

YC Council Deals With Recent Senate Motion For Bible Requirement

By **ROBERT KANTOWITZ**

The Yeshiva College Student Council held its second meeting of the year on September 19. The meeting, which lasted almost two and one-half hours, dealt not only with announcements and school business but also was marked by expressions of student outrage over various actions taken by the University.

President Ruchelshman issued commendations to all those who worked on the YCSC Used Book Exchange and to Will Greenberg and Jay Orlinsky, who organized the Dirshu Program at YU. He announced a policy of close cooperation between YCSC and the Stern College Student Council. Mesibot Rosh Chodesh and weekends have been scheduled. YCSC also hopes to work closely with JSSSC, EMCSC, and SOY.

Ruchelshman's Address

The Council then turned to the legislation passed by the Senate last year reducing the number of years of the Bible requirement for YP students. Anticipating a possible veto by Dr. Belkin at this late date, Mr. Ruchelshman had this to say: "On behalf of YCSC and the student body, I'd like to request that Dr. Belkin and the Faculty Assembly, though they have a final veto vote on all Senate legislation, should exercise this right in a judicious manner. The Yeshiva (Continued on Page 6, Col. 1)

YU Appoints Fishman Vice-Pres. In Charge Of Academic Affairs

By **BARRY LIST**

Dr. Joshua A. Fishman, the newly appointed Vice-President for Academic Affairs at Yeshiva University expressed confidence that his office would respond effectively to the external and internal pressures upon academic life at Yeshiva University.

Dr. Fishman, a social psychologist who specializes in language studies, is a former dean of Ferkauf Graduate School, an active researcher, and the author or co-author of nearly a dozen books which emphasize the sociology of language.

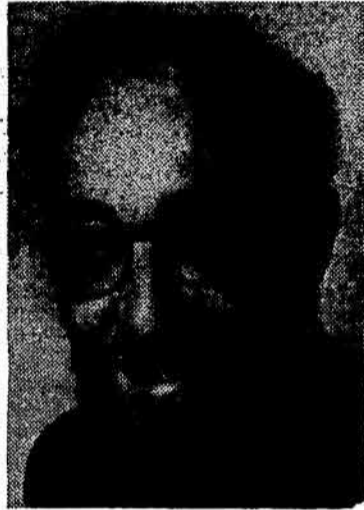
A Fluid Position

Among the functions of his office are the day-to-day academic operations of the University, its educational programs, long-range planning and evaluation, and coordinating undergraduate school curricula. In an interview in early October, Dr. Fishman explained, "The University needs an office that will attempt coordination and leadership for the University as a whole."

Dr. Fishman spoke of external pressures such as state inquiries into undergraduate and graduate spending, and internal pressures such as faculty members seeking additional improvements for their departments. "My hope is to respond to these pressures in a more systematic fashion" said Dr. Fishman, who also noted the administration's goal to preserve the Jewish character of YU in meeting these pressures.

Money As A Catalyst

According to Dr. Fishman, the financial pressures upon the University may provide opportuni-



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ties as well as pose the familiar problems. In times when money is short, decisions can often be made more quickly because things have to be evaluated in terms of immediate requirements; there is less time for rivalry among the departments concerning the distribution of funds. A fiscal crisis also allows the university to make decisions it would not make in more comfortable times. Dr. Fishman believes that Yeshiva will emerge stronger than ever after the present financial pinch is over.

While admittedly unfamiliar with the impact caused by the recent loss of several popular, tenured professors and the influx of new and younger teachers, Dr. Fishman pointed out that non-tenured teachers are often pioneering, hard-working and capable of keeping academic life creative.

Although the Vice President's office does not normally bring him into frequent contact with the student body, Dr. Fishman expressed his desire to get to know the students, read the

campus papers, and attend student functions as often as possible as both a listener and an observer apart from his official duties.

Bilingualism Stressed

Dr. Fishman brings the perspective of a social scientist to his new position. With the caution of a scientist, the new academic official spoke of his intention to gather data before forming any conclusions about his future policies and views. He also said he believes in the seeking of conflict, for conflict is the process by which growth and strengthening of the social system come about.

The social psychologist who has authored several studies about bilingualism, is convinced that YU's use of English, Hebrew, Yiddish serves as strong proof against those who feel that multilingualism is only found among recent immigrants and the poor. The model bilingual situation is not one in which one tongue is familiar and the other foreign, but one in which the speaker feels comfortable with both languages. Dr. Fishman believes that YU's use of several languages comes very close to this model.

Senate Vs. Bible Dept Belkin Letter Is Seen As Bible Motion Veto

By **ISRAEL WAHRMAN**

The Yeshiva College Senate in its last three meetings discussed Dr. Belkin's letter concerning the change in the YC Bible Requirement which was passed last year.

In his letter, Dr. Belkin, like the Faculty Assembly had done before him, expressed disfavor with the method in which the Senate approved the change, i.e., without prior consultation with the Bible department. Various Senators pointed out that consultation with the Bible department is not a requirement for such a change. The change in the Bible Requirement would mean that YP students would have to take four semester of Bible, at two credits per semester, as opposed to the current requirement of eight terms, at one credit per semester.

Dr. Bacon presented a motion which stated that the Senate had "taken cognizance" of President Belkin's letter and was "looking forward to a report as soon as feasible."

Bacon's Motion Discussed

At the next meeting discussion centered around Dr. Bacon's motion regarding Dr. Belkin's letter. The Chairman ruled that Dr. Belkin's letter of disapproval was a suggestion and did not constitute a veto. Alumni Representative Daniel Kramer appealed (Continued on Page 5, Col. 1)

Rally Held On Selichot; Jackson Bill Supported

By **AVERY H. EINHORN**

On Saturday night, September 22, the annual Selichot night rally for Soviet Jewry was held at Lincoln Center's Damrosch Park. Sponsored by the Student Struggle for Soviet Jewry and Massorah-Young Israel, it drew between 350-500 people, many of whom were from Yeshiva College.

The rally program consisted of an opening address by Rabbi Shlomo Riskin, a keynote address by Congressman Ogden Reid of New York, and music by Cantor Sherwood Goffin with the Or Ha Kesef Orchestra. The specific purpose of this year's rally was to show support for the Jackson Amendment in the Senate and the House version, the Mills-Vanick Bill. Both bills would make extension of trade credits and most-favored-nation status to the U.S.S.R. contingent upon a complete relaxation of emigration policies for Jews and other minorities as provided for in the United Nations Universal Declaration of Human Rights, to which the U.S.S.R. is a signatory.

Reid Reads Letters

Congressman Reid, a vigorous supporter of Israel and the cause of Soviet Jewry, stressed

the importance of not letting support for the bills wane at a crucial juncture; at a time when the Nixon Administration is trying to cut down Congressional backing for the bills. He read letters from prominent Soviet (Continued on Page 3, Col. 1)

Mayor Lindsay Fetes Dr. Belkin On 30th Year As YU President

By **HOWARD WIEDER**

Mayor John Lindsay honored Dr. Samuel Belkin on his thirtieth anniversary as President of

Yeshiva University in a reception held at Gracie Mansion on September 25. The ceremony officially launched a series of events

in honor of the University's president. In lauding Dr. Belkin's distinguished career, the Mayor (Continued on Page 5, Col. 1)



L. to r.: Charles Bassine, Mayor Lindsay, President Belkin and Max Stern.

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YU Security Revamped Stress On Innovations

By **CHARLES SPANGLER**

YU recently hired Smith and Wesson Security Services for its safety and security program. They will replace Interstate Security Services who had served in this capacity for two years.

Col. Robert Marmorstein, Security Director, explained that

the change was due to a "lack of company responsiveness from Interstate." He elaborated by indicating that this company would not send additional guards when requested, guards that were sent were incapable, and he wasn't sure what supervisory personnel to contact when it was necessary.

Col Marmorstein stated that in choosing a security company there was a need to "keep costs or reduce them below present levels," while improving services. Several inquiries were made and Smith and Wesson was hired on August 27. It was said that certain supervisory members of this firm had had a great deal of experience and had been directly involved with YU with efficient results. At the same time, fifty more man-hours were included with no increase of cost.

Guards Like YU

Reactions from several Smith and Wesson Security officers indicate a willingness and even enthusiasm to fulfill their responsibilities toward YU, an enjoyment of the "cooperative" spirit of the students thus far, and a satisfaction with their supervisors. One guard maintains he feels "more secure" because of the discipline and "dedicated relig- (Continued on Page 4, Col. 3)

Bible Chicanery

The Yeshiva College Senate passed a resolution last year changing the University Bible requirement to only four semesters of Prophets, with two credits for each two hour class instead of the eight semester, one credit a term system employed until then. Stipulations were made that at least one Bible course would have to be taken each academic year and that classes be restricted to a maximum of 12-15 students. Finally, a new one semester course entitled "An Introduction to the Hebrew Bible" would be required of each student and new topical courses were to be added to present course offerings.

In response to an irate Bible department which claimed it had not been adequately consulted on the issue, Dr. Samuel Belkin President of Yeshiva University, sent a letter to the Senate vetoing the entire resolution.

THE COMMENTATOR questions the conduct of the Bible department in this affair. In representing the case to Dr. Belkin they claimed that they had not been previously consulted as to the Bible proposal. However, Dr. Meyer Hershkowitz, head of the Bible department, sat in as a Senate member on all their meetings. At one Senate meeting, in fact, scheduled discussion on the Bible requirement was postponed when Dr. Hershkowitz's absence was noted. Dr. Hershkowitz probably informed his department of current developments and if he failed to do so it is his fault alone rather than the Senators.

