

YC Faculty Size To Be Decreased Several Teachers Will Not Return

Future Plans Excellent Teachers Leaving Are Discussed Express Their Views On YC

By HARRY FELD

Three popular YC instructors will not return to the college this fall. Drs. Ruth Bevan and Robert Goldberg will take leaves of absence next year. Ms. Shirley Lauro, was not reappointed due to budget cuts. Dr. Singh and Mrs. Sterns will also not return.

Dr. Bevan had returned this year to head the Political Science Department after a three year leave of absence. Her departure is a result of her appointment as a National Fellow of the Hoover Institution of Stanford University. She is planning to write a book entitled *Nation and Class: Profile of a Contemporary Problem in Theory and Practice*. It will deal with the major ideas of the twentieth century such as nationalism, class existence and class struggle, and how they are related to the politics of the Soviet Union, Western Europe and the United States.

Replacing Dr. Bevan is Dr. Lehrman, who will serve as a full time political science instructor, and two YC graduates, Mr. Bernard Firestone and Mr. Mark Meirowitz.

Short Changed

When asked whether her departure will hurt the quality of the Political Science Department, Dr. Bevan replied that students benefit from members of the faculty who keep in contact with the academic world and bring back new ideas with added experiences. "It is important not to get isolated, and therefore, the school can only

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By HARRY FELD

Among those instructors who are leaving Yeshiva College, next year, three will be especially missed. They are Dr. Ruth Bevan, Chairman of the Political Science Department, Dr. Robert Goldberg of the History Department,



Dr. Ruth Bevan

and Ms. Shirley Lauro of the Speech Department.

Although they are leaving for different reasons, their attitudes toward the Yeshiva College Administration and students are the same.

Dr. Bevan's major complaint about the Administration is that "the faculty does not have the input into policy-making decisions they should have. It is the students and faculty who, as a body, comprise a university, and it is they who should be given priority. At present, Dr. Bevan added, "there is an industrial mentality in the administration. It misunderstands the education process. As long as

financial people make decisions, we will have this same problem."

Dr. Goldberg feels, "the administration's mistake is that they keep the teachers demoralized by putting them on such a low pay scale." He said the attitude of the Administration toward the faculty reminded him of the old shtetl's system of patronizing charity toward the melamed rather than giving him what is rightly his due. However, Dr. Goldberg commended Dean Bacon's commitment to academic quality and experimentation. Dr. Goldberg stated that the teachers lose self-respect if they are not assured a reasonable living standard.

Ms. Lauro was the most vitriolic of the three. She heatedly said, "The faculty are treated like children. Decisions are unilateral; the school is run like a patriarchal business. They are unethical, and for a religious institution, this is absolutely disgusting."

Ms. Lauro went on to express (Continued on Page 7, Col. 4)

YCSC Final Session New Council Begins

By NOAH WITTY

Speeches by outgoing and incoming Student Council members and the confirmation of Council appointments and boards marked this year's final YCSC meeting. It began twenty-five

ing the past year. A T-shirt sale, publication of the student directory, Jewish affairs, and Council members' assistance during freshman registration, were regarded as major accomplishments. Strenger lauded members of the



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New senators (l. to r.) Friedman, Katz, Moskowitz and Targow.

minutes late due to the difficulty of gathering the required quorum. Outgoing President Arthur Strenger expressed Council's sorrow at the loss of Dr. Samuel Belkin, the former President and Chancellor of Yeshiva University, and extended Council's abiding sympathy to Dr. Belkin's family.

He then reviewed Council's accomplishments and failures dur-

Student Patrol, and the Daf Yomi Staff for their achievements, and Jeff Rubin in particular for his efforts in organizing the game room in Furst Hall, although Council did not receive its share of the funds until December 1975. President Strenger praised outgoing Sophomore class President Harry Skydell for his hard work, dedication, and initiative. (Continued on Page 6, Col. 1)

Stern Strike Resolved Legal Action Averted

By MICHAEL CHERNOFSKY

On Wednesday, May 5, a settlement was reached between the students and administration of Stern College for Women, ending a five-day strike which protested a unilateral administrative decision to send letters of probable non-reappointment to six faculty members. The settlement provided for the modification of two of the six letters, technically extending the letter of probable non-reappointment by one-half year to June, 1977, but in reality assuring that the instructors would remain for at least the coming year. The remaining four letters were granted the same status at a meeting between faculty and administration on Thursday, May 6, during which the faculty threatened to take legal action in the event that their demands were not met.

Stern College Student Council President Chani Zucker stressed

that the strike had been conducted solely on the initiative of the students, who felt morally obligated to express their discontent, and had in no way been instigated by the faculty.

Although the letters had originally represented no definite decision to fire the six faculty members, concern arose regarding the possibility that the instructors would leave Stern College prematurely, in favor of other positions. The settlement therefore provided for additional time in which the administration could reevaluate the situation.

Granting Concessions

The settlement also constituted (Continued on Page 7, Col. 2)

1976-77 COMMENTATOR Governing Board Chosen Eisenberg Is Selected As Paper's New Editor-in-Chief

At the Governing Board meeting of May 5, Ricky Eisenberg ('77) was selected as the new Editor-in-Chief of THE COMMENTATOR. The new governing board chosen to assist him includes seniors Terry Rifkin, Robert Blass, Michael Goldberg, Harry Kaplovitz, Alden Leifer, Kalman Ausubel, and six juniors who will serve on the board for the first time.

Editor-in-Chief Eisenberg, an economics major enrolled in the Yeshiva Program, was last year's News Editor of THE COMMENTATOR. On the YC Dean's List for two years, he has served on the Student Council as President of his class for two years, and is a fencing saberman.

This past year's Sports Editor, Terry Rifkin, a pre-med major on the Dean's List, will fill the position of Associate Editor-in-Chief. A JSS student who was Vice President of his Freshman Class, Terry is Commissioner of Intramurals and a member of the Undergraduate Council.

The new Managing Editor, Harry Kaplovitz, is a pre-med major who served this past year as Copy Editor. Two years on the YC Dean's List, Harry is a member of Alpha Epsilon Delta,

the pre-med honor society, and has done honors work in Biology.

Former Feature Editor Robert Blass has been named Executive Editor. A pre-med major attending EMC, Bob served as student senator this past year and is a former clerk of the Student

Political Science major who has served as Vice President of the pre-law society, Michael is a YP student and on the YC Dean's List.

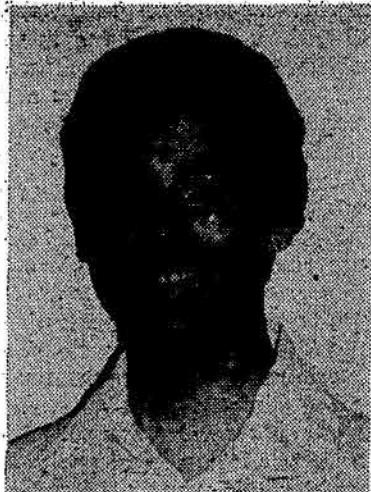
The new Coordinating Editor, pre-med major Alden Leifer, was this past year's Make-Up Editor. A justice on the Student Court and for two years on the Dean's List, Alden, who is a YP student, has also served as Secretary of the pre-med society.

Kalman Ausubel, formerly feature writer, is the new Senior Editor. A pre-med major who spent his sophomore year in Israel, Kalman is a Dean's List student, Vice President of the pre-med society, and attends the Yeshiva Program.

David Kahn, a Political Science major who is in YP, has been elected to the position of News Editor. David spent his Freshman year in Israel and was on the News staff this year.

Feature Editor is chemistry major Shelly Senders, a former member of the Copy staff. The Dean's List student is also SOY Vice President, and Editor of Geshet, the SOY scholarly publication.

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In his usual serious mood, Ricky Eisenberg, the new Editor-in-Chief of THE COMMENTATOR

Court. He is on both YC and EMC Dean's Lists.

Michael Goldberg has moved up from Research Editor to become Contributing Editor. A Po-

A Sense Of Loss

One of the advantages of a college as small as ours is the close relationship that develops between students and faculty. The student body, therefore, regrets the departure of many members of our faculty due to the economic plight of the University. We thank these teachers for their devotion and wish them success in their future endeavors. Taking leaves of absence are Drs. Ruth Bevan and Robert Goldberg.

Dr. Bevan, Chairman of the Political Science Department, is nationally known and highly respected in her field. She has continually received offers from other schools, but has chosen to stay at Yeshiva. THE COMMENTATOR hopes that the administration will come to terms with Dr. Bevan next year, so that she will return for 1977-78. The Political Science Department can ill afford to lose a teacher of her caliber.

Dr. Goldberg of the History Department is known for his enlightening lectures and vast scholarship. He has been a very friendly teacher, and students will miss his easygoing classes.

THE COMMENTATOR would like to wish both Drs. Bevan and Goldberg the best of luck in the coming year. The student body will surely feel the absence of these two outstanding instructors.

A Sense Of Commitment

It is with enthusiastic optimism that THE COMMENTATOR takes this opportunity to congratulate the newly elected members of all four student councils, the four newly appointed student senators, and the new governing boards of the other school publications. We sincerely hope that they will all live up to the student body's great expectations by striving diligently toward fulfillment of their new responsibilities.

This past year many individuals worked numerous hours in order to efficiently execute the duties of their offices. We applaud the efforts of Yeshiva College Student Council President Arthur Strenger

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and those of the other school organizations. Special praise is due Barry Saltzman for his superlative work in making THE COMMENTATOR the success it was under his leadership.

THE COMMENTATOR wishes everyone good luck on their finals, and a very pleasant summer.

Letters To The Editor

To the Editor:

In regard to the student strike by SCW, I would like to register a complaint. On Wednesday, May 5, on Danciger Campus, EMC sponsored the annual Yom Ha'atzmaut celebrations. At 3:15 p.m. during the height of the Chagiga, SCW strike organizers, led by Helen Stark, proceeded to the front of Belfer and began picketing and voicing their demands to "S.O.S. (Save Our School)" and "Teachers Now." The fact that the Stern protesters disrupted a "sister school" function is inexcusable.

The strike organizers knew that the Chagiga would be going on until around 4:30 p.m. but still, selfishly, felt that their marching around in front of Belfer was more important. True, there was a meeting inside Belfer, but did they expect their picketing to alter the agenda of the ongoing meeting? The action by the strikers was pointless and selfish and accomplished little in the short forty-five minutes of picketing that took place.

How does SCW expect to receive a voice of solidarity from YC when Stern strike leaders had the audacity to disrupt a school function in such an understood fashion? I can only see this as a "slap in the face" to another college function. All that had to be done to enjoy the Chugiga and for the strikers to get their points across, was

to have a little coordination. The Chagiga could have ended around 4:00 p.m. and the picketing could have then taken place, while the meeting was still in session inside Belfer. You would think that student strike leaders would have used a little more intelligence and diplomacy in regard to their actions and not have acted in a selfish manner.

And, if by letting Stern protest in front of Belfer was an act of solidarity by YC (that is, knowing beforehand that Stern would be protesting during the Chagiga, and not alerting those in charge of the Chagiga) then YC and its student leaders are also to blame for this act of disunity between the Undergraduate divisions of Yeshiva University.

My apologies to Shema Kolenu who had to continue playing to a crowd of six! Also to those who came to enjoy the festivities of the day and were disappointed when the celebrations ended abruptly.

Yom Ha'atzmaut was not celebrated in the proper spirit at Yeshiva this year.

William Hochman
EMC Vice-President
YC '77

To the Editor:

While I was delighted to see an article on art in THE COMMENTATOR ("Print Sale Successful") by B. Teichman, (Mar. 31), I was dismayed to discover

that I don't exist.

According to Mr. Teichman, because of "severe budget cuts, the art department is virtually non-existent." Not so, I'm here.

While I certainly can't contend that art is flourishing at YU, neither can I make a case for its total demise.

This term a course in 20th Century Art and four sections of Art Survey are being offered. Last term six very full sections of Art Survey were given. I've taught all of these courses and therefore I have first hand evidence of my own existence.

I might also add that it is perhaps because of the continued viability of these art courses that students are able to make such informed and knowledgeable decisions when contemplating art reproductions.

Susan Gardner
Asst. Prof. of Art

To the Editor:

I wish to express the pleasure I had in attending the concerts given by the Music Department of Yeshiva University. One was given in the Fall and the other in the Spring.

The playing was magnificent. I would suggest that if possible, there should be more of them, and with a larger attendance.

