

Hartstein Names Billy Graham As New Yeshiva President; Dr. Miller Cites Appointment As Change For The Better

By Motzel ShemRaw

In an effort to revitalize the religious atmosphere of the school, Evangelist Billy Graham has been named the new President of Yeshiva University.

The move followed the sudden decision of Dr. Samuel Belkin to retire because of illness. As Dr. Belkin so eloquently put it in his farewell address, "I'm sick of this school."

The appointment was originally publicized in last Monday's *New York Times*, though it is expected that confirmation of the appointment will be made to the faculty and student body within three months.

Rumors of Dr. Belkin's resignation had been sufficiently squelched two weeks ago when Yeshiva propagandist Sam Hartstein had produced a picture of Dr. Belkin swimming the Harlem River. So the latest announcement came as quite a surprise to most observers, except to Mr. Hartstein who had made the decision to replace Dr. Belkin three weeks ago.

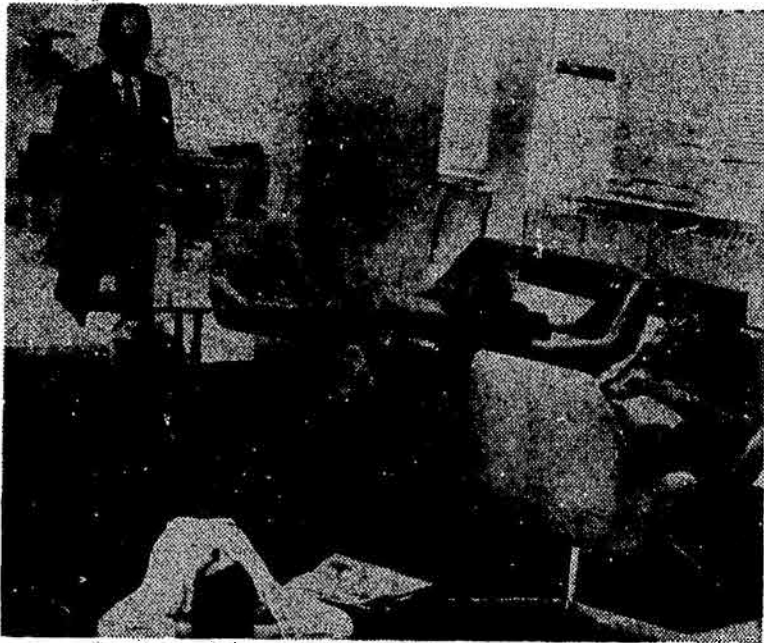
Graham's sudden appointment did not surprise Ezra Hick, president of GOY who claimed,

"I knew something like this was coming for several months. First, girls in the dormitories, now this. The next thing you know, David Berger will be a *rosh yeshiva*."

Rabbi Jordan Miller, university trouble shooter, tried to allay student fears that the appointment would signify a new religious direction, "As far as I'm concerned Dr. Graham's appointment is only a ploy for Albany. If anything, the appointment of a noted clergyman should only add to the religious atmosphere of the school."

In a press conference following the speech Rabbi Miller was asked why a choice could not have been made within the Jewish community. Miller responded that Graham met certain qualifications that other individuals at Yeshiva did not, specifically a strong theological background. But most importantly, he was the only candidate who did not repudiate the doctrine of *Torah Umada*. (Dr. Graham does not know Hebrew.)

The general conjecture on campus was that a primary motivation for Graham's appoint-



Rabbi Miller explains appointment to new chairs. Needless to say, chairs were left unimpressed.

ment was his close friendship with President Nixon, thus offsetting the bad impression created by Dr. Dunner's acquaintance with the President.

The selection followed a closely contested battle. The Public Relations Office had at first pushed the candidacy of Norman

Vincent Peale (*The Power of Positive Thinking*), but it was felt that Graham followed a more fundamentalist position, more befitting an Orthodox institution.

