# Belkin Resigns, Ending Thirty-Two Years As President

by Gary Miller

Dr. Samuel Belkin, President of Yeshiva University for thirty-two years, has resigned from his position due to ill health. Instrumental in the development of the University as a vibrant institution, Dr. Belkin will continue his affiliation with the University in the position of chancellor. A steering committee consisting of YU Vice-Presidents Friedman, Miller, Mirsky, and Socol has been formed in order to conduct the day to day affairs of the institution until pr. Belkin's successor is selected.

During Dr. Belkin's tenure as president, the institution made significant advances in all areas. His effort and devotion made possible the broad academic and physical expansion program which led to the granting of university status to Yeshiva in November, 1945. This accomplishment, in the second year of Dr. Belkin's role as president, established Yeshiva as the only university in the United States under Jewish auspices.

In the past thirty-two years, Yeshiva has grown from a small college complex with an 850 student enrollment to a university with an enrollment of 7,000 students. Yeshiva's single building in Washington Heights has evolved into four major campuses within the Bronx and Manhattan. Yeshiva's academic presence has been made known throughout New York's educational and cultural community.

University Expansion

Dr. Belkin was directly responsible for the establishment of Stern College, the first liberal arts college for women under Jewish auspices. In 1955, one year after Stern was established,

Einstein College of Medicine. Other schools bounded under Dr. Belkin's administration are graduate schools in physical and social sciences, humanities and social work.



Rabbi Dr. Samuel Belkin

Dr. Belkin's tremendous achievement as president makes it difficult for the University to find an adequate replacement. The search committee formed to select a successor to Dr. Belkin will, in November, begin the arduous task of screening candidates and finally selecting the new president. Aside from YU's Vice-Presidents and Board of Trustees, the committee will consist of the Deans of all degree granting schools and faculty and student representatives from all schools. The committee will also consult Dr. Belkin on areas of major concern.

Past Achievements

Samuel Belkin, born in Poland in 1911, was ordained at the yeshivot of Mir and Radin at the

Dr. Belkin opened the Albert age of eighteen. Arriving in the U.S. in 1929, Rabbi Belkin enrolled in Harvard five years later. In 1935, Rabbi Belkin was awarded an honorary fellowship at Brown, where, in the same year, he earned a Ph.D. and was elected to the Phi Beta Kappa honor society.

Dr. Belkin, a noted scholar in secular and religious studies, came to Yeshiva in 1935 as an instructor of Greek. In that year, he also became an instructor of Talmud in RIETS. Dr. Belkin soon became secretary of what is today the Bernard Revel Graduate School.

Following the death of Yeshiva's first president, Dr. Bernard Revel, Dr. Belkin was appointed a member of the Executive Committee of YC, and Dean of RIETS. In May, 1941, he became president of the University.

Renowned Scholar

Throughout his career, Dr. Belkin distinguished himself not only as an educator, but also as a renowned scholar and author. Dr. Belkin is a known authority on Jewish law, as well as on Hellenic literature. In His Image, and Essays in Traditional Jewish Thought are some of the books written by Dr. Belkin, who also frequently contributes articles to diverse Jewish journals.

Dr. Belkin has received many well deserved awards and honors. In December of 1963, he was awarded the Bronze Medal of the City of New York for his.service to higher education. Dr. Belkin is also a member of many civic and communal organizations.

At present, Dr. Belkin is very ill, and students in all YU schools have been asked to learn Torah and pray for him.

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# APRAC Recommends Cutbacks Reviews YU's Fiscal Problems

In an effort to alleviate some of the detrimental effects of the present Yeshiva University budget crisis, the Undergraduate and Graduate Councils were combined on June 5, 1974 to form the Academic Priorities and Resource Allocations Committee (APRAC). Beginning with a survey of methods used by other universities, such as Columbia, Princeton, and Boston University, APRAC, under the chairmanship of Sheldon E. Socol, Yeshiva University vice-president for business affairs, proceeded to review the operations of each school and department, by measuring the use of University resources for each program as compared with overall University objectives, commitments, resources, and academic standards of excellence. The results of the deliberations of APRAC are to be expressed in terms of university-wide schedule of priorities with broad recommendations for the allocation of resources recognizing the stated priorities.