Joseph Shapiro
Pollack Library

To the Editor:

I appreciate your giving me the opportunity to share with the student body of Yeshiva University, a personal note regarding my relationship with Dr. Belkin, who was a dear friend of mine.

It is difficult to summarize in a few paragraphs the impressions that Samuel Belkin's intellect and understanding made upon me.

We were neighbors of the Belkin family on Shelter Island for several years. In that serene and quiet atmosphere, we spent many hours relaxing and discussing a wide variety of issues which were of interest to both of us.

I found in Dr. Belkin, a unique type of scholar which fascinated me. He was a man who mastered both the academic and talmudical worlds of knowledge. I was enthralled by the parallels he would draw between those two diverse worlds and cultures. His major ambition was to bring these two divergent spheres of knowledge together under one roof, that of Yeshiva University.

Yeshiva University, its student body, its growth, accomplishments, and problems, occupied a major part of Dr. Belkin's life. He lived it, thought it, spoke it. He was a master builder and teacher, a dreamer and accomplisher. He thrived at bridging worlds — the European world in which he grew up and American society in which he lived, the academic and religious worlds which he diligently strove to acquire. He was eager to synthesize the contrasting philosophies of the ancient world with that of modern society.

This was the unique mark that Dr. Belkin imprinted upon life in New York State, as well as upon the Jewish community. His 32 years of achievements as President of Yeshiva is underscored by the remarkable growth of an undergraduate college of liberal arts and sciences into a university with four major campuses which includes a medical school and law school. It is an edifice which the Jewish community in the United States can point to with pride.

I will miss Samuel Belkin, and he will be missed, I am sure, by countless individuals, as well as the entire community.

Hugh L. Carey, Governor
State of New York

The Mark Of Cain

By **EPHRAIM KISHON**

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At the time when international bodies were reopening the investigation into Abel's unnatural death, the deceased's brother Cain dwelt in the last of Nod and tilled the ground, though she did not yield him her strength except now and then. Cain had been rather a vagabond before he settled down, and he'd suffered a lot from being ostracized by the entire world population of four, on account of the persistent rumors concerning his part in the affair.

These circles took it as read that Cain was cursed from the earth, though it's true he'd been condemned purely on the strength of circumstantial evidence. This legal point had been recognized, too, hence the bit about the not killing him and the sevenfold.

That's where matters stood when from one of Cain's fields east of Eden there squirted up a certain smelly yellow liquid, which turned out to be extremely useful for lighting fires and heating caves in winter.

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The investigation, set on foot by a number of non-aligned nations, pointed at the obvious cracks in the D.A.'s case. Suspicion had fallen on Cain, they reminded everybody, not because he'd been caught in the act, but because there just wasn't anyone else around in the world at the time. Cain himself had argued at first that the prosecution hadn't a leg to stand on, and had even put in some terse remarks about poor security arrangements in the field.

The question of motive was

never cleared up satisfactorily either. The suspect had grown up in a happy home, as even the police were forced to admit, and his parents' marriage was further hampered by the fact that its prime witness, Adam, had reached the advanced age of 782 years and knew nothing any more except Eve his wife.

It was at this point in the proceedings that Cain had suddenly cracked and confessed. According to his version now, the Lord had respected Abel's offering and not his'n, a piece of flagrant discrimination which had provoked the said incident and resulted in the annihilation of a quarter of mankind.

A majority of the absolutely-aligned nations, getting pretty thirsty for the yellow liquid, began to wonder aloud whether Cain's confession hadn't been got out of him under undue pressures. According to them one had to consider the so-called "slaying" in view of the brazen provocation that had gone before, like that the soil on which Abel had been standing at the time had been Cain's. The chief Pakistani delegate spoke for many when he summed up the event as follows:

"We suggest that this incident would never have occurred if Abel's sheep hadn't trespassed on Cain's fields to start with. When Cain saw himself virtually dispossessed of his own land his countenance fell and he bent to pick it up. Abel, quick as a devil, to exploit his brother's lowly position, made to rise up against him, whereon Cain did what he did out of sheer self-defense..."

A petition in this vein was submitted to UN Secretary-General Waldheim, and 29 non-aligned
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Wife Tells Of Soviet Jew's Plight Letter Writing Campaign Is Urged

By JONATHAN MICHAELI

During the month of April, as Solidarity Day for Soviet Jewry was approaching, the slogan "Every one of them needs every one of us" took on special meaning to those, including myself, who were privileged to have met Mrs. Aviva Gendin, the wife of Lev Gendin, a Soviet "refusenik."

The meeting, which took place under the sponsorship of the



Mrs. Aviva Gendin

Long Island Committee for Soviet Jewry, gave Aviva an opportunity to tell the tragic tale of her husband Lev, and to coordinate plans on his behalf.

Lev Gendin was born on May 17, 1941 and his occupation was that of an electronic engineer. He first applied for an exit visa to emigrate to Israel in November of 1970, whereupon he was immediately dismissed from his post, reduced to performing menial jobs. After applying for the visa he was under constant KGB surveillance and harassment.

Since first applying, Mr. Gendin has served 160 days in jail, and has been assaulted by KGB officials, suffering spinal injuries. In May of 1974, he was attacked by "strangers" who called him a "bloody Jew" and beat him, leaving him unconscious. Before this attack, he had been warned by the KGB that "something would fall on his head" if he didn't cease in his activities.

Railroaded!

Mrs. Gendin continued to explain that in November, 1974, Lev was arrested in the Kishinex railway station while waiting for a train and was given a fifteen day prison term on the pretext of disgraceful behavior and bad language. Contrary to prison rules, he was sentenced to solitary confinement. As a response he began a six-day hunger strike, until he was removed and placed in a cell with other prisoners. He was given an additional sentence of ten days for anti-Soviet propaganda. This inspired him to escape while in transit between the two prisons, but as a result he was left without identity papers, a criminal offense in the USSR. Lev was on the run for five months whereupon his papers were secretly returned to him allowing him to look for a job.

Aviva, an Orthodox Jew, met her husband during a hunger strike at the Ministry of the Interior in Moscow, in 1972 and they were married shortly thereafter.

"Throughout my father's life," Aviva recounted, "he wanted and dreamed of making Aliya to Israel." After applying for an exit visa, she received notice in 1972 that her father's

exit visa as well as hers, had been granted but that Lev would not be permitted to go along. She decided, with Lev's persuasion, to accompany her ill father to Israel, with hopes that Lev would be able to soon join them in Israel.

It has been four years since Aviva arrived in Israel. Meanwhile, Lev Gendin who is now 34 years old, has been called for military duty despite the fact that he is well above military age. Under USSR rules, it is impossible for one to leave Russia during the five year period following military service, due to "security reasons."

This past April, Aviva came to the United States with the help of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry, to seek support on Lev's behalf.

After giving her brief talk in perfect English, as she is an English teacher in Israel, she accepted questions from the audience gathered in the room.

The main issue of the evening was what possible action could be taken on behalf of Lev Gendin. Aviva responded that "after hearing from Sylva

Zalmanson, who felt that pressure put on the Soviet Union on her behalf through letter writing, played a major role in getting her freedom," the same affect could hopefully be achieved for her husband. In writing to him from the United States she said, "you would show the USSR government that you care about what happens to Lev, and as a result hopefully he will be released."

Aviva, in her stay in the U.S. met with numerous public officials both in New York and in Washington in an attempt to prevail upon them to intercede on behalf of Lev Gendin.

At the conclusion of the meeting the general consensus was that the best the public can do is to write Lev to assure him that people are aware and do care about his situation. Even if he doesn't personally receive the mail, the Soviet officials will be deterred from harassing him and will possibly allow him to rejoin his wife in Israel. His address is: Lev Gendin, Malisheva Street 19, Apt. 19 Moscow, U.S.S.R.

Relevant Contributions

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By DAVID RECHTMAN

some faculty members that business students are "inferior." Pragmatism does not necessarily imply intellectual inferiority.

Since the time I entered YC, I have seen the administration stand by as many good departments have been decimated. The examples are many. What to me is totally incomprehensible is the fact that some popular departments may be reduced to the same single full-time instructor as is found in some other departments catering to a handful of students at best. One would think a reordering of priorities in the college is in order.

One thing that has not changed since I arrived is the Pre-med "system." This refers to

Inner Products

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By ROBERT KANTOWITZ

With this final column, I conclude two years on the Governing Board of THE COMMENTATOR.

Although it's a bit difficult for me to accept the fact that my college career is coming to a close, it's even harder to end a career as what is broadly termed a student leader, simply because the latter is so intensive a part of the former. I remember my first hectic days two years ago as News Editor and Senator, when I promised myself that I would live up to my own and others' expectations and never settle into halycon complacency. I also remember the long, hard process that has ensued on the way to the realization that success is elusive and the specter of disappointment often looms large.

But there are splendid rewards to be garnered along with a sense of satisfaction with honest accomplishment after long

labor. I would hope that I have served not only my law school ambitions but most importantly, Yeshiva College. It has been work to the end, for there is always more to do.

We who graduate this year have done our share, and this is in a sense our legacy to the school. Just as we part sadly and wish to have done even more, we hope sincerely that the advice we leave for the future will be considered and that others will continue that which we left unfinished.

Apart from the adverse financial circumstances of the University, which engender general stagnation and counterproductive infighting, the one major obstacle to further improvement of Yeshiva College is the refusal of the various groups who make up the College to bury their petty squabbles in the interest of all, a refusal which can obscure the progress made by the Senate and other cooperative efforts. When a faculty member brands Senate legislation as a student trick, when a professor considers students mere transients with no interest in the College, truth and justice are ignominiously swept aside for mistrust and retrogression. It would be cavalier and foolish, of course, to assert that students, too, are not at fault. My conscience was jarred by the unfounded anger accorded two of my fellow Student Senators last year by pre-meds who refused to judge the issue of a required minor for pre-meds on its merits.

Nevertheless, the stormy picture which I've painted notwithstanding, life for the most part goes on placidly. Even a strike at Stern elicited little emotion here. I am not so pretentious as to imagine that I or my fellow student leaders will be remembered in the annals of Yeshiva College, save by a few friends among students, faculty, and administrators, who I hope will remember our friendship and dedication.

I am fortunate to have majored in physics, which remains



the premed office and Dr. Wischnitzer. While he is undeniably highly competent at what he does and must be given credit for getting many students into medical schools many students still feel that he is a petty tyrant. There are many students who feel, rightly or wrongly, that they must kowtow to him. This feeling is engendered by the fact that there is no one else to whom the pre-med can turn for help in getting into a school. As a result they feel that Dr. Wischnitzer has an inordinate amount of power over their lives. In addition, Dr. Wischnitzer does nothing to allay these fears. The latter may be a

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Civil Rights Limiting Individuals Rights 'Affirmative Action Program' For Whom?

By RON BERLOVE

A prominent American jurist has stated that the decade of the 1970's to 1980's will be a most critical one in determining the scope of civil liberties with court decisions affecting virtually every American. One such decision with direct bearing on the graduate school minded Yeshiva student, is the final resolution of the problems associated with the "Affirmative Action Program." The Affirmative Action Program, stated in the 1964 Civil Rights Act was later strengthened by a 1965 Executive Order of President Johnson. The program now required "affirmative action to insure that applicants are employed, and employees are treated, without regard to their

race, color, religion, sex, or national origin." A 1972 amendment to the Civil Rights Act, initiated by President Nixon, made the affirmative action ideal applicable to universities.

"Affirmative Action," designed to provide greater equality for all minorities in the United States, quickly gained widespread acceptance among those who felt that such a program would make a reality of a constitutional guarantee. It was opposed, primarily, by people who felt that to require, through Federal law, the hiring or acceptance of certain persons was an infringement on the right of individual choice, an integral part of American law.

Initially, as abstract as it was,

the debate did not attract much attention other than that of those groups most intimately associated with it. However, a number of court cases that received nationwide press coverage have caused a rift between the diverse groups concerned with providing individual freedom and "Equality."

Reverse Discrimination

In 1974, the U.S. Supreme Court returned a ruling on the case of Marco Defunis, Jr. Defunis, a Jew, had graduated college with a grade point average of 3.71, and other qualifications, but upon applying to the University of Washington Law School, was rejected. At the same time, seventy-four other stu-

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In Prospect

By RICKY EISENBERG

It is a solemn time of year. Within these weeks, Yom Hashoah, the Holocaust Remembrance day, Yom Haatzmaut, Israeli Independence Day, and Yom Yerushalayim commemorate the sufferings our people have withstood, the triumphs they earned, and the difficulties that lie ahead.

