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Justices Receive Honors In Convocation Ceremony



Dr. Norman Lamm chatting with Chief Justice Warren Burger.

By MOISH LOVINGER

On Sunday, May 1, a convocation and dinner was held by Yeshiva University in honor of the inauguration of University president, Dr. Norman Lamm. The event. which also marked Law Day U.S.A.,

took place at the New York Hilton Hotel before an audience of more than 1,000 persons, among them prominent educators, jurists and government officials. Yeshiva University awarded honorary Doc Tr of Law degrees to the Chief Justices of three coun-tries: Warren E. Burger of the

United States, Bora Laskin of Canada and Joel Sussman of Israel.

Professor David Mirsky, Dean of Stern College for Women, led

a processional made up of the chief officers of the University. members of the governing boards, faculty, alumni, benefactors of the institution, the honorary degree recipients and their presenters. The presenters of the des grees included Chaim Herzog and two other prominent lawyers of Harvard University and Columbia University. Dr. Israel Miller, vice-president of student affairs, presided at the ceremonies.

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Drs. Rabinowitz, Soloveitchik Selected As Jewish Studies Divisions' Deans

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By SIMMY LAUER

Dean Jacob Rabinowitz of the Erna Michael College has been appointed to the newly created position of Dean of Undergraduate Jewish Studies for Yeshiva University. With the appointment, Dean Rabinowitz will be in charge of integrating the activities

of EMC, JSS, and SCW and YC Judaic Studies, but not those of YP or RIETS..

Dr. Chaim Soloveitchik has been named to an analogous position for Graduate Jewish Studies.

The two positions have been created as a result of investigations by the Presidential Planning Commission into the Jewish studies departments at the University. Together with Dr. Soloveitchik, Dean Rabinowitz has been reviewing the reports of the PPC and has begun to construct proposals in response to certain problems seen by the Commission in the present structure of the schools involved. According to the report, the major flaw in the Jewish Studies schools is that they are "not fully active like a University (should be), with a true integration of the departments."

Of primary concern' to the Presidential Planning Commisnon is the large decline in the number of Jewish studies majors at the University. While it may be attributed to one of the many phases through which student interests pass, the decline may also be a direct consequence of problems within the Judaic schools

COMMENTATOR Board Selected: Phil Klein To Take Full Command

At the Governing Board meeting of April 27, Phil Klein ('78) was selected as the new Editor-in-Chief of THE COMMENTATOR. The new governing board members chosen to assist liim include Seniors Michael Jablinowitz, David Kahn, Shelly Senders.

Aaron Stiefel, Lenny Pianko, Morris Bienenfeld, and six juniors who will serve on the governing named Executive Editor. Hailing society, and is enrolled in YP. board for the first time.

in the Yeshiva Program, was last year's Copy Editor. A New Jersey resident, the Editor-in

from Philadelphia, Aaron is a Editor last year.

Lenny Pianko is THE COM-

and attending YP, has been a member of the pre-med honor A political science major in Phil, a pre-med major enrolled. Dean's List student and an edi- attendance at YP, Morris Bientor of Gesher. He was Projects (Continued on Page 9, Col. 4)

themselves. Dean Rabinowitz stressed that he was most anxious to hear the students' opinions about possible changes that they feel should be implemented.



YUPR Dean Jacob Rabinowitz

Two major goals were set by the PPC in an effort to improve the efficiency of the University's Judaic schools. Firstly, the Commission suggested a "greater integration of faculty resources" with faculty members teaching in their specialized areas of interest. Secondly, they suggested that more attention be given to the possibility of allowing qualified students to take courses in other divisions.

Dean Rabinowitz pointed out that there have always been students who were allowed to take courses in other divisions, such as allowing a student in JSS who is sufficiently advanced in Hebrew to take a course in EMC or allowing an EMC student to take a special Jewish Philosophy course in JSS. He did note that he would like to make the students more aware of this possibility. In addition, Dean Rabinowitz and Dr. (Continued on Page 10, Col. 1)

Joint Semicha-Law Program **Viewed Favorably By Students**

By LOUIS TUCHMAN

The RIETS program at Yeshiva is marked by the options it offers its students. As of now, students can study for semicha while working in Bernard Revel Graduate School, Wurzweiller School of Social Work, or Ferkauf School of Humanities. If they choose, they may confine their studies to the Kollel, or to the Machsheves Yisroel Program.

Yet another option is being considered. Dean Mirsky has proposed a plan which would allow a semicha student to receive a law degree from Carclozo Law School after four years.

The first two years would be spent mostly in studying for semicha, while fulfilling most of the basic law school requirements, These requirements normally take about a year to complete. During the third year, semicha requirements would be completed, and electives in the law school would be begun. The last year would be devoted completely to studies in the law school. This program has the approval of Cardozo Dean Paulsen.

In order for the program to be successful, both RIETS and Cardozo would be expected to lighten the load on the students. **RIETS** would have to excuse the students from their MA requirement, as well as from some of their supplementary rabbinics requirements. The law school would have to accept some of the relevant talmudic studies of the students in lieu of some electives.

Chief is a Dean's List student MENTATOR's new Production and a member of the pre-med. honor' society, Alpha Epsilon Delta.

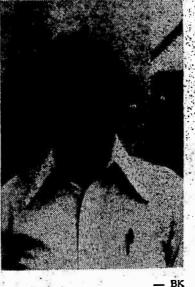
Michael Jablinowitz, an EMC student and economics major, is this year's Associate Editor. Last year's Makeup Editor, Michael is on both the YC and EMC Dean's Lists.