As a result of its studies into the specific problem at hand, the economic crisis faced by YU, APRAC has presented the following recommenda-

\*Guidelines for class size: Seven students is the recommended minimum for any section to be offered. The committee anticipates an ultimate average student-faculty ratio of seventeen to one. Although these guidelines are somewhat flexible in some cases, some courses not complying with these guidelines have been dropped at the discretion of the deans of the particular schools involved. In graduate schools, owing to other complex factors involved, lower student-faculty ratios are to be expected.

\*Cutbacks in services: Library hours have been cut. Pending the results of current surveys of student library use, the hours may be curtailed even further. In addition, each building will be closed daily immediately after the last class held in it concludes and late classes will be rescheduled or moved to an occupied building whenever feasible.

\*Cafeteria adjustments: There have been increases in prices, reductions in the size of portions and in the available selection at each meal. The cafeteria has traditionally been run at a slight deficit. This year the stated aim is to reduce that deficit which in recent years has grown along with the price of food.

\*Subcommittees: Various committees have been set up to deal with specific problems deemed too detailed or cumbersome to be dealt with by the entire committee at once. These subcommittees will also look into areas for possible further cutbacks or revisions.

The decisions and recommendations for fiscal conservatism are broad in scope and affect the entire University family. The committee will move slowly but surely, in its efforts to save the University money, while simultaneously preserving academic excellence, being aware that its decisions will have enormous impact university-wide.

### Guide To The Perplexed Student COMMENTATOR'S Who's Who

It is very possible that you may never come face to face with some of the administrators on this list. All of them, however, in some way will affect your stay at YU. Therefore, it pays to know just who is

who at YU. Dr. Israel Miller is the chair-

man of the Executive Committee for University Affairs, which is charged with the day to day responsibilities of the University pending the election of a new

president. He is the Vice-President for student affairs at YC as well as a leader in the American Jewish community. In February 1974, he was elected chairman of the Conference of Presidents of Major Jewish Organizations. Among his University responsibilities, he serves as foreign student advisor. His office. located in Suite 106, in the Main Building, is a "center for guidance and student activities."

Dr. Sheldon Socol, the Vice-President for business and affairs at YU presently serves on the Executive Committee for University Affairs. He is a member of several YU committees and councils relating to governance, labor and financial matters. In 1974 Dr. Socol was named chairman of the Academic Priorities and Resource Allocation Committee to examine the resources of the University and their allocation in an effort at reducing the institution's operating budget. His offices are on the 10th floor BRGS.

Professor David Mirsky, dean of Stern College, was appointed in September, as acting vicepresident for academic affairs at YU. In this position he deals with the daily academic functioning of the University, Rabbi Mirsky also serves on the Executive Committee of University Affairs.

Dr. Isaac Bacon is the fourth (Continued on Page 3, Col. 1)

# Congressman Koch Supports Sinai Truce

by Steven Landau

Congressman Edward Koch of the Eighteenth Congressional District in New York said the other day that he supports the American sponsored Sinai accord. He expressed confidence in the sincerity of both Egypt and Israel in their quest for peace. In outlining the various confidence building measures taken by Egypt he said that she would repopulate the canal cities with 600,000 people (a move that would exert a restraint on any militaristic effort), allow Israelibound cargo to use the Suez Canal, and reduce its anti-Israel propaganda. Recent deteriorations in Russo-Egyptian relations and Egypt's desire to rebuild its economy further support Congressman Koch's assertion. He maintained, after conversations with the Egyptian president, that Sadat was a man of his word. Sadat's reaction to the recent P.L.O. attack on the Egyptian embassy in Madrid, he said, is a clear indication of Sa-

dat's determined stance. Since neither Sadat nor Rabin and his party can be ousted within the next three years, Mr. Koch said,