To regard the Holocaust as only another of those persecutions our people have suffered for centuries, as a point in time related only to the hundreds of other lows in the graph of our people's fortunes, is comparable to examining the causes of the Second World War without noting the effects of World War I. The Holocaust our greatest tragedy, catalyzed the creation of Israel, our greatest triumph in centuries—a holocaust, in fact, was absolutely essential for Israel's creation.

Many Jewish leaders, to this day, err in their interpretation of recent events. "The Holocaust," they say, "was the product of the anti-Semitic Gentile world. We must learn from it, and from the present troubles of the State of Israel, that we can trust no one."

While this statement is, to a great extent, justified, one is misguided if he determines this to be the lesson of the Holocaust and subsequent events. Is the Gentile world, which unprotestingly witnessed the slaughter of millions of innocents, Jew and non-Jew alike, more aloof to the sufferings of others than the Jewish community? How would Jews have reacted had the Nazis deported only Communists, Gypsies, and Negroes? How many Jews would have protested then? How many Jews protested the inhumanity of the repressive government in Spain today?

Jews must be wary of the Gentile world which has time and again ignored the desperate pleas of our people. We must constantly jealously guard our interests, just as other peoples look after their own. We must be able to rely on our leadership.

Unfortunately, however, in our greatest crisis, our leadership deserted us. The destruction of European Jewry was accomplished only through the collaboration of such traitorous Jewish "leaders" as Dr. Rudolph Kastner in Hungary, and the heads of many Jewish ghettos.

Just as the lesson of the Holocaust is the tragedy that results from blind, irresponsible "leadership," the creation of Israel serves to show us the power and ability of a people, united under capable leadership, leadership with foresight. The crisis facing Israel today results from the disintegration of leadership to the extent that the State no longer has a firm policy.

American Jewry is also fragmented—perhaps too greatly to ever be united. Yet the modern Orthodox, Torah Umadah world, which represents the future of American and world Jewry, has, until the recent death of Dr. Samuel Belkin, been well endowed with a perceptive leader. The importance of YU in the Jewish world makes the selection of our new president so important.

In a different sense, THE COMMENTATOR must also provide direction for our university as well as our way of life. THE COMMENTATOR must speak out on the issues which face us as students of a diversified university experiencing

financial difficulties, as well as on those issues affecting us as the vanguard of the Modern Orthodox world. The contradictions, compromises, and paradoxes inherent in our approach affect all Yeshiva students. THE COMMENTATOR will seek to explore alternatives to some of these difficulties.

Our paper will not become an implement for one-sided distortion of issues affecting the student body. The diversity of the Governing Board alone will prevent this, and letters and op-ed contributions to THE COMMENTATOR will always be welcomed. THE COMMENTATOR must exercise its leadership next year, a year in which YU will get a new president, a year in which our University may finally see a re-ordering of priorities. But the leadership of THE COMMENTATOR will be based upon the strength that comes from honest differences.

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I now face an unenviable task. Even if tradition would not dictate that I thank my predecessor and acknowledge his contributions to the paper, I would feel bound to evaluate the performance of Barry Saltzman as Editor-in-Chief. Yet, how can I, in a brief paragraph, sum up the effects of Barry's leadership which was manifest in every aspect of the paper for all fourteen issues? Barry, the excellence which distinguished the paper under your direction makes the task of this year's Board so much more difficult. But I have full confidence in my Board that, with your Board's productions as a model, the paper will progress, and achieve new standards of excellence.

Although this year's Board and staff contain talent which cannot be found in any other student organization, and although the various editors of THE COMMENTATOR will spend many long hours working for the paper, the 1976-77 COMMENTATOR cannot be a success without the help of many other people. Judy and Mr. Heisler in Productions, the Colonel, and the Mrs. Owing and Epstein are all people who have cheerfully, willingly, and constantly given of their time and energies to permit smoother production of the paper. I hope that they will be as generous with the paper this year.

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Anyone wishing to work on any of the staffs please see me or the appropriate editor. Students who have cars and will be available on Wednesdays are especially in demand.

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It is fitting that in this, the first issue of the new Board, Barry, Bob, and Dave, all outgoing seniors, have written their farewell columns. Dave, I have counted on your advice ever since you told me that I should work on THE COMMENTATOR copy staff. A good deal of the fun I had on that staff was because I had your company on those very late, cold nights. Bob, I began work on your staff last year, and you always stood up for me and my balanced articles, Barry, working with you this past year was one of the greatest pleasures of being on Governing Board. I only hope I can remember what I have learned from you. Thank you, guys, and best of luck.



The Governing Board All Stars of THE COMMENTATOR 1976-77. Pictured are (foreground, l. to r.): Shelly Senders, Philip Klein, David Kahn, Aaron Stiefel, Lenny Planko, and Mickey Jablonski. Standing are (l. to r.): Michael Goldberg, Robert Blass, Terry Rifkin, Conch Ricky Eisenberg, Kalman Ausubel, Alden Lelfer, and Harry Kaplovitz.

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In Preview

By RICHARD ELFMAN

More than a month has passed since YCSC held its executive elections. That month has been characterized by frequent meetings with the administration, repeated visits to newly elected council members, and midnight inquiries with the former YCSC President, Arthur Strenger. All these meetings lay the groundwork for a year of cohesiveness and productivity.

Finally, this past month has been one of selection. Selection from a myriad of candidates for over fifty YCSC affiliated offices and committees. The ratio of candidates per position ranged from 1:1 to 20:1. The choice wasn't always easy. Whenever appointments to any position are made, there naturally follows the elation of the chosen, and the disenchantment of the unchosen.

When the school elected me President of YCSC, whether they realized it or not, they were indirectly electing the type of Dramatics Society, radio station, and newspaper which YU will have next year. All these governing boards and officers must attain council approval. Student council, furthermore, controls these student services and clubs by the amount of money it allocates to each.

The same mixture of emotions (elation and disenchantment) exists in varying degrees when council makes major decisions which affect the entire school. Unfortunately, as often as not, a council which does not want to disturb anybody makes no decisions and accomplishes

nothing. This coming year should be a year of decisions and accomplishment. In order to maintain a tie between student council and the student body and hence diminish disenchantment with our decisions, a new student poll system has already been developed. (The results of the first poll may be found in this issue of THE COMMENTATOR. Council policy must also incorporate the Administration's viewpoints. Although we must not follow like sheep, we must listen to avoid serious misunderstandings and to benefit from the administration's experience.

ther debate on the appointments. Afterwards, the meeting had a few minor snags due to an unfamiliarity of many new council members with Robert's Rules of Order but the council members more than made up this deficiency by what is more important — a willingness to work.

The major problem with this school now is the negative attitude. The outlook is for condensation, cutbacks, and decay. Along with this negative attitude comes a lack of pride on the part of the student. Sure, there are cutbacks, but that doesn't mean we have to walk around with a defeatist attitude. If the cause for the cutbacks is loss of funds, let us attack the cause and raise money for our institution. If condensation



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Elfman accepts gavel . . .

INCOMING STUDENT COUNCIL

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The first YCSC meeting held on Thursday night, May 13, 1976, started off smoothly. As is normal procedure, the newly chosen senators, committee chairmen and governing boards were read off and a motion to accept them as a whole was called for. Usually most of the council members have questions on one appointment or another, and this motion generally fails. Then council proceeds to accept the committees and officers one by one. Well, last Thursday night, May 13, the motion to accept as a whole passed by a 7-3 vote, thereby precluding fur-

means cutting back staff and courses, let's make sure the bad is cut and not the good. We can't afford to passively accept cutbacks, until there is nothing left. Lack of pride in the school leads to apathy. This indifference allows for abuse and vandalism of our facilities and the flourishing of cheating, an erosion of academic standards. My main objective is then to reverse this attitude and instill some pride in the student body.

Barely Begun
The wheels of forward motion for next year have already been greased and tested. The sophomore class officers have made arrangements to run the used-book exchange. The junior class officers were essential in organizing the recent student poll. The senior, class officers staged elections for editor of the yearbook, Masmid. My vice-president, Benjy Krupka, has fall registration as his pet project. My secretary-treasurer, Harry Skydell, has seen several sunrises as he labored through the night to put out several YCSC publications and notices. The executive board, before officially installed, helped create
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In Review

In Retrospect

By ARTHUR STRENGER

Last week as I passed the listing of courses on the registrar's wall, I instinctively reached for my pen and paper and started to jot down courses for next year. After trying for about a minute to find a bio course I haven't taken yet, I realized there wasn't going to be a "next year" in YU for me. It seems like only yesterday I was filling out my freshman registration form, and passing out my first petition to run for YCSC office. It was at Open House that I



... from all too willing Strenger became convinced Yeshiva was for me. For better or worse, YU's goal of Torah Umadah have become personal ones. For me the process of synthesis is not to integrate the two into course material, but into the student. This is done by fostering an

shortage in Furst Hall. Maybe that's why the JDL decided to sit-in in Rabbi Miller's office. Then came the budget squeeze when our first check didn't come until December. Right before finals, the HBO and candy controversies exploded. When we returned from intersession things seemed to be getting better when SOY voted to allow Stern women into the Purim Chagigah. A month later Stern women voted to keep themselves out of Stern.

During Chol Hamoed Pesach, Dr. Belkin zatzal passed away. Unfortunately, many students were unable to attend the funeral services. To give the proper Kavod to our Rebbe and leader, forty busloads of students braved the cold, rain, and wind to say Tehillim at Dr. Belkin's graveside.

This year, despite the smallest allotment from OSF in years, YCSC was able to support a budget equal to that of previous years by generating funds from our gameroom. We were fortunate to have many lecturers such as Yosef Burg, Rav Meir Kahana, and Mr. Katz to address the student body. With the help of some dedicated students, the Debating Team was reorganized, a Student Security Patrol was created, and a very successful newsletter Daf Yomi was published. YU monogrammed T-shirts and gym shorts were sold, a successful Shabbaton was held uptown, and a student directory was produced.

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atmosphere where the "college student-ben Torah," the kind of student YU was created for, can feel at home. Fortunately, unlike many of my classmates, I felt at home at YU.

I was privileged to have during my four years at YU certain faculty members whose influence went beyond the classroom: Rabbi Tendler who exemplifies what YU is all about, Dr. Herskovics, one of the warmest men at Yeshiva, and my Rebbeim, Rav Schussheim and Rav Romm. I would like to thank them for the cooperation they gave me, and despite the fact that I wasn't the best of Talmidim, they were the best of Rebbeim.

During the past few weeks, I have been reviewing the successes and failures of this year's council. I hope the following will be read carefully by next year's council, so that they may learn from our mistakes and take note of our accomplishments.

This year, my presidency seemed to go from one mini-crisis to another. First, there was the controversial letter, when we took office; about water bombs; when we returned in the fall, there was a chair

During my tenure as president, I tried to emphasize my role as student representative on University committees such as APRAC, and the Presidential Search Committee. Many important issues are discussed that can greatly affect the welfare of the University. Fostering a spirit of cooperation between student leaders and administration by these meetings could avoid such incidents as the recent Stern student strike.

Despite student apathy, a tremendous job was done in Jewish affairs this year. A big Yasher Kochacha must go to Arthur Smerling for his monumental efforts in that area.

The most disturbing feature of this year's council was our inability to get a quorum. Although at times there was a lack of publicity, I believe if a councilman can't or won't make the time and effort to attend meetings, he shouldn't run.

Personality conflicts should never have prevented councilmen from doing their best for their classes. A councilman voting just to spite the mover of a motion,

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By BARRY SALTZMAN

Of all the columns an editor-in-chief writes, his last is the one he approaches with the greatest emotional intensity. It is his farewell. I can not say my farewells without taking into account this school's greatest natural resource—the people who are its various members. When all is said and done, it is not the humdrums of a particular course or the details of an Ace paper which the graduate remembers, but the dedication and example of those people who have enriched his world.

The group closest to my heart, which in my subjective opinion most fulfilled the role of enriching YC was this year's Governing Board of THE COMMENTATOR. There are not enough words in this newspaper to communicate the hours of work, worry and laughter which we shared, juniors and seniors, in an unusually close relationship. We began our administration with promises to report the news quickly and objectively. We end it, having published accounts of APRAC, of the sit-in at Rabbi Miller's office, of rallies, and elections and strikes, promises fulfilled. Special sections featuring articles on the Jewish poor, book reviews, prominent Jewish-American historical figures, and contributions by the President of the United States, by senators, mayors, and scholars have appeared and hopefully will reappear as staples of COMMENTATOR fare.