James Pike's name was dismissed because it was felt that he hadn't been dead long enough to qualify for the Yeshiva Presidency.

Bishop Fulton Sheen had also been scrutinized, but following his sharp attack on the War in Vietnam he was quickly elimi-

nated, for as a member of the Board of Directors said, "Is past nitch for an administrator in an Orthodox institution to be associated with liberal and humanitarian causes." Furthermore, it was felt that one more Sheenie in the administration would not look good in Albany.

Faculty reaction was mixed. Rav Pureness said, "This is the frighteningly logical progression of the attitudes expressed in THE COMMENTATOR these last years."

Dr. Irving Greenberg was more guarded in his response, "I've always welcomed pluralism but Graham will probably just continue a tradition of fundamentalist insensitivity."

So far, attempts to ascertain Rav Soloveitchik's opinion have failed, though students perusing the walls have discovered eighteen different views attributed to him. Oddly enough, each view reflected precisely the thought of the student who claimed to have received a definite decision from the Rav. But this too, we are told is an ancient tradition, based on the idea that the oral law should remain oral and not written.

Perhaps the best indication of the new status quo was reflected in a PR release, "YU is now the newest institution of Jewish studies under non-Jewish auspices."

Tauber Defends High Fist Garbage; Jury Convicts As Belkin Is Ousted

By Alexahente

The four month-old trial of Rabbi Joshua High Fist for operating a slum tenement in Washington Heights reached a climax today as Mrs. High Fist

at first denied knowing the defendant. Pressed by the defense counsel, Mr. Blazer was forced to admit that Rabbi High Fist indeed was not responsible for the dorm conditions — in fact,

stand in his own defense. Slowly, almost inaudibly, Rabbi High Fist recounted the early days of his life, telling how, as the tallest boy on his block, he was considered the outsider by his peers. He recounted the sorrowful tale of his friends' taunts, as illustrated by the time they stuck a piece of bubble gum on his head in an effort to retrieve a penny-pinky from a sewer.

Stung by this abuse, Rabbi High Fist began to search for a means of offering his unique talents to the community at large, and to Jewish youth in particular. Studying the field, Rabbi High Fist decided that housing was his true calling.

He denied any wrongdoing, and stressed his altruistic motives in offering the students "the best accommodations possible." "After all," Rabbi High Fist explained, "I live in the same building. Do I look like a person who would live in a slum?" The question was stricken from the record, on the motion of the defense counsel.

Defense Attorney Abraham Tauber, in a brilliant eighty-six hour summation, reminded the court of Rabbi High Fist's true concern for his charges. First, Mr. Tauber cleverly cited the case of *Alcott-v. Anderson*, which ruled in 1909 that lack of steam, lack of proper garbage removal and paper-thin walls could not legally constitute a slum tenement. A condemned building, yes. A slum tenement, no.

Then, Mr. Tauber began answering the charges. True, he revealed, steam was only offered



"Oh come on, what's your name?"

was ordered bound and gagged by presiding judge Julius Hoffmann for interrupting the proceedings for the forty-seventh time. Mrs. High Fist had been heaping abuse on the judge since the first day of the trial, calling him, among other things, a fascist pig and a "mechallel shabbos."

This development was one of the many setbacks which have dogged Rabbi High Fist in this trial.

Called as a character witness by the defense, Mr. Jacob Blazer

not legally responsible for anything.

Dr. Samuel Belkin, also called as a defense witness, was held in contempt of court by an irate Judge Hoffmann, who repeatedly warned the witness to address the court in English. Led out of the courtroom by two burly guards, Dr. Belkin shouted what sounded like: "I was speaking English." However, no one in the court could be sure.

However, the most emotional point of the trial was reached when the defendant took the

Restaurant Price War Erupts Into Violence; Hostilities Precipitated By Faulty Hot Dog

By Neil Beast

The price war between Helix and Nockity Nosh broke out into violence today as Yale Butter slipped on a 25c hot dog. Butter claimed that the reason he slipped was that the hot dog was not 100% beef. The hot dog complained that the reason it was crushed was that Yale Butter is 100% beef.

