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### Senate Hears Reports Brauer Talks To Students, And Faculty From Duker And Dean Concerning YC's **Eligibility For**



Senators vote for study week

The Senate meeting of November 12 was a continuation of the meeting of November 5.

At the November 5 meeting, the Senate interviewed Dr. Duker, Director of the Libraries at Yeshiva. Dr. Duker discussed the reasons for closing Pollack Library during the morning hours, indicating that a lack of sufficient funds necessitated this action. The Senate asked Dr. Duker if the library might open at 10 a.m. for study purposes only and begin circulation at 12. After much discussion Dr. Duker indicated that he would consider the matter.

Upon resumption of its session on November 12, Chairman Myron Kirschbaum notified the Senate that he had spoken to Dr. Duker and that he felt that Dr. Duker will "try his best" to comply with the Senate's recommendation.

Dean Bacon then reported to the Senate that the faculty assembly had confirmed the Senate decision to schedule the final week of the term as a study week.

The Dean continued to report in regard to the faculty assembly's decision concerning the un-, dergraduate placement test. • Every senior must take the exam in his major field of study, and must achieve a minimum score

of 400. In 1972, however, the minimum score requirement will be raised to 450. There was discussion as to whether a student who has taken the GRE and scored above the minimum requirement need take the UP at all, and Professor Silverman will report back to the Senate before they react to the resolution.

A list of three recommendations from the scholastic standing committee was then brought before the Senate. The first recommendation stated that a student whose cumulative index is (Continued on Page 4, Col. 2)

#### By TED MIRVIS

Yeshiva University's application for financial aid from New York State is presently under consideration by state authorities. The funds, known as the Bundy money, are available to private universities under a new program designed to aid higher education. The sums vary according to the number of degrees granted by the institution. Because of the Blaine Amendment, which prohibits state aid to religious institutions, the eligibility of Yeshiva University, along with that of several other schools with similar religous associations, has been questioned.

It was in order to qualify for these funds that the university was restructured last year. At that time, the Rabbi Isaac Elchanon Theological Seminary was made a separate corporation, while the Yeshiva Program, formerly undergraduate RIETS, was established and given a status equal to that of the Erna Michael College and the James Striar School. As other factors still complicated the question of Yeshiva's eligibility, the New York State Department of Education sent a representative, Dr. Jenrald Brauer, to the university to investigate the issues involved. Dr. Brauer, a Lutheran theologian from the University of Chicago Divinity School, had previously headed a similar study of

Fordham University. After reshaping its structure and allowing laymen to serve on its board of directors, Fordham was declared eligible for the Bundy funds.

#### **Numerous Meetings**

During his visit to Yeshiva, Dr. Brauer met with a variety of students, faculty and administrators. His first meetings concerned the Jewish history, Bible and religion-related philosophy courses taught in Yeshiva College. His main concern was whether these courses were taught in a manner designed to prejudice the student in favor of the Jewish viewpoint. Regarding this matter, he first spoke with Dr. Irving Agus, Dr. David Berger, Dr. Arthur Hyman and Dr. Walter Wurzburger. Perhaps most characteristic of the answers Dr. Brauer received was Dr. Wurtzburger's retort: "I teach, I don't indoctrinate."

Dr. Brauer then met with ten students from the Jewish history, bible and philosophy courses in which he had shown an interest. Also present were three student leaders: Myron Kirschbaum, chairman of the senate, Bob Weiss, president of Yeshiva College Student Council and Andrew Geller editor of THE COMMENTATOR, Dr. Brauer began the meeting by defining the two possible grounds for disqualification: the teaching of de-

nomination tenets as dogma and the restriction of the student body to those observant of Judaims.

Regarding the point of teaching dogma in Yeshiva College, the students replied that the information is taught in an informative, rather than persuasive, manner, and that both Jewish and non-Jewish outlooks are exainined. When asked about their studies in the morning divisions, the students also maintained that the areas covered are not taught from a religious viewpoint, but may be compared, for example, to analytical study of the laws of torts of a legal system.

Concerning the composition of the student body, the students told Dr. Brauer that not all students at Yeshiva are observant. In addition, they pointed out that those who are not religious Jews would not usually be willing to spend the time on Jewish subjects that is required.

Finally, one of the students mentioned that when Yeshiva College was founded over forty years ago, there was not nearly as much interest in Jewish studies as there is today. At that time most Jews, first generation Americans, sought only to become more Americanized and thus cast off their European heritage. Only the religious Jews were committed to continuing the study of their Jewish heritage. Thus the orthodox character of the YU student body was cast. Now, though interest in Judaism is greater, the non-observant student, committed though he may be, is reluctant to enter a university where his practices and beliefs will be alien to the vast majority of the student body.

Immediately following this meeting, Dr. Brauer met with Rav Soloveitchik. The Rav discussed the philosophy of educa-(Continued on Page 5, Col. 2)

### Kornspan Decides To Leave Yeshiva **Determined** Student Despite

#### By JOE BELITZKY

An emergency meeting of YCSC was called Tuesday evening, November 10, by President Bob Weiss to discuss the impending departure of Gary Kornspan from Yeshiva. Mr. Kornspan, in charge of the work study program in the office of student finances, had indicated that he was resigning his position after being informed that he was to assume the status of a part-time employee.

President Weiss informed the council of the gravity of the situation, considering the vital role Mr. Kornspan has served as work study co-ordinator, and the fact that he has dedicated so many years to Yeshiva. He proposed a resolution supporting Mr. Kornspan, which would be presented to Dr. Belkin by the president's council in the form of petitions. It was passed unanimously by the council. Indeed, Mr. Weiss emphasized, those who stood to lose the most from Mr. Kornspan's departure are the students themselves, for they are the ones

unanimously agreed that some solution must be found that would retain Mr. Kornspan at Yeshiva, if only for the sake of the Yeshiva students. Suggestions were offered, and President

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### YU Dedicates Home For Science Center

By EDWARD BURNS Against a background of undergraduate protest, Yeshiva University's Belfer Graduate School B. Belfer.

Campus on Sunday, November 1 at a dedication dinner honoring the school's benefactor, Arthur

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### Who's Who Includes Twenty Outstanding Yeshiva Seniors

Twenty seniors at Yeshiva College have been selected for inclusion in Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges, a listing of this country's most outstanding college and university students. Eligibility for this distinction is based upon academic scholarship in both morning and afternoon classes, as well as on salient leadership qualities. According to Dr. Miller, 'It was an equitable means of selection." Lists of students deserving this honor were drawn up by the deans of the four divisions and were then submitted to student leaders for approval.

The students designated for this honor are: Harvey Bennett,

Heshie Billet, Gilad Ellenberg,

Andrew Geller, David Graber, Ira Jaskoll, Leon Karp, Daniel Kurtzer, John Loike, Philip Orbuch. Peter Rosenzweig, Lawrence Rosman, Gary Rubin, Lawrence Schiffman, Sheldon Schwartz, Hubert Weinberg, Robert Weiss, Arnold Yagoda, Joel Yarmak and Matthew Zizmor.

A member of the pre-medical honor society and captain of the fencing team, Lawrence Rosman is executive editor of THE COM-MENTATOR, and associate editor of Masmid. Harvey Bennett, a past vice-president of the sophomore class, plays an active role in school affairs as president of EMC and was a member of the (Continued on Page 6, Col. 4)

who have unquestionaly benefited greatly in the past by Mr. Kornspan's assistance.

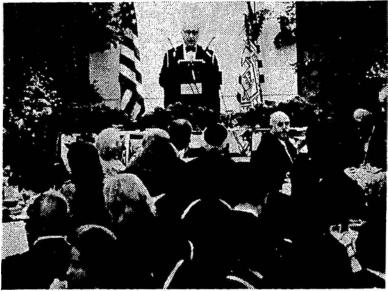
#### **Phased Out**

When the news became known about the change in Mr. Kornspan's status and the likelihood that he would be leaving YU, numerous meetings were held between student government leaders and leading administrators. At one such meeting, President Weiss reported, Dr. Socol, director of student finances, admitted that financial considerations. were not the crucial factor in the decision to reduce Mr. Kornspan's work schedule. Rather, he cited internal problems and office relationships as the determining factor.

In the discussion which ensued in the council, following Bob Weiss' report, council members

of Science was formally dedicated at the university's Main

The twenty-millon-dollar edi-(Continued on Page 5, Col. 1)



Javits speaks at Belfer dedication.

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Dual Major

Continuing its policy of formulating ideas for the improvement of education at Yeshiva, THE COMMENTATOR has developed two more proposals which deserve serious consideration.

We feel that an interdisciplinary major should be required of all Jewish studies majors and encouraged for all prospective rabbinical students. The reason for this simply is that Jewish leadership needs broader perspective and knowledge when encountering the more complex problems of our society. Indeed, with the constantly changing needs and aspirations of the Jewish community, even a dual major might not be sufficient.