Congressman Edward Koch

that in the long run, the agreement hinges on "... the innate good will of the various populations involved who are tired of

far more strained. The Syrians, in Mr. Koch's opinion, are militant and maintain an intransigent anti-Israel attitude. In visiting Syria, however, the Congressman realized the respect which Syria holds for the United States and although strongly influenced by the Soviet Union, Mr. Koch expressed his hope that Syria will follow Egypt's lead and turn to the United States. He, therefore, felt that the \$84,000,000 in aid appropriated by Congress last year for civilian needs in Syria, such as the purification of the Damascus water supply, was well spent. In a similar vein, he felt that the U.S. should continue its good relations with Jordan so as to keep it from falling under Soviet and Syrian influence. Thus he supports the sale of arms to Jordan with the provision that they not be mobile and not be transferred to any other country. P.L.O. censure of the accord poses an inconsequential threat, according

Israeli relations with Syria are

to Mr. Koch, since no government can have its position determined by terrorists.

Preventing War

Since Syria and Jordan would be impotent in any war against Israel, without the aid of Egypt, Mr. Koch believes, the chances for a war within the next three years are greatly reduced. Sadat, he said, made clear to him that he would not participate in a concerted attack on Israel, but would defend Syria and Jordan in the event of any Israeli aggression.

In conjunction with the treaty, America has made certain commitments regarding fuel to Israel. He maintained that the energy commitments are basically the same as those made to the western nations and Japan. He further asserted that Israeli usage of fuel was miniscule when compared to that of the West and would therefore not overly burden the trouble laden U.S. economy in the event of another

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### **Future Service**

During the fall semester at YU, elections are held for various sudent council offices. Freshmen will be asked to elect representatives to YCSC and EMCSC; all students in YP and JSS will vote for their shiur and class representatives. The freshman, not yet fully acclimated to his school, can base his votes solely on the personalities and characters of the candidates, and select officers most likely to share his outlook on varied issues. It is only proper that these be the criteria used in voting.

Due to the growing role of religious councils on issues which affect the entire university, this year's SOY and JSSSC elections are especially significant. THE COMMENTATOR hopes that all students in these religious divisions will appreciate the importance of these elections and responsi-

bly consider their votes.

### Years Of Service

Dr. Belkin's resignation from the university presidency certainly marks the end of an era. His accomplishments during his tenure of office are mentioned only too frequently in Jewish and non-Jewish communities alike. As "the rabbi who doesn't preach," he has always been a leading spokesman for modern Jewish thought. As "the teacher who doesn't teach," he has endeared himself to thousands of students as a former member of the YC faculty and a Rosh Yeshiva in RIETS. And as "the doctor who doesn't heal," he has shown remarkable wisdom and enlightenment that have won him the respect and affection of scholars around the world. Finding a suitable successor presents an unenviable task for the Presidential Search Committee.

We look forward to Dr. Belkin's continuing guidance in his new capacity as University Chancellor for many years to come.

### A Welcome Service

THE COMMENTATOR would like to compliment Rabbi Dr. Israel Miller on the opening of the college bookstore, located in the basement of Furst Hall. Their new facility, under the management of Florence Schlesinger of the Fordham Book Exchange, has already proved itself superior to its immediate predecessor.

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The Governing Board hopes that the students will continue to utilize the bookstore so that it may provide the students with needed services in the future. THE COMMENTATOR recommends that should the store's student patronage increase, the University offer the Fordham Exchange larger quarters to work from,

# **NEWS IN BRIEF**

ALL IN THE FAMILY — Dean Isaac Bacon has appointed daughter in-law Dr. Karen Bacon as assistant professor of biology at Yeshiva College. Dr. K. Bacon, who comes to Yeshiva with a fine set of credentials, is the first graduate of Stern College to receive a full-time appointment at YC.

AFTER A YEAR-LONG SEARCH, Yeshiva University's Benjamin Cardozo School of Law finally has a dean. Monrad G. Paulsen, presently dean of the University of Virginia School of Law, is to head the new law school, which is scheduled to open next fall. The school will be located at 55 Fifth Avenue, the present home of the Ferkauf and Wurzweiler Graduate Schools.