But the Nockity Nosh people did not take this latest affront to their leader lying down. Invoking the name of Daddy Warbucks, five kamikaze B'nei Aki-vanicks rushed into Helix's store spilling malteds over his grill. Helix, however, claimed that the Rav had inspected the grill afterwards and said that it was still kosher.

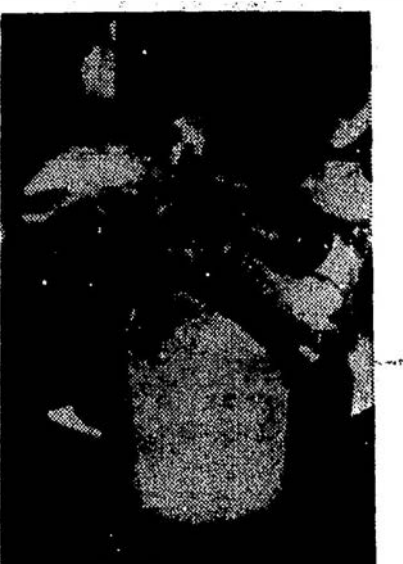
Meanwhile, in another development, Chipsie the pizza parlor owner, was handing out extra portions of grease with his pizza. Furthermore, all the relatives on his payroll took a cut in pay; and his mother-in-law was fired in order to cut down overhead expenses.

The Spoon, meanwhile, has decided they will be able to expand their business into a meat delicatessen. The expansion includes bigger portions, bigger prices, bigger roaches, and bigger rats.

Barker, the Yeshiva *gonif*, responded with a greater assortment of specials including a bean soufflé on Monday night. But

Barker admitted that due to the cutback in his funds he will be forced to steal silverware from a less expensive hotel.

Negotiations had begun but broke down when Helix referred



Dog battered by Butter

to Butter as a "lowlife." Mr. Butter responded "You should only live so long." Gene agreed with Helix's analysis but added that Helix was also a lowlife.

As of this moment, the price war continues, with Helix promising to run Butter into the ground. However, it appears that the conflict will be resolved when Nockity Nosh graduates in June.

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Ankles Away

THE COMMENTATOR strongly supports the rigid dress code recently established at Stern College. However, we do think that the Stern girls just didn't go far enough.

We find it highly hypocritical to cover a Stern girl's knee when her ankle is just as displeasing to the eye. Therefore, THE COMMENTATOR proposes that Stern girls be forced to go all the way with their dresses.

Realizing that we are living in modern times, THE COMMENTATOR is not so backward to propose the mandatory wearing of veils. But in some cases it might serve a constructive purpose.

Hi Ho Silver

The recent furor concerning the statement of a YC professor in which he denounced the whole of Judaism as a "big farce" again raises the spectre of academic repression in a totalitarian institution. We strongly condemn the right wing at Yeshiva for its nitpicking criticism of the teacher in question. Judaism has stood up to all questions for four thousand years, and even were modern science to prove its farcical nature, then we would find new reasons for our observances as our forefathers have done in the past.

The incident itself is not as clear as the right wing would have us believe. The teacher's characterization of Jewish philosophy as the "most fossilized nonsense I've ever heard" was not a substantive criticism, for we believe Judaism is not a philosophy, but a way of life.

Therefore, to condemn such a man as an *apikores* simply for denying the whole of Judaism is to engage in short-sighted dogmatism.

NOTICE:

TRADITION Magazine, which has yet to publish four times a year since it became a quarterly, will now be called a bi-monthly in the hope that it will come out four times a year.

Litter To The Editor

Pooped

To the Editor:

I would like to respond to Mr. Phil Orbuch's criticism of me as far as my attendance at Scholastic Standing Committee meetings. I simply overslept. Perhaps a better time can be arranged.