There is one factor which I can promise will reappear and that is consistent quality. Any organization, whether a school or a newspaper is only as good as the people who are its members. This year's Senior Board set an example of students working not for gain but for personal satisfaction, adding the needed experience and sophistication, and assuring the paper of diverse, reasoned opinions. Bob Kantowitz and Dave Rechtman not only eased in their successors, but their editor-in-chief as well. Their opinions were always consulted and I could trust any aspect of THE COMMENTATOR to Bob and Dave's seasoned hands. In effect, there were three editors-in-chief this year. For advice on make-up or school affairs I went to my confidant, Stan Frohlinger. Every editor-in-chief needs one; few are lucky enough to find someone of Stan's quality. Dave Gleicher could always be counted on for unconsidered opinions and columns which would be read. The two new additions to the



A good year, if I say so myself.

Senior Board had caused some concern last year as unknown quantities, but Irv and Benjy came through fabulously in their respective capacities. If THE COMMENTATOR improved at all this year, the single most effective cause was the high cohesion and dedication of the seniors. They have set a sterling example for others to follow.

However, the backbone of THE COMMENTATOR is its Junior Board. Juniors are responsible for the life functions of the paper—the news, feature and sports articles, the headlines and corrections, and finally the layout. In addition, Mike Goldberg, our resident "frumee" and conscience, propelled Research into a position of prominence with incisive special articles and his exceptionally mature advice. Alden, our make-up editor, never quit. Even when he had created the layout for a page, Alden would rework his model time and time again to achieve the most aesthetically appealing product. When people said

that THE COMMENTATOR "looked" better this year, they attested to the professionalism of Alden's craft. As for Harry, poor Harry who had to produce headlines of exactly 27 characters at 3:30 AM, and finished his work at five, it takes a special person to do both pleasantly and well. I'm glad "it was worth it."

At the writing positions, Bobby Blass brought his Senate experience and keen wit to THE COMMENTATOR, but his dedication, especially when working on the memorial issue for Dr. Belkin z"l was what impressed me most. Keeping sports fast paced and timely was Terry's difficult task; Terry's finest achievement was the comraderie he inspired with his competency and easy grin. Last comes Rick. Over the year I've watched Rick mature under the strains of Commie's most demanding junior position. I remember him meeting those strains with energy and imagination. I have no doubts that Rick will grow under the very special responsibilities of

Outgoing Governing Board

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editor-in-chief into an equally special person, for responsibility is the crucible of all character. It takes that high measure of responsibility to produce Yeshiva University's most respected independent student newspaper. It is a challenge, and its own reward.

Dedication is not the monopoly of THE COMMENTATOR, though I may unconsciously project that conclusion. Artie Strenger won the unenviable duty of representing Yeshiva College's student body this year. Nevertheless, he has been an admirable YCSC president, one who eagerly and openly related to all students, who gave of his time and of himself unsparingly. Few realize the rigors of running a daily student organization because few students really care. Artie cared. That, if nothing else, is enough to single him out, yet Artie successfully steered a troublesome council through a difficult year. There are other such students, on the student councils, on Senate, YCDS, throughout the school and its activities, but Artie remains the prototype. For all his human errors, no one can impugn his dedication or integrity. When one stops to consider how infrequently such rare qualities are brought to public life, one grasps the true measure of Artie's worth.

It would be as unfair to limit my praise to students alone as to claim that a school consists entirely of mere students. There is a faculty, an administration, and of course, secretaries. Combined, these pressure groups create the framework within which the students must survive. When a person of quality emerges in one of the above capacities, the students can do more than survive—they can flourish. I have been fortunate enough to have worked with such faculty and administration. My thanks go to them one and all: to Dean Bacon, who must juggle budget cuts into academic courses; to Dean Rabinowitz who not only kept his door open, but also remained behind it; to Dr. Feldman, a one man Classics Department; to Robert Goldberg and Moishe Sokolow who teach history with dash and intelligence; and to Dr. Anthony Beukas who unfailingly presents YU with two quality productions annually.

Of course, the entire school structure is held together by fine wires—the secretaries. Mrs. Vivian Owagang retains her title as first lady of the Yeshiva, but in Furst Hall I wandered desperately between the Big Three—Mrs. Epstein, Mrs. Striech, and Sarah. Without the understand-

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Retrospection Marks YCSC Meeting Inaugural Session Formulates Plans

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tive, "which will serve him well in his new position as Secretary-Treasurer of YCSC."

Too Lenient

The President expressed his disappointment at the failure of several Council members to fulfill their obligations and cited inability to get quorums, personality conflicts, and student apathy as causes for Council's impotence. Although there was unanimous agreement that Strenger was a tireless worker and did a fine job as president, some accused him of not delegating authority properly. "The minutes show differently," Strenger said, and later suggested he had "let off Council members too lightly." The crowd gave Strenger a standing ovation as he handed the gavel over to the new President Richard Elfman.

Departing council members who took the floor to express their sentiments, also centered their comments on the lack of unity and apathy within Council. Mr. Rubin termed the absence of five members at this last meeting "unheard of" and a "tremendous disgrace." Mr. Skydell said that although Council is greatly criticized, fault lies mainly with the student body, and as an example he cited that only 23 of the 600 teacher evaluation sheets distributed were returned.

As Steve Brizel, outgoing Senior class president, read a letter from Ricky Eisenberg, newly-appointed Editor-in-Chief of COMMENTATOR, two stones were thrown through one of the windows in Rubin Shul disrupting the meeting temporarily.

Mr. Irv Rotter, the Alumni Representative to the Council termed the evening "a night of apologies," and so it was. Council members commented how difficult it was to carry out duties while preoccupied with entrance to graduate schools, engagements, and other school activities.

Elfman, a pre-med major from Holyoke, Mass., stated that Yeshiva's finances, academic quality and student life are basic issues his Council must face next year. He said he has plans to initiate new programs that "can and will fulfill student needs."

New Governing Board Elected

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The position of Sports Editor will be held by Lenny Pianko, a pre-med major on the Dean's List. Lenny has served on the Sports staff and stars on the Sophomore Intramural basketball team.

Phil Klein is the Copy Editor. Dean's List student and member of the pre-med honor society, Phil served as Associate Copy Editor this year.

Michael Jablinowitz, an EMC student and economics major, is the new Make-up Editor. Michael is on both the YC and EMC Dean's Lists.

The position of Projects Editor has been awarded to YP student Aaron Stiefel. A member of the Copy staff this year, Aaron is a Dean's List student in the BA-MA Chemistry Program, and was a member of this year's fencing team.

In its first vote, the new council approved 7-3, the governing board of COMMENTATOR as well as those of Tempo, and WYUR, senate nominations, and members of the Student Court. New Council members Jay Solomont and Alec Jaret objected that no debate preceded the vote and requested that the motion should be voted on again. When this was denied, Solomont moved that a Parliamentarian be appointed to discourage this incident from happening again. The motion was defeated 8-1-1. Elijah Chomsky, a member of the audience, termed Mr. Krupka's motion to approve all appointees as one group as "the greatest cover-up since Watergate." Others felt that the Executive Council was "ramrodding their appointees into their positions without Council discussion. Krupka acknowledged that debate might have been possible, but felt that Council saved time by passing the motion to approve all the appointees as one group.

In other business Yoni Mozeson new Senior class President was appointed head of a committee to find ways to minimize graduation problems for seniors. Funds were allocated for trophies for winning intramural team, to the B'nai Akiva Club for a Kiddush given on Yom Haatzmaut to the YC Speech and Drama Society for prizes for the Extemporaneous Speech Contest and to the Dramatics Society for the financing of the appearance of television and acting personalities to address the group.

Bevan, Goldberg Receive Leaves Of Absence Letter Of Non-Reappointment Sent To Lauro

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benefit from instructors who are offered such fellowships."

Dr. Bevan was asked whether her departure would lower the quality of education in the Political Science Department. She replied that the onus should not be put on her. A university has the responsibility to provide the conditions necessary for quality education as well as, of course, the individual instructor. The Political Science Department has the largest social science enrollment and should have a second full time instructor. It is bad policy for a department to be totally dependent upon one full time instructor. At one time, there were three full time instructors in Political Science at Yeshiva College. They were Prof. Joseph Dunner, Prof. Charles Liebman, and Dr. Bevan, as well as Rabbi Rackman part-time. Dr. Bevan feels that in many ways the students are getting short changed. The administration here just can't seem to retain its quality instructors. Dr. Bevan is seriously considering not returning after her leave of absence, if she does not receive tenure.

There is no doubt that the Political Science Department will diminish in quality without Dr. Bevan. Dr. Bevan is known as an excellent teacher, a fine person, and an outstanding department head. She has shown true interest in her students who consult her often on different matters.

Stern Student Protest Mars EMC Yom Haatzmaut Affair

By SETH ARONSON
and RICKY KAPLAN

Approximately 350 Yeshiva and Stern College students participated in the annual Yom Haatzmaut Chagiga held on Yeshiva's Danciger Campus. The celebration, sponsored by Erna Micael College Student Souncil, included music by the Shema Kolenu

dents and shouted approval of the girls' actions. Stern students had been striking for several days, angered that six teachers had received advance notifications of probable nonreappointment. The protesters' earnest chants were heard by Dean David Mirsky who was on YU Campus at the time. The protest



Students celebrating before the disturbance.

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Band which echoed throughout the Campus. While some students danced, most conversed with friends and others completely oblivious of the commemoration, took advantage of the fine spring weather to play ball.

The festivities were interrupted when about seventy five Stern students, armed with posters and chanting "S.O.S. — Save Our Stern," picketed in front of the Belfer Graduate Center. While no Yeshiva students joined in the protest, many gathered around the circle of striking stu-

lasted a little over an hour.

Not all celebrated Yom Haatzmaut at YU. Many students, clad in blue and white, headed for Central Park for bicycle riding and frisbee throwing. Others took the opportunity of a day off from classes to take in some of New York's famous sites like Greenwich Village and Chinatown. Some of the more conscientious students attempted to study for a few extra hours but were no doubt frustrated by the music of Shema Kolenu which permeated the walls of Gottesman Library.

Dr. Goldberg, of the History Department, will take a leave of absence next year to do research. He was granted a fellowship by the National Endowment of Humanities which honors promising young college professors. Though the quality of the History Department will decline with his departure, Dr. Goldberg feels he needs a year for intensive research, and hopes that both he and his future students will profit from his leave of absence.

Dr. Goldberg expects to return after his year of research, but added, "I fear the need for a part-time job to supplement my 'inadequate' Yeshiva income (to which I am indebted to Sheldon Socol)."

Unethical Treatment

Ms. Lauro of the Speech Department was angry and stunned when she received her letter of non-reappointment last fall. She feels the school is unethical in the way they treat their teachers in general (see accompanying article) and specifically in her case.

As an example, Ms. Lauro cited a suggestion printed by the American Association of University Professors which set ethical guidelines for universities. "Yeshiva does not feel it has to uphold these guidelines," Ms. Lauro added. The AAUP says a university should give a one year notice to teachers who have served full time for two years. Yeshiva followed its own guidelines by giving Ms. Lauro only

a seven or eight month notice. She has been teaching full time for five years.

It was then pointed out by Ms. Lauro that the Middle States College Association frowns on firing full-time faculty and replacing them with part-time faculty when there is no real cause. The Middle States College Association also opposes asking instructors to teach more than twelve hours a week while Yeshiva has asked its full time instructors to teach fifteen hours a week. "This is what high school teachers do, not what a college professor should be forced into." The creative ability of the instructor is hampered, and the quality of education goes down.

False Fronts

When asked why she originally decided to teach here, Ms. Lauro said the reputation of the students here was fantastic. She also enjoyed the personal contact she had with her students and it appealed to her to teach at a Jewish institution. Ms. Lauro added, "the administration puts on a good front." Until one is in Yeshiva, one doesn't realize what one is dealing with.

Ms. Lauro concluded by saying she felt terrible about leaving. She feels she is a gifted teacher and has something to give to her students. Ms. Lauro's teaching career is at an end now with the job market the way it is, and the fact that she can't continue teaching makes her feel most bitter.

Bloom Takes Speech Meet

By SAUL FINKELSTEIN

Yeshiva College student Bruce Bloom was the winner of the Ninth Annual Extemporaneous Speech Contest, held on May 13 during club hour. Dr. Laurel Keating, Assistant Professor of Speech, served as judge for the event.