DR. RUTH BEVAN, chairperson of the YC Political Science Department, has returned to the college after an extended sabbatical. Even during her two year absence, however, Dr. Bevan was not completely divorced from the affairs of YC Political Science majors. Together with Professor Emeritus Dr. Joseph Dunner of YC, and former head of its political science department, Dr. Bevan visited the college periodically during her leave to guide students of her department.

ADMISSIONS ARE UP AT YC, according to Director of Admissions Rabbi Abner Groff. Two hundred and sixty one new students came to Yeshiva this year, as opposed to the two hundred and thirty eight students who came to the school last year. Rabbi Groff made clear that he did not attribute this year's increased enrollment to the co-op program that was begun in conjunction with Yeshiva's Manhattan and Brooklyn High Schools for Boys last year.

## Koch Supports Agreement Sponsors Aid For Israel

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 4) oil embargo. Congressman Koch believes that the United States should form a food cartel to counterbalance the artificially high price of oil set by O.P.E.C. His opinion, however, is not supported by the majority of Congress in either House.

Congressional Appropriations
Mr. Koch feels that the most

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serious question facing Congress with respect to the Sinai accord is how much money to appropriate to Israel and Egypt. The administration has suggested 2.3 billion dollars in military and civilian aid to Israel and 750 million dollars in civilian aid to Egypt. To Mr. Koch it is a "moral imperative" to aid Israel and to insure Egypt's compliance with the agreement. Although such mammoth sums would cut deeply into the U.S. budget, he feels that the cost to the United States of a new war would be far more onerous. In relation to the types of arms to be provided, Mr. Koch said that the controversy over the sale of the Pershing missiles and the F-16 fighter planes was not Congressional.

Dr. Kissinger's Success
Mr. Koch said that he felt that
Secretary of State Henry Kissinger was sometimes "... difficult and harmful..." He felt

that Dr. Kissinger was wrong

The Editor-in-Chief and the Governing Board of THE COMMENTATOR would like to extend their heartiest mazal tov to Mark Koslowe, '73, former Editor-inChief of THE COMMENTATOR on his engagement to Rama Zwillen-

in applying pressure on the Israelis when they refused to sign with Egypt in March, yet he did acknowledge the success of the Secretary's last visit. He summed up his feelings when he said "... He's not the paragon of virtue... He is brilliant and he's done things others have failed to do."

On détente, Mr. Koch said that he is for reducing tensions with the Soviet Union, though, he added, that we should never let her out of our sight. The Helsinki agreement was a great mistake in Mr. Koch's eyes. Although it has no legal validity, it dealt a demoralizing blow to the people of Eastern Europe. Mr. Koch feels, however, that the U.S. is still ". . . a country dedicated to peace, liberty and freedom . . . Over all," he said, "... we are still the protectors of the free world."

From the Editor's Desk

### Those Who Play God



By Barry Saltzman

All too often in the frantic confusion that is mandatory for the beginning of any academic year, we lose sight of what we are indeed starting. Soon, our "higher aspirations" drown in a torrent of requirements, assignments and examinations. And so we go, from class to class, credit to credit, until the sheepskin is in hand, or until we step outside the unreal world of YU and witness something which shakes our narrow complacency to the core; in my case, conceptual murder at Johns Hopkins Medical School.

Now this is no slight charge. For those who do not grasp the gravity of such a statement, understand that Johns Hopkins is to medical students what the promised land was to Moses. Hopkins has been a pioneer in medicine and in the teaching of medicine. The texts used by its students are largely written by its faculty. Without a doubt, it is a brilliant institution.