Professor Chaim Sleep

Editor's Note: Please notify us the next time you are awake. The meeting will be held at your convenience.

Smallville. USA

To the Editor:

I hear that Professor Zeides has recently complained that the Gottesman Library was stacked with shelves devoid of books. I don't know what he's complaining about. We're not so well stacked down here, either.

Stern College Librarian

Editor's Note: Be thankful for what you've got.

Mr Mxzipyk

To the Editor:

Recently, THE COMMENTATOR honored me by spelling my name Telunshkin. You thus anticipated a strategy I've long planned. For it bothered me that people could read my cognomen in two seconds and forget it with equal celerity. I have therefore decided to add on a letter to my name in each succeeding issue, so that by the end of the year the reading of my name would occupy a full two minutes.

Joseph Telunshkrin

Editor's Note: Thank you Mr. Telunshkrinsky.

Frustrated

To the Editor:

I went out last night with a very nice Yeshiva boy who is very smart and very popular. But when we were saying good night he tried to kiss me. What should

I have done?

Beth Kisay

Editor's Reply: You should have kissed me, you idiot.

Tricky Dicky

To the Editor:

Why wasn't my picture included in the last issue of THE COMMENTATOR in reference to my column?

Richard Yeshivaberg
President, YCSC

Editor's Reply: Because it wasn't the Purim edition.

So What

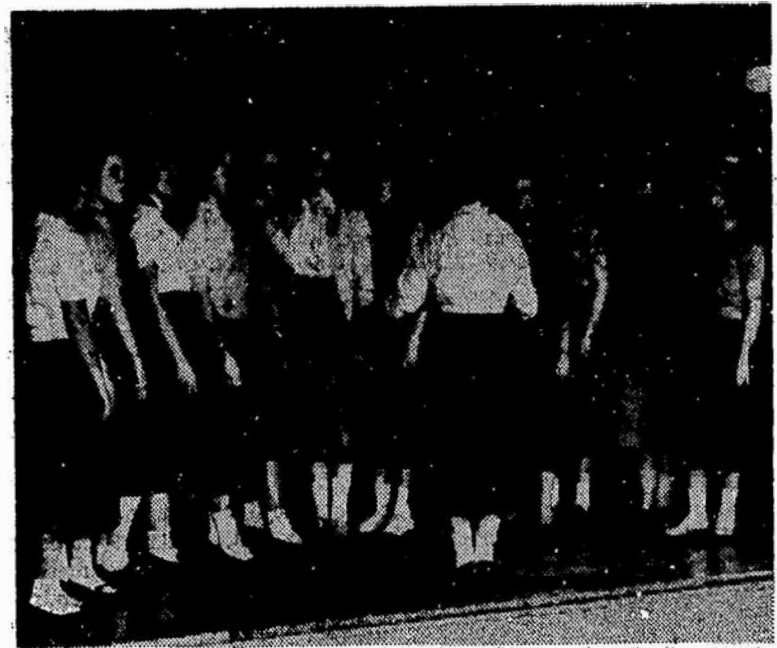
To the Editor:

No one is buying my book *The History of Yeshiva University*. I believe that it is because you have not publicized it properly.

Rabbi Gilbert Snapperman

Editor's Reply: Book? What book?

WHAT DO YOU SAY TO A NAKED STERN GIRL?



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Zealots Hold Meeting; Human Values Extolled

A rabbi representing the *Neturai Kartá* community, delivered a *Shiur Klallah* last Wednesday night on the important Mitzvah of *Sinat Chinam* (causeless hate). Invitations were hard to come by as they were only sent to thirty-six select individuals.