Each of the nine contestants was given three minutes to speak after having just received their topics a few minutes beforehand. Bloom spoke on student apathy at Yeshiva University. With a forceful delivery, he mentioned how Yeshiva students stayed in their rooms while the United Nations passed the Zionism resolution. Mr. Bloom concluded that a lack of action is the worst reaction that one may choose in responding to a situation.

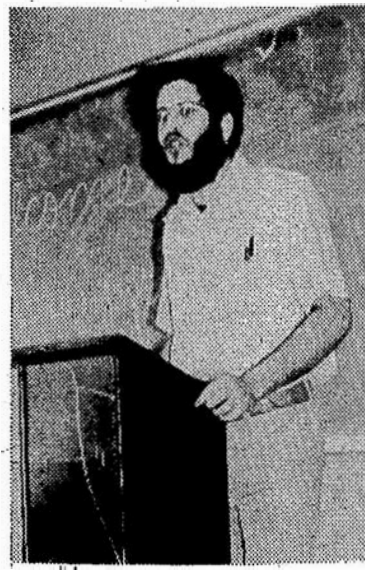
The runner-up was Richard Bernstein, who spoke on the present situation in the Middle East. Using a straightforward delivery, he emphasized the importance of divorcing Israel's foreign policy from her politics, while always remembering that Israel is a religious entity.

Receiving honorable mention were Larry Russak and David

The Editor-in-Chief, the Copy Staff of 1974, and the Governing Board of THE COMMENTATOR wish to extend a hearty Mazel-Tov to Mark Breslow (Copy Editor '74 and Contributing Editor '75) and Shelly Winston upon their engagement.

Dore. Mr. Russak spoke with emotion on the topic of the Bicentennial, emphasizing the importance of learning from history to be better prepared for problems that may be repeated in the future. Mr. Dore likewise, spoke on the Bicentennial theme. An informed speaker, David emphasized the importance of the Federal government helping cities in need of aid.

Other speakers included Stuart Lehrer, David Mandel, Moshe Muschel, Steven Pasternak, and Jacob Kanner. At the contest's conclusion, Dr. Keating said that



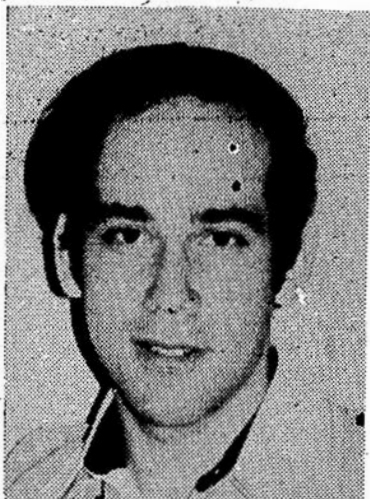
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Bruce Bloom attacking student apathy

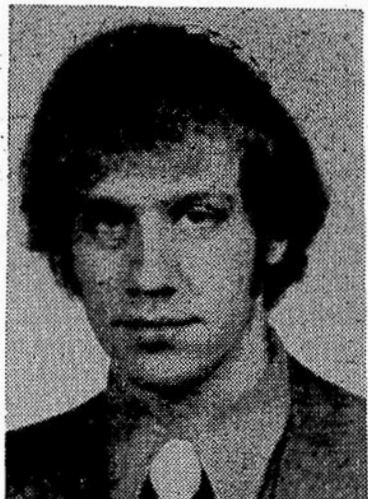
this year's speakers were greater in number and talent than the speakers of previous years.

Mr. Bloom, the winner of the contest, will have his name inscribed, alongside the names of previous winners of the Extemporaneous Speech Contest, on a plaque which hangs in Dean Bacon's office.

Seniors Given Award



Stan Frohlinger



David Gleicher

The Philip Lieberman Memorial Award, presented to the senior voted by his peers as having shown outstanding character and service to the school, is being given to two such seniors this year, David Gleicher and Stan Frohlinger.

Mr. Gleicher, a Dean's List student in both Yeshiva College and Erna Michael College, has been active in the student organizations in both schools. He was elected and served this past year as president of EMOSC. In YC, he served as Secretary Treasurer of the sophomore class. As a Junior, Dave was Sports Editor of THE COMMENTATOR. This year he was elevated to Managing Editor and was named Athletic Manager. A History Major, Dave will be attending the University of Chicago School of Law next fall.

Mr. Frohlinger is a student in the James Striar School and YC. This year he served as president of the JSS Student Council. A former Make-Up Editor for THE COMMENTATOR, Stan was elected to the post of Executive Editor this year. Stan is a familiar sight to weekend residents at YU in his capacity as Head Waiter in the cafeteria. A Dean's List student in both YC and JSS, Stan, a pre-dent, will be attending Fairleigh Dickinson University School of Dentistry next fall.

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(Continued from Page 3, Col. 5) an excellent department despite cutbacks. I have often been able, therefore, to view problems with the clear perception of a detached observer. To others, the problems, though unclear, strike closer to home. The creeping disenchantment of many students is manifest and must be checked, not by double-talk and paper promises but by concrete action. Otherwise, the coming year of fiscal crisis bodes ominously for Yeshiva College. The tragic loss of Dr. Belkin will be sorely felt, especially by a new President, who will have to guide the University through turbulent times.

Yeshiva College has been good to me; I have received an education and much more. For this, there are so many people to thank. First come my fellow students, who together make Yeshiva College what it is; I owe special gratitude to those with whom I worked and talked for so many long nights. Mere mention here is painfully inadequate in this respect. I thank the faculty, especially Professor Posen and the Belfer Physics Department; and Dr. Hecht, who helped to excite my interest in law. Dean Bacon, Professor Silverman, and Rabbi Edelstein have been most friendly and cooperative, always willing to listen when I came in with my own or others' problems; the secretaries of the Dean's office have been helpful, in particular with my Senate minutes this year. Special thanks go to the men at Alert Newspaper Printing Company, with whose help I learned so much about newspapers during my two years on the Governing Board of THE COMMENTATOR.

The raison d'être of Yeshiva University is the Yeshiva, and through my actions for the rest of my life I hope to give thanks and tribute to my rebbeim in YUHS, EMC, and YP, to Rabbi

Rabinowitz, and to Rabbi Charlop.

Everyone likes to leave his house in order. Evaluation of THE COMMENTATOR is Barry's special province; yet I must wish Ricky Eisenberg, my friend and successor as News Editor, the best in his new role as Editor-in-Chief. The Senate rests in the good hands of Bob Blass and Bob Mayerovic, both of whom are excellent leaders. The Society of Physics Students, over which I presided for three years, has been provided for and one of these days will make it big.

As I wrote once before, Yeshiva College is neither a yeshiva nor a college but a yeshiva-college. In all seriousness, ours is a time-tested concept but one that like all others must undergo a continual process of self-evaluation, introspection, and constructive strengthening. I would hope that when I return soon, I will see an institution that has proudly changed for the better but just as proudly maintained the same essence.

Walkout Resolved Concessions Made

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 2) ed a commitment to the students that future student input would be respected in disputed areas regarding tenure, promotions, dismissals, and the naming of a new dean, should the need arise. Another important outcome of the strike was an agreement to move up registration, thereby providing information at an earlier date regarding enrollments and course cancellations. The administration had previously agreed during negotiations while the strike was still in progress, to review individually the cases of the six instructors threatened with nonreappointment, on the basis of interest expressed in their courses during spring registration.

Eli Levine Elected Senior Professor

Dr. Eli M. Levine, former Professor of Chemistry, was voted Senior Professor by this year's graduating class. Dr. Levine, who was retired last June when he reached the mandatory retirement age of 65, is currently a faculty member and administrator at Touro College. A member of the first graduating class of YC in 1932, he received his Masters at Columbia and Ph.D. at the Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn. Upon returning to Yeshiva as an Instructor of Chemistry, he began a teaching career that has spanned forty years during which time he taught Organic and Biochemistry. Dr. Levine made it a practice to keep extended office hours and so developed warm relationships with his students, many of whom had fathers in Dr. Levine's Chemistry courses.



"Doc" Levine

YUPR

Bevan, Lauro, And Goldberg Leaving; They Decry Administration Dealings

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plain these remarks. "The faculty worked this past year without a contract and without an increment in salary which they were promised. The teachers were not told they were not receiving raises until after they returned in September. The ethical thing to do, in terms of responsibility, was to let the faculty know this last year so that they could make plans, and if they didn't know until September that the raises couldn't be paid, then there is something very wrong with the way business is run in this Yeshiva."

All three instructors feel that the extra course load full-time teachers are required to carry next year will be counterproductive. To teach fifteen hours a week will make the instructors mechanized. In the end the students will suffer by getting dissipated courses. Teachers just cannot be creative when teaching so many hours.

Concerning their attitude toward the students, Ms. Lauro was the most enthusiastic. "I adore them," she said, "and I have formed a close relationship with many of them."

Dr. Goldberg stated, "Never before have I liked such a high percentage of a group." Concerning the quality of the students he said, "Though the average student is not as good as

the Harvard or Columbia average, the best students compare with the best anywhere. Moreover, coming from a non-religious background, my one Orthodox grandmother reminded me of Stalin, but my parents made me proud of Yiddish culture." Dr. Goldberg said he was surprised at the student versatility in character. "There is a range in personalities here, which until one knows Orthodox students, is difficult to understand."

Dr. Bevan feels the students at YC are good, and she is happy teaching here. However, Dr. Bevan feels the students are too lecture-oriented and, consequently, don't do enough free thinking. "Students are too oriented toward careers," she said, "and they are afraid to stand up for their rights. The idealism is gone."

Ms. Lauro feels, "the students underestimate their power. They are the only thing the administration listens to." She was referring specifically to the Stern student strike.

The faculty is united in their negative attitude towards the administration. The teachers here feel they are underpaid and not consulted when the administration makes important decisions. Policy is dictated to them and their feelings and ideas are not taken into consideration.

The puzzling question after these interviews is what keeps the faculty here. The answer is simply the students. The instructors interviewed feel that it is a rewarding experience to teach Yeshiva College students whom they regard as serious about their studies.

Will the college be able to hold on to its good faculty members under present conditions? That is indeed a good question to ponder over the summer.

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(Continued from Page 3, Col. 4) character flaw about which little can be done. The former, however, can be changed simply by overhauling the existing system. In addition, serious thought must be given to abolishing the major entirely, on academic grounds.

The last major change I have witnessed at YC is that we no longer have a leader, a President. While this is a matter which affects the entire university, YC is intimately concerned. When the Search Committee picks the new president, it can only be hoped that he will be a man respected in both secular and religious circles. If he is not such a combination of both, the image of YU will be gravely injured, possibly beyond repair.

There can be no doubt that Yeshiva has its share of problems. However, they need not be insurmountable. All that is really needed is a sense of direction and the will to move in that direction.

Still, despite all the problems, real and imagined, Yeshiva remains a "good place to go." There is a certain atmosphere here that one will not find at any other college. This, too is important, as college is supposed to be an all-encompassing experience. In addition, the quality of education, while of necessity not on a par with that at Harvard, nevertheless is generally quite high. It is up to the entire college community to see that it remains that way or improves.

Having completed my review of YC, there remain but a few loose ends to wrap up before I draw my journalistic career here to a close.

I don't believe a column such

as this is the forum for long winded personal messages, so I'll keep it brief. First to Ricky, lots of luck in the coming year. . . . I'm glad you made it. To Barry, it's been great. To all those (including the guys at Alert) who have contributed to making my stay at YC productive, memorable, and enjoyable, and most of you know who you are, all there is to say is — thanks, good luck and keep in touch. —30—

NEWS IN BRIEF

THE TWELFTH ANNUAL Salute to Israel Parade has been set for Sunday, June 13. The parade begins at Fifth Avenue and 57th Street, at 11:00 a.m. Volunteers are needed to organize the event. Call 391-2030 for more information.

MEMBERS OF THE YESHIVA COLLEGE CHAMBER ENSEMBLE, under the direction of Dr. Edward Levy, performed movements from works by Mendelssohn, Bach and Brahms at an opening rehearsal on Monday evening, May 17. A number of students took advantage of the opportunity to hear pieces, all of which were masterfully performed.

A YC GRADUATE, Steven Schwartz, will speak to Math Majors during Club Hour, on Thursday, May 20 in F312. Mr. Schwartz will explain his work, and interview students interested in the actuarial field.

A LARGE TURNOUT in EMOSC elections resulted in a victory for Benjy Goldstein, the new president. Herbie Pasternack was elected vice-president, and Mike Weiss was elected secretary-treasurer in that election.

A HUGE TURNOUT of YP-RIETS voters elected Neil Maron President of SOY, Shelly Senders (COMMENTATOR Feature Editor) Vice-president, and Henry Kamloner Secretary-treasurer. The election was the culmination of a week of intensive campaigning.

