs and Business Affairs, and — most important of all — the President of the University, so that the student body may have an effective voice on priorities within the college community.

In order to win back the trust of the student body, the administration must realize that students must take part in the formulation of all decisions affecting the student. It must understand that sincerity is always subject to proof. It must understand, that judgments made on the part of the administration cannot take the form of generalized, blanket statements as they have in the past, but rather, all pertinent facts and statistics used in making any decision must be made available to the students.

The Editor-in-Chief and Governing Board of THE COM-MENTATOR extend sincere condolences to their dear friend and colleague, Ira Jaskoll, on the death of his father. May he be comforted among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem, From the Editor's Desk

Nix on Lindsay



By Bernard Firestone

Somewhere between the almost, slapstick paranoia of the Jewish Right and the self-hating neuroses of the Jewish Left there lies a responsible body of Jewish opinion which is seriously perplexed by the seeming conflict between its innate liberalism and its quest for survival. Indeed, to focus attention on the latter as late as four years ago would have been outrageous fantasy, for few could forecast an emergence of American anti-Semitism, especially from the Left. But today, as Jews become the targets of revolutionary polemics and assume the hideous forms of exploiters, imperialistic Israelis, etc. it becomes imperative for us as Jews to reevaluate our position vis-a-vis liberalism as it is popularly interpreted.

I am not writing this article in order to investigate the symptoms of anti-Semitism — they are ubiquitous and self-evident. The teachers' strike in New York, for example, brought extensive Black hatred to the surface and the minorities' pressure on city universities made Jewish quotas an ugly reality. Rather, I propose a prescription for fighting back within the urban, political framework based on the hope that if Jews cannot win love by being in the forefront of social reform movements, at least they will be respected for activating their own political power.

It is interesting to note that the dominant feature of contemporary city politics is the configuration of ethnic interest groups — each attempting to exert considerable influence on local government. Whereas, several decades ago, urban, political conflict could be distinguished by the clash of business and labor interests, the force of the Black Revolution and the emphasis on "Black Power" have projected ethnic, political confrontation into the foreground. Hamilton and Carmichael, the ideological fathers of "Black Power," demanded that Blacks transform the Black community into a Black, political group by coalescing around Black candidates. And indeed, when Stokes won in Cleveland and Hatcher in Gary, liberals applauded Blacks for their legitimate activation of "Black Power."

And Jews must understand also, that they themselves are potentially an extremely strong, political group, especially in New York City. Jews can learn a valuable lesson from "Black Power" precisely by exercising "Jewish Power" in a similar vein. As liberals, Jews would shudder at the suggestion that they organize themselves into a separate political entity and would charge that "Jewish Power" is a racist attempt to further polarize New York City politics. But the lessons of history should teach each Jew that philosophical, political orientations have never stood up to militant and strident anti-Semitism; only a well-programmed plan of action has done so in the past and will do so in the future.

Four years ago, it would have been folly to reject John Lindsay, an outstanding, Congressional liberal, merely because he was running against a Jew. At that time liberalism and social consciousness could easily transcend Jewish interests, for the two were indeed harmonious. But today, and as a result of the Lindsay Administration, Jewish consciousness must take precedence, as the sincere movement towards Black equality has led to a derangement of traditional liberalism and to an anti-Semitism which cannot be overlooked.

Mayor Lindsay is responsible for the growing sense of Jewish insecurity in New York City primarily because he has displayed gross insensitivity to the legtimate fears which Jews experience as a result of the social revolution of the sixties. He cannot understand the impact of the Nazi experience on the Jewish psyche and the consequent sensitivity it engenders to any visible sign of anti-Semitism. Jews feel threatened by hasty decentralization plans, by anti-Semitic fulminations on radio, television and in the Metropolitan Museum and by quotas at City College, but are told that someone must suffer as a result of the upward mobility of a deprived group. This is not a sensitive answer; nor is it adequate.

Mayor Lindsay is responsible primarily because today Jews find their position in New York City tenuous, whereas, four years ago they did not. He will answer that he has condemned racism, and he has; but the positive programs he has introduced into the Black community have been overshadowed by the legitimation of hatred towards all those who oppose those programs. And Mayor Lindsay has done little to defuse the present campaign of its racist overtones; rather, he has exploited racism by labelling his opposition, "Bigots."

Mayor Lindsay is responsible primarily because the liberalism he preached so eloquently has been perverted into an apology for vandalism, political extertion and most important, reverse discrimination and scapegoating. As mayor, he has failed to homogenize ethnic interests and conversely has exacerbated differences by appealing too much to only certain groups. As candidate for mayor, he must be prepared to suffer the consequences for the ethnic awareness he unfortunately has cultivated so diligently.

Voting against Lindsay is by no means an abnegation of traditional liberal values and the search for an equal society. Rather, it represents a repudiation of a brand of liberalism which invites extremism from both sides. Jews have always and will always display outstanding traits of social consciousness and empathy, yet cannot allow themselves to be entrapped by the rhetoric which passes for liberalism today.

In this spirit it should be impossible for the Jewish community of New York to vote for John Marchi, the Republican nominee, for he is aligned with the Conservative Party, which has demonstrated an undeniable insensitivity to the problems of the minorities.

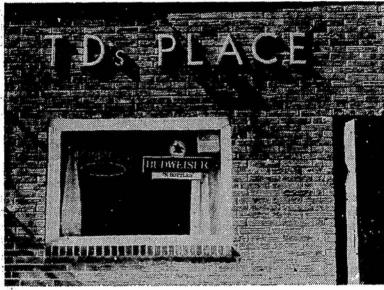
The Jewish community should support Mario Proccacino for Mayor of New York City as the only alternative to the ethnic brinkmanship of John Lindsay. His ties to the Democratic Party are too deep to allow for the bigotry of which he is accused. He has not indicated that he would undo the progressive movement towards social equality; rather, he proposes that the excesses of the social revolution must be tempered before progress is strangled by extremism.

YU Students Break Boredom At Tavern

By LARRY RUBIN

After studying for a number of hours, the average student, eager to saturate a dry throat, and in need of a temporary change of environment, will journey from his room in search of a refreshing drink. With Yeshiva's vending machines usually

York's lower drinking age on the weekend. According to Gerald "Dutch" Sheehan, the twentyfour year old bartender, who has worked the night shift (6 p.m. to 4 a.m.) for the past year and a half, there have never been any trouble or brawls at TD's



Once upon a time there was a tavern . . .

out of order. Chopsie's or Alex's serve as the student's retreat. As the evening grows older, and the vendors of pizza and delicatessen close, many students promenade to 181st Street to gormandize at the "Greek's". Yet, there is an establishment not more than twenty yards from Chopsie's that serves a variety of stimulating beverages, but is hardly frequented by members of YU's student body.