The rabbi noted that greater religious enthusiasm could be induced by reactivation of noble concepts such as *Sinat Chinam*. He elucidated further examples of new Mitzvot for our time, and declared, "Whoever stones a car riding on *Shabbat*, it's as if he observed all the laws of the Torah." In the realm of the *Agadic* he noted, "Whoever has not publicly defamed a leader of Mizrahi has never experienced pure joy." He also informed the audience that a twenty one year old custom has now been formalized, and that in the future anyone not fasting on *Yom Ha'atzmaut* would be liable to lashes.

The concluding remarks of the speaker brought the audience to its feet with a standing ovation, "*Sinat Chinam* caused the Temple to be destroyed. *Kal Vahomer* with God's help it can certainly bring down the Zionist state."

Sonei Yisrael

After the speech it was announced that the society would publish a new edition of the *Midrash*, which would eliminate among other objectionable *Midrashim*, those which portray Aaron (Brother of Moshe) as a "lover of peace." A petition was then circulated asking Nasser to restore the Jews as slaves unto Egypt, thus freeing them from the Godless Zionist imperialists.

Entertainment was provided by the *Sonei Yisrael* band, which played a lively rendition of that old favorite Messianic tune, "*Skilah Srefah Hereg V'chenek*."



"We're high on P.O.T."

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WE CAN PLACE YOU

Permanent Office Temporaries

YU's Senate Burns While Tauber Fiddles; Public Relations Hails Jewish Barbeque

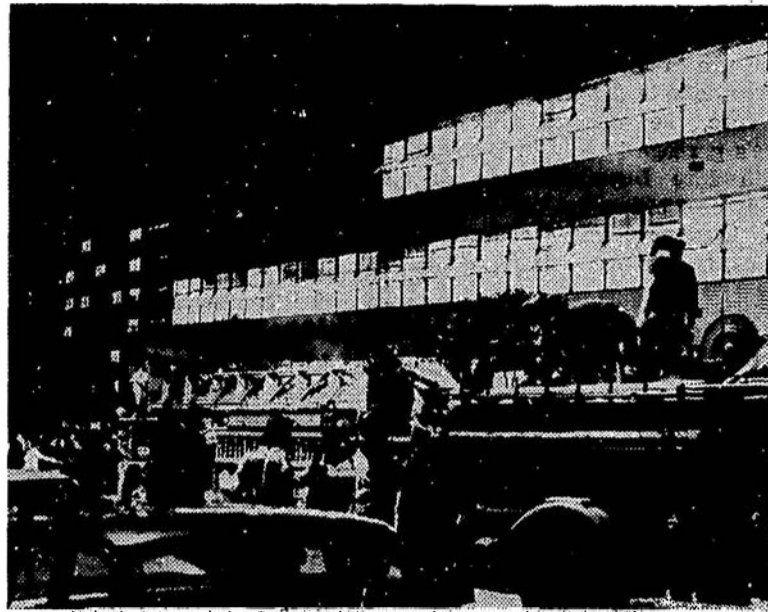
Yeshiva spokesman Jacob Blazes reported that the fire which erupted unexpectedly in the Senate yesterday is under investigation by the newly-formed Ad Hoc Committee for the Investigation of Unexpected Fires Which Erupt Unexpectedly.

Several theories as to the origin of the fire are being studied by the Committee. One is the possibility that the dead wood on committees was spontaneously ignited by a mass of hot air trapped in the Senate room. Authorities, however, are not discounting arson, since several gasoline-soaked copies of Weidhorn's *Tempo* article were found scattered around the room.

This is not conclusive proof of arson, we are informed, since many students throughout the College reportedly reacted by burning their copies of *Tempo* magazine which contained Dean Bacon's newest poem entitled "I'm Blue for You, Old Masaryk U." Supporters of the arson theory contended that only a minority of students burned their copies and that the majority cut them into little squares and used them for other purposes.

