



YU's Contingent at POW Rally.

Paul Millman

Beame and Morrison Call For POW Swap

By AVERY H. EINHORN

On Monday, November 5th, a "Rally for Israeli POW's" was held in the Brotherhood in Action Plaza at 7th Ave. and 40th St. The rally was sponsored by the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations, which includes the heads of all major Jewish groups. Intended to protest the maltreatment of Israeli soldiers now in Egyptian and Syrian hands, the rally attracted approximately 4,500 people.

An impressive list of public figures attended the rally. Besides newly-elected mayor Abraham D. Beame and his former opponents were Jacob Fuchsberg, the defeated Democratic candidate for chief judge of New York State's Court of Appeals, Paul O'Dwyer, newly elected City Council President and Stanley Lowell, chairman of the Greater New York Conference on Soviet Jewry.

YC Comes En Masse

The New York Conference on Soviet Jewry funded the chartering of twelve buses for Yeshiva College to come en masse. Also in attendance were the head of the Off-Track Betting Corporation and declared candidate for Governor of New York, Howard J. Samuels, Robert Abrams, Bronx Borough President and U.S. Senator Jacob K. Javits.

Most of the speakers followed the tone set by the rally in calling for the release of Israeli POW's on strictly humanitarian grounds. State Senator John J. Marchi, the defeated Republican candidate for mayor said, "Humanity demands the release of all POW's held by the Egyptians or Syrians." Another unsuccessful candidate, Liberal party designate, Albert H. Blumenthal, condemned the Arab refusal

to obey the Geneva Convention as an "atrocious."

According to the Geneva Convention, wounded soldiers are to be immediately repatriated upon cessation of hostilities. The Israelis have released the names of Syrian and Egyptian prisoners, and have allowed the International Red Cross to visit captured Arab soldiers held in prison camps and hospitals. The Syrians and Egyptians have only allowed a handful of Israelis to be interviewed by the Red Cross delegates.

Beame Deplores Situation

In a display of unity, Mr. Beame and his third principal opponent, Conservative Party nominee Mario Biaggi, attacked the use of Israeli prisoners to gain political advantages. Mr. Beame, in an impassioned voice, declared, "When a nation (Israel) fights for its survival, the blackmail of using POW's cannot be allowed to occur." Mr.

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Bessin Reports On Middle East Crisis For Poli-Sci Group

By CHARLES SPANGLER

Berl Bessin, a YU Political Science instructor and soldier in the recent Yom Kippur War, gave a comprehensive military, political, economic, and social report on that war during club hour on Nov. 7.

Mr. Bessin opened his presentation by urging those present to send postcards and appeals to prominent figures in order to help solve the Israeli POW crisis.

He then proceeded to explain that the alleged "conflicting" reports from Israeli high officials at the beginning of the war were not actually conflicting but different perspectives brought about by different personalities or positions of authority. He cited as an example Moshe Dayan's statement that the Golan Heights would be "cleaned-up" in two days and another general's more pessimistic statement that the war would be more drawn out were due to their different personalities, but made from the same reports. Reports were changed however because of the changing situations that occurred day by day on the battlefield.

The question of why the Israelis were caught somewhat by surprise in the initial attack was then dealt with. Mr. Bessin indicated that this type of troop buildup has occurred every year for the past several years by the Egyptians and Syrians; moreover for Israel to have properly mobilized, i.e., against 200,000 Egyptian troops in Sinai, without the outbreak of war might have caused an economic disaster within Israel greater than the war itself.

This potential economic crisis would occur because representatives from virtually every aspect of the Israeli economy would have had to be sent to counter the massive Egyptian buildup. When war did break out, virtually every industry in Israel was at a standstill. However, contrary to rumors, Mr. Bessin stated

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Senate Reviews Proposed Evaluation Plans; Asks Students To Assess Faculty Changes

By ISRAEL WAHRMAN

The formation and role of a new student committee to meet with the Dean in regard to promotions, retirement and non-reappointment of faculty has been under discussion at the last two meetings of the Yeshiva College Senate on November 1 and 8. Three motions on this matter have already been passed and three more remain to be dealt with.

The motions on these matters were submitted by a committee consisting of Dean Bacon, Dr. Fleisher, Mr. Tannenbaum and Mr. Wandel. They were necessitated by the general dissatisfaction which had been expressed at the Senate meeting of Oct. 25 regarding the wording of another motion dealing with these matters.

Student Committee

The first motion calls for the creation of the student committee. It will consist of the Student Senators, Council President, COMMENTATOR Editor and Alumni Representative. Two amendments were proposed. Dr. Kra

moved that two faculty members be added to the committee and Mr. Lichtiger that no alumni representative be on the committee. Dr. Kra's motion was defeated and Mr. Lichtiger's, since it was not seconded, was not voted upon.

The second motion defines the committee's role as "to reflect student reaction with specific reference to their experience of the faculty member and his degree of concern for student welfare. These evaluations are meant to constitute . . . recommendations which the Dean is to communicate to decision-making bodies."

Tenure

Specified in the third motion is that "a list of all faculty members applying for or eligible for tenure consideration will be presented to the committee." The committee will then return to the Dean, "a fully documented evaluation for the use of the decision-making body" as one criteria on which to base their decision on tenure.

The fourth motion calls for the same procedure to be followed for promotions as with tenure with a major difference in that the student committee's evaluation would be done "only with the candidate's prior consent." It was explained that this provision was added in order to prevent embarrassment for some faculty members.

Concerning the fourth motion, Dr. Bacon pointed out that, while the committee report would include names, details, etc., the faculty member would only be given a general report in order to insure student openness.

The fifth and sixth motions, still to be discussed, deal respectively with retirement and non-reappointment. The Dean would submit a list of pending retirements to the committee, which would make a "fully documented evaluation (that) will be conveyed by the Dean to the President." The Dean would inform the student committee "as early

as possible that a particular teacher will not be reappointed."

The Senate acknowledged receipt of a report from the Bible department. This plan which retains the eight semester requirement, as well as the Bible requirement at Yeshiva College, will be discussed at a future meeting of the Senate.

YCSC Passes Budget; Howie Wieder Resigns

By ROBERT KANTOWITZ

The Yeshiva College Student Council met on October 30, expressly for the important purpose of discussing and approving the Council budget for this term. This, however, was overshadowed by what occurred during the first few

minutes of the meeting, as Howard L. Wieder resigned his position of Secretary-Treasurer of YCSC. Mr. Wieder regretfully conceded that to be faithful to both his studies and his office had become too physically straining. He therefore had come to a decision that his studies must take precedence.

After a special election of the vacated office was set up, President Ruchelsman revealed the budget. Because many Council members complained that they had not seen the budget until

that morning and had been unable to discuss it competently, all discussion of the budget was postponed until November 6.

Early Closing

On an ominous note, Council was informed of a library survey which indicated that fewer than twenty students are to be found in the library on most nights after 10 p.m.; consequently, the library was considering closing earlier than at present. YCSC urges students to patronize the

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Howard L. Wieder Reading his Resignation.

Paul Millman

Dramatics To Perform 'Cuckoo's Nest' In Dec. As Play's College Debut

By HOWARD WIEDER

The Yeshiva College Dramatics Society, under the expert direction of Mr. Anthony S. Beukas, YC Speech and Drama instructor, will present the critically acclaimed Off-Broadway success, *One Flew Over The Cuckoo's Nest*. The premiere, December eighth, will be the first university production of the play since its closing early this fall.

About half the cast are seasoned veterans of the Yeshiva stage, while the others will be making their debut. This combination should add greatly to the "life" of the production. The cast is already rehearsing intensively in preparation for next month's performances.