The Senate is an autonomous decision-making body whose sole requirement is to consult with the department — rather than requiring the department's approval. Article II, Section 1B of the Constitution states: "In the above matters (establishment of new majors and new courses), the Senate shall be required to consult with the Department and Division Heads involved before voting on the issue." In this case the Senate fulfilled its responsibilities to consult with the department head by having Dr. Hershkowitz present during Senate discussions of his department's requirements. Following consultation with department heads the Senate is not subject to individual departmental preferences. Indeed, the Senate has frequently overruled departmental requests and only through a two-thirds majority vote by the Faculty Assembly can any department enforce its request and, in turn, overrule a Senate law.

THE COMMENTATOR maintains that it was unfair for the Bible department to present its case to Dr. Belkin as if the Senate had quickly and rashly rushed through the passage of the proposal. Samuel Safran, one of last year's student Senators, spent a great deal of time consulting with Dr. Hershkowitz as to different alternatives to the present Bible requirement. In fact, Mr. Safran researched minutes of previous year's Bible department meetings at which possible improvements within the department were discussed.

It is hardly fair to present all this serious effort by the Senate towards an improvement in the present Bible requirement as an impetuous motion, arrived at through a minimum of serious consideration.

Give A Damn I

The recent outpouring of financial aid by American Jews for Israel has once again shown the deep ties and concerns which bind Jews everywhere. The financial responsibility has by no means ended, however, and the burdens which will have to be shouldered will most certainly prove to be of a long term nature.

In view of this situation, while THE COMMENTATOR calls for increased financial support for Israel it would also most strongly like to remind the Jewish community that its philanthropic obligations to worthy Jewish institutions here should by no means be neglected. Jewish education in all its forms and facets must continue to be supported. Jewish social welfare institutions should not be left to flounder. Only

the continued support of existing Jewish institutions, and particularly educational institutions can insure the type of atmosphere that can and will spark a response to any crisis. We hope that a commitment to Israel will not displace a local commitment, but that it be considered above and beyond one's normal contributions on behalf of the homefront and that the continued survival of Jewish institutions will be insured.

Give A Damn II

At times of crisis, there is a tendency to overlook the good that a friend does. One's own troubles are always magnified and normal expressions of gratitude are often neglected and sometimes completely forgotten.

Israel is in a very grave situation and we in America who support her should not lose sight of the support that the American government has shown Israel. President Nixon and the Congress risked detente and gambled with oil in order to send critically-needed aid to Israel.

It is for this reason that THE COMMENTATOR urges every student to write letters of support to President Nixon and senators and representatives thanking them for their unswerving support and urging them to continue in the same manner in the future.

Give A Damn III

On Monday, the newly refurbished student lounge was opened to the student public. Thanks are certainly due to the Alumni Association and YCSC for once again resupplying Yeshiva's various lounges in spite of past experiences. To anyone who has seen anything of Yeshiva's student lounges it is painfully obvious that an irrational vandalism is pervasive at Yeshiva. Chairs, pingpong tables, and other furnishings are no sooner placed in a lounge than they are inexplicably slashed or hauled off to some private room.

The new student lounge contains many new game machines, all of which are expensive and relatively delicate items. The lounges and new machines will continue to provide YU students with the recreation for which they were intended as long as YU's students respond with minimum amounts of responsibility instead of the perverse destructiveness that has characterized their behavior until now.

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Israel - An Analysis



By MANNY RUCHELSMAN

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28: JERUSALEM—Golda Meir announced today that an Israeli initiative has produced the first direct face-to-face negotiations between Israel and the Egyptians. The meeting resulted in Israel granting permission for the resupply of trapped Arab forces on the East bank of the Suez. In a related statement from Syrian forces, the Damascus government stressed that they were providing a two month ultimatum to the Israelis to return all occupied territories or face renewed hostilities. In the meantime, Arab forces refused to submit the names of Israel's prisoners of war in violation of the Geneva accords.

The fourth war in twenty five years between the Israelis and their Arab neighbors has brought to light the dichotomy of thought that exists between the Israeli government in power and the opposition parties. The Meir government has stressed that the occupied territories of the Six-Day War should be used as a bargaining position for a lasting peace and secure boundaries. The government was willing to return the bulk of the Sinai Desert for this cause.

The Arab forces, fully cognizant of these facts, decided that the time was ripe to change the military picture in a hope of changing the resulting diplomatic negotiations. If Israel was willing to return some territory then the renewed hostilities could only work toward an Arab advantage, win or lose. If the Arabs were able to hold on to part of the territories they had lost in the past war, then the Israeli position would be considerably weakened and the Meir government more willing to bargain. If the Arabs lost, then the Israeli position would remain the same and the Arabs would still retain the same bargaining strength.

The events coming out of the Mideast this morning only reemphasize the Arab understanding of the situation. The Meir stand must be reevaluated—it is nothing more than peace at any price. The opposing political parties in the Israeli government have understood the weaknesses and consequences of the Meir position. They have understood the Arab psyche and have arranged their position accordingly. Israel must not pay both the cost of war and the price of peace.

A negotiated settlement at this time is not in the Israeli interest. A peace treaty is a 'peace of paper' and can be broken as easily as a truce can be violated. The Arab demand will not stop with the return of the occupied territories, but only with a push into the sea. Its military power is Israel's best weapon to achieve a lasting peace and secure boundaries. The humiliation of the Arab armies time and time again is what is needed to finally drive home the idea that Israel will live and must be reckoned with as a sovereign state.

Diplomacy has not worked in the past and its strength for the future is questionable. Only military power has created the security that Israel needs to survive. Where would Israel be today, had she had none of the occupied territories? Her first line of defense would have been the border kibbutzim. With the penetrating thrust of the Egyptian advance on the peaceful day of Yom Kippur and the days that followed, how many more lives would have been lost and how many more wounded?

The Egyptians have been able to assemble their pontoon bridges to cross the Canal because the Meir government was too concerned with preparing for peace and too over-confident to prepare for war. There is no strategy involved in allowing your own territory to be overrun. There is no excuse for the Israelis to have forgone preparations to protect their planes against the newest Russian missiles especially, when they were warned of the strength of these missiles by the American government. Israel, despite its military miracle in the '67 war is still heavily outnumbered by their hostile adversaries breathing down their borders.

Mrs. Meir announced on the first day of the new war, that the Arab attack was something close to lunacy. Her government despite the heavy losses it suffered has still not realized that this lunacy has paid off. She still maintains, as she has since the last war, that the Israelis want negotiations as a keystone to lasting peace. The action her government took this morning are a reaffirmation of this position.

The crossing to the west bank of the Canal in the last days before the current truce was declared can be made into another great victory for the Israelis. To initiate direct face to face negotiations with the Egyptians and the Syrians after the Arab surprise attack will not lead to the great victory Israel must have to enforce a lasting peace. Instead, it will lead to concessions.

The news this morning is extremely saddening. The future continuation of such a reconciliatory policy will not be translated into a settlement but into an incentive for renewed aggression. Israel at any bargaining table today will be playing a kind of Russian Roulette. She cannot bargain away territories since this will enlarge Arab demands. She cannot bargain for written treaties since treaties will be used by the Arabs to weaken Israeli security and downplay the necessity for quick definitive action should war reoccur.

Israel must emphasize that while she is willing to pay the price for peace, the Arab world must be ready to bear the responsibilities for war. To allow the resupply of the Third Egyptian Army will only teach the Arabs that war has its payoff. Instead of reconciliation, a war of attrition and a battle of nerves will result.

The military position around the Canal provides Israel with an opportunity to reclaim the superiority and invincibility she has lost during the recent conflict. The Army trapped by the Israeli

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Yiddish Theatre Revival Is Seen On Four New York City Stages

By JEFFREY STRASHUN

There's no mistaking the fact—Yiddish Theatre has returned to New York. After years of empty and seldom-occupied theatres, New York is welcoming four Yiddish shows onto its stages this fall. While two were written by Sholem Aleichem, one is a translation of a recent Israeli hit, and the fourth is an original production, which includes references to everything from Watergate to Burt Reynolds!

"Here Comes the Groom" was the first of the Yiddish plays to open this season, and certainly, the most original. Directed by and starring Leo Fuchs, it is the story of an unemployed actor who is hired to replace a groom who fails to appear at his own wedding. The show received excellent reviews from the New York press. In fact, one critic even noted the whispered translations that seemed to pervade throughout the Mayfair Theatre—one more sign that a new and younger generation have found the Yiddish theatre. Producer Moish Baruch encourages all Jewish students to be a part of this revival in Yiddish theatre.

"Hard To Be A Jew"

The more "classical" Yiddish plays this season are being produced by Jewish Nostalgic Productions under the leadership of Harry Rothpearl. Following last year's successful production of *Yoshe Kalb*, they have chosen "Hard To Be A Jew" as the premier show of this season. Written by Sholem Aleichem, it is "timely, theatrical commentary on the suffering of Soviet Jewry." It concerns two high school students, one Jewish, one Christian who graduate school together. Although the Jew is brilliant, he worries about his future in Czarist Russia. His Russian friend seems content in living his simple life. However, to add some excitement to their lives, the boys decide to exchange identities for an entire year. The play continues to recount the adventures of the two youths.