The formulation of these dual majors should not be a priori, but left to the individual, the dean and the faculty. This would encourage highly unstructured, but personal and diverse, majors such as Jewish history and psychology, education and Jewish philosophy. These dual majors could only be of benefit in contemporary society.

On a different plane, we suggest that each department publish, and periodically update and revise, a reading list of the most important and basic books in its field or related fields. These lists should be distributed to majors and prospective majors in their freshman year, with encouragement given to reading the books early and carefully. Such a policy would obviate the need for extensive coverage of these fundamental works in class; rather instruction could be based on the students' having a working knowledge of the material.

Perhaps the lead of the political science department can be followed by other departments, wherein qualified senior majors are chosen to help formulate department policy and to help in guidance and instruction of beginning majors. One area of this guidance could be the establishment of voluntary reading seminars, led by these student assistants, during which the ideas expressed in the books on the reading list are discussed and debated.

THE COMMENTATOR sees outstanding educational merit in these proposals. We urge their serious consideration and hope the senate can discuss and implement them.

### **Three Year Program**

At present there exists a regulation at Yeshiva College that requires a student to attend an institution of higher learning for four years before he can obtain his Bachelor of Arts degree from Yeshiva College. THE COMMENTATOR feels that such a stipulation is unjust and objectionable. If a student has accumulated the necessary 128 credits and has simultaneously fulfilled all the requirements of his major as well as be granted his B.A. after three years of attendance. If a student can satisfactorily accomplish this in three years, why must he remain at Yeshiva an additional year?

One often hears that the administration has implemented this regulation for the student's welfare. In the process of amassing 128 credits over a four year span, undue burden will not be placed on the student. We thank the administration for its concern for our welfare, but no strain need be placed on a student who wishes to graduate after three years.

Under present regulations, a student could take seventeen and one-half credits for six semesters, six credits for four summers, and he would have 129 credits - one more than the school requires for a B.A. If the administration were to increase the amount of credits a student may take during his summer vacation, when the pressures of a double program are climinated, the burden would be further lightened. If a person enters the college with advanced placement credits it would be all the more easy for him to accrue the necessary 128 credits within the three year span.

The oft-heard argument that a student enrolled at Yeshiva College must attend a religious division for eight semesters contains no validity whatsoever. A student is permitted to take a year's leave of absence as long as he has been granted permission and has paid the registration fee. No mention is made in the catalogue that the student must maintain his Jewish studies during his sojourn at another university. What the catalogue does state is that the students "must be in residence at Yeshiva College at least four semesters." The pre-engineering students who transfer to New York University School of Engineering and Science at the end of their third year do not complete four years of religious studies and still qualify for a degree from Yeshiva University.

The implementation of the above proposal does not involve any complicated reprogramming. We are not asking Yeshiva College to set a precedent but rather to follow the lead of most other colleges which allow graduation after three years. We, therefore, urge the senate to take the initiative in proposing this most needed and helpful legislation.

#### From the Editor's Desk

### **E Pluribus Unum**

By Andrew Geller

Last summer I was asked by the Yale Daily News to write an article about Yeshiva to be included in a guide to colleges that the Yale paper was publishing. The guilde was to be an informal one,

I tried to be honest and yet complimentary about YU. Among other things, I wrote that Yeshiva, with its homogenous student body and the similarities between the students and most of the faculty and administration, forms a more unified community than most schools its size. Thinking back today, I'm not sure why I wrote that, Perhaps being six thousand miles away dulls the memory. But now, back at Yeshiva, I could never repeat the statement. The divisions and the lack of communication that exist between the various groups of students, faculty and administration are as apparent as they are reprehensible.

This university has a president whose name is Dr. Samuel those promulgated by the school, he should Belkin. Most students have never met him or spoken to him, and few could even if they wanted to do so. Of course Dr. Belkin is extremely busy, but so is President McGill of Columbia, and yet he finds time to talk occasionally to the students at Columbia. Last week he spoke in the Wollman Auditorium and only forty students attended. But the point is that he was there, and he was willing to listen and answer questions, any questions.

Another university president, also very busy, has invited students to bring their linches to his office on Tuesday afternoons and have lunch with him. Naturally, the number of people who can dine with the president at any one time is limited, but if a student is persistent enough he will have his chance. Dr. Belkin's schedule may not permit this type of meeting. But only when he makes himself more available to students can charges such as those made by the New Student Coalition that he has shown "bruzen had faith" and has taken "vengeful actions" be affirmed or refuted. In the meantline there is only doubt, and that doubt does little to strengthen the unity of the University.

Even those officials of the university who normally do not deal with the student body have a responsibility to the Yeshiva community. Two weeks ago THE COMMENTATOR sent a request for information to Mr. Jacob Levine, the vice-president for business affairs. As this paper goes to press we have received no answer from him at all.

I must briefly interrupt my criticism of interaction within the university for a word of praise. Dr. Israel Miller is the vicepresident for student affairs, and thus it is his job to be available to students and responsive to their demands. Yet in doing so he often goes beyond the call of duty. His dedication to the students is to be applauded. If there were more in the university like him this column would be unnecessary.

Communication and cooperation is naturally more frequent between students and faculty than between students and the administration. Sadly, at YU a number of faculty members are available to students only during class hours, and their participation in the university community is thus severely curtailed.

At the most recent meeting of the faculty assembly, a number of professors expressed their opposition to the upcoming YCSC curricular evaluation. Rather than aid the students in preparing a fair and scientific evaluation, these professors counseled the faculty and administration to divorce themselves completely from the student project. This action cannot but discourage the student body about the faculty interest in university affairs.

Mark Karasick, chairman of the senior dinner, recently polled one hundred and fifty faculty members to learn if they were interested in attending the dinner. Less than thirty of those questloned were even gracious enough to reply. Their failure to demonstrate the most elementary regard for the students only further weakens the ties that bind the Yeshiva community together.

One would expect that at least among the students themselves there would be some semblance of unity, but such is seldom the case. Most students go through YU without ever noticing that there are others around them.

YCSC meetings are sparsely attended, and even seats on the council are won uncontested. The big sister program at Stern is a rousing success. At Yeshiva, where, of course, it is called the big brother program, it is a glorious flop. Dave Gottesman's proposed guidanco program, in which seniors will advise underclassmen in their respective departments may successfully counter this trend be skeptical, however, until I see res

Let no one mistake this column for yet another crusade against apathy. It is not. On the other hand, I will not be satisfied merely with an administrative directive to "pat a freshman on the head today." I am asking the people who make up Yeshiva, the administration, faculty and students to remember that we are all part of an academic community and, as such, have certain responsibilities toward each other. These responsibilities do not require a great deal of effort, some call for little more than the observance of basic social courtesies. To ignore them, however, is to severely weaken the unity of the Yeshiva community.

#### Editor To The Letters

### Clarifications

#### To the Editor:

Four students including myself recently spoke to Dr. Brauer, "a consultant for Albany who is determining the eligibility of YU for Bundy Funds. At the meet-

ing I told Dr. Brauer that YU was a religious institution and that, in my opinion it should be represented as such. My justification at the time for attending this meeting was that I felt that YU could only be harmed by misrepresenting itself (in my opinion) as a nonsectarian insti-

tution. In retrospect I maintain my viewpoint but I question the extreme nature of my tactics. In any case I wish to make it clear that at no time did I intend to harm or destroy Yeshiva. Right or wrong I acted out of a concorn for Yeshiva's well-bring. Ellezor Diamond



#### To the editor:

Many things happen during a normal school year at Yeshiva. A great number of these events take place and are forgotten. Several weeks ago however, an incident occurred which cannot be overlooked. I refer to the different reactions of our students to the activities of missionaries on our camous.

Certainly it is natural to react to the presence of these unwelcome peddlers of falsehood with (Continued on Page 6, Col. 1)

The Yeshiva University Neigh-

borhood Youth Corps has begun

its fourth year of service to the

Washington Heights community.

The organization, founded in 1967

by Steve Wachtel and twenty

Yeshiva students, has attempted,

in the words of its founder: "to

establish a community based on

mutual respect, understanding,

and cooperation between students

of Yeshiva and the people of

To accomplish this goal, mem-

bers of the Youth Corps tutor

underprivileged students in the

neighboring public elementary

and junior high school in areas

ranging from the three R's in

the lower grades to more specific

subjects subjects such as algebra,

chemistry, and French in the

higher grades. Tutors, in coop-

eration with the academic in-

structors, attempt to guide the

children through any personal

difficulties they might develop

at home or in school. The big-

brother relationship the tutor es-

Washington Heights."

### Chevy Vega Available Youth Corps Starts Season To Students, Faculty

The Vega

L'il Tag

Last month, Yeshiva University became one of 530 campuses across the country to receive its very own Vega, Chevrolet's new mini car. Last year, application forms announcing the opportunity to "Win a Car for a Year" were distributed in college dorms. In August, three students were given interviews in their homes, and in September, Jacob Zylberman, a senior at YU, was named the Yeshiva representative by D.L. Blair Corporation and Youth Market Incorporated on behalf of General Motors.