The play's run is limited to only four performances: Saturday night, December eighth, Sunday December ninth, matinee and evening; and December tenth, the Monday night performance. This year, the first three performances will be followed by an informal tea sponsored by Alpha Psi Omega Chi Pi—Yeshiva chapter of the National Dramatics Honorary Fraternity. Tickets will be going on sale on or about November nineteenth.

From the Editor's Desk

Price Of Standing Alone



By NORMAN BLUMENTHAL

There are numerous unfortunate outcomes of the Yom Kippur War most of which I need not enumerate. The war has taken its toll economically, diplomatically and, for those who have lost relatives and friends, most intimately. However, another serious outcome is the disheartening recognition of the Jews' severe isolation. Though obviously attacked and outnumbered, Israel was the recipient of a barrage of criticism and the victim of near unprecedented hatred. With grim humor, Israeli satirist Ehpraim Kishon commented that Israel is the only cause which could unify a divided world. All nations were in perfect accord in their hatred toward us.

While we in America, for the most part, don't carry the personal and financial burden of the war; and while we are grateful to our government for her support; we share with Israel feelings of isolation and the dismay at being deserted by nearly all the civilized and not-so-civilized nations. We have been forced into a position of mistrust and apprehension toward the non-Jewish world. Much of the latent anti-Jewishness that surfaced in the United Nations evokes in us a matching hostile mistrust.

Among Yeshiva students, I have heard such expressions of animosity and mistrust in the past few weeks. Though never one to support or condone apologetic Jewish liberalism, I feel deprived by this loss of trust and confidence. For students of our humanistic training and background, such sentiments should be alien were they not a product of the recent world events.

In her inimitable fashion, Golda Meir told the Arab community that "I can forgive you for killing my sons, but never for making my sons into killers." Being nowhere near as generous, I doubt if I can forgive the world for hating us — but I certainly cannot forgive them for making us haters.

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It is indeed unfortunate that the last student council meeting was marred by personal accusations and distrustful suspiciousness (of which even the Editor of THE COMMENTATOR is at fault). The fact that the result of an intense four hour session was a minor revision of the original proposal suggests that the concerns of the various participants were not over the immediate issue. For the benefit of the student body at large, I hope that, in the future, personal predilections will give way to expediency.

Even amidst the calumnies, accusations and counter-accusations of this notorious meeting, some relevant issues were discussed especially concerning this year's Masmid. Repeatedly, it was emphasized that the seniors, who will be producing the yearbook, have a say in how it is produced. This is a reasonable request to which, I believe, even the Masmid editors were favorably inclined.

Also aired at this meeting was a question that has probably existed as long as seniors have been producing such publications — Is it really worth it? Is a piece of memorabilia worth the effort and cost that must be expended.

One argument against a yearbook is that the money would be better given to charity. Though only the most egocentric and callous senior would consider Masmid a more worthy cause than our numerous Jewish charities, this argument is not necessarily tenable. It assumes that Martha's Grocery, having not been approached for Masmid by its committed Yeshiva customer, will voluntarily contribute to a charity. Were there no Masmid, it is most likely that no money would be collected at all.

Thus the question is more of a theoretical one. It is not simply a question of collecting either for charity or for a yearbook, but whether we can be so presumptuous as to collect thousands of dollars for a senior project knowing that there are much greater and more vital needs. Would it not be discordant to solicit money while in the back of all our minds is Israel's recently incurred and enormous debt? This problem is not dissimilar to what many of us probably felt last simchat Torah. Though dismalness would little help those at battle, we, nevertheless, could little engage in singing and dancing knowing that our contemporaries were sacrificing their lives.

Since a yearbook is often a source of cherished memories, I would regret not having one from my stay at Yeshiva. At the same time I cannot, emotionally, reconcile producing a lavish and expensive memorabilia in light of the recent events. It would be inappropriate and not a reflection of our times or, for that matter, of the University's position as our class truly reflects the decrement in enrollment at Yeshiva. My vote, therefore, in the forthcoming COMMENTATOR poll goes for the strict austerity program. Our yearbook editors have, in the past three years, proven to be amongst the most creative in our class and I trust that they will, even under limited conditions, produce a meaningful and appropriate publication.

When doubts about Masmid were expressed, many of its defenders resorted to some of the tactics that earmarked the November 6 YCSC meeting. I sincerely hope that those who differ with me will not counterattack THE COMMENTATOR or declare me a traitor to the class of '74 but direct themselves to the issue at hand.

NEWS IN BRIEF

DR. HENRY KRESSEL, of RCA Laboratories, will be offering a course at the Belfer Graduate School of Science on the application of fundamental solid state physics to electronic devices. The course will be offered on Mondays, November 19 and 26 and December 3 and 10. The course is open to undergraduate students.

To Be Or Not To Be

At the November 6th meeting of Yeshiva College Student Council, several seniors questioned the appropriateness and necessity of this year's Masmid. THE COMMENTATOR takes cognizance of the fact that a yearbook is an important piece of memorabilia to the college graduate, yet would also like to stress the enormous responsibilities inherent in the production of this yearbook. There are approximately one hundred fewer seniors this year than last year, which represents a greater burden on each individual. Other factors which serve to magnify the burden are the difficulties in meeting the projected and relatively close May 30th deadline, the special financial strain on the Jewish community to support Israel, as well as the tightness of the money situation in general in this country.

In light of the increased responsibility the average senior faces, THE COMMENTATOR will be conducting a poll of the Class of '74 to determine a) whether the editors of Masmid '74 should be given the green light to present as impressive a yearbook as they can, b) whether Masmid '74 should follow a strict austerity program or c) whether Masmid '74 should appear at all. It is imperative that all the seniors participate in this poll and vote responsibly, as Masmid '74 is already off to a later start and this issue affects them directly.

POW's

Once again, the Arabs have shown their blatant disregard for the sanctity of human life. Once again, the Arabs have shown their utter contempt for the basic rights guaranteed by international convention accorded to prisoners of war. In violation of the Geneva Convention, the governments of Egypt and Syria have refused to make public a full list of prisoners. Prisoners have been paraded before television cameras, photographed in humiliating positions and in other ways generally mistreated. Horror stories have begun to filter in from the Syrian front. Israeli POW's, hands bound behind their backs have been summarily executed. Cases of castration and decapitation have been reported.

THE COMMENTATOR calls upon both the student body and the entire Jewish community to strongly protest these flagrant violations of accepted international conduct. Student leaders from the Hebrew Councils should visit all classes to organize a telegram campaign. We strongly urge your support in this endeavor. All protest rallies must be attended. Letters-to-the-Editor should be sent to all local newspapers. This issue must be kept alive. The Jewish community and all men of conscience can not and must not permit the plight of Israeli POW's to become a political football.

Letters To The Editor

To the Editor:

With the formation of the Senate and the opening of faculty committees to student members, students have in the past few years been given access to the governance of Yeshiva College. On the whole, the experience has been a good one for all concerned. I am amused to note, however, that there has not been a reciprocal gesture on the part of students. The faculty does not, to be sure, need or want to be on Student Council or student committees, but what of THE COMMENTATOR? Should not its pages be opened on a regular basis to non-student members of the college community?

One regularly reads in THE COMMENTATOR complaints over curriculum and teaching, as well as scathing criticism of the administration. These adverse comments may be justified, but

how can the reader make a judgment until he hears the other side? May I therefore suggest that one page of each COMMENTATOR be set aside for such a purpose. Let that page carry three columns: in one, different faculty members should take turns; in another, the deans; in the third, members of the Registrar's office. Many in the YC community would be interested to hear what these various persons have to say.

Manfred Weidhorn

To the Editor:

I am writing this letter simply to vent my frustrations. It is, of course, possible that a lesson might be learned from my story, but I have my doubts about that.