No Trouble

Located on the corner of 184 Street and Amsterdam Avenue is a quiet tavern called TD's Place. Known to many of Yeshiva's undergraduates by sight and name, TD's is rarely patronized by any members of the campus crowd. To many Yeshiva students who have never entered an establishment, which serves intoxicating liquors, a bar is much the same as existed in Kitty's Saloon of the Old West, with Marshall Dillon coming to the rescue at the commonplace bar room brawl. In reality, TD's Place caters mainly to a respectable middle aged clientele during the week, and to New Jerseyites under twenty-one who wish to take advantage of New

Butch, brought up a few blocks away from YU, dropped out of high school at the age of seventeen. He spent four years in the army as a sergeant in the medical corps. 'During his stay (Continued on page 7, col. 1)

Lost in the Crowd



By Joseph Telushkin -

"Jew Jew Jew. It is coming out of my ears already . . . I happen also to be a human being." What Alexander Portnoy or Phillip Roth meant by the preceding is perhaps not precisely what I discerned from this particular complaint of Portnoy. Nevertheless, this comment struck an extremely responsive note when I read it, and the more I consider it, the more I

For Roth has alluded to an oft-ignored aspect of the synthesis problem: crudely, the conflict between being a Jew and being a human being. In a somewhat more precise, sophisticated and fair manner, the dilemma expresses itself in the question: To what degree should one assert particularistic interests when they conflict with universal moral concerns? An interesting and very current example is the recent congressional movement towards an amendment to eliminate the Electoral College. Most people whom I know find their democratic sensitivities repulsed by an institution which is legally capable of subverting the popular will. They view the Electoral College as being an

anachronism (if indeed it ever served a purpose) in conflict with democratic values. Hence, it should follow that conscious Jews, who are not characterized by a greater degree of conservatism than the country as a whole, should enthusiastically endorse its elimination.

Twenty-five Percent

But would this moral reaction be a rational one? The states which contain the three largest Jewish communities are New York, California and Illinois. Under the current system these three states comprise about twenty-five percent of the College, and in each one (particularly N.Y.) the Jewish voters exercise considerable (both in terms of absolute numbers, and in terms of the percentage of influentials who are Jews). Thus, the Electoral College gives the Jewish voters a leverage far out of proportion to the percentage of the population they comprise. Without the Electoral College, that is, within a system where the number of votes is the sole criterion, the Jews lose this leverage, and comprise something over three percent of the vote (more than their population percentage because a higher percentage of Jews than non-Jews vote).

The implications are momentous. For it is infinitely easier to disregard the feelings of a three percent minority than those of a group exercising influence over a quarter of the votes. Of course other factors must be considered. Without the Electoral College, there would still be the same number of Jews in significant gov-

influence

ernment and communal positions.

But, without doubt, the Jewish political leverage would be severely compromised.

To somewhat deprovincialize my arguments and make them more palatable to the element of liberals which is offended by an over concern with Jewish interests, I would note that other minorities would also suffer. Blacks, too, tend to be concentrated in large cities, which are instrumental for an electoral victory. Perhaps this leverage can be viewed as a justified compensation for the indifference minorities might encounter if their political significance were reduced to their more minor percentage of the population.

Mideast Shift

The implications are not only for Americans. Until now, coexistent with the Electoral College, American presidents (who are much more responsive to political pressures than the State Department) have generally adopted a strong pro-Israel position. In the forsceable future, it is possible America's leaders will come to feel that it is unhealthy to have such poor relations with most nations in the Mideast area, and that Israel is retarding peace by its policy of not returning conquered lands prior to negotiations. I have little doubt that it would be infinitely easier for an American president to reach such conclusions in the absence of an Electoral College, than with the presence of one.

And thus the delimma: What is of greater importance to usthe existence of a more perfect democratic apparatus for the United States and its citizens, or the retention of an obviously undemocratic institution which insures, however, the continued importance of Jewish voters and their concerns.

The manifestations of this dilemma are wider than in this one area, but special limitations dictate that in this issue I could only describe one example of the tensions that occur when self-interest and moral rights conflict. In future issues I hope to continue my analysis, and to describe the only response which I feel can somewhat alleviate and resolve this tension.

Campus Chatter

By Ari Goldman -

Sometime last year a full page ad appeared on the back page of The New York Times advertising a certain national magazine. In large bold letters the ad read something like this: "Chaos at Columbia/ Havoc at Harvard/ Confusion at Cornell/ Riots at Rutgers . . ." The page was filled with a dozen or so similar alliterations concerning the condition of the nation's campuses in the past few years. And I wondered, as I read the ad, just where Yeshiva fit in. So I opened up my dictionary

to "y" and found some interesting possibilities: yawn; yell; yellow; yelp; yes; yesterday; Yiddish; yield; yoga; yogurt; yoke; Yom Kippur; Young Men's/ Wo-

Rudd

men's Christian/ Hebrew Assoc-

All of these can characterize

"what is happening" at Yeshiva.

We have been apathetic, though

at times we've shouted a little.

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iation; youngster.

By MARK MEIROWITZ

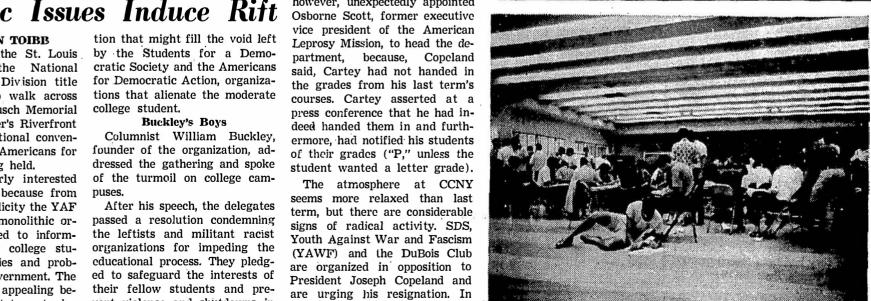
The present controversy at CCNY involves the newly established Black Studies Program; the controversy revolves around Professor of English Literature, Dr. Wilfred Cartey. Dr. Cartey, appointed last spring to establish the Black Studies Program, had been expected to become department head when the program would come into being. Joseph Copeland, president of CCNY, however, unexpectedly appointed Leprosy Mission, to head the de-

general, these groups seem to be heading towards a showdown with the administration on the issue of the Black and Puerto Rican community. Apparently they are not satisfied with the

concessions made last term, which they brand mere "tokenism."