Music and choreography have been added to this 1920-1 play. It stars Joseph Bulof, who performed in the original produc-

Selichet Rally Held Cong. Reid Speaks For Soviet Jewry

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 2) Jews and intellectuals who begged American Jews to be wary of the Nixon Administration.

Congressman Reid also asked the audience not to forget the forty Soviet Jewish activists still languishing in Soviet concentration camps and the hundreds of other activists. In his closing statement, he asked for peace and freedom for all men, and security for Israel: "Shaalu Sh'lom Yerushalim". Pray for peace in Jerusalem.

After a brief service for Soviet Jews, at which the *Shofar* was sounded, Cantor Sherwood Goffin of Rabbi Riskin's Lincoln Square Synagogue led those present in a few songs for Soviet Jewry. Closing the rally were the Or Ha Kesef Orchestra and a last minute appeal to the people present to "get involved" and not fall prey to the gross apathy so rampant in many movements today.

tion, and has an English narration by Zvee Scooler (the Rabbi in the film version of *Fiddler*). Jewish Nostalgic Productions has taken a five-year lease on the 1100 seat Eden Theatre (2nd Avenue and 12th Street) and plans to present in the future *Tevey*, *The Brothers Ashkenazi*, and *The Dybbuk*.

At the Burnstein Theatre (250 West 43rd St.), "My Mama the General" is being produced. It is a Yiddish translation of the three-year Israeli hit. Another Israeli, Dov Seltzer, has composed the lyrics for "Stempenyu," a Sholem Aleichem comedy and the final show of this young theatrical season.

None of the producers involved in the current Yiddish theatre boom feel that the great number of shows will hurt them, either



"Here Comes the Groom" Now at Yiddish Theater

individually or collectively. On the other hand, they are pleased that the mass interest exists and and hope that it will continue for a long time to come.

Dr. J. Dunner Explains His Opinions On World

By ALLAN SCHWARTZ

What would you say about a man who was chief of intelligence section OWI (London, England) in 1944-45, was head of the press control section of Information Control in Munich, Germany 1945-46, was the director of the Institution of International Affairs 1946-58, and in 1954 was decorated with the Order of Ouissam Alaouite Cherifren by the Sultan of Morocco? Would you have any further comment if I told you that he was a foreign correspondent under the names Germanicus and Alexander Roth for the Swiss Press and *Deutsche Freiheit*, is a director of the American Friends of Hebrew University, the author of over ten books, and President of the Jewish Freedom League in America? Now for the final and decisive question. Would you believe he teaches here, at Yeshiva University?

Dr. Joseph Dunner, educator, author, and international figure, was born in Germany, May 10, 1908. He has studied in the University of Berlin, University of Frankfurt-Main, and in the University of Basel. Since then he has left his mark everywhere. He was a leader of Germany's Social Democratic Party in 1933, worked under three American Presidents (Roosevelt, Truman, and Nixon) and he has been one of the most active figures in American-Israeli relations. Recently, THE COMMENTATOR spoke with Dr. Dunner about his views on modern world problems.

When asked about the latest Mideast war, he replied, "I am a life-long Zionist. When the crisis started I called Mr. Nixon (after Yom Kippur). He immediately let me know that arms will be forthcoming to Israel. The government of Israel was too overconfident. The threat of war existed and, this April, I warned the Israeli ambassador to the U.N. that the Arabs are much better armed than last time, and that this time they will counter with a much better effort. This has proven to be true."

Dr. Dunner asserted that Israel knew the attack was imminent. Their policy was, at any circumstance, not to appear to the world at large as the ones

who started it. "I, for one, understand that policy, but don't approve of it. I don't give a damn about public opinion. First save a life, then examine public opinion. The peaceniks in our camp are the greatest aggressors in Jewish life." When you live with the idea to appease others, you lose Jewish lives. For this reason 600-700 Jewish boys were killed. Dr. Dunner disapproved of the way the Israeli government handled it. "If I were in the Israeli government, I would have asked for an attack on Egypt and Syria before Yom Kippur."

According to the professor, the crisis will last a long time. He has no illusions about the cease-fire; it will not last. "Israel must have secure borders and my hope is that the United States will continue to arm her. If the Arabs know that Israel is well armed, they'll think twice

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West Coast Students Seek Dati Jewish Environment; YU Atmosphere Often Provides The Necessary Spirit

"I came to Yeshiva College to discover what it really means to be a Jew," so said a new student from the West Coast. He further explained that life for a religious student in the Far West is nearly impossible.

"The Jewish population on the coast feels that Judaism is on a declining curve and the increasing rate of mixed marriage every year seems to justify this."

In recent years many new students have arrived from California and the Pacific Northwest. These students have not merely come in ones or twos, but rather by the dozens. Judaism seems to be constantly growing there and the younger generations is coming 3,000 miles to find out what their heritage is all about.

There are no higher institutions of religious learning in the Far West, which leaves a large gap in Jewish education in America. Anti-Semitism still thrives on college campuses and many collegians therefore come to Yeshiva College where they hope to be free from prejudice.

When a student is persecuted for wearing a yarmulkeh, he feels

Alumni Airings

Sermon From A Graduate



By DONIEL KRAMER

Sitting down to write this column on regular Alumni Association activities proved an impossible task in light of the present news emanating from the Middle East and Washington. I was happy to save my material on Yeshiva College Alumni in Israel for the Yom Ha'atzmaut edition, but perforce I must share some of it with you now. There are literally hundreds upon hundreds of alumni living in Israel—who have become totally integrated within Israeli society—who have become the backbone of Israeli survival—who have taken upon their shoulders part of the security and defense of Eretz Yisrael—who have distinguished themselves on the homefront, providing the necessary services to allow Israel to exist in its mobilized state—and who have shed their blood on the battlefields of that Holy Land. Already in the War of Independence in 1948 one alumnus, Moshe Pearlstein, was killed in the then unsuccessful defense of Gush Etzion. It is surely our prayer that the killing and destruction will quickly cease and that no new names will have to be added to the already overextended roster of martyrs.

If our "Simchat Yom Tov" was tempered by the war occurring halfway around the world, some moral indignation must also be voiced concerning events closer to home. Usually it is with pride that we point to the large number of alumni who have answered Yirmiyahu's (29:7) call, "And seek the peace of the city whither I have caused you to be carried away captive, and pray unto the Lord for it; for in the peace thereof shall ye have peace," by their service to the government. Even I have treasured those moments that have

seen men modestly dabbling in political movements out of a concern for the welfare of our country. Unfortunately reports and proof of corruption and ethical decadence in the highest echelons of our government lead one to wonder if America was included among the seventy nations on whose behalf we mentioned the special additional sacrifices in prayer this past Succot. On the grassroots level, since this is a special election edition, the political schemes and chicaneries that especially seem to mark and mar local campaigns must not be allowed to obscure the real issues facing the Jewish and general communities this election eve. Yeshiva College students and alumni have been in the forefronts of the efforts to see that Jewish interests are not neglected, and the same concerns should prompt us to see that the general climate in America, politically, socially, and culturally speaking, once again takes on a clear and healthy airiness.

In conclusion, a very brief report of Alumni doings is in order. On Sunday, November 4th, at 8:00 P.M., a special reception will be held in the Stern College Auditorium honoring the charter life-members of the Yeshiva College Alumni Association—those who have donated dues totaling ten times *chai*—and marking the inauguration of the elected officers and members of the executive board for the coming year.

Many of you might have also received information about a new and excellent insurance policy that is being offered by the YCAA. Finally, plans are being formulated for a gala dinner by the Association honoring Dr. Belkin upon his thirtieth year as President of Yeshiva University

person; therefore he came to YU.

"I knew many people already here and friends came quickly and easily. I was among fellow Jewish students and I enjoyed the feeling of freedom of being a complete Jew of my own standards. I wasn't alone anymore and didn't have to be singled out by wearing a yarmulkeh. I was surrounded by them."

Two different organizations have been very active in the recent Jewish revival on the West Coast he noted. The first, the National Conference of Synagogue Youth, concentrates on the 13 to 18 age group. For NCSY, the youth are the key to the American Jewish future, and it is through them that many students from the West Coast have attended Yeshiva College. Yeshiva University, has also been involved through its availability as an institution of higher learning and its graduates and *musmachim* who have gone to the West Coast. As another West Coast YU student says, "I'm thankful that I have a place to learn Torah and yet prepare myself for future endeavors in today's world."

Scripta Jasue

A Factory?

Last year, while sitting in class at the Hebrew University, an Israeli classmate questioned me concerning YU. His opening comment was that he had heard that YU was a factory, and he meant it in a positive sense, for producing scholars in Judaica. My first response was astonishment. A factory for pre-meds, a factory for pre-laws maybe, but Jewish Studies—ridiculous.

It then dawned upon me what I had just said. YU produces excellent future doctors, dentists, lawyers, biologists, chemists, etc., but where are the future Jewish historians and Jewish philosophers? Where are the experts in Midrash and Agadah, Bible and Hebrew literature in all its facets?

This point was re-inforced when I opened the catalogue of this year's courses at YC. There was a sprinkling of new courses in the natural sciences, some in the social sciences and even a new department. A new B.A.-M.A. program has been developed in the natural sciences. Are there any new courses in Judaica? True, an M.A. program may be instituted with Revel but the very lack of excitement that Revel generates only serves to highlight the problem.