Since my coming to YU a year and a half ago, the office of the registrar has accomplished the following incredible feats:

Gave me an "F" for Hebrew, when I actually received an "A" for the course;

Credited me last term with 27 credits, my own 17 and the ten of my namesake. In correcting this, I was given 3 credits too few;

That same namesake took a leave of absence this year. Yet I was informed that no dorm room was available for me, as I had apparently taken a leave of absence. (It should be noted that the other Joel Silber does not have a middle initial, nor could my social security number be mistaken for his.)

Last week, I received my computer print-out of the courses I am taking this term. It was a mild surprise to me when I found out that I was taking only two credits. I thought to myself, "This is the last straw." But I was wrong. I discovered that even those two courses were accredited. (Continued on Page 4, Col. 4)

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Vote No

THE COMMENTATOR views with disfavor the decision to conduct classes on Election Day. A great portion of the residence population at Yeshiva College consists of students who live within commuting distance of the university, and who are therefore required to vote in their home districts. Classes on Election Day place an undue burden on students who wish to exercise their rights but must also attend important evening classes. It is hoped that in the future more careful consideration be given to such students and that this year's situation does not recur.

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'You Pulling Out?'

By MARK SRULOWITZ

There you are, truckin' up Amsterdam Avenue at 1:00 a.m. after your Thursday night date. There don't seem to be any parking spots on Amsterdam so you turn left on 185th. Nothing. Right on Audubon and down 186th. Still nothing. Further down 186th to Laurel Hill, left on Laurel Hill, then left again on 187th and back up to Audubon. Not a spot in sight—only those deceiving little spots which proclaim the domain of the fire hydrants and driveways. You make two more lefts, go down 186th till Laurel Hill, turn right and drive down Laurel Hill till 182nd just for the hell of it—you know you won't find anything.

Then you make your decision. What the hell, you'll park in the bus stop in front of Morg. As you turn off the ignition you're wishing you had out-of-state plates so you would not have to wake up early enough to beat New York's Finest to your car. If by chance you don't make it early enough Friday morning, your cheap date the night before will not have turned out to be so cheap.

The situation described above is not altogether foreign to Yeshiva's car-owning students. As a matter of fact, everyone knows that Yeshiva's parking situation is deplorable—all that double-parking and those expensive love notes from the meter maids. But maybe the YU administration is not fully aware of how bad the situation really is. Do they know about the Mustang, Chrysler, and two Cougars that were stolen from students last year? Or about the tires stolen from D.H.'s Chevrolet parked alongside Morg? Or about the two slashed tires on M.S.'s Plymouth parked behind Rubin?

No, they're only concerned about parking for faculty members and administrators. Like the type who lives in the neighborhood and drives to school. Or the type who, when he sees a spot on the street, doesn't bother to use his spot in the lot—after all, locking and unlocking the gate is very bothersome.

Many suggestions have been made to alleviate the student parking problem, and just as many have been ignored. We may also safely assume that once the new parking lot on Audubon and 185th is completed in March

there won't be any room for student vehicles.

There is one suggestion, however, which I think merits not only mention but also an investigation into its feasibility, by administration and student leaders. If we make that safe assumption that the new parking lot is entirely for faculty and administrators, then the students are left double-parked on the streets. Yet the basketball courts on Danciger Campus lie unused during the cold months. Would it not be possible for students to park on at least part, if not all, of that black-topped area during the winter? And to make this a more permanent solution, perhaps the basketball courts could be moved to the area next to the cafeteria and the present courts could be utilized as a year-round student parking lot.

Admittedly, there are several minor problems associated with this alternative to double-parking, but with a little effort on the part of administration and student leaders these problems can be overcome. The YU administration need only start thinking of what they can do on the students' behalf, instead of just making assurances that are forgotten, as they did last year when students were told they would be permitted to park in the new lot.

If a solution of this kind can be implemented, the administrators, faculty, and students would all be satisfied with their parking lots and a huge step will have been taken in advancing student services at YU. Maybe even the 8:30 a.m. shout "You pulling out?" will be a thing of the past.

Freshmen's First View Shown In Informal Poll

By ALLAN SCHWARTZ

First impressions are a very important factor in determining a person's opinion. THE COMMENTATOR, therefore, decided to find out exactly what is this year's freshman students first impression of YU.

The latest additions to the student body came for several reasons ranging from "to continue my religious education" to "excellent pre-med program".

struction of the shul's interior.

"The Aron Kodesh was completely demolished, but luckily we managed to save the Sifrei Torah although a few were partially burned," he said.

Rabbi Alpert said that two nights before the firebombing, a group of teenagers twice rammed a stolen car into the eight-foot-high gate of the shul, causing severe damage. One youth was apprehended but apparently there was no hint of a planned firebombing at the time. Then early on Friday morning the youths

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YC Junior Writes Original Lyrics Concerning Modern Jewish Issues

By A. SCHAY

Jewish music has come a long way from the days of scratchy '78 recordings of Cantor Moshe Koussevitsky. Today, the musical sounds produced by American Jews are very modern, and they quite often adopt the musical styles of the world around them. There are rock Jewish songs ("Tain Shabbat"), there are Greek-flavored Jewish songs (Kol Salonika); there are songs styled after Herb Alpert ("Lonely Bull"), and there are even 1930-style Jewish songs ("Ki Haim Chayainu" by M. Werdyger and "V'haer Aineinu" by the Mazel Tov Orchestra).

Today, Jewish music is taking another step in keeping up with the times, with the creation of English songs on Jewish topics. Or Chodosh experimented on their new album with these type of songs. We also have "I Will Fly on the Wings of Eagles" by Ruach Revival, and "Keeping Watch" by Simchatone, but that was about the extent of it. It is the lack of Jewish topical music in English that prompted Osher Sebrow, a junior at YU, to begin writing such music.

Mr. Sebrow described his music as an attempt to convey his feelings about the Holocaust, Soviet Jewry, the recent war in Israel, and Israel in general, using folk-rock and semi-classical mediums.

Gap in Jewish Music

There seems to be a gap in popular music of Jewish themes, and I asked Osher about this.

When asked to differentiate between his music and strictly Jewish music, i.e., "Ayleh Varechev," by Or Chodosh Mr. Sebrow explained that a song like "Ayleh Varechev" can convey a lot to someone who understands it. "There are many facets to Jewish music. It can be happy, sad and often danced to. But there is a need to attack certain things

intellectually. People must understand these problems." Osher feels that there are certain philosophical themes (e.g., the Holocaust) that he can better convey in English.

He said that there is a need for his type of music,

especially among the kids attracted by Hineni and Young Israel. "There are Hari Krishna songs by George Harrison; there are country songs about Jesus, but nothing serious has been done on Jewish topics. If Bob Dylan, in

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The President Speaks

If This Be Treason, Let's Make The Most Of It



By MANNY RUCHELSMAN

A myth perpetrated upon this student body by years of council's inaction, finally has been laid to rest. Perhaps some of us don't remember, and others don't want to recall, but for too many long years, the hopes and aspirations of this student body have been pushed aside by fatalists who claimed that student council had to redefine its role as an organization because its authority has been stripped by the senate.

Last year, while a candidate for this office, I set goals that few dreamed possible to achieve. We decided then and there, that there was no need to redefine, but to repossess the powers we already had. Since the day of my election, I have labored tirelessly to perform the duties of president as they were entrusted and meant to be executed.

During recent days, in an unprecedented move to protect the general student welfare, the budget I proposed divided the fiscal year of my administration into two halves. The allocation for Semester Two would be determined solely upon demonstrated performance during Semester One. For the first time in years, student council could be master of its own house.

The fatalists among us can not conceptualize a working student council. However, as a member of student council for all my years at Yeshiva, I became keenly aware that council's problems always emanated from budget appropriations. After allocations were made, there were no checks on how a specific activity handled its money. A certain lackadaisical attitude set in, resulting in both a waste of money and a vacuum of student services.