Rudd Listeners Frisked

On the day this reporter visited CCNY, Mark Rudd of Columbia same was a guest speaker at Shepherd Hall on City's North Campus. All those entering the hall to hear Rudd were frisked by SDS members, including, (Continued on page 6, col. 4)



This year's registration was marked once again by mass confusion and discontent. The above picture exhibits a junior (sprawled on the ground), registering at his leisure during a senior registration period. Infractions such as these were widespread,

YAF Confronts Left-Wingers; Domestic Issues Induce Rift

By SHELDON TOIBB

Disgusted with the St. Louis Cardinals and the National League's Eastern Division title race, I decided to walk across the street from Busch Memorial Stadium to Stouffer's Riverfront Inn, where the national convention of the Young Americans for Freedom was being held.

I was particularly interested in the convention because from pre-convention publicity the YAF appeared to be a monolithic organization dedicated to informing and involving college students in the policies and problems of modern government. The YAF also sounded appealing because its public statements incessantly referred to personal liberty, human incentive, democracy and other catch-all terms that characterize the American political tradition. I was hoping that this would be the organiza-

vent violence and shutdowns in all major universities this school year.

The remainder of the convention saw a power struggle between the conservative establish-(Continued on page 5, col. 2)

it would have a detrimental ef-

fect on the morale of the stu-

dent body. Since President Stern-

berg could not attend the Oc-

tober 9 meeting, the issue was

not discussed. However, Dean

Bacon suggested that on the contrary, due to student council's

behavior, the administration's

morale was suffering. Dean

Bacon cited a fact sheet distrib-

uted by Mr. Sternberg as proof,

and it will be discussed during

Round Table

the form of round table discus-

sions. Those students, faculty

and administration directly in-

volved sit in a circle and carry

on their business with observers

As noted by an observer, there

seems to be a good rapport

among the three facets of the

Senate: namely, the students, the

faculty and the administration.

Dr. Ruth Bevan, faculty Sen-

ate member, stated that in the

near future, the Senate will in-

fluence University policy and

will accomplish its objectives.

She said that during the present

stage, many issues are still pend-

ing discussion. "Once the Senate

members become acquainted with

each other," Dr. Bevan said, "the

Senate will definitely move at a

faster pace."

sitting behind them.

Senate meetings are held in

today's meeting.

Domestics Hold Their Union Head Responsible For Service Cutbacks

(Continued from page 1, col. 1) it would be in financial trouble. He stated that at that time YU was aware of the Nixon Administration's cutback in research and service to all private universities. Further budgetary difficulties arose when YU did not even receive the federal revenue it had been promised previously.

This slash in federal grants to universities was justified by the Nixon Administration as an anti-inflationary move to make money more scarce. In the meeting, Mr. Fitzgerald recalled a plank in President Nixon's campaign which stated that inflation must be stopped, even if creating unemployment was to be a result. He also pointed out that private donations to the university had decreased due to the decline of the stock market. The labor expert continued,

"As bad as the situation looks

here, it is equally as bad at oth-

By JOSEPH RATZERSDORFER

the focal point of Prime Minis-

ter Golda Meir's visit to the Uni-

ted States was her address at

the Madison Square Garden Felt

Forum on September 30. Her en-

trance to the forum was greeted

by a standing ovation, singing

and applause which did not stop

until the master of ceremonies

introducing Mrs. Meir informed

the audience that if they did not

stop clapping, Mrs. Meir would

not have sufficient time to speak.

In her speech, Mrs. Meir chal-

lenged Americans to go on Ali-

yah not only because Aliyah is

good for Israel but also because

it is good for the Olim as Jews

who can live a better and more

fulfilling life in Israel. She ex-

plained that the war in Israel

is not over; the Israelis are still

fighting "a battle of understand-

ing." Although Israel says that

all she wants is peace, her posi-

tion is not understood by the

world community. However, that community does understand the

value of barren land or the build-

"We are asking you to come

to live, not to die," Mrs. Meir

said. The main role of the Oleh

is not to fight on the battlefield

but rather to contribute to Is-

rael's quest for peace by devel-

Sensitive Youth

Mrs. Meir mentioned that she was often asked what type of

person the Israeli of the younger

generation is, if he has become

callous and insensitive because

of all the war he has experienced. She answered that although

the young Israeli has seen war

all his life, he still hates war.

After Israel emerged victorious

from the Six Day War, her sold-

iers who returned from the bat-

tlefield were sad because they

had lost many of their comrades

and they had been forced to take

other men's lives in defense of

After finishing her remarks

about Israel, Mrs. Meir added

that we should not only think

of the Jews in Israel but also of

the "millions of Jews who until

recently did not even know they.

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er universities throughout the in terms of additional costs for country, and even worse at Albert Einstein Medical Center."

Mr. Fitzgerald read to the assemblage a July 15th directive from Mr. Jacob Levine, vice-president of business affairs, to all deans, directors and unit administrators stating the cutbacks

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which would have to be imposed upon all divisions of the university. The directive included an acknowledgement of the fantastically expensive contract which the university had recently negotiated with Local 1199. This contract is to "have an impact

ence to the Jews of Soviet Rus-

sia and Eastern Europe. How-

ever, she said there is hope, since

one "cannot uproot Jewishness

from a Jewish soul" as witnessed

by the many in Russia who re-

non-union employees as well."

Market Rate

Mr. Fitzgerald later noted that all employees were now being paid at the competitive market rate of at least one hundred dollars a week, rather than at the substandard salaries they were previously receiving. Some employees had their salaries increased from sixty-five to one hundred dollars weekly.

It is University policy, however, that no man may be laid off from work. If a male employee is on disability, his job will be waiting for him when he is able to return.

Before Succot vacation only two maids were rehired to work a total of seventy hours a week in the dormitories. But Mr. Fitzgerald announced that after the vacation, five additional maids would be rehired according to the rules of union seniority. The seven maids would then work a weekly total of two hundred

Asking if there were any questions, Mr. Ramirez was greeted with loud and bitter yelling from many of the former employees. The fiery denunciations of the union included remarks such as: "I have a husband and children, I don't need benefits; I want my job." "With union - no job," and "We get you in and you get us out."

But Mr. Ramirez vehemently denied all charges that the union played any role or caused any factor which led to the thirtytwo maids not being rehired.

Another union meeting was held on October 6. After the meeting, the union organizers entered Mr. Blazer's office and threatened that unless the maids were rehired, there would be demonstrations, picketing and guerilla warfare on Wednesday, October 8. However, no disturbances were reported and Mr. Fitzgerald explained to The Commentator that the union has come to understand the



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Senators meet in round table fashion. Pace After Slow Start

College Senate Quickens

By DANNY FOX

Today, for the sixth time, the Yeshiva University Student Senate will convene The Commentstor observer noted that during the first few sessions held last. June and in the early part of the current school year, meetings were bogged down, sometimes by needless procedural quibbling. He also noted that at times certain individuals tended to become verbose, subsequently holding up Senate proceedings. The observer added that whenever procedural proposals were introduced, there was a tremendous amount of "nit-picking" among the administrators while students simply looked at each other uncomfortably and impatiently.