Before I go on, I must make two points. Firstly, the three religious divisions by no means provide the solution for the questions which I just posed. By their very nature, unfortunately, they occupy neither a primary nor equal position in relation to YC studies and in fact, play a very secondary role. Just look at the attendance at the religious divisions when a chem or poli sci test approaches. This situation is, however, not the fault of the administrators of the three divisions and I by no means wish to impugn their performances. I, myself, most familiar with EMC, have seen it under the direction of Rabbi Rabinowitz, make great strides in the last few years. For what YU is at the present they mostly fulfill their functions. I am not at all happy, though, about what YU is at the present.

Secondly, I by no means wish to raise up the spectre that occasionally haunts YU: the liberal arts vs. professional school con-

trovery. I am all in favor of liberal arts provided that they are not stuffed down one's throat as requirements. I shall leave the question of requirements, though, for a later date. Suffice it to say that I do object to any one being forced to study what has absolutely no connection to one's given field, nor commands any individual interest. I may knock, also, the pre-professional school atmosphere that pervades YU, but that is not to say that I want to correct it by throwing in more unrelated requirements. I simply want to add one more subject to the list that makes YU excel as a pre-professional school.

What I have been trying to say, is that YU, of all places should begin to seriously train people for careers in Jewish Studies. I am not, however, laying this burden on the Yeshiva part of YU; but, rather on the University part — University courses on the standard of the University and by a faculty worthy of such a title.

I have often wondered why this has not existed before and, I think, I finally discovered part of the answer—synthesis. The plain truth is that synthesis does not work. Just what are we trying to synthesize? Are we starting out with Judaica and are working our way to *Madah* or is it the reverse? We have seemed to have mixed up our *primus inter pares*. Our *Primus* has unfortunately turned into *Madah*.

There is another factor that I found to explain this phenomenon, i.e., a psychological one. Very often, a YU man when approached by a person outside of the YU milieu and questioned about his career choice is automatically thought to be studying for the Rabbinate. "No," the student will answer with a tinge of pride, "I'm studying to be a doctor," and within that terse answer often is involved the thought process meaning that just because I am religious does not mean that I have to be a Rabbi, or in a broader sense make a career out of Jewish studies.

There is almost a feeling of shame involved. It is as if anything that smacks of Jewish studies implies religion which

By Josh Schwartz

ipso facto means doctrine which obstructs the scientific approach. Absurd! This is just what I am demanding: Jewish studies on the University level.

My last comment on the subject concerns our professional staff and particularly the humanities and social sciences. I have very often felt an attitude similar to this: Jewish studies, that is fine for the religious studies in the morning, but in the afternoon it is time to sink our teeth into something really worthwhile. Who decides what that something worthwhile is? I think that living in a Christian country with its prejudice hidden and otherwise has something to do with this.

I am not disparaging what anyone may choose to study and I would like to see each student have the right to study the subject of his choice in depth and unencumbered by extraneous requirements. I am, however, attacking certain attitudes and the lack of certain attitudes that have led to the neglect of a particular field at YU. Let us hope that next year's catalogue includes something for Judaica.

Colonel Asserts; Change Of Guard Benefits Security

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ious spirit in students praying and getting up early for classes."

One note of regret was heard about a fringe benefit program for guards that had not yet been approved. One officer explained, though, that this was due to Smith and Wesson's newness in New York.

Col. Marmorstein maintains that it was neither student nor outside crime and vandalism that precipitated the change in security firms. He added, however, that this change has not meant a significant decrease in the crime rate. He also suggested that students read or re-read the security memorandum he sent out at the beginning of the year and help with the new safety and security program as an individual means of preventing crime.

Mayorality Candidates Look For Distinguishing Issues; Campaign Fails To Rouse Excitement Within The City

News Analysis—

Cloaked in virtual anonymity, upstaged by a deluge of attention-grabbing world, national and local events and hobbled by six months of redundant rhetoric, the 1973 mayoral race enters its final week with each of the four candidates still groping for a campaign issue he can call his own.

From a historical perspective, this year's campaign appears to be a political paradox, for the race to determine who will govern the country's largest city has traditionally attracted wide interest. A principal reason for the dearth of excitement, beyond the bland personalities of three of the four mayoral contenders and

the fact that this year's contest is the second time around for three of them, is the lack of a major issue to differentiate between the candidates.

Campaign issues for which the public has displayed considerable concern in the past evoke little or no attention today. Rent control, for example, is outmoded as an issue now that there is general accord among city politicians that some form of it is here to stay. The problems of inadequate housing and slums, once hotly contested issues, have faded as more emphasis has been placed on middle class interests.

The quadrennially considered question of how to maintain the existing bus and subway fare will not be decided upon independently this year because its fate

hinges on passage of a \$3.5 billion transportation bond issue. And unlike many previous mayoral campaigns, no incumbent mayor whose record can be excoriated by opponents is seeking office.

Despite the dampened public enthusiasm which has characterized the campaign, Representative Mario Biaggi, the Conservative party nominee; Assemblyman Albert H. Blumenthal, the Liberal party contender, and State Senator John J. Marchi, the Republican designate, are searching for an issue that will distinguish them from each other, appeal to the voters and afford them an opportunity to defeat the acknowledged frontrunner, Comptroller Abraham D. Beame, the Democratic candidate.

Kaps Raps

Introspection



By Allan Kaplan

The feeling that comes over someone when he finds that he has failed to grasp and benefit from experiences that are now permanently engraved in his past is one approaching forlorn desperation. We cannot as finite beings relive those feelings and sensations that have been obliterated by the strokes of time or clutch at those opportunities that have slipped by us.

As students in a school and members of a society which is besieged by pre-professionalism, this feeling all too often pervades the minds and hearts of many seniors who have spent their college years strapped in by the ropes of future considerations. For the most part the student at Yeshiva is enclosed by two time frames. What will be becomes what was; in the student's mind the present is non-existent.

The college years should be a time of introspection and discovery, of self-assessment and intellectual stimulation. The responsibilities in college are for the most part limited. Most students do not have marital or financial burdens to consider, they have only to deal with their own well-being, their own desires, likes and dislikes. Then why do so many students at Yeshiva exist in a state of scholastic and cultural stagnation? Why are so many unhappy with their college years?

I do not profess to have the complete answer to this question for it is quite complex. How many of you can honestly say you are happy with your present mental state and school work? How many of you have seriously examined your inner motivations, have seriously searched to find what you really want out of college and the years to come?

Many students at Yeshiva claim that their dissatisfaction stems from the inferior quality of some of the courses at the school. Others say the double program creates a situation in which it is impossible to exist in a happy frame of mind. This may be true to some extent. But the cause for dissatisfaction and general unhappiness often lies with the individual himself and the situation he creates. There

are so many students at Yeshiva who are merely sheep in the flock, following the motivations of their classmates with regard to career goals and present activities. If you are unhappy, maybe it is because you have ignored your own capabilities and your own strengths.

I myself have seen many students who have undergone physical, emotional and financial strain to gain entrance into a law or medical school and once accepted realize they were interested only in admission and not enrollment. Many are so obsessed with getting into a professional school that they never consider what actually going to such a school entails.

I am not advocating here a complete disregard for academics and a total abandonment of future considerations. It is expected and understandable that all students should be concerned about their future and for upperclassmen to spend a good part of their time in activities related toward this. But it is extremely difficult to understand why freshmen should devote all their energies to activities which are all future-directed, and not seek out the free spirit and creative inquisitiveness inherent in such a relatively young age.

What we should strive for is some type of moderation, some type of balance between the present and the future. As one who too often fell prey to the obsession of pre-professionalism I can imagine what a total commitment to this obsession over a period of four years can do to one's moral, cultural and physical well being. For those who are entering freshmen and sophomores, you must evaluate your present situation and expected goals; you must maintain originality in thought and individuality in action. For juniors and some seniors, you should re-evaluate your everyday actions and experiences. Decide if this is really you.

The college years are too short for them to be completely blurred by the distance of future. Make sure you are happy and as content as possible during this time. Life is too short to spend it any other way.

In the search for a publicly attractive issue to spur interest in the campaign, all four candidates have seized upon crime in the streets and two of its concomitant problems, judicial reform and inadequate police protection. Even the most liberal politicians have made statements on crime that a decade ago might have been disregarded as the rantings of a right-wing law-and-order zealot.

But in attempting to convince the public of their unswerving devotion to "law and order," the mayoral contenders have been compelled to offer distinctive solutions to the crime problem. Much of the campaign rhetoric has centered around these solutions, which have ranged from court reform proposals to prom-

ises of more policemen on the streets.

Although Mr. Blumenthal and Mr. Marchi are at opposite ends of the political spectrum, they both accentuate the need for crackdowns on the city's judicial system. The quality of New York City judges, Mr. Marchi argues, is below par. In one campaign circular, he notes that only three of every 100 felony arrests results in a jail sentence. He speaks of crime as a "broad problem starting from the point of prevention to deterrents . . . prosecution, adjudication, corrections and probation. We cannot treat it as one single phenomenon in any one way."

As somewhat of a departure from the restrained demeanor of (Continued on Page 6, Col. 3),

Tannenbaum New VC Senate Acts On Veto

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 5) the ruling of the chair on the ground that the letter fit into the legal definition of a veto. Dr. Hyman then reversed his ruling.

In light of Dr. Belkin's veto, Student Senator Jeff Wandel proposed an alternate motion which stated that the Senate had "taken cognizance of President Belkin's veto, but added that the Senate is looking forward to a report by the Bible Department by Nov. 1."

On Oct. 25, the Senate discussed Mr. Wandel's motion dealing with Dr. Belkin's letter and the Bible requirement. After some objections to Mr. Wandel's motion in regard to the Nov. 1 deadline, it was agreed that the Chair would send an informal message taking cognizance of Dr. Belkin's letter and asking the Bible Department for its report as soon as feasible, without setting a deadline.