As a result of past councils' mishandling their funds, our council is still paying \$1500 for the 1970 MASMID. The yearbook this year automatically became a victim of this plan for 'cost effectiveness.' There was no way to compromise on this issue. Editors of past years built for themselves a monument to remember their years at Yeshiva. Editors neglected to consult with student government or even their own classmates, escalating the cost of each subsequent yearbook, without consideration for the diminishing enrollment—the base to acquire funds for the yearbook's solvency.

Abe and Joe Blank have always been close friends of mine and have always helped me during my tenure in office. But my role as protector of the students interest has forced me to take a strict position to insure that not only our student council, but also future ones would not be forced into a situation that would compromise student activities by liquidating yearbook losses.

My decision was finalized, when I was notified that this year's editors have neither selected a yearbook company to publish MASMID 1974 nor begun their fund raising drive. Even delinquent MASMID 1970, with a graduating class of about 300 students began its financing the May previous to the fall semester. Our senior class is probably one of the smallest in Yeshiva's history, numbering about 150 students, making efforts to achieve the monies necessary an even harder feat. Furthermore, this coming MASMID will probably be the costliest ever, since the editors plan to introduce many innovations, such as color sections.

This whole issue should not be construed as an attempt to find a scapegoat in the form of the yearbook. My stake in its publication is probably as strong as that of its editors. I have always advocated the need for a yearbook as it would recreate fond personal memories of my years on student government and the wrestling team. I can not in good conscience however, put my own interests ahead of those I was elected to uphold, those of the general student body.

The entire atmosphere at the last student council meeting was completely disturbing. The aims we set way back last March, during my candidacy, were in danger of being subverted by our fatalist friends. There were a number of voices on council that stood against budgetary recommendations. Perhaps I can begrudgingly accept the attitudes of the other seniors on council, as this is their last year at Yeshiva, and perhaps all those years of ineffective student government have made them unaccustomed to a performance-oriented budget. The rules of parliamentary procedure were sacrificed as well as fatalists' clashed with other students to pressure us back to a more simple and inert time.

There were those however, who were not caught up in the hysteria. Some of the underclassmen, and particularly the freshmen on council were able to see through the immediate budget to the larger perspective. One particular freshman pointed out to the seniors that even an increase in the MASMID allotment by \$500 would only mean an added \$3.33 for each senior. It would be better to use this extra money for the general student body and to let the seniors contribute the extra \$3.33 each. Perhaps these underclassmen were untouched by those years of fatalism and can view student government from a positive angle.

Rav Alpert's Lower East Side Shul Bombed; Police And FBI To Coordinate Investigation

By RAPHAEL AHARON

The 75-year-old Chevre Bachurim Bnei Menashe Ahavas Achim Synagogue, situated on the Lower East Side, was extensively damaged by fire on Friday, October 26 when youths hurled firebombs into the building.

According to Rabbi Nison Alpert, Rabbi of the synagogue and faculty member of RIETS, a gang of youths was responsible for the incident. He said he received a call at 3 a.m. Friday morning telling him that the synagogue was firebombed. He then went to survey the near de-

Every student in YU has experienced some sort of run-in with the administration, and these students are no exception. By far they are mostly disgusted with the YU office-run-around. They are sent from office to office until finally someone takes care of them or they just give up. The "worst office award", according to the majority of students, goes to the registrar's office and student finances gets the honorable mention. "You can wait in the registrar's office for hours", says one student, "I wish they would get rid of that wall." Teachers as a whole are considered to be good. The exceptions are many new graduate teachers and the infamous vet-

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Mr. Berl Bessin Talks At Poli-Sci Meeting About Israeli Military And Economic Crisis

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 5) ed, there was ample food for the nation throughout the war.

This lack of Israeli troop buildup before the war did cause military shortcomings. Mr. Bessin indicated that there were more troops in the Sinai on Wednesday Nov. 1 than at the beginning of the war. One thousand tanks were lost at the Bar Lev line. He also said the "arrogance" that Israelis displayed that the initial Arab gain "just couldn't be," might have served to compound the crisis for Israel.

Another military shortcoming by the Israelis, stated Mr. Bessin, was the initial air force response around the Suez Canal was not as fast as it could have been.

However, for Israel to withhold the 200 vs. 70 tank disadvantage in the Golan Heights at the outbreak of the war involved a series of "one second miracles." As the war drew on, there were "more tanks in Sinai than during the Battle of the Bulge."

The notion of a political advantage that Israel tried to gain by not making pre-emptive strikes initially, turned out to be a "farce" for as Mr. Bessin declared, very little credit was given to Israel for this policy.

Mr. Bessin complimented the U.S. support and actions toward Israel and regarding problems Watergate is posing to President Nixon, he expressed the hope that it would be solved "for our (Israel's) benefit."

As for the Russian involvement, Mr. Bessin thought the Russians were "pulling the shots." However, he cited 3 areas where they made mistakes.

1) Did not assess correctly what the United States reaction would be.

2) Assumed the Egyptians and Syrians were better soldiers than they turned out to be.

3) Did not assess correctly the mobilization skill and general power of the Israeli army.

The spirit in Israel and on the battlefield was "amazing," asserted Mr. Bessin. He elaborated by saying the Israelis fought "brilliantly and valiantly" without days of sleep. The atmosphere inside Israel was one of complete "unity (even Egged bus drivers were courteous)" with massive military re-grouping and special verbal and postal communications sent to the fronts.

Teachers And Registrar Top Complaint List Of Freshmen

(Continued from Page 3, Col. 3) eran teachers. "They can't seem to handle a class and worst of all they just can't teach." The math department especially seems to be noted for this. To give credit where it is due, though, Dr. Lainoff in English, Mrs. King in Speech and Miss Maizel in Sociology were rated very highly by the freshman.

Freshmen Uninformed

Unfortunately, many of these opinions are based on lack of information. When asked about student government, the reaction was from poor to lousy. However no one knew that the used book exchange, somewhat lower food prices, many student activities, and the movie presentations were student government products. The same holds true with YU's guidance department. According to the first year students, it doesn't exist.

In regard to Israeli losses, Mr. Bessin stated from 1967-1973 between 2 and 3 thousand people have been killed out of a population of about 3 million. A "tremendous" number of Israeli people went into shock because of Arab atrocities toward Israelis



Paul Millman

Berl Bessin at Poli-Sci Meeting.

soldiers. This aspect of the war he affirmed "can not be forgotten."

The military lessons that can be learned from the War Mr. Bes-

sin indicated are as follows:

1) The Israeli army is capable of working well behind enemy lines, even though it is difficult to blow up missile sites and remain alive at the same time.

2) There was an entrance of advanced missilery and the Egyptians used them to their "fullest advantage."

3) United States weaponry must continue to re-supply that lost by the Israelis which would necessitate certain compromises on Israel's part.

In the question and answer period afterward, Mr. Bessin stated that he thought a peace settlement would involve an Israeli withdrawal to Sharm El Sheik and El Arish in Sinai and that Israel would not want to give up Mt. Hermon in the Golan Heights. As for the "arrogance" of the Israeli people this would be "toned down" somewhat in the future.

New President of the Political Science Club, Barry List, stated this program would be one of several new programs and members of the Political Science Club will attempt to "reach out" for more participation and involvement in this club in the future.

Tekoah Speaks At Nov. 5 Rally; Calls For Retention Of Borders

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Biaggi concurred, adding that "POW's can't be used as pawns in the political battle in which Israel is now engaged."

Senator Jacob K. Javits also denounced the Arab blackmail threats, both of POW's and of oil flow to the Western countries. He said he was flying to Washington immediately to confer with officials regarding the Mideast crisis, and said that an "appeasement policy" towards the Arabs was not desired.