Senate Becoming Stronger

However, as of late, The Commentator observer noted, the Senate is becoming a cohesive body, a body that shows promise as a substantive decision-maker.

In last week's meeting, the Senate passed a resolution stating that in light of the October 15 Vietnam moratorium, there would be no attendance regulations, nor would teachers be required to hold regular classes. Two weeks ago, a proposal for unlimited cuts as official and permanent college policy was referred to a committee headed by Senator Lou Schapiro.

One proposal for Senate discussion was introduced by a YCSC correspondence informing the body that the Council was disturbed about the administration's attitudes and feared that

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the Six Day War. Mrs. Meir added that we should express our solidarity with the tens of thousands who dance on Simchat Torah and suggested that Simchat Torah should be made an international day for Jewish

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Chess Player Raps Accent On Sports; Criticizes Dearth Of Student Erudition

By ELLIOT ROYSTON

During the recent vacation, I took the opportunity to stroll on the spacious campus of the University of Maryland and to talk with students concerning problems which they found particularly pressing. After a few minutes on campus, I became engaged in a heated discussion with several students regarding the intellectual atmosphere on college campuses in the U.S.

Mark Schwarcz, a pleasant looking first year graduate student in mathematics, was especially eager to discuss intellectualism in college. As a former president of the Intercollegiate Chess League of America in his undergraduate years at the University of Pennsylvania, Schwarcz claims that too much emphasis in terms of money, time and publicity is placed on nonintellectual activities, such as football, basketball and baseball and not enough on the more intellectual pursuits such as lectures, art fairs and chess tournaments. The students interviewed believed that most school administrations emphasized intercollegiate athletics as a means of gaining revenue. The contention that administrations support athletics solely in order to foster school spirit was rejected by Schwarcz as being unrealistic: "In the final analysis, intercollegiate sports supported by school administrations serve primarily as a means of raising money."

Party Atmosphere

Another student continued, that at most large colleges the administration's overwhelming concern for intercollegiate sports, especially football and basketball, has, ironically, led to a deterioration of intellectualism. Although administrations maintain that athletics benefit the school through the fostering of school spirit and pride, the vast crowds present at sporting events and the overall keen interest in sports create a "party" atmosphere on campus. Thus, before the crucial football game on Saturday, the students arrange a pre-game "pep" party; after the game, either the "celebration" or "wait until next week" party

The administration's promotion of sporting activities leads to parties and social activities which result in an anti-intellectual and party atmosphere on campus. At least once a week, fraternities sponsor parties, and dormitories are constantly active in organizing mixers. Schwarcz cites that at U of P, as in most colleges, newspapers

write at length on major athletics, while other activities, such as the debating club or the chess club, receive very little publicity, if any. Moreover, although student council readily allots money to fraternities, the choir, debating club, chess club

More Chatter

(Continued from page 3, col. 3) Some of us still live in the past; others are still in their childhood. To some Yeshiva is just a social club, to others it's a burden and to others still, it's a cafeteria.

Anyone who thinks that all this has changed and that now with our latest strike threat we have joined the ranks of the Columbias is just fooling himself. The threat this year, just as the proposed strike in fall 1968, is a mere yelp between the persistent yawns at Yeshiva.

Consider the issues: Two years ago the student body, under the direction of the Student Council, threatened not to return to classes after intersession without an unlimited cuts system. This year the Student Council considered a boycott of classes after Succot vacation unless financial cuts were restored. Bravo. Aren't we great? No!

While every major university in the country returned to their campuses yelling for action against American participation in Vietnam, our first concern was yelping for maid service. In '68, while students at Columbial yelled for the rights of the adjoining Harlem community, we yelped for unlimited cuts.

Should that ad in the *Times* have said "Yelping at Yeshiva?" In short, can we continue yelping "bring back the maids" when we should be yelling "bring home the boys?"

and other such organizations receive disappointingly few funds despite persistent requests.

Lack of Interest

Not only are the intellectual activities on many college campuses limited, but also those events that do occur are often poorly attended. While on campus, I was fortunate enough to be present at a lecture given by Mirian Lipsak, a noted drama critic of The New York Times. Miss Lipsak discussed the works of Philip Roth, including the much publicized Portnoy's Complaint. Out of 30,000 students at the University of Maryland only 35 people attended the lecture. This occurrence epitomized the indifference to anything intellectual that pervades many colleges. Schwarcz feels that under much social pressure to attend sporting events and parties, many students, especially those with dates, feel bound to conform to what is acceptable on campus. Thus, students often sacrifice their intellectual pursuits for more immediately gratifying but less significant ones.

While the problem of indifference towards intellectualism on the college campus exists, the persisting question is what is to be done about it. Schwarcz suggests that administrations should begin to become actively concerned with the cultural and intellectual life at college. Athletics should be de-emphasized in favor of lectures, debates, concerts and seminars. Particularly at the U of P, Schwarcz calls for the administration to move fraternities off campus. Schwarcz and most of the other students interviewed are realistic enough to realize that no easy solution to this problem exists — its roots lie in the fabric of American society. Nevertheless, college administrations, with the aid of students, must make an honest attempt to rectify this disturbing situation.

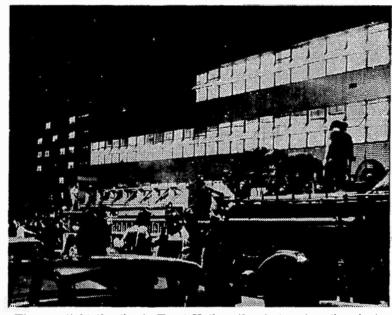
El Fatah Is Discounted In Setting of YU Fire

The possibility of arson has been raised in the investigation of two small fires which occurred at Yeshiva on October 10 and 11. Both caused little damage and there were no injuries.

The first of the fires broke out

also a good chance that both were accidental, and the fact that the two happened within a twenty-four hour period was merely coincidental.

Mr. Marmorstein completely ruled out the possibility that the



Firemen fight the fire in Furst Hall — the first of two fires in two consecutive nights on the Main Campus. Security Chief Marmorstein discounted the possibilities of El Fatah sabotage.

Thursday evening in the office of the Bernard Revel Graduate School. According to Mr. Marmorstein, director of security at Yeshiva, the door could not have been opened after it was locked except by those few people who have a key. Of course, there is the possibility that the door was not properly locked when the office was closed for the night.

Similarly, the fire in the Morgenstern dormitory the following night occurred in a locked study hall, but many had access to the key.

Mr. Marmorstein felt, however, that while arson is a possibility because of the nature and timing of the fires, there was fires were realizations of threats made against Jewish organizations by El Fatah. Calling the two fires "child's play," he indicated that Arab terrorists, if they so wished, could do a great deal more damage at Yeshiva.