Hopkins is also a forward looking institution. It has a highly selective five-year program for especially gifted applicants. They come from all over the U.S., America's best and brightest, the doctors of the future, and there in a seminar on medical ethics they faced this question: - what to do if a family comes to you with a seriously ill patient. The disease may or may not be terminal; treatment will be enormously expensive. However, the patient is retarded, no more than a vegetable. Would you save the patient, or would you withdraw your skill and allow the patient to die? There was a moment of silence, and then one by one the doctors of the future answered that they would let the patient die. It was not so much the decision arrived at that struck me and chilled every nerve ending in my body. It was the easy manner in which the conclusion was reached - no horror at the choice, no agony, little hesitation. No one questioned whether doctors were equipped for such a decision; whether indeed any man could contribute so directly to another man's death, purely on the basis of his personal judgment. America's future doctors felt competent enough to condemn a man to death with the careless nodding of their collective heads. With the Hippocratic oath hanging on the oak wall, and surrounded by every conceivable machine for saving human life, America's best and brightest glibly gave an unwanted fetus a less than even chance on life. All concurred. All, except one.

One student seemed troubled. One student asked how a doctor
alone could make such a difficult, irreversible decision on the basis
of his beliefs alone, or whether there was more to human life than

of his beliefs alone, or whether there was more to human life than a doctor's assessment that "X" can no longer contribute to society, of is no longer a functional human being. And when I sought a reason why this simple student should react so differently from his fellow doctors, there emerged only one factor in his background which singled him out, which stamped him different for life. Strangely enough, he was a yeshiva student. Something about his yeshiva education had made this young man sensitive to human life. With all the undeniable failings of yeshivot today, the impression made on that student was still sufficient to set him apart from the mob of medical students to whom no authority existed greater than themselves

I do not mean to harp on medical students per se. There is a sickness in the professions today which manifests itself in a haughty indifference to the public. Though the high cost of justice is almost proverbial, one legal textbook counsels young lawyers to first determine "that there is a sufficient likelihood of success to justify the time, expense and effort of entering into litigation" before accepting a case. It is not at all clear whose time, expense and effort is meant—the client's or the attorney's.

Like a modern aristocracy they stand, the doctors and lawyers, shoulder to shoulder in impersonality with little or no guidance other than self. And yet if they are to be doctors and lawyers and not merely technicians, self is not a sufficient criteria for life and death judgments. Make no mistake, there will be life and death decisions, particularly as medical technology outstrips both our economic resources and our ability to solve moral problems which our very skill conjures up. Already there are insufficient dialysis machines to treat all kidney patients. Already patients may have ceased all body functions, all brain waves, while a million dollar machine provides an artificial heartbeat for as long as it is plugged in. Hard decisions will have to be made, some which may challenge traditional concepts of morality. But when we come to those decisions, those tortuous dilemmas which wrench a man's conscience apart, will there even exist such consciences to be troubled? Will there be that hesitation, that painful recognition of issues? The answer, aptly enough, was given at a Hopkins seminar on ethics. Such consciences will exist for those who possess that moral modesty which does not see itself as supreme judge and jury, as all cause and all reason, that intangible quality which filters through a yeshiva education, which secular scholars call humanism, and which Chazal with infinitely more subtle perception, termed Yirat Shamaim.

# Many Administrative Offices Located On Campus **Handle Academic And Personal Student Problems**

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 5) dean of YC, a post he acquired in March 1960. He is a Czechborn philologist who spent 13 'years teaching languages before coming to YU. The dean's office, 'F103 is open to all students for consultation on academic affairs, and for other services.

Professor Morris Silverman was named registrar of the University in 1960 after having served as the College registrar since 1948. Dr. Silverman's office coordinates the registration of all of the YU schools and affiliates,

Rabbi Meyer Edelstein as assistant registrar at Yeshiva University is primarily responsible

The Governing Board invites all students, including freshmen, to join the staff of THE COMMENTATOR. Positions are available in all departments. Aside from the obvious need for qualified writers, THE COMMENTATOR offers opportunities in such areas as photography, proof reading, headline writing, layout, circulation and typing. Those interested in any posi-tion should contact Barry Saltzman, room 221 Morgen-

for the registration of undergraduates. He is usually available in the office of the registrar to handle students' scheduling prob-

The registration of the religious departments is handled by Mr. Gayer, Assistant Registrar, for YP, JSS, and EMC. RIETS registration is in the hands of Assistant Registrar, Mr. Wachs-

Rabbi Abner Groff, director of admissions, is responsible for recruitment and selection of students for the graduate and undergraduate schools. An important part of his work is the counselling of students and evaluation of their academic and personal qualifications.