Mayor Represented

A deputy of outgoing Mayor John V. Lindsay, Edward Morrison, read a statement on behalf of the Mayor, who regretted his absence, but who had to be on immediate call because of a strike by New York's firemen. In his statement the Mayor called for "unity" to support Israel.

With all the complaints, though, when asked if they would recommend YU as a good college to a friend (if they still wanted to keep the friend) the response was a definite yes. Maybe that says something for the school (or maybe misery loves company).

Finally, the students were asked what they would do if they were Dean Bacon. Comments such as taking away the Hebrew requirement so it can become a P/F course (stated by students in all three divisions), making teacher evaluations and having a more active interest in student affairs were repeated constantly. One student claimed he would make Kenny Blackstein president. However another student, in typical YU earnestness, summed it up in one word. "Resign!"

Mr. Morrison also pointed out that as the highest ranking Jewish official in New York City, he felt proud to attend the rally. Another statement, from Governor Nelson Rockefeller was read. It stressed the Governor's "fervent" support for the Israeli cause.

The keynote addresses, however, came from the Israeli representative to the United Nations, Yosef Tekoah, and the mother of a Jewish pilot shot down over North Vietnam and held for over five years as a POW. The pilot's mother, Mrs. Jacob Pollack, told of the agony of waiting, tempered with hope because she knew her son was alive. The mothers of those held in Egypt and Syria, she said, do not even know for sure, if indeed, their sons are still alive.

Tekoah Berates Arabs

Mr. Tekoah told the attentive crowd that the prisoners are the "soul of those who believe in dignity of mankind and the right of all nations to be equal." He assured those present that Israel will retain its borders and will

The Editor-in-Chief and the Governing Board of THE COMMENTATOR wish a reshuah sheleima to the honorable Yosef Tekoah. May he have the strength to continue his outstanding work on our behalf.

maintain the buffer zones. To resounding cheers he declared that "Israel will obtain its goal of secure borders in the north, south, east and west."

He berated the Arabs for violating international law and not releasing the names of the POW's. Emphasizing the sheer cruelty of "a nation [which] does not treat POW's in accordance with international law," Ambassador Tekoah ended with a plea

Council Passes Budget; Wieder Quits His Post

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library late at night to assure continuance of the present schedule. The Council wishes the University to know that YCSC feels that any earlier closing would be contrary to the interests of education.

Flaming Tempers and Allegations

The budget meeting held on November 6 was characterized by flaming tempers, wild shouting, and allegations of incompetence on the part of some members of Council and the audience concerning a few points of the budget, in particular the allocations for "Masmid '74" and inter-city projects, which include "Dirshu" and "Techiya."

In planning the budget, President Ruchelsman worked mostly on a semesterly basis, with a new budget to be prepared for next term. Furthermore, a reward and incentive system was used. Activities which successfully served the needs of the students last year had their allocations increased for this term. The same basis will be used in preparation of the spring budget.

Masmid Allocation

The Masmid allocation was a

matter of argument from the start. The proposed budget called for Masmid to receive \$1400 as a base and \$100 more for each thousand dollars of ads brought in, up to a total allocation maximum of \$2000. Heated arguments hinged upon claims by Council members and the Masmid editors that in order to produce what they had in mind, they needed more than \$1400 as a down payment, even before they could receive any ads to supplement the allocation. President Ruchelsman seemed wary of committing a full allocation, though, before seeing any concrete indication that Masmid had begun work on production or on raising the ads required for the full cost

The Editor-in-Chief and the Governing Board of THE COMMENTATOR wish to extend a mazel tov to Dean Bacon upon the engagement of his son Ari to Sari Greenfield.

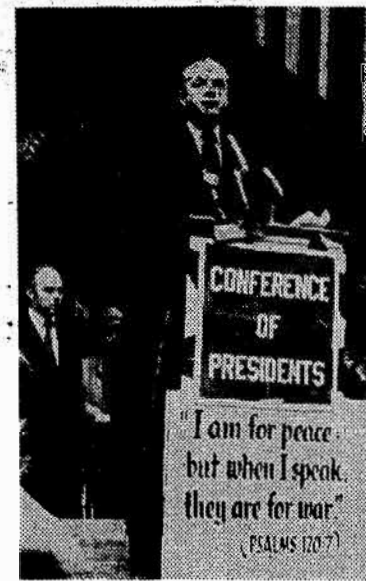
of the yearbook. Under a compromise finally accepted, Masmid will receive \$1400 and a \$600 loan to meet the down payment, to be repaid by the start of next term. For every thousand dollars in ads above \$3000, Masmid will be granted \$200 more, up to the \$2000 maximum.

The budget proposed by the president had reduced the allocation for inter-city projects to \$300, although a need had been shown for more last year. President Ruchelsman justified this action by claiming that ICP did not adequately serve the needs of the students of Yeshiva College, as it involves mostly Semicha students rather than undergraduates. In lengthy speeches, Vice-president Bergman and David Abramchick of Dirshu pointed out the great need for the continuance of Dirshu, as the one program which reaches out to alienated Jewish college students. Mr. Abramchick, a Semicha student detailed the monetary needs and defended the use of Semicha students as the bulk of the instructional staff, while pointing out that more and more undergraduates were being involved. Council finally voted to allot to ICP an additional \$180, the first profits from the student lounge. This sum had just been brought in and had not been taken into consideration in planning the budget.

A vote was taken, and the revised budget was passed by a large margin, assuring the many clubs and activities of support this term.

for peace. "War must end," he said, so that we (both Arab and Israeli) may live together side by side in peace."

Stanley Lowell, chairman of the Greater New York Conference on Soviet Jewry, placed the people on twenty-four hour



Paul Millman

Tekoah Addresses Rally!

alert. He warned them to be ready on a moment's notice to demonstrate support for Israel, both financially and politically.

Rabbi Avraham Weiss then concluded the assembly with the chanting of Tehillim and "Am Yisroel Chai" and the singing of of 'Hatikva' and the "Star-Spanned Banner."

Letters To The Editor

(Continued from Page 2, Col. 5) ed to the other Joel Silber — the one spending the year in Israel.

In fairness I should point out that everyone in the office of the Registrar has been helpful in clearing up all the difficulties I've encountered so far. But I get nightmares thinking about the