The car was given to Mr. Zylberman to use for promotional purposes, but he is permitted to use the Vega for his private use

The Editor-in-Chief and the Governing Board wish a heartfelt mazal tov to Neil Koslowe '66, a former editor-inchief of THE COOMMENTA-TOR, and his wife on the birth of a son.

with all expenses paid for. However, Mr. Zylberman's main commitment is the stimulation of Vega sales on the Yeshiva College campus by furnishing the car for test drives for members of the college community.

American college students represent the purchase of some 2.5 million automobiles, many of which were bought with an eye as to the low purchase price. Thus, with the United States deluged with low cost imports, Detroit has undentaken a massive "think small" campaign, with the Vega a part of it.

The Vega, priced to compete with the European and Japanese compacts, has a four cylinder, 90 horsepower, 140 cubic inch engine which gets some 25 miles to a gallon. For those with a mind for figures, the Vega is 51.9 inches high, 169.7 inches long with a 65.4 inch wheelbase and a 3600 square inch picture window.

The car can be test driven by any student or faculty member of Yeshiva University, the only conditions being possesion of a valid license and familiarity with a standard shift. Arrangements for an appointment can be made by contacting Jacob Zylberman, MD 304 or by calling 923-9515.

#### — The President Speaks —

Perhaps the least pleasant subject to discuss at a time like this is finances; however, the present financial crisis here at Yeshiva has caused what was once considered a' minor inconvenenience to become a major problem, I refer to the Rabinowitz Plan which called for the reallocating of YCSC funds among the various morning divisions. Aside from diminishing the financial resources of council, it has contributed, in my opinion, to the needless fragmentation of the student body, and in principle, is

### **Dollars And Sense** By Robert Weiss\_

contrary to the very basic reason channeled to Masmid, NIR could underlining the existence of Yeshiva — the meshing, synthesis of the religious and secular.

I do not wish to impugn the intentions of the morning student council presidents in advocating the continuance of the Rabinowitz plan. There is no question that many of their projects are worthwhile and indeed essential. However, a tzizis drive, for example, is not just the concern of RIETS student council or body, but rather is the concern of all Yeshiva College students-EMC and JSS included. Anyone can buy tzizis. from RIETS boys, but by making it a RIETS function we are implying that the religious domain is in the realm of the RIETS boys only.

### **Buckley's Plurality Indicates Division Among NY Liberals**

#### By MITCHELL WEISS

Little over two and a half years ago, James L. Buckley agreed to run for the United States Senate under the Conservative Party banner. Accepting what he knew would be defeat, he said, "We will give the major party candidates a run for their money."

Two years later, it was quite evident that Mr. Buckley would do more than give the candidates a run for their money. On Elec-

Ottinger were subtle, if not nonexistent.

As important as difference of opinion on the issue was, the campaign strategy which Buckley used, apparently quite effectively, also played a vital role. F. Clifton White, campaign manager and political strategist par excellence, brilliantly mastered Buckley's appeal to the public. Furthermore, bringing to light the lavishness of Ottinger's campaign, he attempted to show that,

The intentional dissection of student affairs into religious and secular categories leads to factionalization and elitism - both of which are undesirable. The only way Yeshiva can grow is by a united student body working together in pursuit of shared goals.

I am not advocating the abolishment of the morning student councils. On the contrary, they serve a vital function in organizing student affairs and in seeking to upgrade the academic level of their respective schools. Further. I am not calling for the suspension of funds to these conneils, but rather I believe that the allocation of funds in a tight financial situation must be determined on the basis of two criteria, maximum benefit for the maximum number of people and whether or not the funds are being allocated in a manner that would unite rather than segment the student body.

#### With Guidance Center Plan tablishes with his respective student assignment is the most significant contribution to the program. The tutor in many cases provides the personal attention that so many children find lacking in their homes or in the

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classroom.

Initially, hopes were somewhat dubious for success in bringing the University closer to the neighboring community. Would the Yeshiva student, having a totally different background than his charges, be able to establish the rapport and close personal relationship so vital to such a tutoring program. A further problem to be faced was whether a white could or should work with black and Puerto Rican students. Black educational leaders have argued that only blacks should work with these minority students believing that blacks need to work with blacks in order to make any sort of progress or establish a sense of identity.

The Youth Corps overcame

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wishful thinking, pragmatism

dictates careful allocation of

funds and continual evaluation

of properties. I therefore call

upon all student councils to re-

examine their spending and

broaden their outlooks in an ef-

fort to insure the maximum sat-

isfaction for the majority of stu-

these challenges. While objective evaluation is difficult to make. there are certain guidelines one can use when pointing to the program's success. A major indication is the expansion of the program and the increase in requests for Yeshiva volunteers by the school system. From its initial twenty students, the Youth Corps has swelled to one hundred tutors. And, despite differences in background, race and religion, the Youth Corps has established a personal relationship with its students, as the "beanied" Yeshiva student has become a symbol of trust and respect in the community schools.

The Editor-in-Chief and Governing Board of THE COM-MENTATOR extend a heartfelt mazal toy to Marc Sicklick '70, the former executive editor, on his engagement to Fran Packer.

In finding a solution to the second question, volunteers were instructed to develop empathy, not sympathy, for the people in the neighborhood. A condescending attitude on the part of the students from Yeshiva was not tolcrated, as the Yeshiva students were asked to show a genuine concern for the people they were trying to help.

The program was action-oriented, an attitude which underlies its success. The Neighborhood Youth Corps has not tried to bridge the white-black or Jewish-black gap. Instead, the Youth Corps has tried to make a lasting impression and contribution through a simple one-to-one relationship.

This year, under the direction of Sam Wilchfort and Mark Spanglet, the Neighborhood Youth Corps will try to expand its services by planning to implement special programs for the Jewish-black student and the opening of an afternoon center at Yeshiva, where children in the neighborhood can come for guidance by Yeshiva students.

### Javits Speaks At Belfer Center Dedication; Synthesizes Judeo - American Philosophies

#### **By GEORGE JAKUBOVIC**

New York's Senator Jacob K. Javits delivered the keynote address at Yeshiva's November 1 convocation for the new Belfcr

jor parties should not and need not yield the law and order issue to ultra-conservatives, whose only remedy is repression. Liberals are just as ready for effec-



tion Day, the senatorial race of New York came to a close with the astounding victory of a third party candidate.

Today, two weeks after the culmination of probably the most watched election of the year, it is time to analyze and reflect on this turnabout of events.

New Yorkers had essentially no choice between Charles Goodell, the incumbent, and Rich (as indeed his campaign proved to bc) Ottinger the Democratic opponent. Echoing virtually the same liberal line, they were the "Bobbsey Twins of Liberal Land." Mr. Buckley, on the other hand, although no spokesman for the Conservative Party, supported a solidly conservative - Republican line. Both on domestic and foreign affairs, the difference between Buckley and his opponents were clear cut, whereas the differences between Goodell and Ottinger's mother-not Ottinger -Delivers."

Add to brilliant campaigning, the position which the White House took on the race. Vice President Agnew, referring to Goodell as the "Christine Jorgensen of the Republican Party," as indeed Goodell did make a one hundred eighty degree turn to the left since his appointment by Governor Rockefeller, effectively split the liberal vote. Early polls showed Goodell with approximately 15% of the vote. Agnew's cutting remarks raised that figure to an ultimate 24%.

And so, Mr. Buckley managed to win a plurality, though not a majority, of New York votes. Yet that is just the point. A substantial majority of the state's voters preferred the policies of Mr. Buckley's opponents, liberals. It is unfortunate that the liberals (Continued on Page 7, Col. 5)

Jerry Bentham, a noted English economist stated that to maximize satisfaction with our limited resources we must avoid duplication. A case in point is the publication of NIR, the EMC yearbook. Aside from the initial EMCSC allocation of \$1500, compounded by the \$1000 in ads that might otherwise have been

#### Javits Granting Interview

#### Graduate School of Science. Rather: than assault Nixon and Agnew for the vitriolic campaign, Javits chose to defend the liberal position. "Liberals in both ma-

tive police action where it is required." However, the senator claimed that police action was unwarranted when dealing with (Continued on Page 4, Col. 3)

# Kornspan Decides To Leave YC **Despite Efforts On His Behalf**



Weiss explaining Kornspan situation

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 4) Weiss advocated the possibility of Mr. Kornspan's relocation elsewhere within the administration, possibly in Rabbi Miller's office, a suggestion he had discussed with Rabbi Miller earlier. Mr. Kornspan, who was in constant touch with student leaders,

indicated that he did not want to leave Yeshiva and expressed interest in handling the work study program outside of the office of student finances.

#### **Resolution Adopted**

Following the council's adoption of Mr. Weiss' resolution, which read: "YCSC resolves that

in recognition of Gary Kornspan's tireless efforts and invaluable service on behalf of the students of Yeshiva, we petition the university to maintain Mr. Kornspan on a full-time basis in a capacity in which his efforts on behalf of the students will find their full expression," petitions were circulated throughout the dormitories by council members and interested students, though Mr. Kornspan had indicated that he did not want to create a fuss among the student body.