Bernstein Resigns

In other Senate business, a motion presented by the student delegates at the last meeting of the '72-'73 Senate that called for a standing committee to consist

of the Dean, Student Council President and the Student Senators which would "meet quarterly to discuss all faculty promotions, dismissals, and retirements prior to their finalizations" was discussed. Differing objections regarding this motion's wording were raised by administration, faculty, student, and alumni representatives. A committee was formed to report on this matter within one week.

Dr. Arthur Hyman, Chairman of the Senate, read a communication from Mr. Charles Bernstein, who had been Senate Vice-Chairman but has resigned in order to continue his engineering studies at Columbia University. Mr. Elliot Tannenbaum was then unanimously elected as Vice-Chairman. He also introduced the new student Senator, Mr. Steven Weinstein, who fills the vacancy created by the departure of Mr. Bernstein.

A committee was established to study the problem of credits granted for study at Israeli Yeshivot. The committee will consider the granting of extra credits for such study.

Dr. Belkin Feted As Head Of YU

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 4) stated that "New York City is a university city and Yeshiva University, without question . . . is one of the most important institutions in our city." He asserted that thirty years ago, when Dr. Belkin first became associated with Yeshiva, it was a small institution of learning. Today, however, the University has more than 7,000 students and many doctoral degrees are offered in various disciplines.

Scroll Presentation

Mr. Lindsay then presented the New York City Scroll of Distinguished Service to the President, who had previously received the City's Bronze Medal. Reading from the scroll, Lindsay cited Dr. Belkin as "author, scholar, educator and spiritual architect . . . who with inspiration and nobility epitomized the Jewish heritage on the soil of American democracy."

The Mayor then awarded Dr. Belkin with the New York City Diamond Jubilee Medal. Mr. Lindsay explained that the medal celebrates the seventy-fifth anniversary of this metropolis. He said that until seventy-five years ago, present-day New York was composed of the city of New York and the City of Brooklyn-Queens with, subsequently, two City Halls and two mayors. In a moment of levity, Mr. Lindsay, who is completing his second and final term as Mayor, stated that our "citizens can hardly tolerate one mayor."

With his wife at his side, Dr. Belkin declared, "This is the greatest honor ever bestowed upon me." He recalled how he emigrated from Poland to the United States in 1929 at the age of eighteen. Praising his life in this country, the sixty-one year-old President announced, "This is the place where I am going to spend the rest of my life."

Entering office in a time of "social revolution" in the city

and its Universities, Dr. Belkin said, Mayor Lindsay deserved praise for his "honesty, sincerity and courage." Stating that America needs men of integrity on the national scene, Dr. Belkin predicted that the fifty-one year old Mayor was just beginning his career.

Notables

After the ceremonies, Mr. Charles C. Bassine, honorary chairman of the Board of Overseers of the Albert Einstein Col-

CORRECTION

We wish to correct the following error which appeared in our October 25 issue. Rabbi Israel Miller stated that the UN resolution 242 was not a "Russian dictated resolution."

lege of Medicine and the National Chairman of the "Thirtieth-Year Celebration," stressed the financial needs of Yeshiva, a university whose budget has grown from a little over four hundred thousand to ninety million dollars within the last thirty years.

Mr. Bassine acknowledged the hard-working devotion of Mr. Max J. Etra, Chairman of the YU Board of Trustees, and Max Stern, Vice-Chairman, among others. He began accepting pledges for reservations for the national dinner in Dr. Belkin's honor to be held December ninth at the Americana Hotel. The dinner is to be the climax of the commemorative campaign.

The reception, hosted by Mayor and Mrs. Lindsay, was attended by two hundred guests, including the YU Board of Trustees, The Board of Overseers of Einstein Medical School, YU administrative officials, friends of the university and political figures. Among the political notables were Michael Lazar, the N.Y.C. Taxi and Limousine Commissioner, Robert Abrams, The Bronx Borough President, and Abraham Beame, the Democratic mayoral hopeful.

The Monticello To New York Connection



By Daniel Besdin

Everyone is aware of the huge sums of money which, since Yom Kippur, have been collected through the UJA as donations toward the economical betterment of Israelis. Less widely publicized, however, is the fundraising campaign of one lone Israeli, Yakov Schonbrun, who has been conducting such a program with stunning success since months before the war broke out. Day after working day Mr. Schonbrun scours the subways, airport terminals, and streets of New York City looking for potential contributors. His efforts are directed almost exclusively toward young religious Jews and almost invariably result in individual donations of up to fifteen dollars. One becomes genuinely impressed with Schonbrun's program when one considers that Mr. Schonbrun scrupulously avoids any intermediary expenses running the entire operation by himself from collection to delivery. Furthermore, any donation to his fund is not tax-deductible. In light of all of the above, one can't help but feel a grudging respect for Schonbrun. After all, Yakov Schonbrun, sole beneficiary of his own little campaign to help a not-so-poor Israeli, is a consummate crook.

No one knows exactly when Schonbrun kicked off his campaign but it is a fact that for months he has been cheating unwary young Jews out of relatively large lumps of money. His basic pitch rarely changes. He approaches someone sure to be a young religious Jew, in other words a student wearing a yarmulkeh and launches into a charming story, told with a homely sprinkling of Hebrew and Yiddish, that inevitably ends with the sorry news that he needs about ten dollars to get home to Monticello, New York. The story usually involves some other fellow named Yussie whom Yakov has graciously seen off to Montreal but who, unfortunately, has taken Yakov's money along with the plane ticket by mistake. Schonbrun's most active period seems to be late Friday afternoon when the approaching Shabbos lends a greater urgency to his appeal. Yakov steadfastly refuses to impose on anybody for the weekend. Quite the contrary, his requests are modest, simply the price of a bus ticket to Monticello. The price of a bus ticket to Monticello fluctuates from week to week between five and fifteen dollars. Our gushingly grateful friend never accepts your money without leaving you a small slip of paper with a fictional Monticello address and making you promise to accept two Hebrew books which will arrive shortly in the mail along with whatever amount he's just conned you for.

What hurts most is that the episode does not end with Schonbrun smilingly walking off with your money. Rather, the oft repeated scenario extends back home when the charitable hero, or sap depending on how you look at it, returns home to glowingly tell his family about his saliently good deed for the day.

It's upsetting when your parents despairingly ask you when you'll grow up or wisely comfort you with a, ". . . well, chalk it up to experience". Of course, you staunchly maintain despite the hints of doubt beginning to gnaw at the back of your mind, your parents' reaction is the typical product of typically cynical, non-trusting adults. But as the weeks go by with no money, no books, not even a Rosh Hashana card from Mr. Schonbrun, you begin to wince at each condescendingly knowing inquiry by your parents as to how your new-found Israeli friend is getting along.

For those reading this who have already been taken by Schonbrun I would like to offer some possible sources of consolation, nevertheless. Firstly, you may find some comfort in reflecting that had you actually been smart enough to turn away your conscience, you would have been saddled with the knowledge that you refused, for all you know, an Israeli on a Friday afternoon who could not get anybody to trust him for a couple of dollars in a city with the largest Jewish population in the world. If you still remain unimpressed, here's a sure-fire method to buoy your sagging self-esteem. Just visit the Yeshiva University cafeteria on any given night, saunter over to any given table populated by any given bunch of strangers and, as you take a seat, casually drop the name Yakov Schonbrun. You'll be delighted at the small eruption of surprise, embarrassment, and physical violence that will greet your introductory re-

marks. You'll be amazed at the way a sheepish sense of camaraderie immediately springs up as individual versions of the same pathetic story are frenetically exchanged across the ketchup and meat loaf.

Finally, you might take some solace in the delightful thought that somebody reading this may be approached in the near future by a fortyish, benign-looking Israeli who will tell him all about Yussie and Monticello. Who knows, and my forgiving heart just thrills at the idea of it, perhaps that imaginary reader will be 6 ft. 3 inches and 220 lbs. And just perhaps he will square off and belt Yakov Schonbrun right in the mouth. Better yet, 240 lbs.—Schonbrun took me for eleven bucks.

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As you probably noticed my column has yet to be dubbed with a regular title. I thought it might be interesting to run a contest to name my column. Please send any ideas you might have to me care of THE COMMENTATOR. In order to give you something to work with I'll present you with some information about myself. I possess devilishly handsome looks, a charismatic personality, a political philosophy that floats somewhere between Joseph Dunner and Wilhelm Reich, and I spell very well. Prizes, of course, will be awarded. I've gotten Norm's permission to offer one issue of THE COMMENTATOR, absolutely free and delivered to your dorm, as first prize. Runners-up will all receive two free issues.

Dr. Dunner Terms UN Farce Investigates Munich Slayings

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According to Dr. Dunner, the United Nations is a farce. "I have never accepted the U.N. The Soviet Union is not anxious to lose face and the arms it gave the Arabs, so it joined the Unit-

ernment of West Germany, which was anxious to have in the investigation someone whose word wouldn't be doubted and by Israel to see what went on."

As it happened, "the Israeli athletes were warned again and again by the authorities of Munich and by the Israeli Consulate that there might be an Arab attack. They were offered by the police president (commissioner) of Munich special protection. He wanted to put plainclothes city policemen in every part of the dormitory with machine guns. The Israeli athletes turned down the German authorities and the Israeli Ambassador. The attack was organized by the Communist Youth Organization, who sheltered, fed, and familiarized them with the terrain. They were warned again and again . . . but the athletes wanted to have a good time. In fact, some of them were drunk, coming back from a Munich pub, when the attack came. I'm convinced the German government did all in its power to protect them."