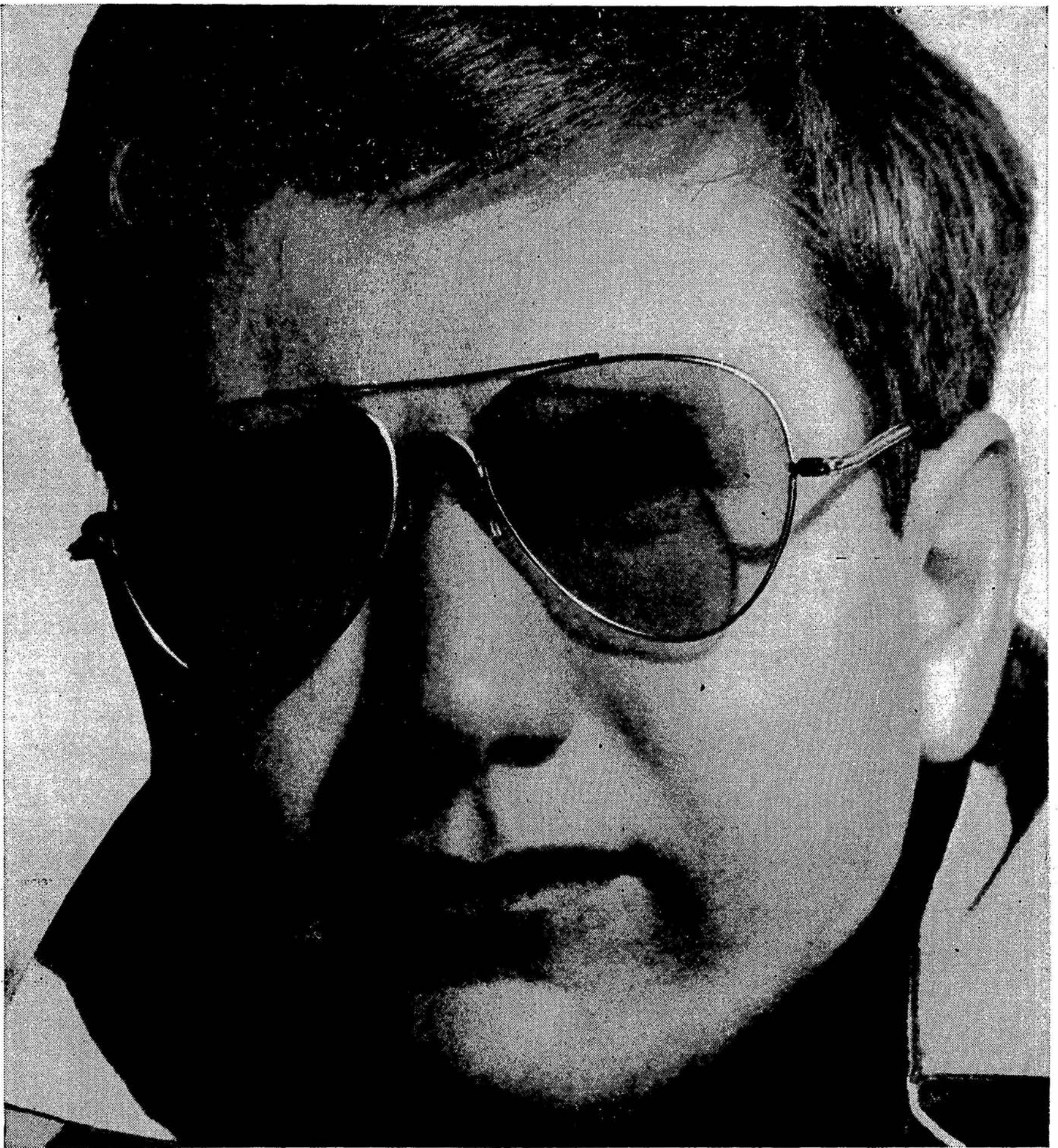
next act in this absurd play. I envision receiving a notice from the registrar soon, telling me I was never in YU to begin with.

And for once I'll wish that they were right.

Joel S. Silber (656-40-6891)

The Editor Replies: I know exactly how you feel.

Norman N. Blumenthal (NOT Norman S. Blumenthal)



When this 25-year-old researcher wanted to investigate a possible cancer treatment, we gave him the go-ahead.

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nology, and gave him the go-ahead. He built two half-billion watt laser systems, one of which Kodak has donated to the National Institute of Health.

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Congregation Looks For New Site To Replace Bombed-Out Synagogue

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managed to break into the shul from the roof or from a side window and hurled a few Molotov cocktails inside. "The police are investigating, the FBI is in on the case, and I have received assurances from Mayor Lindsay that he will not rest until arrests are made," the Rabbi added.

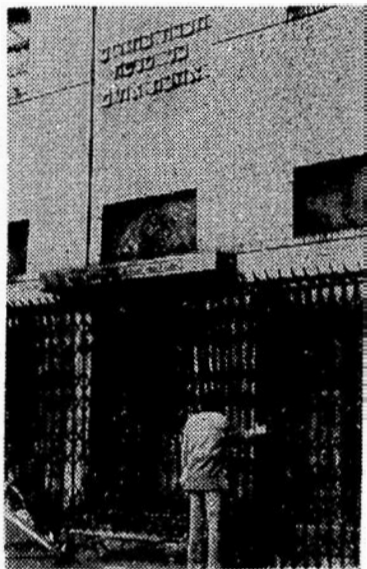
Rabbi Alpert maintained that the synagogue will probably not be repaired due to high costs. The congregation is looking for other quarters to replace the burned shul. Among the possibilities is a proposal from Jewish builders to provide a structure within the neighborhood. The proposal is still in the negotiating stage. But, the Rabbi said, there is a good possibility of maintaining a daily Minyan for the elderly..

The synagogue is situated at 297 East 3rd Street between Avenues C and D on the Lower East Side, and serves a community with a fourteen block perimeter. For more than fifty years Galician and Hungarian Jews were the prominent members but the constituency dwindled as the next generation became affluent and moved, and the elders died out. For the past ten years as more Puerto Ricans and Blacks moved in, more Jews left. Lately the shul served fewer members.

"In the past three years more than sixteen neighborhood synagogues have closed down due to

vandalism, fires and threats. We were the last shul to survive, Rabbi Alpert said grimly. "Our people have been held up and mugged constantly. A trip on the elevator is a perilous journey. We came here from Europe for peace and security, but now it seems that it is like being back in Europe."

Since previous methods to



Jon Schneck

The shul's damaged gate.

prevent the deteriorating conditions within the Jewish communities have failed, the Rabbi recommends changes in the system used presently by the courts to apprehend juvenile criminals. He noted that most teenagers when caught are released be-

cause judges refuse to convict them. He suggests that special courts should be set up in order to bring apprehended youths and other criminals immediately to justice.

"We should not let them back on the street. The victims should be protected, and people should protect themselves. The police are helpless and therefore people should fight. This is a one-sided conflict. We should be able to defend ourselves," the Rabbi vigorously said.

Rabbi Alpert also suggested that people should immediately phone the police whenever trouble arises. He warned that people should not panic, but rather form civilian patrols. They should not, he said, abdicate the parks and streets at night but should populate them.

Rabbi Alpert showed that his ideas were not novel by noting the unity of the Williamsburg Jewish community. He said that whenever someone is harassed or mugged, the men of the community rush to help the victim. He would like to see this kind of vigilantism spread elsewhere.

"Jews must have more foresight. They should not flee but should keep their institutions." Then with resignation he admitted, "It is time for all of us to But we were too comfortable, too convenient. Now more will be subject to harassment, and more go to Israel. Without harassment we should have gone on our own. will be forced to go."

Sebrow Writes Music About Modern Issues

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his new-found Jewish consciousness, would do songs on Jewish subjects, it would have a tremendous effect on these kids. . . . No one is doing it, and I feel it's necessary. So I do what I can."

During the taping at Studio One Osher performed about half a dozen songs. Here are excerpts from two of his songs:

Soviet Jewry and The Holocaust

"Dear, Dear Kosygin, I hardly can't begin, to list all the innocent you've murdered, sons and daughters, the old and the young, all across the mountainside, they're bleeding. Call it education, for a people or a nation, No matter what, the blood stains on your hand, Now you're looking neat, when you're begging for the wheat, But you got yourself a big surprise a-comin . . ."

This last song was recently written on the situation of Soviet Jewry. Another song of his dealing with the Holocaust, offers, in the end, a message of hope in the face of destruction and desolation:

". . . And you watched as your friends, to the showers were led, and the soldiers took care of them well. No one ever came back, Corpses burned in the back. And their jewels were

all gone — who would tell. Oh, the soldiers all did their jobs well. And the soldiers of death caught up fast. But remember my son I was near."

No Philosophizing

Osher told me he was going to put out a thematic album on philosophical subjects, but he changed his mind. "This is not the time for a thematic album on Jewish topics, because there's too much happening now, and it's wrong to waste time philosophizing. There's a need to point to different problems and to awaken people to them." Therefore, this album will contain songs that will point to many aspects of Jewish problems.