BARRY SALTZMAN has been chosen Valedictorian of the 1976 graduating class of Yeshiva College. The Former Editor-in-Chief of THE COMMENTATOR, and history major, will attend Harvard Law School this fall. . . . Neil Halpern, a Junior who is a Pre-med major, has been voted the Editor-in-Chief of Masmid, the Yeshiva College yearbook, for the 1977 Graduating Class.

Reverse Discrimination
Is A Serious Dilemma

Dean Paulsen
Explains Trial

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dents, whose predicted first year average (determined by an accepted standard formula) were substantially lower than his, were accepted. The group of seventy-four consisted of minority group members, Veterans, and others regarded deserving of admission on grounds other than racial. During the initial hearing on the Defunis case, it was established that white applicants were summarily rejected when minority group applicants with the same scores were considered for admission.

The Washington State Supreme Court reversed the initial ruling of the lower court which had been in Defunis's favor. It held that even if Defunis had been rejected on the basis of race, such discrimination did not violate the Fourteenth Amendment when the racial factor was used in a compensatory manner, to promote integration. Defunis then appealed to the Supreme Court of the United States. Since the court found that Defunis had already been admitted to the school through the personal intervention of Justice Douglas, and was due to graduate in several months the case was ruled "moot." The court may have been correct — the case was no longer viable — but the basic issue certainly has remained.

Females Marginally Qualified

The Civil Service Commission of Pennsylvania sent out questionnaires requiring a statement of racial and ethnic origin, implying that preference would be given to minority group members. In San Francisco, a school district attempted to require racial/ethnic identification of its employees and to demote whites on a purely racial basis. In another case, a memo to all deans and department heads in Cornell University stressed the hiring of minority persons and females even if they are "marginally qualified."

Dr. Benjamin Epstein of the ADL, and Dr. Bernard Gifford of the Rand Institute (the latter a Black who has succeeded despite much discrimination) are of the opinion that if the equality of American citizens is to be maintained" . . . in opening the doors long shut to minorities . . . we must be careful not to close them in the face of others, lest we abandon the basic principles of non-discrimination that sparked the effort to pry open those doors in the first place. In our democracy, rights are accorded to individuals . . . an equal chance should be provided on

the basis of individual ability."

Majority Role

Other experts refer to the practices of the "Affirmative Action" program as being "benign discrimination," stating that certain injustices may have to be tolerated for a short period of time in order to redress an imbalance in our society. Many people, including several of the justices on the U.S. Supreme Court which handled the Defunis case, state that the institutions where it is hardest for minorities to make an impression, even with the best of will, find it hard to overcome inertia. For example, an all-white male board of directors would tend to hire an individual with whom they would feel most comfortable in relationship — another white male.

Whatever the truth of the matter, one thing seems clear. It is imperative for those concerned with discrimination, or reverse discrimination, with regard to job hiring and school admissions to make their opinions known.

In Preview

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and endorse the YCSC letter of support for the Stern Strike. The executive board and all class council members were involved in the senator interviews. Finally, all new council members took part in the arrangement of buses to pay respect to Dr. Belkin on Monday, May 3.

The three major concerns for YCSC are academic quality, financial security, and student welfare. None of these can be neglected without the students suffering. Leadership which will involve the students is what is required to fulfill these concerns. Special projects for next year already have that leadership. The special projects to look out for next fall include student senator involvement in faculty appointment, a raffle, a talent night, a coffee night, additional study rooms, and an ecology committee.

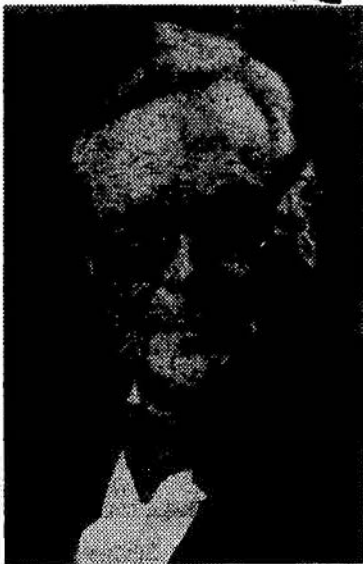
You get the government you deserve. I think we have excellent leadership. Let's not waste it! Get involved with council. There will be more committees formed as the need arises. Support YCSC and it will support you. Let's make this school something we can be proud of.

Have a good summer. If you'd like to come back a day or two early and work on the Big Brother program, see me in R 207 before June 8.

By MOSHE MIRSKY

The Pre-Law Society of Yeshiva College had Monrad Paulsen, dean of the newly established Cardozo Law School of Yeshiva, as its main speaker at a May 6 meeting. The Vice President of Legal Education at YU led a discussion of the legal ramifications of the Patty Hearst trial and gave students a general idea of how a lawyer presents a complicated criminal case in court.

After a warm welcome by Dr. Michael Hecht, Assistant Professor of Political Science, Dean Paulson explained the legal concepts involved in the Hearst case, including the charges of



Dean Monrad Paulsen

armed robbery and illegal use of a weapon. He centered his discussion on the Hearst defense, which claimed that the defendant was forced to commit her crime under duress. The claim of duress contends that the defendant's responsibility for the crime is obviated by the viable threat of immediate danger to one's life for failure to commit the crime. The audience, which included many students not majoring in pre-law, listened attentively as Dean Paulson described the defense's claim of brainwashing. This defense rested on the assumption that although there was no aggressor holding a gun on Miss Hearst, instructing her to carry out a crime, she should not be guilty of bank robbery because of the great strain she underwent during the two months before the hold-up.

At the conclusion of the lecture, Dean Paulson, a legal scholar of international renown, expressed the hope that Yeshiva students seriously interested in attending law school should take a close look at what Cardozo Law School has to offer.

In Review

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or the chair, is dispensing responsibility in a very immature way.

In an editorial in COMMENTATOR, I was criticized for not delegating authority. Looking over the minutes, especially those of our first meeting, responsibilities were given out, but, unfortunately, many times those responsibilities were not carried out. My mistake was letting those councilmen off the hook.

However, I did receive a lot of help from some exceptional councilmen. Ira, Jeff, Harry, and Steve B., I'd like to thank you very much for the help you gave me. It was greatly appreciated.

The failure to publish the Teacher Course Evaluation, and improve the dorm lounges were personal disappointments. The Teacher Course Evaluation, as prescribed by the Senate, is too cumbersome, and a better statistically valid questionnaire can be formulated. Despite the efforts of certain councilmen to overcome these difficulties, the students failed to cooperate. If students wish to have input in the decision making process of the college, they must take upon themselves the responsibility of filling out the evaluation questionnaires.

There are certain people I owe a great debt, for without their help I could never have survived my two years in executive council: First and foremost, Mrs. Owgang for her guidance and assistance, and encouragement. Mrs. Streich for letting us use her office as a supply room, for her advice and charm. Mrs. Epstein, Feeney, and Levensohn who are always ready to go out on a limb to serve the students. Rabbi Groff, Professor Silverman, Rabbi Edelstein, Mr. Nussbaum for their concern and cooperation, and especially the honorary fellows, Jay Blazer, Handsome Bob Marmorstein, and Gabe.

Last but not least, I'd like to thank the fellows — Strash, Barry, Dave, Ace, Katz, Henfy, Andy Fried and all the rest too numerous to mention, my Honorary roommates, Howie, Geddy, Danny, Steve, Deluty, and both little Bodners. My roommate for three years Dave "Nudge" Friedman, Marty (the Bod) Bodner, I'm glad your knee is healing fine after your lobotomy. If you tore up your knee three years earlier, you might have been in Med School. And Jeff, (periodontal) Kranz, with all the other responsibilities I had this year, I also had to clean up after you.

Probably my greatest regret for serving on Council was not the loss of time, physical strength, or academic achievement, but the loss of some personal friendship I had before serving on Executive Council. Being a double science major and executive council member pretty

much took up my free time. I hope the friends who felt snubbed when I was unable to BS with them will realize this and forgive me.

I tried to give my best — I think I have. What I did I do not regret — I only regret what I had planned to start and was unable to finish. Rick, the year ahead is a tough one. When things get you tired and frustrated, you just have to keep on going, for soon you'll be writing your own farewell column. Rick, I'd like to wish you and your Council, as well as the Class of '76, the best of luck.

Huge Crowd Present
For Solidarity Sunday

By ROBERT FRIEDMAN

A sunny, warm Sunday afternoon marked this year's Solidarity Day as 200,000 men, women and children marched down Fifth Ave. and gathered at Dag Hammarskjöld Plaza rallying on behalf of Soviet Jewry. On the crowded speakers' platform, public officials and private individuals proclaimed the duty of all Americans to speak out against oppression. "We are here to ask why Zionism equals racism. We are here to throw off the yoke of oppression and to gain freedom now," thundered Governor Hugh Carey amidst the cheers of the crowd.

Rabbi Moses D. Tendler, Head of the Biology Department at Yeshiva College, opened the rally by delivering a message from Rabbi Moshe Feinstein which included a prayer for true peace in Israel and the entire world.

Challenge To the Soviets

Governor Carey followed by declaring the day "Solidarity Day in New York." "We must follow a policy of determination to achieve freedom, not Detente," the Governor said, and added, "We must reassure our brothers in the Soviet Union that our aim is clear and our will is firm . . . We will have victory."

Mayor Beame called upon the Soviet Union to live up to its commitments made at the Helsinki Agreement a year ago. He, along with many prominent leaders, emphasized the importance of rallies as a powerful way to show the Russian government that Americans care about Soviet Jews. The Mayor promised that, "We will hold these rallies till the end of time, if necessary, or until the Jews are treated in a fair and humane manner."

Symbols Of Freedom

The fifth annual Solidarity Sunday was marked by the introduction of 500 "freedom flags" carried in the march by members of the Oceanfront Council for Soviet Jewry. The flags were made by Russian Jews and were meant to serve as their symbol at the rally. One of the flags was presented to Mayor Beame before the rally at City Hall.

Among those who attended the rally was Boris Blitshtein, a Russian born teenager who was granted a visa to leave Russia with his mother in October of 1975. In an interview with this reporter, Mr. Blitshtein described the plight of his father who has also requested to leave the country.

In Retrospect

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ing, cooperation, and at times, concern for my health of all four. I would have become a bitter, nervous wreck.

Finally, there are people officially unconnected with academia who have been important factors in my self growth. Our printers at Alert — Gene, Eddie, Al, Sid and Manny have been patient and professional as expected, and receive my warm thanks. Ms. Hiesler and Judy at Productions, and Col. Morgenstien at Security have eased my work considerably. But the mysterious K.G. who was my dearest friend, advisor and critic, stands in a class by herself, one of those rare

individuals whose ability to bring out the beauty and laughter in others never threatens to eclipse her own. Sharing my mini triumphs and major disasters, real or imagined, K.G. has in a very real sense been my editor-in-chief.

There you have it—four years at Yeshiva College, four years which have molded my life for better or for worse. I entered this school less than enthusiastically. Ironically, I leave it almost against my will, drawn back by a heady nostalgia born of fast friendships and rich experiences. I could never have bought such pearls with my tuition. I can only hope to repay them in kind with my love and warmest memories.

Who's
Whose

ENGAGED:

Steven Staum, YC '76, to Yosifa Kohn.

Joshua Berkowitz, YC '74, to Naomi Ternner.

BIRTH:

A son to Howard and Annette Wolk, YC '74 and Reits '77.

The Mark Of Cain

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nations asked for a new debate on the subject. Their demand was supported by the EEC foreign ministers in view of the fact that winter was "acumen in," though the wording of their proposal was somewhat more evenly balanced, blaming the regrettable incident equally on both brothers. The USSR delegate put his own interpretation on the affair when he announced:

"None of this would have happened if the deceased hadn't wilfully insisted on superior territorial rights in the disputed region!"

These ideas soon caught on. Liberal and intellectual circles who had initially felt a lot of sympathy with the late Abel began to show more and more understanding for his bereaved brother. Under the headline, "Raise Cain," the German "Spiegel" wondered editorially whether Abel hadn't revealed signs of aggressive intent against his brother before being disabled in historic strife. "Isn't it time," asked this prominent magazine, "to re-examine the facts in a more sober light, uninfluenced by obsolete texts?"