Rabbi Zevulun Charlop assumed the directorship of RIETS in September 1971. He has made it his policy to invite students into

his office in the Main Building, room 110, to discuss shiur placement and other matters in order to keep in touch with and provide counsel for the students.

Rabbi Morris Besdin joined the Yeshiva faculty as a Bible instructor in 1956, two years before he was to become the director at JSS. After the initial interview of JSS applicants, Rabbi Besdin tries to maintain a warm personal relationship with the students. His office is located in

Rabbi Jacob Rabinowitz became YU's first dean of students

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in 1966. Two years later he accepted the deanship of EMC. Students who frequent his office, F105, for guidance and assistance usually remain in close contact with him.

Rabbi Joshua Cheifetz, the director of the dormitories, provides counsel to all students, with a special focus on dorm life. His office is in the Morg. dorm room

Dr. Paul Connolly is the director of academic guidance at YU. His office, located in the Student Union Building, room 205, endeavors to "develop an academic program that will realize the full human potential of the student while preparing him to achieve his vocational goals."

Colonel Robert Marmorstein is the director of safety and security. All accidents, suspicious actions and improprieties should be reported to his office in Morg

Secretaries, though a generally unappreciated group, are vital in the smooth functioning of all the offices mentioned above, and should be taken into account when speaking to any of the above people.

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# JAC Foresees An Active Year

by Harry Feld

Getting off to an early start with its meeting Tuesday night, the YCSC Jewish Affairs Committee has already begun work on a number of significant and worthwhile projects. Aside from the usual fare of Mesibot Rosh Chodesh and similar events, the Jewish Affairs Committee, under the leadership of Neil Maron and Arthur Smerling, has elected to undertake several more ambitious programs.

Chief among the new projects is the work that will be done for the many impoverished Jews living in the metropolitan area in conjunctiion with the Council for Jewish Poor, headed by S. Elly Rosen, guest speaker at last

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Students browsing through textbooks in the new college bookstore located in Furst Hall. Although the bookstore does not yet have the textbooks required for all courses, most students polled concurred that it serves them better than its predecessor.

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purpose of a college is to pre-

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world has become increasingly

technology oriented, with every-

thing divided into specialties and

subspecialties. It is a fact of life

that to compete successfully in

this world one must be proficient

in one specialty or another. It

is currently acknowledged by

many educators that the BA de-

gree is no longer as influential

as it once was. With a BA one's

options are limited to continua-

tion in graduate school or to en-

trance into the family business

(if one has a family business to

There are scholars who feel

that if the student attains a de-

gree of culture in the course of

his college education then the

college has achieved its goal.

This type of support of the Lib-

eral Arts philosophy is question-

Culture has often been lauded

as providing the individual with

a basis upon which he can base

his view of life and the world.

It has always been my under-

standing that these values, for

Jews at least, are to be based

upon the Jewish religion and its

teaching. There is, to be sure,

nothing wrong with learning the

ideas and great works of other

people. That idea is in fact the

basis of the YU ideals of syn-

thesis. Still this type of educa-

tion is not to be obtained with

the purpose of using it to formu-

late a weltanschaung. Yet, this

is precisely the basis behind the

Liberal Arts philosophy. The

able at Yeshiva.

By David Rechtman

As we return to start another academic year it is a good idea to pause and reflect upon the events of the world around us. Old, previously inviolable beliefs have been called into question. Words and phrases which used to have an almost magical effect, no longer do.

It is said that no man is an island. Taken one step further, this can also be extended to institutions. No institution can remain totally unaffected by events occurring in the outside world. To this fact Yeshiva College is no exception. Just as in Washington, D.C. certain catch phrases no longer evoke the same response that they used to, so too in Washington Heights. The Yeshiva catch phrase to which I am referring is Liberal Arts. In this era of questioning, perhaps this idea too should be subjected to a new scrutiny.