As a personal friend of President Nixon, Dr. Dunner describes him as a "very cold man. He is not easily approached and isolates himself very much. He doesn't have a human warmth. That is his most unfortunate characteristic and it gives people the wrong impression."



Nixon's Friend, Dr. Dunner

ed States in making the resolution in the Security Council. The minute the Arabs were about to lose the war, the Security Council went into action. If Israel was about to lose the war, the Security Council wouldn't have moved. The one vote Israel can count on is that of the United States."

Those who know Dr. Dunner are aware that he headed an investigation of the Munich Massacre. "I was asked by the gov-

YCSC Introduces Lounges Confirms Student Senator

(Continued from Page 1, Col 1) College Senate is an institution that is composed of representatives from all the segments of the University: administration, faculty, and students. Before any business is brought to a vote, the views of all segments of the University are expressed. It is with this understanding that any final veto on all future business should be exercised wisely; and only in situations where it is believed that a full airing of all sides has not occurred. If a veto is exercised in any other manner, the *raison d'etre* of the Senate is undermined."

Vice-President Bergman voiced concern over the fact that Dr. Belkin had waited so long and had let so much work be done before making his opinion known.

In his letter to the Senate, Dr. Belkin asked the Senate to reconsider its recommendations concerning the Bible requirement. Professor Hyman, as Chairman of the Senate, has already interpreted this wording as constituting a veto. If he had not taken such action the proposal would have become the new Bible requirement since the fifty-day period during which the University President and faculty assembly may veto a Senate bill would have already expired.

Prices Complained Of
Mr. Ruchelsman contended that the University showed blatant disregard for students' hardships and reneged on its responsibility to consult YCSC by raising cafeteria prices over the summer, when YCSC could not meet. New dinner "specials" have been worked out, and there is optimism that should wholesale prices go down, cafeteria prices may be adjusted accordingly.

The President also complained that the Administration displayed irresponsibility by totally ig-

norning YCSC and allowing a private owner to take over the rights to the College Bookstore, which was at one time operated by YCSC. However understandable the situation, the Council questions the contract, the validity of which may have been impaired by the fact that many textbooks did not arrive on time or at all.

Clubs will be required to report periodically to YCSC on their activities. Those clubs not serving the needs of their members will be denied funds, while clubs showing dedication and continuous work will be entitled to support beyond the initial twenty-five dollars. Club presidents, committee chairmen, team captains and managers are urged to contact the Secretary-Treasurer, in advance of all events to facilitate the publishing of a regular calendar of school events.

Lounges Opened
Five floor lounges opened in Ruben Hall, as well as the student lounge which includes air-hockey, pinball, refreshment machines. The Alumni Association has purchased a color television for the Morgenstern lounge and is sending a television for Ruben Hall.

Other suggestions included extension of the cafeteria hours to at least 8:30 p.m., painting the Morgenstern rooms, and elimination of the museum admission fee.

Weinstein a Senator
On October 3, the Student Council met to consider the nomination of Steven A. Weinstein for the Senate position vacated by Charles Bernstein. Of fifteen applicants for the position, Mr. Weinstein was nominated by President Ruchelsman, Vice-president Bergman, and Secretary-Treasurer Wieder. Mr. Weinstein was questioned by

Council members as to his ideas for Senate work. He expressed interest in changing the Bible requirement, reducing the residency requirement, and broadening the categories of courses allowed to be taken on a P-F basis.

Mr. Weinstein, a junior who attends YP, is a political science major, and has served on the YCSC Curriculum Committee.

Mr. Weinstein was confirmed by a unanimous 7-0 vote with three abstentions. Two of those who abstained explained that they had done so only in protest of the method used by YCSC to select Senators. A committee was then formed to conduct a study into the matter and to revise the selection process.

All Of The Candidates Press Law And Order As A Mayoralty Issue

(Continued from Page 4, Col. 5) his 1969 mayoral effort, Mr. Marchi has adopted an alarming tone which his opponents have categorized as inflammatory. Mr. Marchi's campaign posters and newspaper advertisements proclaim "the most horrifying crime wave that has engulfed New York City since 1969" and cite as evidence that "rape is up by 54 per cent, murder by 55 per cent and robbery of 32 per cent."

While perhaps not as strident as Mr. Marchi, Mr. Blumenthal also believes that without an independent judiciary "we will never solve the problem of crime and that means the method by which we select judges." But, as he declared in a recently televised debate, a genuine solution to the crime problem can be achieved only through "repair of our social and correctional institutions."

Mr. Blumenthal urges that attention be focused on rising unemployment and poverty levels and on the need for improvement in the city's educational systems. However, he says the "Marchi alarmist approach" is "feeding the fear" of city residents and serves no constructive purpose.

The other two mayoral candidates, Mr. Beame and Mr. Biaggi, emphasize more policemen on the street. The Controller contends that he is responsible for finding sufficient municipal funds to eventually appoint 3,000 new policemen. In addition, he calls for "speedier trials . . . sentences which fit the crime, better use of court facilities as well as of judges . . . and split sessions so that the courts can work afternoons and evenings."

Not to be outdone by his opponents, Mr. Biaggi, a former police lieutenant, promises that he can add 5,000 policemen on the beat from the existing 30,000 member police department "without costing taxpayers an additional penny." He says he can achieve this goal "because I know where the bodies are hidden."

Unlike the positions of his three opponents, Mr. Biaggi avers that "the issue of judicial reform is fraudulent and doesn't deal with the facts." He defends the present method of selecting

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YU's Museum Introduces Exhibitions Display Various Holiday's Ornaments



YU's New Exhibit "Art of the High Holy Days."

By RAPHAEL AHARON
The Yeshiva University Museum has opened its new season with a special exhibit, called "Art of the High Holy Days." Ceremonial objects, paper cuts used to decorate *Sukkot*, prayer books from the eighteenth century and prints depict the observance of Rosh Hashana, Yom Kippur, and *Sukkot*.

The exhibit is located at the entrance to the museum along a ramp leading to the permanent exhibit of model synagogues.

Floor Mosaic
Portraying the observance of Rosh Hashana are *Shofrot* dating back to the eighteenth century, and various old *Mahzorim* from Germany, Poland, and Yemen. A sixth century floor mosaic found in the Beit Alpha synagogue stands out alongside a saying by Saadiah Gaon. Included in the mosaic are illustrations of a Torah shrine flanked by candlesticks, cult objects used in the Temple during the High Holy days, drawings of the Zodiac, and various Biblical scenes symbolizing Redemption.

An authentic incense shovel, the *Ma'hata*, used for throwing incense on the altar during the celebration of Yom Kippur, represents the solemn day. Syna-

gogue scenes from antique books reflect the sober mood of the holiday. A few eighteenth century silver plates depict Abraham's near-sacrifice of Isaac, symbolizing man's sacrifice of his soul in return for sanctification.

There are ornamental belts, secured by silver buckles, on whose facings are designs of two lions or eagles, symbolizing the words written on them: "To cleanse you from all your sins . . ." (Leviticus 16:30). After the eighteenth century these belts were substituted for the ropes used for the *Kittel* or linen garment, worn on Yom Kippur.

Chagall Etching
The *Sukkot* holiday is the most extensively covered by the exhibit. There are numerous *Sukkah* decorations ranging from century-old paper cuts to prints to engravings. There is even a 1923 Chagall etching showing a man holding a *lulav* and *etrog* praying devoutly. Various silver *etrog* boxes dating back three centuries, kiddush cups and Torah shields are also on display.

The exhibit, under the direction of Dr. Dahlia Tawil, curator of the Museum, is slated to run through November 1.

Israel - An Analysis Cont.

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encirclement represents the elite of the Egyptian war machine. Instead of reacting to this force with unprecedented naivete, Israel should tighten her grip and push for surrender. Such a tactic surely will reintroduce hostilities. Israel must weather the consequences and determine the battleground for it is only a matter of time before the Egyptians attempt to break the Israeli's hold.

Israel's survival depends upon her ability to deal effectively with her Arab neighbors. She must annex all the occupied territories, and prove to the Arabs that acts of aggression will be punished, no matter how often and no matter what the price. When conflict will result only in more annexation, will the Arab governments be shaken into peace.

Israel has a lot to offer the Mideast should a genuine peace occur. The Jewish homeland has transformed herself from a barren desert into a blossoming nation. She can help the poor Arab peasant achieve the same miracle. In times of peace Mrs. Meir's initiative would be Mercy. But, today, we are at war. Let's get tough.

Who's Whose

- Engaged—**
Mark Levy '72 to Terry Herzig
Danny Rhein to Tova Lerner
Norman Guilden '74 to Barbara Baron
Jeffrey Joseph '74 to Elaine Riemer
Barry Reichman '71 to Chani Haberkorn
Shaye Marcus '74 to Phyllis Kantrowitz
- Married—**
Paul Glasser '73 to Rachel Chernotsky
Joey Brender '74 to Edith Weinstein

The New York State Education Department will again offer 30 NEW YORK STATE HERBERT H. LEHMAN GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS in the social sciences. The stipend for four full years of graduate study amounts to \$19,000. Information about eligibility, procedure and a sample application form are available in the Dean's Office. Deadline for submission of applications is January 15, 1974.