Kurtzer Parts; MinderFills-In

The rather sudden departure of Danny Kurtzer for a year of study in Israel left The Commentator without the service of a sports editor. Thus, the path was opened for the third Sports Editor in two years — David Minder.

Mr. Minder, a senior in YC and a student at EMC, is familiar with the athletic program at YC having served as manager of the school's wrestling team. However, he cannot be described as a typical 'jock', being both the President of Pi Gamma Mu, the Social Science Honor Society and a member of the Senate Welfare Committee.

Obviously, the most joked about topic of conversation of our athletic program is that old flayed horse, the gym. Mr. Minder acknowledged the lack of athletic facilities, and blamed the University for poor planning. Realistically speaking, Dave does not see plans for a new gym in the forseeable future, but hopes the University will plan now to begin construction even without the actual funds. This will enable them to act upon eventual construction when the funds do become available.

However, there is more to an athletic program than a few hints at gym construction. "I find it disheartening," states Mr. Minder, "to discover the limited interest on the part of the administration in the total sports program and their seeming disregard for a program that warrants more consideration than has been given." Thus, Mr. Minder finds the athletic program facing a unique quandary in Yeshiva - a program with more than casual student interest and: little or no administration .response.

Ideological And Leadership Battles Highlight "Democratic" Convention Of YAF Monolith

(Continued from page 3, col. 2) ment and a "libertarian" faction, whose sole aspiration is the legalization of marijuana.

The minority, who appeared to be an assortment of purged SDS members, found it extremely difficult even to communicate with the reactionary leaders of the organization. It was not difficult to differentiate between the members of the two factions because of the dissimilarity of their appared

The political battles occurred over the seating of delegates, the political positions the organization was to take and the election of officers. It appeared to be a rerun of the Chicago Democratic Convention.

Although the Birchist elements did not call out the Minutemen to suppress the libertarians, they used almost every parliamentary tactic known to win their points. The minority was denied representation on both the executive and policy-

making boards.

The position planks, which were pushed through the convention by its governing elements, showed the ineptitude of the organization's leadership in effectively confronting the problems facing this nation. The article calling for an all-out military victory in Vietnam appeared to be more of a statement of belief in doctrinaire conservatism than a viable policy alternative.

This lack of alternatives was also apparent in other sections of the platform. While the economic resolution sounded like it was fighting inflation as if it were a crime, the law and order plank called for a fight against crime as if the common enemy was the human race.

Rather than providing a showdown, the elections were only an anticlimactic railroading of the selections previously made by the outgoing national board.

The conclusion of the three day spoof occurred when the incoming national chairman addressed the convention. He stated that there was room in the YAF for all patriotic young Americans, regardless of their political beliefs. On that note of optimism, the libertarians left St. Louis to continue their quest to have marijuana legalized.

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Dr. Miller addresses special, YCSC meeting.

Miller Faces Students: **YCSC** Not Impressed

(Continued from page 1, col. 2) ish stock market to the war in Vietnam. In addition, Rabbi Mil-Ber cited the lack of Yeshiva alumni in big business, which would allow them to contribute a larger share of the burden. But he followed with a bright note - Yeshiva ranks in the 97th percentile in graduates going on to doctorate work. However, the student body seemed more concerned with their present state of undergraduate affairs.

Rabbi Miller then returned to the more pressing issues at hand — namely, dormitory conditions. Calling the student's concern with a return of dormitory service "childish," Rabbi Miller said that a trade of linen service for full-time maid service was, in his words, "financially prohibitive." However, when asked about the additional revenue (at least \$8000) accrued from the twenty-five additional beds not existent last year, Rabbi Miller did not elaborate as to where this money was going.

Apologizes

Rabbi Miller apologized somewhat for the manner in which the problem had been brought to the attention of the student body, but cited the problems of contacting the members of the Student Council during August, which was when he had been apprised of the need for the resulting action. He chided Council for not having invited him to any Student Council meetings in an effort to air his views. He then offered an open invitation to any member of the student body to meet with him or any other member of the administration to discuss any problems which they might have. However, he pleaded repeatedly to allow the undergraduate council and the Senate to deal with

However, the members of the Student Council did not seem impressed with Rabbi Miller's words. The overriding opinion was that he had merely rehashed all of the arguments that had been brought up by the administration during their earlier negotiations, particularly those held during the Succot recess. Again

such matters,

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and again, both the members of Council and students from the audience did not deny that communication did indeed exist, but questioned the sincerity of this communication. As one member of the audience put it, "Talking to the wall is also a form of communication.'

Members of the Council were especially incensed at equating the referendum with a strike call. Instead, they viewed the referendum merely as a barometer with which they could measure student feelings on the issues. The outcome of the referendum would have little bearing upon the course of future negotiations.

Bickering Gone

Gone from this meeting was the petty bickering which had abounded on the Council during its previous meeting. It seemed to many members of the audience during the earlier meeting that the Student Council was taking more time in considering how many copies of a letter to the administration should be sent, rather than matters of substance. It took a highly vocal audience to shake the Council from its lethargy and a return to the issue at hand the financial condition of Yeshiva College. Once done, the wheels were set in motion for a referendum as promised in the highly

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emotional Student Council meeting held before the Sukkot recess began - over the objections of some members of Council who were afraid at the prospect of a "no" vote in such a referendum, and the damage which might result as to the student's bargaining position in future negotia-

As Rabbi Miller said, the question is: "To be or not to be." The very existence of the University as a religious and secular institution was at stake during these trying times. We may be members of one family, as Rabbi Miller said, but the Student Council and the student body seemed to feel that as members of that family, it was time to see who in the family needed a third suit - and who needed food.

College Student Council, Richard Sternberg, has informed The Commentator that a curriculum evaluation taken last May will not be published this year. The questionnaire and the results of last semester's polls were not made available to Mr. Sternberg or any member of his administration.

The evaluation, which was to report the students' opinion of courses and teachers, was conducted at the very beginning of the Sternberg administration last semester, by a committee appointed by the former president of YCSC, Kenneth Hain. Mark Goldstein, chairman of the Curriculum Evaluation Committee, refused to hand over the results to the present administra-

According to President Sternberg, Mr. Goldstein wished to compile the report in paragraph form, rather than the statistical method which would list the percentages of varied opinions. He also requested a guarantee that the evaluation report be published, a condition to which Mr. Sternberg refused to submit.