The petition campaign and the tentative meeting of the presidents' council with Dr. Belkin, however, were pre-empted by Mr. Kornspan's sudden and final decision to leave YU. At the time of notification of that decision, THE COMMENTATOR was at press with a special editorial backing Mr. Kornspan, which was to have appeared Wednesday afternoon, November 11. However, in view of Mr. Kornspan's departure that editorial was not circulated.

### **JSSSC Easily Resolves Constitutional Crisis** As Metzger And Harris Take Top Positions

By JOSEPH STECHLER The JSS Student Council has quietly resolved a constitutional crisis. Former Vice-President Marvin Metzger was elevated to the presidency of JSSSC when Bob Miller, who was elected president last term, was unable to carry out his responsibilities this year. In an ensuing election, Neil Harris won the vacant vice-presidency by a wide margin of votes.

In September, JSSSC learned of Mr. Miller's incapacitation for at least the fall term because of a back injury sustained during the summer. The JSS constitution provided that in such a situation the vice-president automatically was to be elevated to the presidency. But the constitution did not indicate what procedure was to be followed to fill the vice-presidency. In fact, the constitution was vague as to the very need for a vice-president. However, Marvin Metzger, after receiving a vote of confidence from JSSSC to fully legitimize his new office, argued that the position of vice-president had to be filled, pointing to the fact that a vice-president was needed to coordinate the various committees of JSSSC.

An election was held on November 3 to fill the vacant post, with Neil Harris running against Ed Lipshitz. The campaign was characterized by a lack of posters, electioneering, or policy statements, with neither of the candidates issuing even a clear

platform. Lacking explicit divisions on tangible issues, a few students turned the race into a contest of "who is more religious," even though this method of campaigning was apparently deplored by both candidates. Though Harris won handily, 71-28, the tone of the campaign seemed to so alienate most JSS students that less than 45% of them panticipated in the election.

The first meeting of a complete JSSSC took place on November 5. The constitution was then revised so that there would be a definite procedure for filling any JSSSC office in case it were vacated. At the same meeting, it was decided to devote more funds than had been previously allocated to Shabbatons and hashkafa lectures. It was also decided that a prime beneficiary of the current JSS tzedaka drive would be the Jews behind the Iron Cuntain.

Marvin Metzger, a senior majoring in history, maintains that the religious character of YU will not be determined by charter provisions, but rather by the students themselves. Metzger hopes to use JSS to strengthen the religious character of the university.

Vice-President Neil Harris, a junior majoring in economics, believes that within the JSS program more emphasis should be placed on teaching practical halacha, especially in the freshman and sophomore classes.

### Eidelman Conveys Frank Appraisl **Of Curriculum, Student Selections**

#### **By NORMAN TUROFF**

Dr. Arthur I. Eidelman. associate professor of pediatrics and member of the admissions committee at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine, was the guest speaker at a meeting sponsored by the Alpha Epsilon Delta Premedical-Predental Honor Society of Yeshiva University. In spite of his young age, Dr. Eidelman has already established noteworthy credentials for himself, having graduated AECOM in 1963 and served as intern, resident, and instructor at the Yale-New Haven Hospital and Medical School. His greatest appeal, however, was the fact that he is an alumnus of Yeshiva College. As an admissions officer he was concerned with conveying a veritable and frank appraisal of what is involved in the selection of prospective medical students as well as some aspects of the medical school curriculum and changes that he foresees in the not-toodistant future.

Educators are slowly coming to the mature realization that the typical curriculum and medical school training period is too unwieldy and protracted. Under

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stein Medical College, Dr. Eidelman outlines the procedure employed in selecting the class of about 115 from the 2000 or so applications that are received. The preliminary screening process involves "weeding out" those applicants whose "hard data" seems deficient. The hard data comprises te grade-point index, Medical College Admissions Test score and recommendations. Those students who present a MCAT score close to 600 and an index of about 3.3 will usually pass the first hurdle and then be granted an interview. The number of applications sent out by students interested in medical schools in the Northeast portion of the U.S. surpasses the national average of five applications per capita. Consequently, the schools find it more difficult to ascertain the true interest and intent of an applicant in attending their respective institutions. The importance of the interview thus becomes obvious. The fact that Einstein interviews a greater percentage of applicants than any other school (about 50%) is indicative of the significance attached to the personal meeting between the student and admissions officer.

strained to gloss over the seemingly peculiar features of our religion. One should walk into an interview with the "ga-avah to do his own thing."

### Senator Javits Speaks At Belfer Dedication; Synthesizes Jewish - American Philosophies

(Continued from Page 3, Col. 5) alcohol and drug abuse. Consequently, he has proposed in the Congress that these social ills be cured clinically rather than within the present penal structure. Only then could law enforcement officials successfully combat serious crimes.

#### **Jewish Attitudes**

In an interview with this reporter, Senator Javits objected to anything more than a tangential role in the leadership of the Jewish community, claiming that he represents all the state's citizenry. Nevertheless, the senator professed a deep commitment to the intellectual and ethical traditions of his faith, particularly that of Israel's special position in the messianic scheme.

The senator maintained that throughout his long public life, there has never been a dichotomy between his Jewish philosophy and firm belief in the American constitutional system. In fact, he contended that the two are complementary. This philosophical synthesis has supplied the impetus in makthis reason, suggests Javits, that the voters have consistently been confident with his public service. The senator, however, rejected as remote any influence that religion has hindered his political career, particularly when so many non-Jews have not risen to national leadership either.

#### **Mixed Blessings**

The senator noted with pride that he had been one of the first to suggest that the Nixon administration repudiate its Rogers' Mid-east peace proposal. "The new UN Mid-east resolution proposed by the communist bloc and Egypt is a very dangerous one to Israel. It takes no account whatever to the peril that Israel has been put by the cheating in the cease fire in the so called stand-still agreement." However the senator pointed out that the situation was one of "mixed blessings," for "the United States is giving great support in arms which is critically essential to Israel's economic and military situation."

ing him a good senator. It is for ment about the furor surrounding Yeshiva University's compliance with state law in its efforts to secure Bundy money. He explained that it is the trustees of the university that must decide which course Yeshiva will ultimately take, particularly when that board has always prided itself on representing the oldest and largest educational institution under orthodox Jewish auspices. "It is the trustees who must decide whether they would lose more than gain by secularizing the university." Nevertheless, Javits concluded that regardless of how the issue will be resolved, he would continue to aid the university.

> Who's Whose Lester Vogel '70 to Sandy Listernik

condolences to the family of Max Beer on his passing. May they be comforted among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

prevailing conditions, the actual practice of medicine on one's own cannot be realized for at least ten years after graduating college. In light of the predicament. many schools, including Einstein, hope to institute a streamlined three year program to supersede the traditional four year curriculum that has prevailed up to the present. This would entail the curtailment of summer vacation as well as the implementation of elective programs that cater more to the individual needs and interests of each medical student.

As an active member of the Admissions Committee of Ein-

Dr. Eidelman concluded his remarks by emphasizing the importance of being proud and asserting our Orthodox Jewish heritage. We should never feel con-

An understandably reluctant Senator Javits declined to com-

### Senate Hears Reports From Duker And Dean

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 2) below 2.0, as well as a student whose semester average is below 2.0 should be placed on probation and shall be subject to the ruling of the scholastic standing committee. The second recommendation stated that a student who receives two grades below "C" in his major shall not be permitted to continue in his major without the consent of that major's department. The third recommendation, passed unanimously by the SSC, was to do away with the freshman tea this year, but to notify parents of students who were doing poorly in school of their son's difficulties.

On all three issues the Senate decided to postpone discussion give the senators ample time to analyze each issue properly.

The Senate will meet tomorrow in F535 at 2:45 p.m. to discuss these matters,

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### YU Dedicates Home For Science Center

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 5) fice housing the science center marks the school's first permanet home in its twelve-year existence. The imposing structure, which the university calls the tallest building north of Columbus Circle, is composed of alternate columns of brick and charcoal-tinted glass. Included within the confines of its twenty stories are a library, computer center, dining room and laboratory facilities.

The dedication dinner paid tribute to Mr. Arthur Belfer for his tireless efforts on behalf of Yeshiva University's graduate program in science. Honoring Mr. Belfer were Senator Jacob K. Javits, senior senator from New York; Arthur Komar, dean of the Belfer Graduate School of Science; and Dr. Samuel Belkin, President of the university. Among the distinguished guests present were several world-reknown Nobel Laureates from Princeton, Yale, and NYU Medical Center.

Senator Javits, the keynote speaker, gave a timely political

David Gottesman, secretarytreasurer of YCSC, has announced that mailboxes for non-dorm students will be located in the downstairs lobby of Rubin Hall. Commuters will now have an opportunity to avail themselves of all pertinent information that has thus far been circulated in the dormitories. If any student has not been assigned a box, he should contact Mr. Gottesman in M 211.

address, coming only two days before the national elections. In his speech, the senator defended liberal political doctrines, under attack during the course of the campaigns throughout the nation.