Through his performances, Osher has much contact with many kids of various Jewish backgrounds, and so I asked him what he feels should be done in the future: "Singing is one way to arouse people, but you must talk to them also. There's a need for increased discussion among kids on Jewish subjects and Torah values.

Jewish music has come a long way. It is keeping in step with the times. It has to. For to reach the people of today, one must be cognizant of the sound and feelings of today.

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Fencing Team's Season Begins; Inexperience To Be A Problem

(Continued from Page 8, Col. 3) in handy during some tight situations. For the future the team has Elliot Dennenberg, Mitchell Schranz, and Howard Cohen. Epee should be the strong point of the team and will be heavily relied upon to contribute more than their share of victories. Whenever epee wins the team should win.

Foil, last year's weakspot, has improved somewhat. No starters graduated, so everyone has a year more of experience. Co-Captain Shulman is the best and after him are Matty Hirsh, Avi Dachman, Eddie Tolchin, and Bernie White. Only two of these can start and the most successful will continue. The limited experience of Hirsh, Tolchin, White and the rest of the squad hurts, but

as the season progresses the quality of foil should be upgraded. For backup, there is Samuel Abramson, Jeff Fried, David Warburg, Howard Schranz, Henry Lifshitz, and David Kamlet.

Sabre used to be the power and pride of Yeshiva — no more. There is only one returning fencer from last year, Ted Ness. To assist him there is a group of sophs; two of them will have to start, and hopefully win, despite their lack of experience. They are Louis Solomon, Morris Mandel, Robert Moscovitz, Sam Sutton and Stuart Lavenda. Ted and the coaches are instructing the squad diligently, hoping for a miracle. Such things have occur-

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red in the past and, taking all things into consideration, sabre could show some surprises this year.

Compared to the past teams, this year's is a weak squad; however, a big difference from the last few seasons is a large amount of team spirit which could spark a few upsets. Four teams on the schedule are on Yeshiva's level. The remaining eight teams, six of those scholarship teams, are way above Yeshiva's level. Despite this tough opposition, the Taubermen will not go down easily to anyone. On any given night they can beat anybody. A 500 season would be considered a very successful one, but only time will tell.

On The Sidelines

Staircase To Heaven



By Steve Reisbaum

In most cases, the YU athlete is given very little to boast about, especially in recent years. With the exception of last years' record. Nor can an athlete even attempt to say that the YU gym complex can compare with that of any other college.

It is now time for the Yeshiva student to start boasting, for Yeshiva now has something that it has never had before, nor can any other school claim its equal. It has come about as a result of the new game room. Yeshiva can now take pride in the fact that they have established a new sport consisting of two parts, each with its own name.

The first part of this new sport is called the Staircase Race. Unlike other sports that begin with a gunshot, whistle, face-off, or tap this one begins when the teacher is right in the middle of saying: "That will be all for today." Books slam shut, doors fling open, and at least half the class has left smoke in their seats. While the few less interested in the new game get the assignment for the next class, off in the distance can be heard such sounds as "I got the air-hockey first!", "Hey Roy, who's paying for the computer ping-pong?", and as they go down the stairs, the screech of a trampled secretary is heard. This part of the new YU sport ends once they finally reach the gates of heaven, or in lay terms, the doors of 024.

Before we continue on to the second part of the Yeshiva innovation, let's take a quick tour of this room which is the cause of all this excitement and creativity on the part of the Yeshiva student. After entering, an immediate right turn will land you at the pool table, with cue sticks continually being chalked and balls being racked. The soccer game is next, not always as crowded, but always exciting when in action. It is especially liked by the poorer among us, for four people can play for a quarter and there is no time limit. We then turn toward the wall which is lined by the more established pin ball machine, Sam I missile launcher, computer ping-pong, and road racer games. Then comes the most popular of all the games — the air hockey game. Always surrounded by people cheering and calling for next, the puck never stops going back and forth on the surface.

But now back to Yeshiva's new pride and glory, and the second part of the new game. This second part is called Capture the Quarter and it begins anywhere from 15 to 20 minutes after initial entry into paradise. To be more precise, it starts as soon as the immediate supply of quarters stops. At this time, the rounds are made, first from student to student in the game room, next to students in the halls and if all else fails, to the cafeteria. Of course if it is past 8:30 p.m. when the cafeteria supply ends the student enters oblivion and his dorm room at the same time. The official battle cry of this part of the sport is: "Scuse me, ya got four quarters for a dollar?"

This new exciting game and the game room are two of the best things to hit Yeshiva in a long time. For now not only does the athlete have a place to work out (the staircases), he even has a game room to boast about.

Due to the overwhelming response to the last COMMENTATOR contest (naming Danny Besdin's column), the athletic department felt that this would be a good way to put into effect its latest idea. Any one wishing to apply to become a cheerleader (sorry fellas) should get in touch with the COMMENTATOR Cheerleader Contest immediately (in care of the Sports Editor, Morg. 221). Please include name, address, telephone number and a picture. If the response is good and the plans are approved, we'll get in touch with you. Remember, our teams could use the boost in morale.

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- Tues., Dec. 11, St. Peter's College, Home — 7:30.
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- Mon., Feb. 4, Jersey City, Home — 7:30.
- Mon., Feb. 11, N.Y. Maritime College, Away — 7:00.
- Mon., Feb. 18, Fairleigh Dickinson, Away — 7:00.
- Wed., Feb. 20, Brooklyn College, Away — 7:00.
- Tues., Feb. 26, Drew University, Home — 7:30.
- Thurs., Feb. 26, Brooklyn Poly, Away — 5:30.
- Mon., March 4, Baruch College, Away — 7:00.
- Tues., March 12, Pratt Institute, Away — 7:00.
- Thurs., March 14, St. John's University, Home — 7:30.

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- Mon., Nov. 26, West Side "Y", Away — 6:30.
- Sat., Dec. 1, M.I.T. Away — 8:00.
- Sun., Dec. 2, Emerson, Away — 3:30.
- Thurs., Dec. 6, Englewood Cliffs, Home — 7:30.
- Wed., Dec. 12, Brooklyn College, Away — 7:30.
- Sat., Dec. 15, Queensboro C.C., Home — 8:00.
- Tues., Dec. 18, Bronx C.C., Away — 7:00.
- Thurs., Dec. 20, Staten Island C.C., Away — 6:00.
- Tues., Jan. 15, Hunter, F.D. Tri-meet, Away — 6:30.
- Wed., Jan. 30, York, Home — 6:30.
- Tues., Feb. 5, Brooklyn Poly, Away — 5:30.
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Fencing Team's Season Begins; Inexperience To Be A Problem

Before we can preview this year's fencing team, some explanation of the team's situation must be offered. The "rebuilding year" excuse, which has been used for the past few seasons, will once again apply. Why is Yeshiva always caught in this rebuilding stage?

Every college team is always doing some rebuilding — seniors graduate and underclassmen must be trained to take their place. At Yeshiva, there has been a slowdown in the replacement flow. Most fencers come of age in their senior year, and juniors and sophomores must be waiting in the wings to take their places. This cycle has been interrupted, and has resulted in the current breakdown.

determination to stick to it. This does not, however, signify the demise of fencing at Yeshiva. Rather, this year's team must work twice as hard and hope that the younger members of the squad will mature more quickly than has been the case.

Greenberg A Leader

Heading the team is co-cap-

says Coach Tauber. "Will should have a highly successful season and lead his team to victory."

Co-Captain Fred Shulman heads the foil team. A math major, Fred's advice and experience are both accepted and welcomed by his fellow team members. He is clearly a great asset to the team as he trains the foil squad in the intricate techniques and strategies of his weapon.