Wise Guy

The fire broke out about halfway through the Senate meeting just as Chairman Tauber was summing up his introductory remarks. Student Senator Bobby "Wise-Guy" (as the Chairman fondly calls him) Weiss was the first to notice the conflagration and urgently raised his hand in order to signal the Chairman but he was promptly assigned his number in line #103, as his turn to speak. One hour and 3000 degrees F later, the Chairman himself noticed the blaze which



Fire offers senators chance to escape from Chairman Tauber. This is what is popularly known as a fire escape.

was quickly reducing his quorum as Senators began to climb out the windows.

The Chairman quickly moved for the formulation of an Ad Hoc Committee for the Defense of the Senate in Case of Fire, which was adopted with only two dissenting votes. Senator Berger stated that on principle he would vote against any Ad Hoc Committee for Defense. "Such committees are useless in

fighting fires," he said, "since they are by nature inflammatory. Furthermore no fire can last more than eight days."

Professor Silverman also voted against the proposal, objecting to the change in the agenda. "The minutes of the last meeting have not yet been approved," he protested, "and I see two dangling modifiers, a split infinitive and a misplaced comma that require the immediate attention

of the Senate." The Professor's cogent argument was lost on other Senators, however, whose copies of the minutes had already reached the kindling point, and the measure was passed. Chairman Tauber observed into the WYUR microphone, "I'm glad the Senate is finally handling a (chuckle chuckle) burning issue." The humor of his comment was lost on some of the Senators, who had already reached their own kindling point.

Oh Hell

By this time the Fire Dept. had arrived and was breaking down the door. Above the din on the other side of the door could be heard the voice of Dr. Herskovics who was giving the firemen guidance.

The Public Relations representative frantically dialed the *N.Y. Times* and sent the following press release: Yeshiva College Senate Holds Gala Barbeque; Chairman Tauber Toasted.

The quorum was disintegrating when the Chairman reminded everyone that they had not as yet set the time and place of their next meeting. "Oh Hell!" muttered Dr. Etkin as the edges of his lab coat began to become charred. "Fine," said the Chairman, "At what time?"

It Happened Last Night

By Earl Winsomo

The backers of the new Jeff Sliver motion picture, *Guess Who's Coming to Dinner* are confident of recouping their financial investment within the next few weeks. Citing the film's X rating, the backers, Dr. Samuel Belkin, Dr. Jordan Miller and Rabbi Manfred Foulda are hopeful that the revenue of their film hit will help offset the losses they suffered in their earlier production of their stage play, *Synthesis*, a poorly accepted biblical epic.

The gala soiree, marking the film's premiere was held at that famous nightspot, "The Greeks," which is also the location of the film. There, at a side table sat the films' director and guiding spirit, Jeff Sliver, the darling of the cinema set, and his financial backers. As I passed their table, my old friend, Sam Belkin rose and slapped me on the back, "Earl, my old *chavrusa*, how's the missus?"

With that, I joined the merry group, already chortling over the early reviews. The *Forward* called it the greatest movie since *Cast a Giant Shadow*, and that ain't bad," exclaimed Rabbi Foulda with a clever wink. With that, I plunged into my interview.

My first question was directed at the man of the hour, Jeff Sliver, "Jeff, where did you get that great idea for filming your movie in the hidden camera technique?"

"Well, Earl, if you remember my last flick, *The Chanukah Story*, I used the hidden microphone for some great effects. As I see it, this was only the next step. Although the reviews of

that movie were somewhat mixed, the RIETS *rebbeim* were quite lavish in their praise, especially for the surprise inquisition scene. And, despite some negative comments from that *apikores* rag sheet, Commie, the movie grossed well."

I next directed my questions at Rabbi Jordan Miller, "Rabbi Miller, you must see hundreds of

impressive . . . I mean impressive. I've tried my hand in front of the footlights, and believe me, those critics can really be murder. It's not every day that a movie can be funny and still say something. God knows, I've tried to say something for years."

My last question was directed at the group, "Gentlemen, with your first legitimate hit, what



Celebrating at the "Greeks," the fellas reminisce about old times. Dr. Belkin, a frustrated actor, laments the fact that he couldn't make the transition to the talkies. For this reason, he became a University president.

such scripts a day. What made you back this particular venture?"