Scandinavian students demonstrated for Cain's rehabilitation, their banners quoting the official Soviet endorsement of "Cain's legitimate right to respectable offerings." One "Pravda" editorial went so far as to call the ban on Cain a "ridiculous exhibition," and implicitly accused the good Lord of fishing in troubled waters. The Chinese delegate then accused the Soviets in turn of "equivocation," and for the first time put the blame squarely on Abel. Colonel Qaddafi went one better on that when he got up at the General Assembly and screamed that the world has treated Cain lousily and that Abel was a "dirty killer."

Next Dada Idi fired off a 6,800-word cable, demanding in the name of all African nations liberating themselves from the yoke of colonialism to impose heavy sanctions on Abel's body,

"like digging it out of its grave and throwing it into a hole in the ground."

In the end the Assembly voted by a majority of 29 with 132 abstentions to send a respectful message to Cain in the land of Nod conveying the international community's identification with his just struggle.

From here on things took their natural course. A mere six weeks after the Nodian liquid was found useful for cheap illumination in earthenware lamps too, the Assembly, under its Algerian president, resolved to revise the ancient protocol (Amendment No. 369), as follows: "And Abel rose up against Cain his brother and was slain." The votes against: Israel—through adherence to the original; Equador—by mistake. As for the U.S., they wielded their considerable behind-the-scenes influence to moderate the Proposal into one "recognizing Abel's active and culpable involvement in his own murder," yet alluding to Cain's part in the affair by way of a note denouncing "all sorts of undesirable things regardless." In the end this happy compromise was accepted unanimously, thus becoming the world community's official judgment of the case.

Cain's personal appearance at the Assembly turned into a grand occasion. He stepped onto the dais carrying in one hand the club with which he'd purged his brother, and in the other a large earthenware lamp with the yellow stuff inside. The famed fighter called upon all nations of the world to unite in a spirit of brotherly love and erase the word violence from their dictionaries for ever.

After the applause died down, Cain was elected chairman of the "UN Subcommittee for U-Man Rights" with only one abstention—Paraguay. In a burst of enthusiasm UNESCO created a new annual award, to be presented as a mark of world recognition for contributions toward the advancement of peace on earth, and appropriately called it: The Mark of Cain.

YU Karate Exhibition Emphasis On Fighting

(Continued from Page 12, Col. 5) the Association's younger advanced members, brown belts Mark and Jonathan Hirsch, 15 and 13 years old respectively, showed quite effectively by their fighting techniques that youth does not necessarily mean viability.

True Expertise
Master Sober performed another stone break for those who missed his earlier ones. With astounding ease Master Sober broke a stone with a seemingly effortless punch. With purple belt Philip Walanski and later with Lewis Aron, Master Sober showed the responses of various gung-fu systems to their attacks, notably the drunken monkey system. Master Sober also exhibited a praying mantis form from the gung-fu, a form rarely seen by outsiders. At this point Master Sober began to enjoy himself and started "playing." As Lewis Aron attacked with a bo (quarterstaff) Sifu Sober demonstrated the use of the sic-

kle as a weapon. He hadn't used that weapon in four years and by witnessing his expertise with it one can easily see why he's truly the master of the art.

For his final part of his black belt test, Asher Leeder performed a series of four wood and stone breaks. It should be noted that the first was actually a foot sweep from one of the advanced forms which Asher changed to a break. For his abilities as well as his high moral character, Asher was awarded first degree black belt, the ninth Master Sober has produced. Asher in addition to becoming a sensei (teacher), will also become Rabbi Leeder — he'll get Semicha from RIETS later this year.

With this exhibition over, the question as well as the problem has arisen once again — after all the spectacular fighting and breaking techniques demonstrated on Sunday what will they do next year?

Some Summer Opportunities Are Still Open To Students Who Have Not Yet Made Plans

As summer rapidly approaches, YU students are once again engaged in their annual springtime pursuits of registration, finals, and summer job hunting. Although everyone must tackle registration and finals on their own, THE COMMENTATOR may be able to offer valuable assistance in the summer employment area. Despite the fact that, as in recent years, summer jobs are at a premium, THE COMMENTATOR has compiled a list of several employment opportunities that are still available.

Camp jobs, which are undoubtedly the easiest to find, can provide substantial financial reward while simultaneously offering enjoyable recreational facilities.

Camp Magen Avraham, a boys camp operated under the auspices of the Williamsburg "Y," has positions for counselors. The camp has plenty of ruach as well as quite a few YU staffers. All counselors are required to deliver two, one-hour "shiurim" daily, which could prove to be a rewarding and educational experience. Starting salaries range between \$200 and \$250. For information contact Rabbi Steinhart — 252-5341.

Camp HASC, an orthodox camp in Parkesville, N.Y. is operated by the Hebrew Academy for Special Children. The camp has openings for both counselors and lifeguards. For information call 851-6100.

Positions are also available at Camp Hatikvah, a coed camp in Livingston Manor, N.Y., which is seeking counselors, a division head, a water safety instructor, and a camp rabbi. Salaries range up to \$1000 for the summer. If you're interested call 724-5629 (days) or 877-6698 (evenings).

Jobs are likewise available at the Kauneonga Park bungalow colony near Monticello, N.Y. The Orthodox "Young Israel type" colony is interested in hiring two counselors as well as a handyman who would be paid approximately \$100 per week plus tips.

If you're planning to attend night school, or just enjoy spending the summer in the Metropolitan New York area, you might like to work at an area day camp. Yeshiva Day Camp, a coed camp in Jersey City, N.J., has openings for work study students. The camp, which is sponsored by the Yeshiva of Hudson

County, is two minutes from the Holland Tunnel and is near public transportation, has positions for counselors, junior counselors, specialists, etc. For more information contact acting director Richie Bernstein M429 or Jeff Bernstein R313 (923-5441).

Camp Dov Revel, a day camp operated by Yeshiva Dov Revel of Forest Hills, has openings for a waterfront head as well as a gym man. Work study students are preferred, although all applications are welcome. Call Rabbi Rothberger at 327-6235 for information.

Counselors are also in demand at Simcha Day Camp which is situated at the Yeshiva of South

Shore in Hewlett, N.Y. Call 778-6363 for details.

Other day camp positions are available at the East Flatbush day camp where you can contact Rabbi Lefkowitz at HY 5-6000, or at the SAR Academy where you can speak to Mr. Luski by calling 584-0984.

If you're looking for a job outside of the camp area you might check out Weona Taxi Inc., at 436-4928 or FEA Taxi Corp. at 633-8398. Each firm has driving positions available.

If one of these jobs has attracted your interest you would be wise to act swiftly for the few jobs remaining at this late date will surely be snatched up soon. Happy hunting!

The following questions were part of a YCSC student poll taken the week of May 9:

	YES	NO
1. Do you feel that Yeshiva College Students should have taken an active role in the Stern College strike?	129	142
2. Do you frequently read THE COMMENTATOR when it is available?	211	20
3. Do you frequently read 'Daf Yomi' when it is available?	226	19
4. In order to pay electricity costs of refrigerators, would you prefer a \$25 raise per owner over a \$15 hike in dorm fees for everyone?	133	97
5. Do you believe the cafeteria should institute a meal plan? (Of those polled, 50% preferred supper only while 25% favored supper and lunch.)	166	101
6. Do you believe a full business major comparable to the other majors should be offered at YC?	258	15
7. Do you feel that empty rooms in the Student Union Building should be turned into study halls?	202	75
8. Do you favor the purchase of a universal gym with student funds?	205	61
9. Do you believe that the office of Dean for Student Affairs should be initiated to deal directly with student complaints?	221	53
10. Do you know who is on the executive board of next year's student council?	130	120

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Kampf Tops In Fencing Intramurals

By DAVID WOLFSON

In recent fencing action, intramurals were completed and some of the results were surprising. In sabre, first place was won by the usual gracefulness of David Brusowankin, second place by veteran Marty Hirsch and third place by freshman Mark Kampf. Never heard of Mark Kampf? Well, in foil, first place was won by . . . Mark Kampf. This boy has plenty of potential; however, he will not be with us next year. Second place was won by David Katzenstein and third place by Stuart Lavendar, a senior who hasn't fenced in two years.

In epee, first place was won hands down by freshman Ira Herman. Second place was won by David Katzenstein (2nd Award) and third place was taken again by . . . Mark Kampf (3rd award).

Of the three major sports at Yeshiva, fencing is probably the least understood. Students might know about our accomplishments, but the finer points of the art are unknown to them.

Foil scores by thrusting the point on a limited target, including areas of the trunk of the body from the collar to the groin in front and on the back, to a horizontal line passing across the top of the hip bones. Thrusts hitting other areas of the body are known as "off target" and such an action stops the bout. The valid target is covered with a metallic vest, so that an electrical apparatus can record the touch by means of a buzzer and colored lights. Off target touches are signaled with a white light. As with all three weapons, the first fencer to score five valid touches to the opponent is the winner.

Sabre can score with cuts in addition to thrusts. It is the

lightest weapon of all three. The sword is provided with a large curved guard around the hand to protect the knuckles. All portions of the body, including arms, mask and torso above the theoretical saddle line, are valid targets. The effect of a touch off target is the same as in foil. In both foil and sabre, the attacker has the "right of way," that is, the defender must parry or turn aside the attack before he assumes the offensive (riposte or counter attack).

Epee (dueling sword) is the heaviest weapon, with touches being scored by point only. The valid target includes every portion of the body, and hits are recorded by an electrical scoring apparatus. If the fencers hit simultaneously, a touch is scored against each of them. If the score ends 5-5, due to such double touches, the bout is continued until a decisive touch is scored.

Sophomores Win BB Intramurals

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Small completely dominated the game. Coach Nulman instituted a few simple patterns which worked effectively to provide the needed movement of the offense. This also enabled Lenny Pianko, Mitch Merlis, and Leon Behar to dominate the boards. By half time the sophs' excellent defense restricted the seniors to a mere 14 points.

The soph bench provided a definite attribute to their success, Avi Samuels, recruited from the freshman team, Paul Freedman, and Alan Schuchalter, all came off the bench to play fine all around games. Leon Behar must be noted as well for his fine defense in restricting Morris Mann to two points.

Despite a senior press in the second half, the sophs continued to dominate the game. Lenny Pianko was instrumental in keeping the ball alive many times as he and Merlis tapped in many missed shots. This game testified to the sophomores' excellent talent. They played their best game of the year and deserved the championship.

A special thanks must go to Efrem Nulman who unselfishly coached the sophs for two years, compiling an impressive record of 17-3. Although an excellent ballplayer, he resigned himself to the difficult job of coaching. At a time when the sophs lost many of their star ballplayers, Effy was able to mold a new unit together. Dave Rauch and Morris Bienenfeld also deserve commendation for assisting in keeping time and scoring all year. Finally Terry Rifkin and Alvin Rapp deserve tremendous credit for doing an excellent job as commissioner and supervisor-referee all year. They kept the games together, calmed down angry ballplayers, and made intramural basketball very successful this year.

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Seniors					Sophs				
Beren	5	5	15		Pianko	3	0	18	
Mann	1	0	2		Merlis	7	5	19	
Greenspan	3	0	6		Small	4	4	12	
Guttenberg	3	0	6		Weiss	2	4	8	
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Intramural Wrestling Matches Most Competitive Ever

By DAVE SIEGEL

On Sunday, April 6, the fourth annual intramural wrestling tournament was held in the Main Building gym. Over forty anxious grapplers weighed in to determine into which of the weight classes they would fit. Each weight class would have a champion, and the most impressive of these would receive the Outstanding Wrestler Award.

The 118 lb. champion was gym class wrestler Keith "Shaky" Strause. He defeated his two opponents, but was forced to take the first into overtime.

Due to a lack of doctors and rabbis weighing 126 lbs., that weight was "byed" to Manoach Groskin who entered unopposed.

In the 134 lb. weight class, Henry Orlinsky, a seasoned wrestler from varsity workouts found himself floundering against

his tough high school opponent, before finally defeating his adversary, and leaving the mat with a bloody nose.

"Fearless Freddy" Carroll, another gym class wrestler, took the 142 lb. class. His opponent was another high schooler who fought hard but didn't know the moves. Fred decisioned him for the title.

The 150 lb. class was definitely one of the toughest in the tournament. The final round saw Danny Kaufman, a member of the varsity wrestling team, meet Michael Lazarus, a relative newcomer to the sport. Both had already won their first round matches, and were extremely tired when they were forced to go into overtime. At the blow of the whistle, "Laz" scored a takedown for the winning two

points in a 14-12 decision.

Another varsity wrestler, Arney Rogoff, was a big disappointment in the 158 lb. class. Danny Wechter, a former high school wrestler, displayed great skill and several impressive moves. Wechter recorded an upset by decisioning Rogoff in the final round.