NEWS IN BRIEF

Mark Srulowitz and Mark Breslow have been designated as the newest members of the Governing Board of THE COMMENTATOR. Replacing the resigning Noah Klein as Make-Up Editor, Mark has made the YC dean's list and is vice-president of the JSS Student Council. He majors in English and economics. Mark Breslow will assume the post of Copy Editor left vacant by the resignation of Irwin Walkenfeld. A YP student, Mark is on the bowling team. Left unfilled because of Charles Bernstein's departure to Columbia University is the post of Contributing Editor.

Total enrollment at Yeshiva College has remained stable despite a drop in applications from last year, according to Rabbi Abner H. Groff, director of the Office of Admissions, Anticipat-

ing a small enrollment, Rabbi Groff reported that the 231 students admitted this year (one above last year's figure) "surpassed our expectations." According to the national enrollment average, he said, the enrollment rate was considered excellent. But he termed this fall's enrollment merely "satisfactory" and accentuated the need for increasing the activity of YC recruitment programs.

The Gottesman Lecture Committee is now considering possible lecturers for the 1975 series. Students are urged to inform the committee of any outstanding contemporary scholar or relevant area of scholarship which would be of particular interest to them. These suggestions are to be handed into the Dean's office.

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Blumenthal's Key Issue Independent Leaders

(Continued from Page 6, Col. 3) judges, which has been castigated in some quarters as a haven for political payoffs, as fundamentally sound, "having provided us with some of the best judges we have ever had." He also proposes that policemen

The Editor-in-Chief and the Governing Board of THE COMMENTATOR wish to extend their heartfelt mazel tov to Elliot Tannenbaum '74, Associate Editor of COMMENTATOR, upon his engagement to Debbie Schachter.

wear their uniforms to and from their work assignments, and believes that such a police regulation would enhance the safety of any street, subway or parkway.

But neither Mr. Beame nor Mr. Biaggi have explained how the influx of thousands of additional policemen will reduce the incidence of crime. While the presence of a policeman usually makes the city dweller feel more secure, a recent crime study released by The New York Times indicates that in certain areas of high police concentration the incidence of rape, muggings and robbery is similarly high. Hence, the presumed correlation between the number of police in an area and the incidence of crime is not always sustained.

On the other hand, Mr. Blumenthal, while attacking his opponents' proposals, has not shown where he will acquire the funds necessary to finance his program to increase employment and family income without also asking for a tax increase. Mr. Marchi says he will establish bi-partisan commissions and the office of a deputy mayor "to coordinate all of the different aspects dealing with the problem of crime." But he has not, in light of what one opponent termed his "demagogic tirades" on crime, adequately demonstrated that he is responsible enough to occupy an office that demands a spirit of unity, not divisiveness.

Although it has dominated campaign debate, crime in the streets has not been the sole issue discussed. In fact, two candidates disagree with Mr. Beame and Mr. Biaggi, the principal exponents of "the crime issue," that the city's crime problem is paramount. To Mr. Blumenthal, the key issue is "independent leadership, to restore faith in municipal government."

The Editor-in-Chief and the Governing Board of THE COMMENTATOR wish to extend their hearty mazel tov to Lenny Davis '73, former Feature and Contributing Editor to COMMENTATOR on his marriage to Shelly Black.

He has attacked Mr. Beame for his reputed links to large real estate interests, but diminishes as ridiculous allegations that his own nomination was delivered to him by Liberal party boss, Alex Rose.

All four mayoral candidates agree that another rise in the city's transit fare would be catastrophic. Although Governor Rockefeller's \$3.5 billion transportation bond issue fails to specifically delineate how state funds will be apportioned for local mass transit needs, three of the candidates support it as the only available method to maintain existing bus and subway fares.

Mr. Blumenthal says he cannot accept the bond issue because "it is too ambiguous" but nevertheless pledges to save the thirty-five cent fare.

Hockey Season Begins Seniors Upset Victors

By YANKEE POLEYEFF

Hockey, the newest and most popular intramural sport at YU, is underway once again with all players looking forward to the most exciting and best-organized season in the history of the three-year-old league. The games are scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday nights, and each team will be playing a nine game schedule that will span the entire school year.

The season opener paired last year's runners-up, the sophomores, and the incoming freshmen. The frosh, in their debut, lacked organization, which is understandable, but showed a lot of promise. Meanwhile, the sophs showed they were still as strong as last year as they scored six second-period goals en route to an 8-4 triumph.

Pomrantz Leads

The outburst, led by Andy Pomrantz with three goals and Moish Saks with two, followed a 1-1 tie at the end of a close first period and a disputed second-period goal by freshman Leifer, the first of his hat trick. The argument on Leifer's score picked up the sophs as they steamrolled the frosh the remainder of the period and hung on in the final session for the win.

Judging from the first game, the YU hockey experts feel that this is the year the sophs will overtake the juniors, who have won the hockey championship two consecutive years. The backbone of the soph club is a spectacular defensive combination of Joel Silber and Jerry Pasternak, backed by Sheldon Chafetz, Pomrantz and Saks, the front-line forwards, can really fly, and should the sophs find a few subs which will allow the starters to rest occasionally, there will be no stopping them.

Freshman Look Good

The game also proved that this year's freshman unit will be a good squad and a possible contender. They may not score very much, but once their talented defensive unit straightens out, they may not need to. Alvin Pasternak is a solid goalie, and he'll get the required protection from a fine defensive trio of Eliezer Cohen, Yonatan Mozeson, and Tzvi Friedman. This team could really be a surprise.

The second match of the season, played the following night, produced some of the finest hockey in intramural history. The juniors, beginning the defense of their hockey title, ran head-on into a well disciplined senior team and were upset, 3-2, in a game which could have been used as an advertisement for the

excitement of intramural hockey.

The first two periods were close-checking affairs, but even when the defenses faltered, the goaltenders on either side came up with the big saves. Both goalies, Reisbaum for the juniors and Miller for the seniors, also escaped unscathed from opposing two-man power plays. Entering the 3rd period, the juniors held a 1-0 lead on a goal by Abe Katz.

Wilzig Stars

Six minutes into the final period, the seniors tied it up on a goal by Dov Cohen. The juniors quickly regained the lead on Katz's second goal of the game, but senior Dave Wilzig promptly came alive and almost single-handedly ran over the tiring juniors.

Despite their opening loss, the juniors remain a big threat to repeat as champs. Yudi Gopin is rated by most to be the best scorer in the league and Katz, his linemate, the perfect complement. This line alone could keep the juniors in contention. However, the juniors must compensate for the loss of the speedy Zeffren-Pransky line and several defensemen. Backliner Robert Listernik returns, but he'll need help from Shimon Roth and Mendy Schachter to keep the defense from collapsing.

Meanwhile, the seniors, who use several semicha students, seem to be loaded with talent, but it's questionable how often a full squad will attend the games. By the time the season gets going, it is expected that they will have to rely strictly on Miller's netminding and Wally Wolpoe's slapshot. Unless they can persuade Wilzig, Cohen, and others to play more often, the seniors are probably in for a losing season.

Court Action Busy As Classes Engage In BB Intramurals

(Continued from Page 8, Col. 5) but center Thaler was stuffed repeatedly by the sophs, ending up with nothing to show for a night's work.

The freshmen started their first intramural game against the juniors, with a three-point play by Lempel. In the remainder of the quarter the juniors pulled ahead, ending the quarter with a 16-14 lead.

In the second quarter, the frosh took the lead, due to aggressive ballplaying and accurate shooting, especially on the part of forward Dave Grashin. It was Grashin's 15-footer, with 5 seconds left, which put the freshmen ahead 24-23. Juniors Weiss and Reifman kept the juniors going, scoring 6 points each in the first half.

The third quarter was played evenly, with each team scoring 10 points.

In the fourth quarter, the juniors broke through the freshmen's defense. Mark "Moves" Engel scored six points, and Reifman pulled down rebounds from both boards, while scoring most of his game-high 16 points.

Although the freshmen lost, 51-44, it must be noted that they were hampered by constant substitutions, which were necessary in order to allow each of their 20 players to participate in the game. Discounting the handicap of the 20 men who showed up for the first game, the freshmen do have a well-balanced and organized team which promises to be a formidable competitor in the fight for this year's championship.

In the junior-senior contest, the juniors had three high scorers Reifman (19 points), Insel (16) and Weiss (17). Seniors Friedman (20 points) and Tannenbaum (9), tried to pull their team together, but couldn't do it.

Bowlers Expect Good Year; Personal Improvements Vital

(Continued from Page 8, Col. 3) developing, he has a great potential.

Dave Grashin, a freshman from Seattle, has quite a future in store. His form is smooth but he is still acquiring some of the fundamentals. The key for Dave will be experience.

Bob Gittleman, a freshman from Scranton, is the big hope for Yeshiva. Bobo throws a powerful, consistent hook, and should bowl 180 easily. Bob is assured of a starting spot.

Returnees Improved

Jeff Joseph, a senior from Pittsburgh is a second year bowler. Jeff throws basically a straight ball and last year had moments of brilliance (a 3 game series of 540 one week). The year of experience should help.

Californian Nelson Korchak joined the team in the middle of last year and was terribly inconsistent. But Nel did 3 things this past summer which totally changed him: got himself a bowling ball to develop roll on his ball, and he bowled in a summer league and raised his average 25 points. This should be a good year for Nelson.