Following Senator Javits' speech, Dr. Belkin presented an engraved plaque to Arthur Belfer. In an introspective and philosophical speech, Dr. Belkin told the audience that he wished to be remembered as a scholar rather than as a university president. Dr. Belkin drew an analogy from Thomas Jefferson, whom he deemed the greatest United States president after Lincoln. Jefferson, Dr. Belkin recalled, wished to be remembered primarily as the author of the Declaration of Independence rather than for his term of office. Dr. Belkin termed the Declaration of Independence "the most divinely inspired document after the Bible." This emotional speech was followed by a sincere concluding address of thanks by the guest of honor, Mr. Belfer.

The dignified atmosphere surrounding the dinner and ceremonies was marred somewhat by the presence of a student protest group, calling itself the New Student Coalition. The group distributed fliers asking the guests to earmark future donations to the university for use by the undergraduate and religious facilities.

Clarification of the New Student Coalition's position came on Monday, November 2. The student body was informed that the group was an outgrowth of the preceding year's Concerned Students Coalition. In addition to the letter presented to the guests the previous evening, the New Coalition members attached a second sheet which primarily dealt with the secularization issue on campus.

# Semicha Program Modified

The issue of primary concern at the SOY meeting of November 4 was the revisal of the Semicha program. Under the present system, there are four options open to the students: a master's program from Bernard Revel in Jewish studies, or a master's program in any field, a master's program in Jewish Education in Ferkauf, or intensive work in the Kollel under the leadership of Rabbi Lichtenstein.

In addition to the 36 credits required for Graduate School another six credits in Supplementary Rabbinics are compulsory for all students. Supplementary Rabbinics is a course aimed at familiarizing the future rabbi with his forthcoming duties. As of September 1970 students are no longer required to take a master's program, but can take a new course in *Machshevet Yisrael* taught by Dr. Twersky instead.

A major complaint against the present Semicha program is that it is possible for someone not sufficiently learned to receive his ordination. A new intensified learning program was proposed last year by Rabbi Lichtenstein.



#### **Deliberating semicha changes**

This program stressed the study of many vital areas of *halacha* presently not required in the Semicha program.

A resolution was passed by SOY urging the implementation of an intensified semicha program. A committee was designated to outline this program using Rav Lichtenstein's proposals as a format. This committee will be working in conjunction with the *Roshei Yeshiva* and will report at the next scheduled meeting on November 23.

Also discussed at the meeting was the supplementary rabbinics program. It was pointed out that at a meeting with *Roshei Yeshiva* last year, Dr. Belkin had indicated his willingness to make the program optional. However, Dr. Belkin now claims that this was only in reference to the Revel program. It was also pointed out that those areas of SR which are really vital for semicha could become part of the learning program.

Dr. Belkin also promised that a copy of the lawyer's report on the status of Yeshiva would be given to Heshie Billet before the meeting. Instead he was given acopy of a RIETS affiliation contract with YU dated September 1970. Concerning the problem of a mashgiach, a resolution was passed urging the administration to hire another mashgiach as soon as possible.

Another major topic discussed was the overall goal of SOY this year. President Billet expressed hope that SOY would play a dynamic and effective role in shaping an environment at Yeshiva conducive to Torah study and observance while at the same time providing the religious services necessary for the student body.

# Brauer Talks To Students And Faculty Concerning YC's Eligibility For Aid

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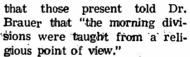
Striar School

Probably because the James Striar School would appear to be the division most likely to include some forms of religious indoctrination, Dr. Brauer held separate meetings with faculty and students of that school. Again, his main concern was whether the content of the Jewish philosophy courses was being taught  $a_S$  dogma. The students replied that the courses were not taught in an indoctrinary manner and that one could expect to find equivalent courses in other

#### 5) colleges

The following day, November 4, Dr. Brauer met with various groups from Stern College. Also, while at Stern, he spoke with four students who had not been included in his earlier meetings at the Washington Heights campus. The students were Jeffrey Silver, Robent Young, Elliot Diamond and Meyer Fund.

According to Mr. Silver, the meeting was at the request of the state. Referring to these individuals, Rabbi Israel Miller, vice-president for student affairs, commented that "they were certainly out of place," adding that "Dr. Brauer had met with representative students." Concerning the content of the meeting, Mr. Silver stated



### Ruchelsman, Kline To Head Freshman Council Delegates

#### By LARRY BERNSTEIN

On Thursday, November 4, the freshman class elected their representatives to the Yeshiva College Student Council. The election was highlighted by the candidates' stress on greater freshman involvement in student government. In the race for class president, Manny Ruchelsman ran unopposed. Mr. Ruchelsman, a graduate of Yeshiva University High School of Brooklyn, emphasized in his campaign the need for freshman representation in the YC senate, and suggested a program of intramurals between the three religious divisions of the school.

as a wider spectrum of Hebrew courses within the RIETS structure itself. He also advocated re-establishment of unlimited cuts in the second semester for freshmen with a 3.0 index. His opponent, Joshua Bertram, also advocated more freshman privileges, and asked for a massive re-evaluation of required courses.

The race for secretary-treasurer was marked by the entry of three candidates with a fourth, Elliot Tannenbaum, emerging the victor on a write-in.

Mr. Tannenbaum ran for the most part on the same platform as Mr. Ruchelsman and even campaigned with him. His closest opponent, Mr. Leon Frischman, promised to establish a freshman dating service in conjunction with other local colleges, and promised to institute an athletic program for freshmen. The two other candidates for the office were Messrs. Allan Herskowitz and Stuart Wise.

### **Registrar Introduces Speech Modifications**

In a recent memorandum the Office of the Registrar announced that students receiving an "A" in Speech 1.1 will be permitted to substitute an elective val for credit toward an English major of courses Speech 21;22 (Great Speeches) and Speech 23;24 (Theater Arts). Both are two credit per semester courses. A maximum of four credits from these courses may be counted toward an English major.



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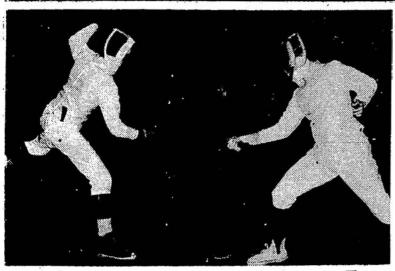
O P E N 11 Am - 9 Pm The campaign for vice-president promoted the most student interest because of the intense plastering campaign conducted by Nathan Kline, who won election by a scant two votes.

A graduate of RJJ, Mr. Kline advocated increased transfer credit from RIETS to YC, as well



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### Fencer Teaches Rules In One Easy Lesson

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The sabre, the modern version of the slashing cavalry sword, can score a touch with its point or any part of its blade. The valid target area includes the entire body excluding the legs. The touches are governed by the principle of right-of-way which is determined by the director. Four judges are used (two for each fencer) to detect any touch. The director has one and a half votes, so he can overrule the decision of any one judge but never two judges watching the same fencer. Five touches determines the winner as in foil and

. 3) epee.

A fencing team is composed of nine fencers, three for each weapon. Each fencer of one team fences each member of the other team (only his particular weapon); a system which yields a total of twenty-seven bouts. Fourteen bouts must be won for a team to win the match.

In observing a bout, it is advised to concentrate on one fencer, preferably the attacker. By studying his motions you will become accustomed to the various techniques and fighting tactics associated with each weapon. In this way you will better understand and enjoy the sport of fencing.

# Carmel Extols Jewish Religion In Lecture To EMC Students

#### By ABE WORENKLEIN

On Thursday, November 11, EMC students attended a lecture given by Dr. Abraham Carmel, a former member of the Protestant clergy, who after a period of intense introspection chose orthodox Judaism as his religion. This was the second of a series of lectures dealing with topics affeoting Jews today. Dr. Carmel is a renowned personality who has lectured throughout the country and who is presently teaching English at Flatbush Yeshiva High School. He has studied three years at Ferkauf Graduate School and three years at Bernard Revel Graduate School.

Not claiming to give an objective or detached treatment of comparative religions, Dr. Carmel gave a "bird's eye" view of the major religions of the world besides Judaism and what he could not accept in them. Hinduism, Dr. Carmel began, is not one religion but a "vast umbrella sheltering some 300 religions." some of which are debasing and some uplifting, and caters to approximately 2 million gods and goddesses. In addition, Hinduism has been guilty of a "crime" which is hard to forgive.

Although the organized Church has been guilty of unforgivable sins especially in its relations with Jews, there were exemplary periods in Church history when it lived up to true Christian doctrine. Hinduism, on the other hand, has persisted in a crime which made it totally impossible for Dr. Carmel to even consider embracing - millions of people have been born into this world as "non-persons." These people are not like the other poor people of the world who have a chance to improve their situations, but were born into their situation, according to Hindu doctrine, for something they might have done in a previous existence.