Controversy Surrounds 'Vort' Hits Supplement; Curriculum Evaluation Calls Articles 'Militant'

The Agudah magazine, Das Yiddishe Vort, has called The Commentator both revolutionary and black militant. In an article entitled "Yeshiva University and LeRoi Jones" by Achi Shimshon Refael, the official undergraduate newspaper of Yeshiva College was blasted for several pieces which appeared in the May 26, 1969 supplement issue. Specifically irritating to the Agudah writer were articles on Eldridge Cleaver and Chavura, a prominently placed quotation by Leroi Jones and an exposition on religious and social revolution by Alan Zaitchik and Chaim Schnur.

Mr. Refael, liberally quoting out of context, introduced his attack with an analysis of campus turmoil in general and then proceeded to explain the incongruence between being a Yeshiva student and a revolutionary simultaneously. Furthermore, he found fault with the seeming "glorification" of virulently anti-Semitic authors such as Jones and Cleaver. Finally, he interpreted a description of

a Chavurah service as an avowal of its practice and an abnegation of Orthodoxy.

Morton Landowne, editor-inchief at the time of the supplement's publication, commented that little that he could say would change Mr. Refael's opinion since the Agudah author seemed to be using The Commentator as an excuse for a wide polemic against Yeshiva University in general.

YU Cuts Back

(Continued from page 1, col. 5) was a freeze on library purchas-

Dr. Miller concluded the meeting by proposing that machinery be set up to facilitate administration-student communication during the "summer hiatus." He also suggested that the presidents of the undergraduate student councils hold monthly meetings with him to exchange information and plan the agenda for future meetings between the students and the administration.

Admissions Cause Dormitory Crisis

the dormitories has reached a level unprecedented in recent years. With regard to the crisis, Rabbi Miller, assistant to the President for student af-"We stated, hoped for good dormitory accommodations but everything ganged up on us. There are always emergency situations which arise which cannot be anticipated,"

Morgenstern Dormitory lounges have been converted in to fourman sleeping quarters. The Rubin Hall infirmary is serving as a dormitory room and almost all freshmen are tripled in either Rubin or Riets Hall.

Rabbi Miller explained that 330 new students were accepted on the basis of their academic average in high school and on their commitment to Torah. The YU Administration had hoped to accommodate everyone comfortably but students who took leaves of absence returned unexpectedly and in-towners who originally were commuters decided to dorm. One cannot prevent a qualified student from studying at Yeshiva, for it is preventing him from learning Torah, according to Rabbi Miller. There is no other institution of this sort to which a student can turn.

Riets Hall to Be Converted

Rabbi Miller did add that the admissions criteria could be raised or in the admission application a clause would be added making Yeshiva University residence accommodations contingent upon available space. Also, the University is in the process of converting all of Riets Hall into a dormitory. The Cantorial Training Institute, guidance of-

This year the overcrowding of fices and classrooms in Riets will be relocated.

In response to the question of building another dormitory, Rabbi Miller said that there are now other priorities such as a student union building. He also added that an additional dormitory would result in more students on campus and in cafeteria problems with which Yeshiva University is not presently prepared to cope.



A Change

The Commentator Is now being printed by Astoria Press. We trust that the new type size is satisfactory, and would appreciate any comments from interested readers.



Rudd Raps Racist Rightists; RecommendsRabidRevolution

(Continued from page 3, col. 4) much to his dismay, the Dean of Students. An SDS officer apologized for the inconvenience but explained that there had been threats against Rudd's life previously and that they didn't want "another Columbia." The doors were then closed to members of the Progressive Labor Party (PLP), the Marxist-Leninist Organization which had split from the Revolutionary Youth Movement (RYM) led by Mark Rudd.

Rudd explained that when the South Campus was seized last term and SDS had tried to help the Blacks and Puerto Ricans "against racism." PLP had distributed leaflets denouncing the Blacks. PLP, according to Rudd, is against open admissions. Rudd furthermore branded PLP antisemitic, saying PLP advocated that "Jews be murdered as a final answer to the Jewish question." Continuing his harangue, Rudd stated that "when we meet PLP we want to beat them up

... we don't want them in this room."

Reds Control Four Fifths

Rudd then went on to describe his meeting in Havana with the leaders of the Communists' Provisional Revolutionary Government of South Vietnam. The Communists claimed that 4/5 of South Vietnam was under their control and that the only alternative for the US at this point was withdrawal.

The peace movement, said Rudd, has not been effective. What is needed, according to him, is a Revolutionary Youth Movement to cause people "to fight, to do damage."

Some of the more pacific scenes at CCNY were not without interest. This reporter attended a "concert" by the group "David Peel and the Lower East Side" singing their hit song "Have a Marijuana." Upstairs in Finley Student Center a student was tutoring some Black adults in basic arithmetic.

The campus is split on the issue of the Black community and it is difficult to predict what will happen during the coming academic year.

The mayoral election may prove to be an additional factor in determining whether or not peace will be the word at City College this year.

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Barkeep Reveals Loyal Support; Modestly Yeshiva Students Tip

(Continued from page 3, col. 2) in the service, he completed his high school education, and served as an assistant manager at the NCO Club where he learned bartending. Married to an attractive local girl, Carol, he is expecting to become a father in December.

During his fifty hour work week Butch hears the usual

Forman Plans Volleyball **And Track Intramurals**

(Continued from page 8, col. 2) juniors, led by Larry Schiffman, are the early favorites to repeat as champs. However, if the seniors and sophomores can organize themselves, the race may prove to be quite interesting. It may take the freshmen too long to mesh as a unit to seriously challenge any of the older classes. Games are played on Monday nights in the George Washington High School gym. Mr. Forman made a point to state that everyone is invited to participate in the intramural program.

yarns told to bartenders. The favorite topics are family feuds (my wife just doesn't understand me . . .), and bad bets (I got a hot tip, but). The local crowd that frequents the bar are not extremely heavy drinkers, and rarely talk too much.

Fifteen Regulars

As for the Yeshiva student's patronage of TD's Place, Butch estimated that there are about fifteen regulars (at least three times per week) from Yeshiva, with new faces appearing occasionally. While at the counter, YU students usually discuss television and sports. Most of the Yeshiva crowd drink beer and "7&7" (Segram's 7 combined with 7 Up). Few order "Strike It Rich," a \$2.50 drink invented by Butch. "Strike It Rich" is a concoction of rye, bourbon, vodka, Southern Comfort, Grenadine, lemon juice and sugar. Most YU students do not remain long enough to require them to tip. Those who do remain tip mod-

During last spring's water fight, Butch was stopped in his car by roving YU students. He

shrugged it off as harmless fun when compared to the violence prevalent on other college campuses. Butch has high regard for the few Yeshiva students he knows. In reference to them, Butch said, "They're the nicest bunch of kids."

When asked if he wishes to add anything, Butch replied, "Just say, we're here - that's

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Correction: THE COMMEN-TATOR would like to clarify an article which appeared in the last issue of Spring/'69. It was implied that Dr. Carmilly was not allowing EMC students to express their opinions at a meeting over which he presided. THE COMMEN-TATOR did not intend to imply this and apologizes if it was interpreted as such. Dr. Carmilly was quite cooperative in negotiations.