Though fortunate in their leadership, a team needs more than two fencers to win, so let us examine the three fencing squads: epee, foil, and sabre. Epee is headed by co-Captain Greenberg with Harry Peters, Shalom Buchbinder and Murray Kornblit competing for the other two starting spots. Harry and Shalom were part-time starters last year and this experience should come

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Paul Millman

From l. to r. Shulman, Marcel, Greenberg, and Coach Tauber.

down has been the reduction of the old six-semester requirement to the present two semesters. A fencer generally does not fully develop interest in the sport in one year. More fencing time is needed to develop the will and

tain Will Greenberg, a pre-med major from Miami. Will started fencing as a freshman, was elevated to starter status in epee in his soph year and has continued improving. "A highly motivated and determined fencer,"

Kampf New Swim Head And Is Planning Team

By ARTY STARK

Mr. Alan Kampf, a graduate of Kent State University, was recently named head of YU's Swimming Department. Attending the university on a four-year swimming scholarship, Mr. Kampf earned his B.S. in Health and Phys. Ed. and established himself as one of the school's top swimmers. He was subsequently named to the team and later excelled in the breaststroke during the N.C.A.A. competitions.

Mr. Kampf's swimming prowess and experience seem to help his instruction as exhibited in the rapid progress of his students. Stressing the importance of stroke technique, Kampf explained his approach in detail. "We have segmented the semester not only into the general areas of the strokes, but we have also subdivided each stroke individually. We begin every session by working on one specific part of a stroke, and then conclude with a game of, say, water polo." He adds, "We like to combine business with pleasure."

Kampf Optimistic

Despite his suitability for the position, Mr. Kampf faces an immense task in reconstructing the swimming program. With the passing of time, the prospect of competitive swimming at YU has virtually faded out of the picture. Mr. Kampf, however is optimistic.

"I definitely plan to organize a team," said the new department head. "I'm not saying that we're ready yet," he continued, "but there is no reason why we

shouldn't be competing by next year." Mr. Kampf also mentioned the interesting possibility of forming a water polo team.

When ready, the YU team will have a chance to enter the Metropolitan League (which falls under N.C.A.A. jurisdiction), facing Queens, City, and Brooklyn Colleges, among others.

In addition to the Senior Life-Saving program now being offered, Mr. Kampf is enthusiastic about beginning a Water Safety Instructor course. The course, which in Kampf's words, "opens the door to many of the top-paying lifeguard jobs," may be administered this spring, if student interest warrants it.

New Chess Season Underway Second Tourney Is Organized

Following an extremely successful year, the chess club is swinging into another exciting, active season. Funds appropriated by last year's Student Council were used to purchase some sets and time clocks. The latter are used to play speed chess in which each player gets a total of five minutes to make all his moves.

Registration for the second annual tournament is currently under way with actual play due to start soon. Interested students should leave their names and room numbers with Nathan Vogel, M429. Reigning champ Joel Gross's crown will be at stake. Original pairing of opponents will be random, while in following rounds, players with comparable

records will be paired off. This system allows the best players to rise to the top while allowing everyone to play opponents of comparable strength. Although none will be disqualified for losing, forfeits (and ultimate disqualifications) will be incurred by those who do not turn in their results on time. In an effort to speed up the tournament, deadlines this year will be only one week apart.

Long range plans for the club include matches with other schools by a team to be selected from top finishers in the tournament and a simultaneous exhibition by a chess expert or master.

The chess club meets regularly on Thursdays during club hour in room F214.

Menche Sparks Sophs In 76-43 Hoop Romp

The sophomore Intramural Basketball team, behind Dave Menche's 31 points, recorded their second victory in as many games with a 76-43 romp over the freshmen. The sophs thoroughly outclassed their opponents, capitalizing on a series of first period freshmen miscues to ring up an early lead.

As play began, Jimmy Haber, who netted 16 game points for the sophs, hit on a swirling 12-foot jumper and was fouled on the play. Haber missed the free throw, but Menche tipped the rebound in for a 4-0 lead. By half time, the Sophs were working on a 41-16 runaway.

Rifkin and Wind Stellar

Terry Rifkin and Shalom Wind turned in fine individual performances for the losers with 13 and 12 points, respectively. Going without their star duo, Allan and Herbie Lempel, the frosh ran a string of 12 straight tallies extending into the final quarter, but never posed a real threat. Though their inexperience was painfully evidenced by numerous turnovers, the freshmen do have a good deal of talent and should start to gel within the next two

games.

The sophomores, who led at times by as many as 40 points, were extremely sharp, making good on over 50% of their field goal tries. The passing game was at its best, with Haber feeding some truly spectacular assists to Menche. Howie Strizower, playing under the boards in place of Jerry Levine, put on an impressive show of rebounding. So far the sophs seem like the team to beat, but their test will come when they play the tough Juniors.

While the other teams were playing basketball, the semicha team was playing hard to get. The October 29 game they missed against the sophs was originally ruled a forfeit but has now been rescheduled for a later date. The standings at press time: 1) tie — Juniors, Sophomores, 2-0; 3) Semicha, 0-0; 4) tie — Freshmen, Seniors 0-2.

Yucons — BC, 4-4, In Hockey Opener Free-For-All Erupts In 3rd Period

By YANKEE POLEYEFF

The Y.U. Hockey team got off to a so-so start last week as they tied Brooklyn College, 4-4, in the opening game of the season. Abe Katz' goal in the final period gained the standoff for the Yucons. The game was extremely well-played, marred only by a free-for-all midway through the third period.

The Yucons jumped out in front on a face-off score by freshman Israel Koolyk, but defensive lapses late in the opening session allowed Brooklyn several close-in goals on netminder Dave Miller, and the BC boys led after one period, 2-1. In the middle stanza, Brooklyn kept the pressure on, finally forcing a screened shot past Miller to take a 3-1 lead. But hard hitting by the Brooklyn squad led to penalties, and YU's brilliant sophomore line of Saks, Pomrantz, Silber, and Pasternak capitalized on consecutive Brooklyn infractions and gave BC a lesson in perfect power play execution by scoring twice and sending a tie game into the third period.

But the Yucons couldn't stand the luxury of being tied for too long, and another defensive mistake put Brooklyn back in front, 4-3. Moments later, the puck went into a corner, drawing a crowd, and one of the more massive Brooklyn skaters came out of it

with fists flying. The object of his wrath was YU soph Joel Silber, who could only duck and pray for the best. Then everyone got into the act, and when the dust cleared, Silber and his opponent were ejected from the game.

Finally, almost as an anticlimax, Abe Katz took the puck 15 feet to the right of the Brooklyn net and fired it past the Brooklyn goalie, bringing about the 4-4 deadlock.

Overall, YU played well against a very physical team. Goalie Miller made some fine stops and had no chance on three of Brooklyn's scores. If the Yucons can avoid the mistakes in front of their own net, they will be tough to beat.

Coach Wally Wolpoe, in his continuing search for a winning combination, will probably break up defense pair Litwack and Friedman, who were on the ice for all four Brooklyn goals, and team new backliners with forwards Wilzig and Cohen. The sophomore line remains set for

the next game, as does the juniors' line of Gopin, Katz, Listernick, and Roth.

Intramurals

In intramural action, the sophs turned their battle with the seniors, expected to be a close one, into a 9-1 rout. Richie Vale, Andy Pomrantz, Sheldon Chafetz, and Joel Silber each scored twice for the sophs, who are undefeated and now boast two strong lines. Dov Cohen slapped in the seniors' lone tally.

The following night, the freshmen gave the juniors a harder battle than expected, but dropped a 4-1 decision to the stronger juniors. The juniors' top line dominated the scoring, producing three of the four goals. For the frosh, Leifer scored his fourth goal of the year. The score was tied at 1-1 through almost the entire second period, but Bobby Listernick produced the winning goal with 12 seconds to go in the period. The juniors added two insurance goals in the final session, marring a fine performance by frosh goalie Alvin Pasternak.

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