The Outstanding Wrestler Award went to Lenny Schwartzbaum, the winner in the 167 lb. class. He faced two opponents and pinned them both before going into the finals. Joel Mael, also victorious in his first two bouts, faced Schwartzbaum in the final match. It lasted the entire five minute period. Both men wrestled more viciously than all other wrestlers in the tournament.

In the 177 lb. class, Marty

Lovy emerged as the winner in a round robin. Marty, a varsity wrestler, has taken first place for the past three years and has tied a record set last year. Both his opponents were members of the gym class and fought hard. Marty's experience carried him through easily.

Saul Grife, another varsity wrestler, had trouble with a very stubborn high schooler. He completed the round robin by pinning the last contender.

The heavyweight title was taken by "handsome" Zev Golombek. His two brave opponents (one high schooler forfeited before & facing Zev) deserve credit for going against him. Zev is now working out with the varsity and plans to wrestle for the team next year. He will be a welcome addition.

Frosh Capture The YHI Cup

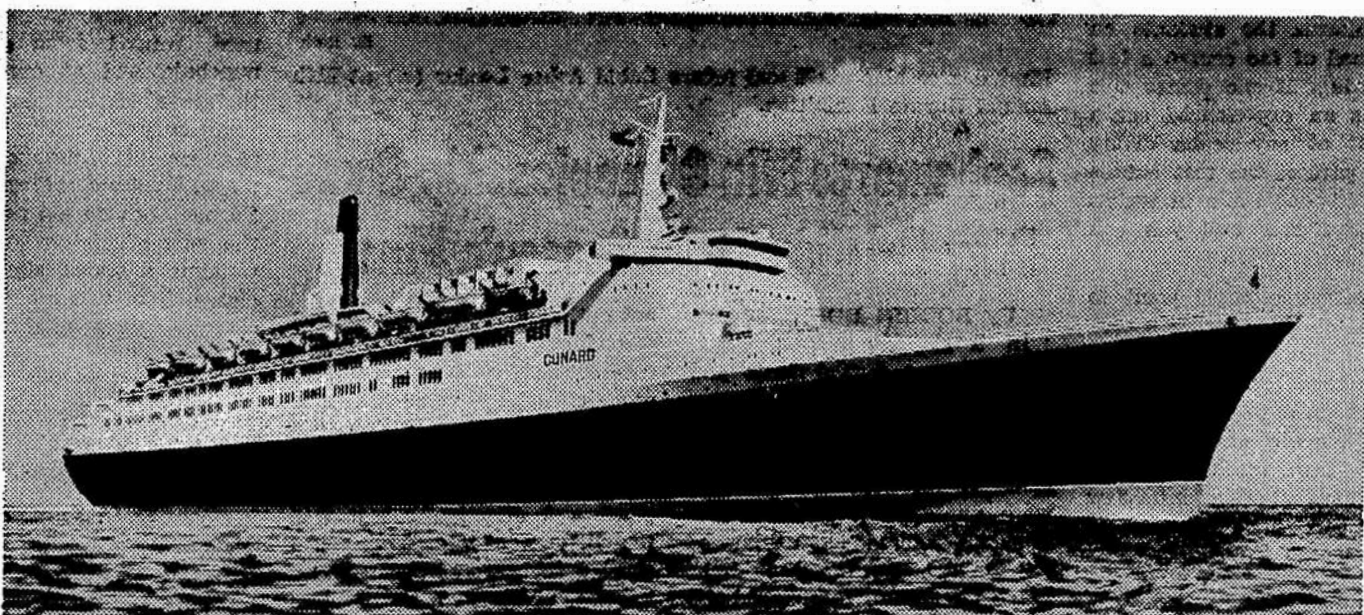
(Continued from Page 12, Col. 3) most? The juniors were 9-0 during the season and the frosh 6-3 with the three losses to the juniors. With the addition of Ernie Roll at midseason, the frosh found themselves with a full-spirited, highly motivated team. Players like Roll, Grife, the Mael cousins, and Teller inspired the team. The frosh won because they took their games more seriously and desired victory more than the juniors. The frosh will be together for another three years. If they maintain their zeal, they'll be tough customers for several years to come.

This is my last article as a hockey writer for THE COMMENTATOR; I'm off to Baruch College in the fall. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank my referee corps of Richie Levine and Hirsch Bessin for their fine performances, and all the fellows who played in YHI hockey this year. In my two and a half year stay at Yeshiva, refereeing has been one of my few pleasures in life. I hope to occasionally ref a game in future years when I visit. Good luck in all your future endeavors, guys. I'll miss you all.

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On The Sidelines

Outside Interests



By LENNY PIANKO

The typical YU student is often accused of being a "grub," spending all his time studying and not participating in any interesting outside works. Although this accusation fits certain students, many of us are involved in various strange and noteworthy activities. I became especially interested in the pursuits of two students, and I would like to cite their doings as an example for others. Hopefully other students can become interested in these or other activities in order to supplement their school life. Jeff Krantz has become a licensed IAABO (Interscholastic Athletic Association Basketball Official) basketball referee, and Henry Klotz an active Scuba Diver and instructor.

It is quite easy to become a referee if one is interested and dedicated. Every year on the third Thursday of November a written test is given. This test questions the applicant on the various rules and judgment decisions which a referee must constantly make. To pass this test a score of ninety or better must be achieved. It is advisable to study from the basketball handbook, the rule book, and the case book for this test. Every IAABO chapter gives a course preceding the test which is very helpful. Once an applicant passes the written test, he must also do well on a difficult and rigorous floor test. A senior basketball official watches the applicant actually work a game, and marks him on his knowledge of the rules, his positioning on the court, and his composure during the game. A passing score on this test enables one to be accepted as a licensed official capable of working any basketball game.

There are many advantages in being a referee. One will always remain in proper conditioning and will be assured of a steady source of outside income. Also a religious referee can have tremendous influence on younger players and fans. At present there are three referees wearing yarmulkas, and they have been fully accepted.

Scuba diving is another interesting sport which is readily available to all. The only requirement is that one can swim fairly well. The YMCA gives a two month course on this sport. It consists of two parts. The first explains how the equipment works and how to use it properly. The second section informs the students on what to do in case of emergency. At the end of the course a test is given on all the particulars of scuba diving. If one passes this test, he is given a card declaring him as an experienced scuba diver. This enables him to rent equipment at any scuba diving facility in the country. The most difficult part of the test entails taking on and off all the scuba diving equipment while in water. Try clearing a mask of water while underwater and you can comprehend the difficulty involved.

Many of you may be wondering, why someone would want to be a scuba diver? What are the advantages of this specific sport? Surprisingly there are many reasons. It is an indescribable feeling being able to spend long periods of time underwater. You are able to be in places where few other men have gone while still alive. Also it is an invigorating exercise. Finally, scuba diving enables the participant to do something different than the average individual. Henry informed me that at every medical school interview he was at, he was asked many questions concerning his interest in scuba diving.

A referee and a scuba diver are only examples of the many interesting activities in which one can partake. The important thing though is for everyone to get involved in something. Who knows? By next year maybe the intramural committee will be swamped by many competent referees, and a desire will be expressed for intramural scuba diving in the East River.

Frosh Roll Over Juniors, Capture YHI Cup Earn Victories Through Spirited Teamwork

By ALAN SCHLEIDER

The freshmen are champs. They did what few said could be done. The freshmen defeated the juniors in four games and the juniors have been bridesmaids instead of brides for two years straight.

The juniors tried to make the series interesting. Trailing two games to one, they avoided a sweep by winning on May 3rd by a score of 3-1. Goals in the first period by Howie Estrin and Aaron Schwartzbaum gave the juniors a 2-0 lead. Sensing that the series could have ended that night, the team forechecked the frosh relentlessly; Naty Katz was a standout in this department. The frosh tallied at 1:55 of the third period on a Joel Mael slapshot from the right face-off circle, but, press as they did, they could not get the equalizer. Katz scored on an empty net with three seconds left to nail down what was to be the last junior win of the year. Both Alvin Pasternak and Moshe Tell-

er tended their goals admirably.

In the fourth game, on May 10, the frosh quickly broke into a 2-0 lead on goals by Ernie Roll at 3:27 and Barry Mael from cousin Joel at 4:59. With approximately a minute left in the period Judah Koolyk was ejected from the game for slapping the referee on the backside with a hockey stick. The juniors made it 2-1 at 9:16 of the second period on an unassisted tally by Naty Katz, but Joel Mael took the air out of the juniors with a score at 10:23 to make it 3-1.

The third period was almost a joke as the frosh pumped in six goals against a demoralized junior team. The juniors were re-

YU's Karate Association Performs; Fighting Techniques Are Exhibited

By STEVE GORDON

The Tora Dojo Association of YU has a problem. For some time now the association has put on a yearly exhibition, and its members are finding it increasingly difficult to think of different exhibitible things to present each year. Even though Master Harvey Sober, the chief instructor, has heard the typical student cry: "Oh, I saw him break a stone last year," he has dazzled us once again.

The eleventh annual exhibition took place in Lempert Auditorium this past Sunday in front of a near capacity crowd. Master Sober, after a brief introduction, performed two incredible breaking techniques. He first halved a rock the size of a softball by sheer pressure of his fingers against the stone, and then splintered another by

letting his hand fall on it.

Fighting Techniques

The emphasis this year was not primarily on breaking techniques, as it has been in the past, but on fighting techniques. Here Master Sober stepped aside as his various black and brown belts demonstrated their skills. Interspersed throughout the two hour exhibition was the black belt grading of Asher Leeder (YC '73).

After a demonstration of various basic moves by first degree

black belts Joel Comet and Philip Katz, second degree Lewis Aron exhibited a weapon-sai-form and then demonstrated the arts of Judo and Jie-Jitsu with a flurry of non-stop throwing techniques.

Michael Andron (YC '71) stepped onto the stage next and showed the audience another art discipline, the discipline of Yoga. Mr. Andron impressively demonstrated different Yoga positions while his wife Lillian, herself a brown belt, explained the movements. He then exhibited a form which culminated in a double stone break — splitting two stones with the palm of his hand.

Second degree Gary Schulman (YC '71) then showed the difference between the various kicking styles of the Japanese, Chinese, and Korean systems. To illustrate how a black belt would react to a multiple attack, Schulman fought several of his students as they moved in one at a time and then later simultaneously.

Weapons' Use

Jeffrey Glanz, also a second degree black belt, demonstrated weapon versus weapon. Those used, ranged from swords in nunchuk, and at one point in the armed conflict he and brown belt Henry Slomowitz exchanged weapons and continued without pause. To show control and confidence both on his part and on the part of his students, Glanz, wielding a sword, sliced two lit cigars from the mouths of his students. Slomowitz showed his deftness with the nunchuk by using it to take off the top of a cinderblock. This gave the audience a concrete idea of the power of the weapon.

Mean Farmers

Master Sober, between the various demonstrations, informed the audience that all the weapons used were originally agricultural tools. The Oriental farmer mastered the utensils both in the agrarian sense as well as in the martial sense.

Black belt candidate Asher Leeder and brown belt Noah Nunberg (YC '72), each using the tun fa, demonstrated a series of prearranged encounters. To illustrate the capabilities of

The championship game was a complete turnaround from the previous affair. The sophs came out hungry, and displayed a tenacious defense to soundly defeat the seniors 63-48. The seniors were never in the ballgame as the hustling play of Sheldon (Continued on Page 10, Col. 5)



E. Roth

First degree black belt and future Rabbi Asher Leeder (r.) at 11th Annual Karate Exhibition.

Sophomores Win Championship Game Play Brilliantly In Season's Finale

By ROBBIE ROBINSON

In a sloppily played game, marred by technical fouls and turnovers, the underdog senior basketball team edged the sophs 69-67. The sophs entered the game a bit overconfident and were unprepared for the hustling, all around team play of the seniors. In the first half, Louie Greenspan established the perfect tempo for the seniors. Louie drove through the middle, either scoring or hitting the open man. The soph offense was stagnant as Coach Nulman could

not get his players together. The second half was a virtual duplicate of the first. With about two minutes remaining and the sophs down by ten points, a dramatic comeback was staged, led by Mike Weiss and Avi Samuels. Their press was effective but it was too little too late. The sophs showed their worst performance in two years and the seniors were superb. The stage was set for the senior-soph championship game.

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In looking back at the 1975-76 season, the championship boils down to one question — which team wanted to win the (Continued on Page 11, Col. 5)