Rabbi Miller leaned forward. I had thought he had fallen asleep, but he slowly replied: "Earl, I was really impressed by this idea. And you know, I'm not easily

are your future plans?"

Dr. Belkin leaned back, fingered his lemon coke, and replied: "We're hoping to do a road picture. We're talking to Hope and Crosby for a new movie called *The Road to Albany*. It's a mystery."

High Fist Condemned As Slum Landlord; Attorney Tauber Blabbers For Garbage

(Continued from page 1, col. 3) at certain specified hours — 2-3 a.m. and 1:55-2:05 p.m. However, had the student but heeded the list of suggestions offered, such as stuffing old rags and newspaper under the door and around the windows, the heat offered would have easily sufficed.

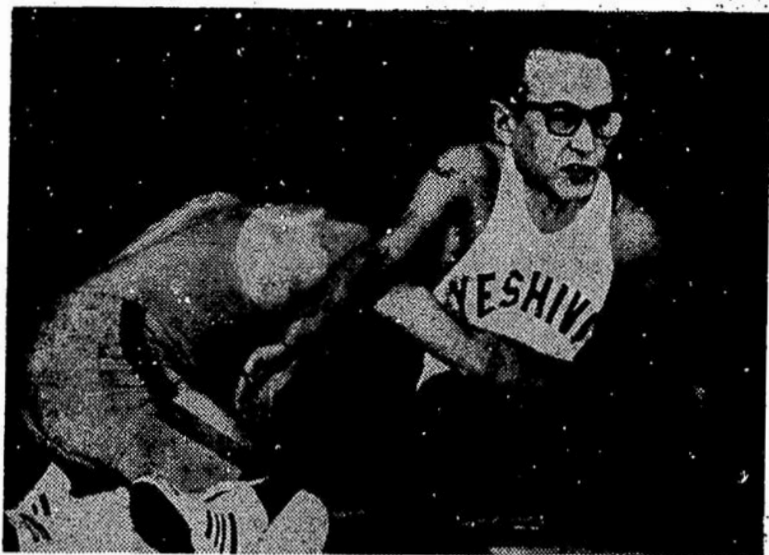
As for the speedy removal of

garbage from the rooms, Mr. Tauber offered an explanation. Garbage removal at Yeshiva poses definite danger of fire. In essence, he claimed, keeping one's garbage is only in keeping with Fire Department regulations prohibiting the use of canvas bags for garbage collection. Thus, no garbage, no bags. And,

most important, no bags, no fire. "If the students can't learn that keeping the garbage in their own rooms is for their own health and well-being, I give up." With those stirring words, the four-month old trial went to the jury.

Hopes for a quick verdict vanished as the jury deliberated the case for two days and nights. Meanwhile, the uptown campus did not remain idle. Richard Sternberg, president of the Yeshiva College Student Council, announced the establishment of a new commission to investigate all aspects of the case, and its repercussions for the Yeshiva College undergraduates. The commission, was composed of the presidents of all the undergraduate councils of Yeshiva, plus the five borough presidents, Mayor Lindsay, Mario Procaccino and Gil Hodges. "This commission will really get to the heart of the matter," was President Sternberg's reply to a battery of newsmen.

Finally, the jury announced that it had reached a verdict at 3:00 p.m. The announcement was held up momentarily, as Rabbi High Fist was forced to cut his lunch short. In a hushed courtroom, the verdict was read. "Guilty as charged." Defense Council Tauber rose to his feet. "This is insanity." No one in the court was sure whether Mr. Tauber was referring to the verdict — or to his grounds for appeal.