If one has 10,000 existences to live, life is not real, and therefore, why bother with social reform? What difference can one existence make? Even legislation concerning the caste system can not improve anything, since this system is rooted in Indian civilization. "Millions of children are starving in India while millions of cows are on 'welfare.'"

Dr. Carmel continued to discuss Buddhism next. He stated that Buddhism should not really be considered a religion, since religion by definition should include revelation which Buddhism lacks. Since early Buddhism was purely philosophical and not beneficial to the masses, Buddhist monks and temples evolved.

Discussing Islam, Dr. Carmel asked why there is so much discussion about Jewish-Christian dialogues and none about Jewish-Islamic dialogue. It would be sensible to also have this type of dialogue since Islam is very closely related to Judaism. Among the similar characteristics are fast days, circumcision, the Sabbath, facing in a particular direction during prayer, etc. Mohammed conceded that Moses and Jesus were prophets but maintained that he had the final revelation. As a result, he felt that all Jews and Christians should convert to Islam. He then modified centain tenets of Judaism and adopted them into Islam.

One of the primary problems with Islam is its belief in predestination. What this means is that if Allah chose an individual for salvation or damnation, nothing could be done to change the individual's faste. Another principle of Islamic dogma presenting problems is the notion of forced conversions. Judaism, according to Dr. Carmel, has the most universal concept of salvation—one does not have to be a Jew in order to be saved.

There was no period in any country, except in Moslem Spain, where the Jews lived in peace for seven centuries. This period is known as the Golden Age of Spain. What would have happened had the Moors not been stopped at the border of what is now Spain? The Jews couldn't have been much worse off; their situation would probably have been much better. Today, concluded Dr. Carmel, there should be dialogues between the "sons of Abraham" and the "sons of Ishrnael."

Dr. Carmel maintains that Pope John XXII in one of his (Continued on Page 7, Col. 3)

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(Continued from Page 2, Col. 5) disgust and repulsion. However, these feelings could be manifest in several possible ways. One is tempted to argue with these people or to inform them that we do not stand on their side of the fence. Some students enjoy playing a light game of sophistry with these characters and laugh through the entire conversation.

Both of these approaches are wrong because they encourage and help the missionaries maintain some sort of dialogue which is exactly what they want to do. In this manner they become centers of attention. Had these students ignored them they would have remained oblivious.

Once the missionaries become the main attraction on Amsterdam Avenue and 185th Street a large crowd of students gather to watch the debate. This may lead to another type of reaction from some of our more hot blooded students. The new response entails the use of some genre of physical force. This is exactly what happened a few involved. No passionate argument about the sordid work of missionaries could defend the occurrence of such a *chilul hashem*. Every committed Jew is disgusted with the vicious crimes they perpetrate against unsuspecting Jews all over the world I agree, the missionaries do not belong here and I do not desire to see them here. But these feelings do not excuse *chilul hashem*.

There is something we can do to rid ourselves of the intruders. If bacteria do not have food and a warm environment they are forced to find a new home. If we ignore the missionaries, they will eventually leave us alone. Their job is to attract and talk to Jews. If we ignore them, they might find Amsterdam 'Avenue and 185th Street too cold a corner to stand on. They will be forced to move to a warmer climate, where, incidentally, they belong.

Heshie Billet '71

Accusation

desirable one. They saw no reason for making scape-goats of the guardsmen and prosecuting them, while at the same time stating that the guard's reactions were not to be applauded. The guards were implicated but not to the point of illegality. Their reaction is classified as something less than desire or fully moral, though certainly within the framework of their duties, especially considering the violent circumstances at the school.

That the Ohio Grand Jury did not buckle to pressures of youthful demonstrators, a generally critical media, and the almost universal display of sentimentality is to their credit. As students, we view with disgust and fear the shootings at Kent State, But though the guard reacted strongly, we must admit that they did not react maliciously! Many guardsmen are college age, Some are Kent State students, others attend other colleges. Many Kent students participated in the senseless burning of the ROTC building. Many threw back tear gas cannisters (as did one of the students shot) and many, including some of the wounded and killed, were found to be in possession of concrete and stone, potential projectiles. We must realize that the FBI and other national institutions felt compelled to desist from a hard line against the students for fear of talk about repression and further campus unrest. Yet, while those politically minded organs had to respond equivocally, if an equitable system of justice is to prevail, the courts must not be concerned.with outside pressures and opinions as the former are. The Kent State people, therefore, were charged with riotous behavior, arson, assault, etc. (crimes they might very well have committed). If Mr. Geller believes Scranton is so adept in truth-finding

then it would be logical to assume that he gives Scranton equal applause concerning the latter's no less evasive and ambiguous Middle East report.

Concerning the President's Commission on Pornography: Which President? All but one of the commission members, the dissenting opinion, were appointed by Johnson. Mr. Nixon challenged the report on several grounds, the first being that it was a lame duck commission, definitely partisan, and that he had nothing to do with its creation.

Mr. Nixon, worried about the (Continued on Page 7, Col. 3)

### Who's Who Honors Twenty

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Yeshiva College Senate. His roommate Robert Weiss is president of Yeshiva College Student Council and a captain of the . wrestling team. and the Yeshiva College Senate. David Graber, a member of the pre-med honor society, is an associate editor of *Tempo*, the Yeshiva College magazine.

Philip Orbuch, a past president of the sophomore class, is presently president of the pre-med honor society. Arnold Yagoda has achieved recognition as being a member of the pre-med honor society and associate echitor of *Masmid*. Hubent Weinberg, another pre-med major, has occupied a place on the Dean's List during his entire stay at Yeshiva.

weeks ago when the horn of one of our visitors was snatched by a student and water was poured on the books of another.

A football game draws a larger crowd and uses up more space than a debate on the David Sussi kind show. Our situation was no different. The field of play spread from Amsterdam Avenue to Furst Hall, One of our security guards apprehended the pursuing missionary and held him in a headlock long enough for several people to photograph the scene. Soon the spectators included not only students but also administrators, faculty members, security guards, and members of the New York City Police Department.

Unfortunately this was not a comedy. Aside from the question of gezayla there was the more serious problem of chilul hashem

#### To the Editor:

While condemning the American who prefers that students in tax-supported universities (enjoying advantages he never had) indulge more in pursuing excellence in education rather than incendiaries, of being politically naive, Mr. Geller himself escalates the war of anti-intellectualism by responding in kind. He innocently injects his own emotions into his conclusions rather than facts garnered from research and examination of what occurred at Kent State, what the Obio Grand Jury really said, and what the maligned "silent majority" really stands for and desires.

The Ohio Grand Jury did not exculpate and condone the guardsmen's reactions. The grand jury admitted that the situation that ensued was not a Heshie Billet is president of the Student Organization of Yeshiva, the political body of RIETS. Joel Yarmak, the vice president of SOY, is secretarytreasurer of Pi Mu Epsilon, the math honor society. Leon Karp is a physics major, and is vice president of Pi Mu Epsilon.

Peter Rosenzweig has achieved distinction as captain of the debating team and as a member of Psi Chi, the psychology honor society. Andrew Geller, another member of Psi Chi, is editor-inchief of THE COMMENTATOR. Iva Jaskoll, a member of the Yeshiva College Senate, is an associate editor of THE COM-MENTATOR and executive editor of Masmid. Daniel Kurtzer, also on the governing boards of THE COMMENTATOR and Masmid, is on the debating team

The only french major in the senior class, Sheldon Schwartz is secretary of EMC as well as editor of the french club's *Flambeau*. Also selected were Gary Rubin, a captain of the wrestling team and a member of the Yeshiva College Senate and Lawrence Schiffman, a member of the balanced basketball team and a past vice president of EMC. Matthew Zizmor, a pre-dent major, John Loike, a pre-med major and Gilad Ellenberg, a biology major, are also being honored.

### **Red Fights Intensely For Yeshiva Athletics**

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I am not talking about thousands of dollars. Other universities' intramural programs cost more than our entire athletic budget, so you can imagine about the amounts in question. The whole darn thing amounted to as much as a guy could pick up in a big poker game in RIETS Hall. Yet, in a school that is faced with severe economic problems even the pennies count. But Red kept fighting for practice jerseys and the five pairs of sneakers, for these things are the bare necessities. At Yeshiva, the athletic department does not run with large subsidies and now cuts will possibly take away one or two of the minor teams.

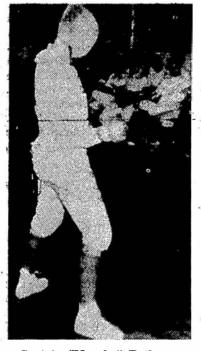
This seemed to be Red's biggest problem: how to keep the tennis club and soccer team above water. He was placing calls to people to see if they would be interested in sponsoring one of the teams. As the man said, "Even though there are only ten boys on this team, it's worth keeping it going, for once we discontinue a team, that's it. You'll never see that team at Yeshiva within the next century." When I was leaving the office Red was still on the phone, still bitching about this and that. Yet one could see the light he brought to Mrs. Miller's and Doc Hurwitz's faces, for they knew that if anyone was going to pull it off it would be Red. This was a side of Red Sarachek that few people see, and it was a beautiful sight. One of the greatest theoreticians in the history of basketball going to bat for a few crummy dollars. You can bet that Red Saraohek will come up with the money, even if it means digging into his own pocket. You could take away many of his worldly possessions but the last thing that Red would want to give up is Yeshiva. He doesn't need us, and God knows how we need him. He may not seek any of the glory, but if athletics will survive at Yeshiva, it will be because of men like Red Sarachek.