In order to properly examine the idea of Liberal Arts, it is necessary to define our terms. Unfortunately, each different source will give a different definition. One useful definition was provided by Thomas Huxley, a nineteenth century writer. In paraphrase, his definition is that a Liberal Arts education is that type of education through which the student can improve his mind, manners or taste. That is, to obtain culture.

The question is, "Is this an adequate educational goal for today's world?" The answer, I believe, is "most definitely not." While such a type of education was fine at the turn of the century when the average college student was the scion of the "right" kind of family preparing for entrance into society, it is not adequate for today's world.

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course content is not the problem, the philosophy behind its presentation is. For many members of the administration's upper echelon, the order of priorities of this institution is that it is a Yeshiva first and a college second, to wit, the early opening of YP and the furor over a recent dramatics production. The correctness or even the accuracy of this attitude is not the question. The point is that once the Administration has adopted this attitude they should maintain a uniform posture in this regard. It is quite inconsistent for them to defend the idea of Liberal Arts as a philosophy for the operation of a school. If the Administration wishes

o retain the idea of Liberal Arts, a logical step would be the abandoning of the Yeshiva first attitude. In this way Yeshiva would avoid a conflict of philosophies. Such a move would also undoubtedly please many.

Once the idea of the Liberal Arts college is abandoned, the college would have greater programming flexibility. Worthwhile programs would not have to be rejected out of hand as being too "pre-professional" in nature for a Liberal Arts school.

The Administration can no longer afford the luxury of doing something simply because "that's the way it's been done." That is no longer a justification for anything. Changes come and the knell should sound for the concept of the Liberal Arts school here at Yeshiva.



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University in 1949 as instructor

in health and physical education,

as well as fencing coach, and was

promoted to assistant professor

in 1952. Professor Tauber has

written on both fencing and re-

habilitation, and has given sev-

eral TV fencing demonstrations.

He has also been a guest lectur«

er at Columbia University, and

Hunter College on Corrective

Physical Education. Professor

Tauber has many credits to his

record, and it is a well deserved

promotion that the University

# '75 Basketball Intramurals Begin **Sophs Predicted To Capture Title**

The new intramural basketball season starts October 15th, with the Juniors defending champs. Here is a look at the teams and how they match up.

SEMICHA — It seems that by tradition, Semicha has a chazakah on last place. Last year, with Hillel Davis' strong rebounding and Norman Amsel's leadership and scoring, these talmudic scholars managed just one win. Now, with the retirement of three of its starters, only Amsel remains to carry the scoring load.

SENIORS — The Seniors might be the "dark horse" team of the league this year. There is an abundance of talent in this well disciplined team. Floor leader Louis Greenspan always does an excellent job, and with Morris Mann shooting, and Jerry Levine and newly acquired Dave Beren rebounding, the senior team looks tough.

**JUNIORS** Last year's champs, the Juniors seem to have lost much of the gusto and magic of last season. They still have Terry Rifkin in the backcourt, but the loss of both Lempel's to the varsity and the early retirement of Stadtmauer and Rosenberg hurts. The only other members returning are Steve Berman, Avi Moskowitz and Benjy Goldstein, tough rebounders, and

#### Dave Grashin, the All-Star high scoring forward. Unless they can play from memory, the Juniors are doomed to a tough season. SOPHS - The sophomores, the only team to go undefeated in CAMERA& ELECTRONIC CORP. One Park Row NYC 1003B (212) 349-0553 ACK TO SCHOOL = SPECIALS



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the regular season (8-0), and

winless in the post season (0-2),

seem ready for another year.

They have successfully acquired

two new players, both of star

caliber. Pistol Pete Samit, is a

sharp, high scoring guard who

played for the Maccabees last

year. Leon Behar, also coming

to the soph team from the Mac-

cabees, is a strong rebounder

with uncanny moves to the bas-

ket. Besides Leon and Pistol Pete,

the sophs are a very powerful

team. Sheldon Small and Leo

Klein are among the best guards

in the league, both capable scor-

ers and ballhandlers. It is the

frontcourt of the sophs that makes the team so awesome.