Crafty Bacon Branded Athlete Of The Year

By Maurice Vulgar Lernter

Dean Isaac Bacon, wrestling in the "extremely lightweight" division, has been named athlete of the year at Yeshiva University. Bacon, known for his shifty moves and crafty deceptions, was chosen a little ahead of basketball star Jake "The Snake" Rabinowitz who is known as a good dribbler but a poor shooter. Coming in a distant third was fencer Morris Silverman who was an inept player yet punctual for all matches.

Bacon is an anomaly in the wrestling world; he has neither strength nor native intelligence yet somehow always comes out on top. But most attribute his success to a general "no nonsense" policy. A perfect example can be cited from the Drew match. After his opponent suc-

cumbed to a fit of the St. Vitus Dance during the match Bacon proceeded to cripple him with kicks to the midsection and legs. When asked why he had not stopped after his opponent was incapacitated the Dean responded sympathetically, "Had I made an exception in his case, I would have had to do the same for others. That's just not good sense."

The Dean is noted for his strict adherence to the rules. In fact, he is often heard publicly maintaining that he is Orthodox, though his knowledge of the rule book is shoddy, to say the least.

In the off-season, Bacon is a poet who has contributed greatly to the Dennison people for WABC. He has dabbled in college administration but his efforts in this area are widely recognized as being "amateur."

Suckle Seeks Savings; Scoffs Security Snub

By Ohave Kesef

Sheldon Suckle, denying that Yeshiva is in poor financial straits, today went out into the streets in order to solicit some spontaneous contributions. When questioned, Suckle claimed that the money was not needed by Yeshiva but was for *hachnosas Calah* in Israel. The reporter retorted, "But yesterday you were collecting for a sick mother." He replied, "Yesterday, she was a sick mother, today she's a *calah*."



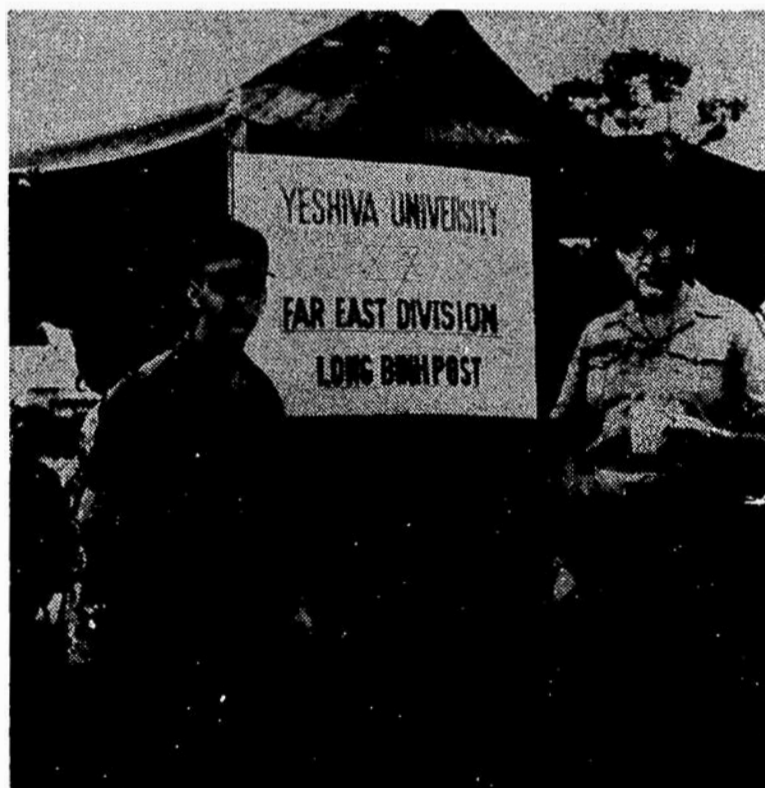
"My girldle is killing me!"

Suckle collected for about fifteen minutes before a security guard on work study shooed him away. Mr. Suckle replied, "You won't get work study next year." To which the student replied indignantly, "That's Mr. Kornspan's business, not yours."

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