Coach Steinberg shows "true grit."

Coach Steinberg Feels Maccabiah Aids Israel

(Continued from page 8, col, 5) towards Israel and this feeling en place. Are we going to be guilty of bigotry ourselves? -Many of these boys were affiliated with YMHA's and their fathers were Jewish — it was a terrible shame that something like this had to mar the games."

Other than this factor, he felt the Maccabiah games were only to the benefit of Israel, for as he specified, it increased tourism and gave the athletes, as well as many young people, an affinity for the State of Israel. Steinberg used himself as a prime example of what the games can do, "Although I am not a Zionist, I have a warm feeling

has increased with each trip. Judaism's future lies in the State of Israel."

The coach remarked on his: disappointment with the coverage of the games in the US, "Wewanted publicity, but we didn't get it." Only Israeli television covered the events.

Recalling his experiences in a final statement, Mr. Steinberg commented, "I was proud my team did well, and I was proud! of Israel, not so much for herathletic improvements, but for the spirit of friendly competition which they showed to all participants."

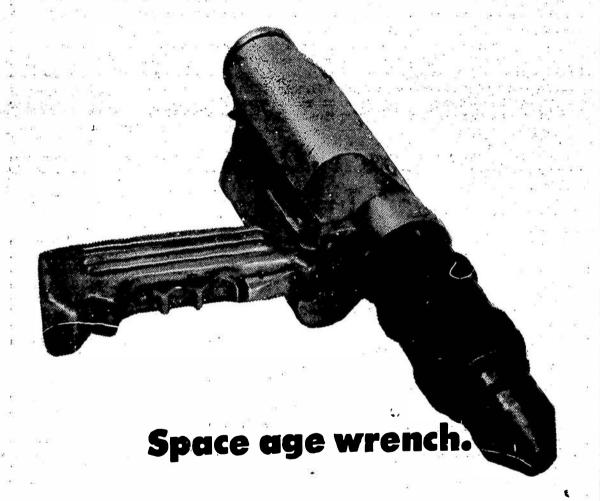
Yeshiva Waits For Evaluation

the Middle States Commission will meet in November, at which time the commission will consider the report of its evaluating committee. By December, the report on YU's status compared to that of other schools in the region should have reached President Belkin's office. It will be the President's decision whether to withhold the report for his own reference or to release it to the respective university deans.

From informal discussion with the Middle States Board, various university sources have indicated that Yeshiva will get a favorable recommendation from the evaluating committee's report. The committee seemed to

While the long awaited Mid- have been favorably impressed dle States evaluation of Yeshiva . with university facilities. In par-University is still unavailable, ticular, it is expected that the library will receive an excellent . evaluation. This is in contrast to a Middle States reprimand several years ago that the library was grossly underbudgeted.

For the first time, YU partici+ pated in a Middle State's experi+ mental method of evaluation. A. team of regional representatives from all fields of education was: appointed to the evaluating committee. This team, including members from other institutions: in the Middle States region, met with their counterparts at Yeshiva to review the progress of: each university department on: an individual basis. This method! made possible a highly specialized evaluation which should be useful to both Yeshiva Univer+ sity and Middle States.



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Hurwitz Claims Outside Obligations Responsible For Epstein Departure

By HAROLD STEINBERG

Coach Eli Epstein has left Yeshiva University this term and with his leaving the fate of the tennis team is left in abeyance. In an attempt to discover why Mr. Epstein left and what the situation of the tennis team will be, The Commentator interviewed Dr. Hurwitz, chairman of the Physical Education Department.

An article written by Kenneth Koslowe that appeared last spring in The Commentator criticized the manner in which former Coach Eli Epstein was handling the tennis team. Koslowe charged that Mr. Epstein was not giving all the attention needed for a successful tennis program and that the players and student body as a whole were suffering.

Changes

Between then and now, some changes have taken place in the YU tennis program. Firstly, Epstein will not be present at YU this term and possibly next term as well. When asked if this could be termed a leave of absence, Dr. Hurwitz replied, "Let's call it that." Why isn't he back now? It seems, according to Dr. Hurwitz, that Mr. Epstein was under strain last year because of outside activities which led to his giving less attention to the tennis team. Dr. Hurwitz admitted that Mr. Epstein's talents were indeed compromised as far as his duties as coach were concerned. However, Dr. Hurwitz stressed the existence of other circumstances which helped to bring about the decline of competitive tennis at YU. The primary concern cited by Dr. Hurwitz was the absence of a suitable place to practice. In the past, the tennis team practiced in the Armory on 135th Street. Because of a deterioration of · conditions in the neighborhood and a change in the management of the Armory itself, practice is

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tennis team's official status. It is now going to be considered a "club". This is being done to enable Yeshiva University to compete on a level more suitable to its abilities. The YU tennis club will not have to compete against teams with resources far more extensive than its own.

It's Unofficial

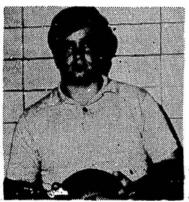
Thirdly, Dr. Hurwitz disclosed that Professor Abraham Tauber of the Speech Department, whom he termed "a very knowledgeable and skilled tennis player," has offered his services to the club in the capacity of "unofficial" coach. Professor Tauber is negotiating for tennis courts in Yonkers that could be used for practice on a regular basis. Dr. Hurwitz gave assurances that if the players show interest and exhibit talent, then matches will be arranged through Bernard (Red) Saracheck, the Athletic Direc-

But what about Mr. Epstein? Dr. Hurwitz said that he may or may not be at Yeshiva next term. As for next year, Doctor Hurwitz indicated that if Mr. Epstein would not be here someone else would be sought for the job. He reaffirmed the need of having competitive tennis at Yeshiva and assured those concerned that in the future enough attention would be given the club, whoever coaches it.

Sam Stern Sees Tough Season As New Coach

By AVI WEBERMAN

For the first time in many years, Bernard (Red) Saracheck will not be at the sidelines coaching the basketball team. "Red" is still the official coach,



Sam Stern

but because of outside interests. he will be unable to devote all the time required to instruct. Sam Stern, the assistant coach. and former star player for Yeshiva, will run the team. Sara-

now impossible there. check, however, will occasion-A second change that has takally attend practices and games and will still have some voice in Wettstein Voices Hope

For League Expansion By LARRY BERNSTEIN

The balanced basketball team was instituted last year under the tutelage of Professor H. Wettstein. In balanced basketball, each team is allowed a total of twenty-five points of height on the court at a given time. For example: a six foot four ballplayer may be given a value of seven points and in order to compensate for his presence in the game a shorter player worth only three points must be put on the court.