### **Team Lacks Veterans**

(Continued from Page 8, Col. 3) pled by the unexpected loss of Larry Gelb and Charlie Sprung to graduate schools, the squad has only Murphy Rothman to hold it together. Co-captain Rothman hopes to improve the winning record he achieved last year and at the same time raise the caliber of his fellow epeemen by offering solid leadership and and insisting upon intensive work-outs.

Neil Chernofsky 72 and Keith Staman 71 are the only other fencers with some experience, and their improvement since-last season should be reflected in their records this year. Zvi Weiss 72, a former foilman, and Neil Weintraub should see increased action this year as will sophomores Eli Baer and Bob Benedek. At the present time, the epee squad has no guaranteed winners but will hopefully blossom in the future weeks and carry its own share of victorious bouts.

The team, then, is not as good as it has been in previous years, but the excellent quality of the junicrs and sophomores on the team and sixty enthusiastic freshman beginners have led Coach Tauber to dedicate this year to improvement and general rebuilding. However, even on one of its few rebuilding seasons, the Taubermen's aspirations are high. Coach Tauber expects his



Captain "Murphy" Rothman

fencers to win "somewhere around half of its matches," and assistant coach Lorand Marcel has predicted a definite winning record.

# Letters To The Editor

demoralized American society, did not base his criticism of the report on contradictory research. He never attempted to play the anti-intellectual sweep Mr. Geller makes him out to be and doubt the hard facts. (Although we intellectuals know any commission can find any facts with any research that it sets out to find the first place — observe the many contradictory polls of the individual candidates in the previous election.)

Mr. Nixon simply said that there is nothing good to be gotten out of smut, so why should we help the moral decay of America in any way. I'm sure those same sentiments are expressed by many of our roshei yeshiva, students and Mr. Geller himself. probably even in the face of such conclusive data.

We at Yeshiva who pride ourselves in being so intellectual, we Jews who sometimes can not find it within ourselves to vote for a man who is not sophistioated or class enough, should at least be consistent, sophisticated and intellectual in our own appreaches. If our emotions are to be guides for our policies and actions, then who are we to condemn and criticize less educated



(Continued from Page 6, Col. 5) Ecumenical Council statements rewrote Church history by giving Judaism a place among the major religions of the world. Prior to this statement, no attempt had keen made on the parit of the organized Church to see any "redeeming" features of Judaism. The final test of the Church in improving its relations with Jews lies in whether it will acknowledge the existence of the State of Israel. The problems inherenit in this question are apparent. The Church has preached throughout its existence that the Jews will not go back to their land until the Messiah comes, when all Christians will be gathered together and the "blindness" of the Jews will be removed. The State of Israel has been established and the Church is obviously embarrassed. As a result, only time can tell what the Church will finally decide on this matter.

### YC Council Appoints Curriculum Committee; Distributes Questionnire To Secure Advice

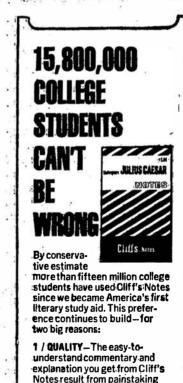
(Continued from Page 6, Col. 4) Americans for doing the same. demoralized American society, Eliot Lauer '71

#### The Editor replies:

I must accuse Mr. Laver of the same thing for which he accuses me—injecting his own emotions into his conclusions rather than the facts garnered from research and examination. He claims that the Ohio Grand Jury did implicate the National Guard at Kent State, only decided there were no grounds for prosecution. Why then, only a few hours after my column appeared, did the NEW YORK POST, which had undoubtedly investigated the matter more thoroughly than Mr. Laver, write that the grand jury "exonerated the Guard?"

Mr. Lauer insinuated that the reports of the FBI and the Scranton Commission were muted in a political move to placate the students. The government has not been known for coddling college students (listen to Mr. Agnew for five minutes) and I find it difficult to believe that they chose this one moment to do so.

Mr. Lauer admits that Nixon had no better reason for dismissing the report on pornography than "nothing good is to be gotten out of smut." I agree with that. But nothing good is to be goiten out of cigarettes (they're probably harmful) and yet they are not banned. Mr. Lauer views personal freedoms in rather contradictory terms, I think.



### Buckley Wins (Continued from Puge 3, Col. 2)

could not muster up enough foresight to unite, under one common candidate, as well as one common banner, instead of going down with dying causes.

Yet what is done is done. Goodell may well say, as Job did, "My days are past." Mr. Buckley's election, if only by 40% of the vote, does demonstrate to a limited degree, a national trend among Democrats and Republicans alike, toward conservatism. His election opens up new avenues of constructive exploration towards solving common domestic and international problems. But his successes are dependent upon our help and cooperation. Let the losers take heed of Jesse Unruh's words, "You get hurt in politics not in the battles your lose but the ones you win. The people you beat never forgive you." Let's forgive James Buck-

### Alumnus Translates Maimonides Script

Dr. Leon Stitskin, head of the Department of Special Publications at Yeshiva's Community Service Division, is about to release the first of two volumes on *The Medical Aphorisms of*, *Moses Maimonides*. This work has been translated into the English from its Arabic incunabula by Drs. Fred Rosner and Suessman Muntner.

In his Pirke Moshe Birefuah, Maimonides collected the writings of Galen, Hippocrates and caher famous physicians. Once having quoted his sources, Maimonides reassessed the works of his predecessors, while rejecting the guesswork, superstitution, and diotated dogmas prevalent at the time.

In their place, Maimonides encourages experimentation and observation and scientific methcd. His aphorisms, a collection of medical rules and regulations, reevaluate anatomy, physiology, surgery, balacology, gynecology, pharmacology, hygiene and other related fields.

According to Dr. Stitskin, who edited the work, Dr. Rosner's translation greatly advances Yeshiva's Judaica anthology. "The impact of Dr. Belkin's philosophy and personality," says the Special Publication head, "has left an indelible imprint upon our young medical scholars."

Rosner graduated cum laude from Yeshiva College in 1955 and received his M.D. from the Albert Einstein College of Medicine. Currently, he is assistant director of the Division of Hematology at Maimonides Medical Center and instructor of medicine at Downstate Medical Center. Dr. Muntner is an Arabic scholar from Hebrew University.

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President Bob Weiss created the research and advisory committee to efficiently coordinate the activities between the student council and the senate. Headed by sophomore Edward Burns, the committee is presently evaluating the curriculum of Yeshiva College.

Last spring, the senate officially recognized the need for a complete overhaul of the Yeshiva College curriculum and recommended the appointment of an impartial curriculum coordinator to lead in that work. However, Dean Bacon informed the senate this year that he had investigated the matter of a full time coordinator and reported that there was little likelihood of getting such an individual under present circumstances. Consequently, the senate moved to establish a student-faculty committee to reevaluate the Yeshiva College curriculum.

The advisory committee is basically a back-up committee to ameliorate the problems inherent in the senate resolution. The problems are twofold. Firstly, it is virtually impossible for any student-faculty committee to meet on any regular basis because of the difficulty of establishing mutually amicable meeting times. Secondly, the objectivity of any committee whose own vested interests may influence its recommendations is at the least questionable.

Accordingly, the advisory committee has enlisted the impartial advice of responsible educators. By means of a herculean effort, detailed questionnaires are now being addressed to the most prestigious graduate and undergraduate schools in the United States. Attached to the correspondence is a section of the present Yeshiva College curriculum as stated in the Yeshiva College catalogue. By explaining the nature of the dual program and the requesting of specific recommendations, the committee expects to obtain an enormous amount of professional advice.

The group will report these recommendations to the senate curriculum evaluation committee. The members of the advisory committee are optimistic that their compilations will reflect the most modern theories of academic reform and yet remain adaptable to the needs of Yeshiva College. scholars are specially selected for their knowledge of particular works and for their ability to make these works meaningful to you.

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# Rosman, Rothman Lead Taubermen **But Team's Reserves** Are Limited

Repeating last year's selection, the YU fencing team is once again headed by a sabre man, captain Larry Rosman. Follow-

thers' footsteps in future years. The squad is guided by the able hand of its captain and improves greatly with each additional



Captain Rosman winning

ing in the footsteps of his two older brothers, Larry, a pre-med major, joined the Taubermen as a freshman and was quickly elevated to a starting varsity posidion in his sophomore year. He carned this honor from the outset by compiling the best record on the fencing team for the past two years (24-8; 24-10) and winning the coach's award. "A highly motivated and determined fencer," says Coach Tauber, "Larry should have a highly successful season and lead his team to victory."