Yankee Poleyeff, a junior, is not a powerful bowler, but he is very accurate. This year Yank has a hook has shown so far a great deal of improvement. Jay Shoulson, a junior and

second year bowler, at one time last year was averaging below 130, and though his ball was powerful, something was wrong. Jay then decided he was going to learn how to bowl and he took lessons. Since then he has shown a change in style and some ability. Jay is a big hope for this year.

Breslow Dependable

Junior Mark Breslow, from Carteret, N.J. is a great bowler. No two ways about it. His form is smooth and his ball knocks the pins down consistently. The past two years he's bowled 175 or better in the league. Mark, the league's statistician, is another reason for much optimism.

Leo Frischman, senior captain of the bowling team averaged 160, 150, and 148 in each of his first three years. At the beginning of this year, he had his ball redrilled and discovered that it had been drilled wrong previously. So perhaps he can return to his former style of consistency and clutch performance (in a big match last year, he bowled a 584 for three games). Leo throws a big hook that really rolls when he's on.

So the prospects seem good for the coming year, despite a bad start, losing the first three matches, two of which could have gone either way.

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Yeshiva's Wrestlers Try To Improve After Record Year

Ruchelsman & Schwitzer Elected To Captain The Ellmen

By LARRY EISENBERG

It was a very good year. Yes, Yeshiva finally did have a team over 500, the Ellmen. With victory after victory, the wrestlers compiled a 7-5 record and won a place in the hearts of Yeshiva sports fans. The team had heroes in Avi Terry and Reuben Koolyk, crucial meets against the likes of Brooklyn and City and new uniforms and equipment. At the conclusion of the season, Coach Ellman gave each grappler a medallion with the inscription, "Record Year 1972-73 Wrestling."

A lot of this is gone and lost, but much remains. While some of the almost 200 fans per match have left or graduated, the Ellmen will find new backers among the freshmen. Though uniforms and equipment were stolen, they are being replaced steadily. The crucial meets are over, but there

will be others. The medallions will also be present when the 73-74 Ellmen face their opponents. And so, although much has changed, everything is pretty much the same.

The Starters

Marc Weyl starts it all in the 118 weight class this year. While he only appeared in one match last season, picking up a forfeit, he could be the good lead-off wrestler the Ellmen have needed for some time now.

Noah Klein (126) has two years of experience under his belt and should better the 6-5 mark he compiled last year. Noah is one of the grapplers the Ellmen will have to get wins from, if they are to stage a repeat of last season.

Nate "Tiger" Schwitzer (134), co-captain of the squad, is another of the keys to victory. Last



Paul Millman

Schwitzer leads squad in drills.

season, Nate compiled a 6-4-1 record, with two of those defeats coming while wrestling in higher weight classes. The "Tiger" is sure to be better this year and should be capable of igniting the team any time he competes.

Shimmy Palgon (142) fits right into the spot vacated by Steve Edell. Shimmy has steadily improved, from a loss by pin, to a loss by points, and finally to a win by pin, as the season ended. With the experience and know-how he gained, Shimmy is bound to be a factor in the team's success.

Roy Schmuckler (150) is another grappler who has been taught in the school of hard knock and is the better for it. Hampered by injuries most of last season, Roy should be able to more than hold his own over the next two campaigns.

The President Fights

Manny Ruchelsman (158-167) isn't getting older, just better. In his three years of wrestling, he has turned an almost sloppy style into flawless wrestling. His importance to the team is more than the 7-5 record he held last year, which was one of the better records on the squad. As senior member, Manny serves as co-captain and general team leader. When the team "clicks" they win, and Manny should start them "clicking."

Jerry Levine (167-177) gained valuable experience last year,

Consistency Is Key For Bowling Squad In '73-'74 Season

By LEO FRISCHMAN

The 1973-4 edition of the Yeshiva College bowling team has much to be optimistic about. With eight returning bowlers, including two starters, prospects are certainly bright, and last year's consistency problems can be overcome. Furthermore, three strong rookies are joining last year's veterans, to bolster the team.

In a relatively small turnout (about 10 after a turnout of more than 30 last year), much promise and potential was shown, yet 3 bowlers clearly stood out as superior and joined the team. But unlike past years, those bowlers who didn't quite make the team, still may bowl for a half-credit and will be part of the squad—in essence a Junior Varsity.

Newcomers Promising

Looking at the newcomers first, we find Yudi Rosenbaum, a junior and native New Yorker, who throws a "Back-up" ball. Though his style is rough and

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Dave Teman (150), Joseph Frager (150), Phil Skversky (158) and Perry Nussen (167).

On paper, this year's starting squad looks to be the equal of last year, but the team is lacking in depth. In previous years, the first sports article usually described the team's tremendous potential in the distant future, as soon as the fresh crew of "hopefuls" learned the moves and gained experience. With the excitement over last year's record, and the consequent interest in the Ellmen, it was expected that the crush of "hopefuls" would be even greater this year. This expectation was never fulfilled so what last year looked to be great all-around reserve strength, has dwindled this year to the thinnest of squads. If any major injuries are sustained, it is doubtful that the matmen will be able to field a full ten-man squad. As damaging as this may seem, the full affect will not be felt until the present grapplers graduate and there is no one to take over.

For this season, at any rate, all predictions of gloom and doom should be stifled by the efforts of Coach Neil Ellman. Although fighting a loss of equipment and outbreak of apathy, the Coach can be counted on to get the most out of the available talent. Yes, everything is pretty much the same.

Lack of Depth

Other grapplers include Allan Kahn (118), Nate Katz (134),

BB Intramurals Begin Juniors (2-0) On Top

By GARY BALSAM

After the first three games of the intramural basketball season, Yeshiva has witnessed both even and lop-sided matches. The seniors were trounced twice, 69-50, and 67-51 by the sophs and juniors respectively. The second game was not one-sided, as the juniors met the freshmen in a good match ending in a 51-44 score.

The soph-senior game was decided right from the beginning. The sophs picked up a quick 6-0 lead, and continued to rack up points finishing the quarter ahead 17-5. The next two quarters ended in much the same fashion. In the fourth, each team scored twenty points, but it was too late for the seniors, who lost by 19 points.

Menche Aggressive

The sophs, with guard Haber directing the plays, proved to be a talented and organized team. Haber's lightning quick

moves and numerous steals, coupled with fine rebounding by Lerer and Levine, led their team to its victory. Forward Menche put on a fine display of aggressive offense, scoring the team-high of 19 points.

The seniors were a sad group indeed. Although backcourt man Friedman scored the game-high (20 points), he was the only senior who reached double figures. Except for a few drives by Friedman and co-guard Tannenbaum, the seniors simply could not penetrate the soph defense. Forward Gross scored 8 points

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On The Sidelines

The Athletic Supporter



By Steve Reisbaum

What exactly is an athletic supporter? I'm sure that many of you have often sat and pondered this question. After all, what other questions at this particular time could possibly have been lingering in your minds? Therefore, an attempt must now be made at putting an end to all of this agonizing suspense.

There are three basic definitions for the term athletic supporter. One type of athletic supporter is the small group who can afford and are willing to help sports financially. However, in many colleges, and Yeshiva is far from an exception, this small group is constantly getting smaller.

The vocal supporter is a second group that may fall under the label "athletic supporter." The common term for the vocal supporter is the fan. Unfortunately, whereas many other colleges pack stadiums with fans, Yeshiva has trouble drawing a minyan (even if you include women) for many of its sports events.

Ordinarily, these first two groups play a much more significant role in the world of sports than the last type of athletic supporter. However, due to the lack of both on the Yeshiva sports scene, it can very easily be argued that the third type of athletic supporter plays the greatest role. This third type is obviously the supporter which is a part of most athlete's uniforms.

But now this leads us to another fundamental question (second to none but our first question). What exactly is a jock? Again we find that there is more than one answer. The first is simply that a jock is the athletic supporter which is a part of most athlete's uniforms. The second use of the word jock is not as easily defined, for in its second use, it describes people.

The term jock is used at YU as a derogatory label. To the group of self-appointed elite, the jock is as good as the dust on the earth — at times they even seem as numerous. After all, isn't it always the jock that seems to ask the stupid questions in class? Isn't it always the jock that bothers you the night before a test for your notes — that is, if he's not busy playing ball in which case he will bother you an hour before the test? And yes, it could only be a jock that sits in shiur mumbling "Big Nate — he's Great!" And of course it could only be a jock that tries to lift your car — while you're driving it at 30 m.p.h.

If it is the jock that really does all these things, then why put up with him? Any person that does all these things deserves a derogatory label. But on the other hand, maybe even the jock has some good points — after all, almost everyone has one for a friend.

The jock, believe it or not, actually adds something to the college atmosphere that no other person or group on campus can do. It is because of the jock that any type of school spirit develops. It is the jock that is willing to go fight for his school even though he knows his team is a loser. The jock himself is so overwhelmed with this spirit that it carries him into areas other than sports — committees, drives, and even student government.

A major role of a college jock is a role that the Yeshiva jock has until now been denied. That role is one of a fundraiser, actually making money for the school. However, the school must first supply the jock in order to allow him to fulfill his role. Many colleges maintain their academic level by using the proceeds from filling a football stadium or the stands in a gym or around a pool. The school also benefits from all the publicity that it can receive due to its sports program. Yeshiva, however, fails to realize these benefits, and therefore the jock remains denied. Therefore the word remains a derogatory label.

So the next time you see a jock, think of him as the friendly person he really is. Think of him as the person trying to help the school. Make him happy. Don't run him down. Just get out of your car and let him have his fun.

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