Mitch Merlis, Lenny Pianko, and

Seme Joszef have all proven their abilities and make up the best

frontcourt in the league. The

bench is also strong. The sophs

are favored to win the champion-

ship, for their individual talent

is unmatched by any other team.

man, Lenny Schwartzbaum, and

Dave Weinstock are some stand-

out freshmen names that I'm sure

we'll hear more about as the sea-

son progresses.

FRESHMEN - Phil Schiff-

Arthur D. Tauber, a resident of Paramus, has been appointed director of the Health Education Program of Yeshiva University, effective in September. He succeeds Professor Hy Wettstein.

Professor Tauber has been on the faculty of the University since 1949 and has served as fencing coach for over 25 years.



H. Klotz Professor Arthur D. Tauber

He will continue in this post as well. An outstanding fencing teacher, he trained the 1960 U.S.

Tauber Heads Phys. Ed. Dept. Olympic squad and the victorious U.S. Pan American fencing squad in 1959, and his Yeshiva teams have compiled impressive winning records. He has been ably assist-

> Professor Tauber was also involved in the field of rehabilitation, serving as rehabilitation coordinator at the New York Veterans Administration Hospital and as a member of the President's Committee on Employment of the Handicapped.

> He earned a bachelor of science in health and physical education and a master of arts in rehabilitation from New York University in 1942 and 1948 respectively.

> Those Championship Seasons Professor Tauber was the national freshman intercollegiate foil champion in 1939, intercolle-

has awarded to him. Professor Tauber is married and the father of four children.

1941, and foil champion in 1942, He was a member of the All-American fencing team in 1941 and was ranked seventh nationally in epee by the AAU in 1942. ed by Mr. Loren Marcel. He joined the staff of Yeshiva

### giate epee champion in 1940 and JAC Foresees An Active Year

(Continued from Page 3, Col. 3) week's Mesibat Rosh Chodesh Chesvan. The Council for Jewish Poor aims to establish centers in storefronts in city ghettos where many elderly and poor Jews live. These centers are to provide food, including hot lunches, to the needy Jews in the district.

One center already in operation is the one in the Brownsville ghetto in Brooklyn. Brownsville was once a thriving Jewish community. When a bad element moved into the neighborhood, however, most Jews who could afford to move, left the neighborhood, leaving only those too poor or too elderly to uproot their lifelong ties in the district. Today there is not even a single shul for prayer in the area; the storefront operated by the Council for Jewish Poor, therefore, is used for prayer. The storefront also serves as a "drop-in" center, and it contains some recreational facilities.

To date, the Council for the Jewish Poor has been operated by college students, and has depended on private funding. Together with the help of the YCSC

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Jewish Affairs Committee, however, the organization now plans to open two more centers, one in the lower East Side of Manhattan, and one in the South Bronx. Our Jewish Affairs committee is seeking students who will volunteer to participate in this pro-

Another innovation that will be sponsored by the Jewish Affairs Committee is the Big Brother Program (not to be confused with YCSC's Big Brother Program). The Jewish Affairs Committee has been recruiting volunteers in the college to work with fatherless Jewish youth. Most of these children, ranging in age from six to fourteen, are from middle class backgrounds, and they know little of the Jewish tradition.

A Big Brother must spend two afternoons a month in a one-toone relationship playing ball, rapping, and coaching his charge. Those Big Brothers working in the special program to help troubled children, escort the young. sters to therapy sessions, tutor them, or aid the professionals training these youngsters to develop into productive adults. Those Big Brothers with any, training in legal procedures can assist a child and his family in the Family Court.

Another major effort of the Jewish Affairs Committee will be aimed at continuing to support Soviet and Syrian Jewry. A' fund raising drive for Israel is also scheduled to be held sometime this year. Intercollegiate programs such as Shabbatons and Kumzitzes will also continue.

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