The team, which competes against other schools, is composed of intramural all-stars. Last year, Yeshiva finished second out of a league of five teams. This year Mr. Wettstein hopes to expand the schedule with possibly ten or more games being played against such schools as NYU, Columbia, Seton Hall and Fordham as well as other local colleges. It is expected that between sixteen to eighteen players will make the squad, as not every player could be present at each game.

Much credit is due to Mr. Wettstein, who has given of his own time and energy to provide those ballplayers with a chance

to demonstrate their skills in intercollegiate competition.

Student Run Program

Balanced basketball is an offshoot of the intramural program, a program unique in that it is run almost entirely by the students. Five teams compete against each other: the four undergraduate levels, and semicha. In past years, the emphasis in intramurals has been almost entirely on basketball. This year the program is run by junior Stuart Forman. Mr. Forman has stated that he intends to institute track intramurals as well as a full schedule of volleyball tournaments to augment the present program. It is doubtful that football intramurals will be played this year, as they have met with failure in past semes-

Since most students at Yeshiva are basketball enthusiasts, heavy emphasis will again be placed on that sport. The schedule will be similar to last year's with different classes competing against each other. The top three teams will then meet in a roundrobin competition to determine the school championship. The (Continued on page 7, col. 1).

running the team because, as Sam said, "He is still the coach."

Stern, whose illustrious career on the court marked one of the few highlights for Yeshiva during the lean seasons, will not make any changes in his debut as a coach. The same type of offense will be used, however, a very aggressive defense will be stressed.

Sam faces the usual problems of recruiting good ball players, lack of facilities and practice time. Coupled with the absence of all-league Stuie Poloner and the constant improvement of other teams, this season should be quite tough for the Mighty Mites. On The Sidelines-



Priorities

By David Minder

The first few weeks of this fall term have brought to light the fact that Yeshiva College students have joined the ranks of other college students across the country in voicing their opinion to all facets of University policy. The concerned Yeshiva College student sought last year to have a say in academic policy formation and that desire was fulfilled by the formation of a Yeshiva College Senate. This body is one of a select few to be found on other campuses across the country. Will we likewise join the throngs of students who have sought to tear down the whole university simply because the institution needs interior change? I hope and believe that this will not be

The students' demand to be heard at the heart of decision making is a desire, not just to have maid service resumed, better dormitory facilities or for that matter a gym; it is a feeling that a new emphasis should be placed on the college in the whole university complex.

It is true that the University at this time is in dire financial straits and can not attempt to launch new building campaigns, but were they in such a situation fifteen years ago wouldn't foresight have told them to plan for structures that would be necessary for

I am not blaming the University for what they can't presently do but merely for their lack of a reevaluation of priorities within the University. Yeshiva University was founded upon Yeshiva College and not vice versa. It is not too late for the "powers that be" to realize this fact and plan accordingly for the future.

Where does all this directly affect sports? I believe the athletic program at Yeshiva College has suffered the most from such a lack of planning. If the University cannot make new facilities right now then at least they should try and use the present ones to the best possible advantage. MEMO: Why didn't the athletic department get an okay to use the old Pollack Library for its program?

My advice to the Student Council for the present is to negotiate for the best possible solutions to existing problems but at the same time to demand tangible proof that planning for the future is going on. Yeshiva College students will have shown their interest in University policy but at the same time will not have resorted to action that would not have been beneficial to anyone on becoming to a Yeshiva student body.

Wrestling Coach Describes Success Squad In Maccabiah

By HOWARD LEIBTAG

Yeshiva University had a representative at the 1969 Maccabiah games in Israel, and he guided his team to the top in the wrestling competition.

Coach Jerry Steinberg, of the YC wrestling team, took eight wrestlers, many of them conference champions from around the country, and brought back an abundance of medals, including five gold in freestyle competition and three gold medals in Greco-Roman wrestling.

"We had a fine team, in fact one of the best teams the United States has ever seen in Maccabiah competition," the coach stated. "It was our first full team (one man in each of the eight international weight classes) at a cost of \$1500 a man, but it was well worth it."

Steinberg, a member of the 1950 and 1953 US Maccabiah teams, was chosen over a number of applicants for the coaching job and approved by Mr. Henry Wittenberg, a former coach at YU and presently the wrestling coach at the City College of New York.

Tryouts were held at CW Post College in the spring and eight men were chosen from around the country. "We only brought a freestyle team, because Greco-Roman style is not used that often in US competition, but when we were there, I decided to try the boys in the sport and we did real well. Besides our victories in freestyle (five firsts, two seconds), we took three firsts, two seconds and two

thirds in this different style," said Steinberg.

Style Explained

Coach Steinberg, pleased with his wrestlers masterful performance in Greco-Roman wrestling, explained the differences between the two styles, "Whereas regular wrestling involves both the arms and legs, Greco-Roman only involves the use of the hands and arms."

"Our toughest competition," he continued, "came in two classes, the light heavyweight division where our wrestler faced the runnerup to the Argentinian World Champion, and also in the 136 pound division, where Dave Pruzansky beat the wrestler from Russia, who was fifth in the world championships."

Asked about the competition in comparison with that of the Olympics, Steinberg replied, "I wouldn't say as good, but they were awfully close. You must remember the Maccabiah games are open to only Jewish participants and that limits the number of competitors. A lot of the boys were in the Olympic tryouts but lost out in the finals."

Citing that the participants were from major colleges around the country, he did say that Lew Cohen, a student at Yeshiva and a member of the YU matmen was an alternate, although he didn't see any action. Lew was defeated by Chris Fedder, runnerup in NCAA competition, in the tryouts.

You Don't Have to Be Jewish

The discussion moved to a different aspect of the games, and when questioned about the scandal which arose from the rumo that members of the Brazilian basketball team were not truly Jewish, Mr. Steinberg emphatically stated that "such a commotion should not have tak-(Continued on page 7, col. 4)

Shorts Sport

Danny Kurtzer, sports editor of The Commentator, has left for Israel for a year of study . . . Coach Saracheck has yet to name a captain for this year's basketball team. The three seniors on the team are Alan (Pete) Blumenthal, Effy Zuroff and Harry Winderman. Who will it

Bob Weiss and Harry Bajnon are this year's co-captains of the wrestling team.

Harry Bajnon dislocated his shoulder over the summer and will be unable to wrestle this

term. He did it driving a golf cart!

Leo Brandstatter and Herbie Krantman have been selected as this year's fencing team captains.

Bob Westle, after undergoing a knee operation this summer, will be inactive for this semester's wrestling schedule.

Coach Eli Epstein has left Yeshiva after serving many years as tennis coach. His leaving means the team is without coach or official status as a team. a one why. ... w