Co-captain Nathan "Murphy" Rothman, also a pre-med major, follows a family tradition of his own. Inspired by his two older brothers, Murphy began fencing while in high school and this early start should prove beneficial this coming season. As the only returning member (8-7 last year) of the epee team, Murphy's valuable advice and experience are both accepted and welcomed by his fellow team members. He is clearly a great asset to the team as he trains his epee squad each week in the intricate techniques and strategies of his weapon.

#### Fencing Squads

Though quite fortunate in their fine leadership, the Taubermen cannot depend on two men alone, so let us examine the three fencing squads: sabre, foil and epee. With two returning starters, Captain Larry Rosman and Leo Beer (14-13) both with fine winning records last year, the sabre team is undoubtedly the best of the three squads. There are fine backup men available each vying for the remaining starter position. Mel Grabina '71, has been fencing three years while Marty Knecht '72, Judah Chasky '72, Dave Edelstein '72 and Mark Levy '72 all began as freshmen. The only sophomore on the squad, Sidney Rosman, began fencing while still in high school and hopes to follow in his bropractice. Realizing that the fate of the team as a whole rests upon its success or failure, the sabremen work diligently, both as a team and in their individual free time, and expect to end the

season with a fine winning record.

This aspiration is not, unfortunately, held by either the foil or epee teams. The foilmen, led. by Isaac Gewirtz '71, is an untried and untested squad-only two of its members, Gewirtz and Irving "Frotz" Friedman '71, have any substantial experience in competition. The team works hard, and Gewintz and Friedman, in particular, are intent on improving their individual last-season's records. The foilmen's hopes are in the inexperienced. but quite talented, remaining fencers. Tommy Weiss and Mitch Seidman, both seniors, who have been fencing these past few years, are looking forward to gaining valuable experience on the strip. Two sophomores, "Gugy" Pollack and Sol Willner, both graduates of last year's freshman team, are learning quickly and should prove extremely valuable to the Taubermen by next season, if not sooner.

The epeemen are the sore spot in this year's fencing team. Crip-(Continued on Page 7, Col. 1)

### **Fencer Teaches Rules** In One Easy Lesson

#### By SIDNEY ROSMAN

Over the years, Yeshiva fencers have been gratified by the fine attendance by both high school and college students at the home matches in the Yeshiva gym. However, because of the speed of the sport and its unfamiliar rules and regulations many find it difficult to follow the action. There are three different types of weapons: sabre, foil and epee, each constructed differently and each having different rules pertaining to its use in competition.

The foil, the lightest of the three weapons, is a modern version of the dueling rapier. A touch or hit may be scored if the point of the weapon lands on any portion of the body except the arms, legs, neck and head. Each fencer wears a metal vest covering the trunk of his body and uses an electrical foil. When the point of the blade is pressed against the metallic vest, a spring attachment is depressed, an electric circuit is completed, a buzzer sounds and a light goes on (red for one fencer, green for the other) indicating that a valid touch has been scored. If the point hits off target (head, neck, legs, arms) a white light goes on halting all action. No touch is awarded and the fencing then continues. If two touches are made at approximately the same time, the director awards the touch to the fencer who initiated the attack. This is called the principle of right-of-way. Once a fencer has touched his opponent five times, he is declared the winner.

but merely on whose touch comes first. If both touches occur simultaneously both lights go on and a touch is awarded to both fencers. The first fencer to touch his opponent five times is declared the winner. If a tie occurs (because of a double touch,) a period of sudden death ensues (Continued on Page 6, Col. 1)



The man paced all over the small cubicle that has been named the Yeshiva University Athletic Department. He kept on muttering to himself unintelligible words as he looked over the budget of the wrestling and the basketball teams. He kept on asking me if they were giving out parking tickets downstairs, and why he had given up the \$50 for being an "advisor" at the New York Net practice to come "up to this place." He started to instruct Mrs. Miller in a volley of commands; get me Father Joseph on the phone; get me Dean Bacon; get me Rabbi Avrech. This man was worried about one thing: the present financial situation of Yeshiva College athletics. He is not really being paid enough for his pains. His store, Circle Sporting Goods, is doing well. The New York Nets want him every minute that he can spare. So what is he doing in Doc Hurwitz's tiny office worrying over how to cut the budget enough to pass the dean's inspection?

It's a simple answer that anyone who knows him will tell you. Red Sarachek loves Yeshiva. He for many years was the basketball team. When he had the right kind of material, he won and he won big. In the '55-'56 season, the Mighty Mites were 16-2 and during '58-'59 the Mites were 14-4. These big years were not played against second-rate teams, but rather against some of the big boys in the metropolitan area: Long Island University, St. Francis, City College.

Even when he had lousy material, Red was always good for pulling a few upsets that caught the experts with their pants down. These are the memories that light him up: when Yeshiva upset LIU or in recent years the upset over Adelphi, which he engineered after only three weeks had elapsed since he had come out of the hospital. However, being the athletic director doesn't take in just the good times, and this is why he was up at Doc's place that morning.

After building up the Yeshiva College Athletic Department, he is now trying to save it from falling apart from lack of funds. This is not an easy job and Red knows it; yet he accepts it. So he goes on asking Mrs. Miller to call this guy and that guy, and maybe one of them will come through with a donation to get one of the teams its needed materials. Once the person agrees to give the donation, Red's job is only half done. The person must earmark the donation for athletics or else it will get thrown into the university's coffer, and everyone knows what the chances would be for the athletic department in getting money from the university. Thus Red has his work cut out for him.

Red's big job now is to get the basketball and wrestling budgets approved and this takes up explaining every item on the list. Now (Continued on Page 7, Col. 1)

# Soccer Squad Shows Potential As Its Second Season Begins

#### By CARL WALDMAN

YU has a team which plays the international pastime, a sport which may be roughly described as ice hockey not played on ice or with sticks or a puck, but instead played on turf, with feet and heads and a large ball. YU has a soccer team. The soccer team is not a two-bit, inept and apathetic team only designed to give its members one credit of physical education. This team has the potential to become the "winningest team in Yeshiva." At least its goalie Phil Landa thinks S0.

Players have uniforms and cleats South Africa and Benny Hanauer, course, their own field.

YU's team, on the other hand, practices one day a week, for two or three hours, in the George

week, four or five hours a day. Mandel, Peru; Elisha Klirs, provided by the school, and, of Peru are on offense. Zev Gross and Asher Tuchman play defense and Phil Landa plays goalie. Many of the members have grown up playing soccer.



#### Fencing Schedule

Tues. Dec. 1-St. Peters College 7:30 Home Dec. 9-Rutgers (Newark) Wed. 7:00 p.m., Away Dec. 15—N.Y. Maritime College 7:30 p.m., Home Away Tues. Jan. 4—Pratt Institute 7:30 Mon. p.m. Home Feb. 8-Fairleigh Dickinson Mon 7:30 p.m. Home 7:30 p.m. Home Feb. 10—St. John's University Feb. 17—Brooldyn Callego 7:30 p.m. Home Feb. 23—Drew University Wed. Wed. Tues. 7:30 Away Feb. 23 Jersey City State 7:30 p.m. Away Wed. Keb. 25-Mar. 1-Paterson St. (tri-ing-Brooklyn Poly 7:00 p.m. Away Thurs. Mon. All home games in YU gym.

#### Epee

The epee, modern version of the heavy dueling sword, can also score a touch only with its point. However, any portion of the body is a valid target area so no metallic vest need be worn. A spring attachment on the point of the blade is depressed when a touch is made, an electric circuit completed, a buzzer sounds and a light goes on indicating which fencer was touched. Unlike foil, epee touches are not based upon the convention of right-of-way

This is not just empty talk. Last year the soccer team played two regular season games: one against St. John's and the other against the Greek Association of NYU. The team lost the first game 3-2 and tied in the next 2-2. This is quite impressive considering that St. John's was tied for the number one spot in the city in soccer, and that the Greek Association is a semi-professional team. These two games resulted in the scheduling of rematches with both clubs, and additional games against Hunter, Lehman and Queens.

#### Familiar Problems

What has hindered the soccer team and has made it practically unknown is lack of publicity, general YU apathy, lack of practice and mainly a lack of funds,

After all, a team like St. John's practices four days a

#### Soccer team in Central Park

Washington High School gym. It's probably the only soccer team in the world that practices on a wooden floor: a ridiculous situation and a good indication of the dedication and enthusiasm of the team. The uniforms are mainly dungarees with legs cut off and sneakers.

#### Starting Team

The starting team itself is set. It is an international team and is led by Coach Wettstein. Elliot

They are as knowledgeable and in love with soccer as some Americans are knowledgeable and in love with baseball.

However, without a proper field and proper equipment it is doubtful that the team can perform up to par. To put it simply, the soccer team's main problem is not one of attitude or ability, but lack of concern on the part of the students and the administration.