The new Managing Editor, David Kahn, is a political science, major who served as last year's News Editor. From Tulsa, Oklahoma, David is a Dean's List student who spent his freshman year in Israel. He currently is in the Yeshiva Program.

Former Feature Editor Shelly Senders is the new Contributing Editor, A chemistry major and a student in YP, Shelly is a Dean's List student and editor of Gesher, the SOY scholarly publication.

Aaron Stiefel, a student in the BA/MA program in chemistry

Editor. Lenny, the former Sports Editor, is a Dean's List student,



Phil Klein, the new Editor-in-Chief, in an uncharacteristic fit of joviality.

Health Minor Established In Unanimous Senate Vote

By MATTHEW JAY TROPP

The Yeshiva College Senate, in meetings on April 28 and May 5, established a public health minor and defined proposals for a humanities minor and for Yiddish to satisfy the foreign language requirement.

Acting on a motion by Dean Bacon, the Senate unanimously approved the public health minor. Calling public health "a significant, minor" for pre-medical students, the Dean cited a growing trend in the public health field as opposed to areas like accounting.

The fifteen-credit minor includes four required three-credit courses already existing in the sociology department and a choice of one of the following

courses to be established: Biostatistics or Environmental Health.

At the suggestion of Senator Robert Friedman, Dean Bacon agreed to recommend strongly that public health minors enroll in a biology course. Citing a decline in the popularity of sociology at Yeshiva College, Senate Chairman Avi Moskowitz questioned whether the demand for a public health minor exists. Senator Gary Torgow replied that the public health courses are among the most popular sociology courses in the college. Torgow added that a number of pre-medical students view public health as a possible second field aside from medical school. (Continued on Page 2, Col. 4)

Most of the opposition to the plan comes from Rabbi Charlop and the RIETS faculty. Rabbi Charlop stated that while RIETS has been undergoing its internal review, it has been "examining the efficacy of RIETS and Cardozo program." The basic objection to the program stems from the fear that students would not be able to attend the law school without interfering with their more important rabbinic studies.

The discussion of the program will continue. At present, the plan has been supported by a majority of the students and will now be considered by the **RIETS** faculty.

Dissatisfaction

Last year the Yeshiva College Senate took positive action by approving a proposal to institute an economics major with a concentration in accounting. Recently, however, the Senate took a step backwards by rescinding its approval of this program. This leaves students interested in business or accounting no choice but to join the Columbia and Baruch BA/MBA programs currently offered by Yeshiva, the first of which is extremely selective, the other very inconvenient. This Senate decision is hardly in the better interests of Yeshiva. Having some form of a business or accounting program would keep many students from leaving and would attract more incoming students. An increase in the number of students would enable more courses to be given in all areas. Moreover, an increase in course selection would further attract more students and in general enhance Yeshiva College..

ongratulations

Since his selection as President, Rabbi Lamm has promised to make major changes in an attempt to eliminate the problems that Yeshiva faces. It is, therefore, with great optimism that we welcome the appointments of EMC Dean Jacob Rabinowitz as dean of undergraduate Jewish studies in YC, JSS, EMC and SCW, and BRGS Dean Haym Soloveitchik as dean of graduate Jewish studies.

We extend to the deans our most sincere congratulations and best wishes on their appointments. It is our hope that these appointments will be meaningful steps towards solving the problems currently confronting their divisions.

Optimism

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

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toward fulfillment of their new responsibilities. - 362.2

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 Rick Elfman and those of the other school organizations. Special praise is due Ricky Eisenberg for doing such an outstanding job as editor-inchief of THE COMMENTATOR.

We wish everyone good luck on their finals, a pleasant summer, and a k'tiva v'chatima tova.

Chief Justices Awarded Degrees At Lamm Convocation Dinner

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 2) At the dinner following the convocation, President Lamm announced the establishment of three Dr. Samuel Belkin chairs

him "a symbol of international amity and comity under the rule thoroughness." of law." He added, "In an age where democracy is embattled; when tervorism has been endowed with international respectability; when hijackers and muggers are given the sympathy that is denied to the victim and the innocent bystander; when the gap between law and justice grows even wider; at a time of this sort, we have chosen to express, by means of this triple honor, our continued and undiminished espousal of the simple and fundamental verities of Jewish morality which have passed over into the very structure of Western civilization. Jews have traditionally taught the love of law; let all men at least respect the law and do it honor." Dr. Lamm also emphasized the fact that the goal of Yeshiva University is to produce a generation of young mer and women' who "will transcend mediocrity and scorn superficiality, and, both in the development of their intellects and in the exercise of

to three Chief Justices was for their social responsibilities, strive depth and penetrating for

> Coinciding with Law Day USA, the convocation and dinner was a participation in the national observance with an emphasis on the centrality of law in the Judaic heritage. Dr. Lamm is an authority on Jewish Law and has been twice quoted by U.S. Supreme Court Chief Justice Earl Warren and Associate Justice William O. Douglas. "There is an additional and most appropriate reason for our choice of this occasion of Law Day to honor representatives of law and justice," Rabbi Lamm continued. This is the first year in the life of the Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law. The late Mr. Cardozo was a United States Supreme Court Justice. Rabbi Lamm also said that the university was planning to establish a Center for Jewish Law within the Cardozo School. The dinner and presentations brought more prestige to the already flourishing Cardozo School of Law.

NEWS IN BR

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ELECTIONS FOR STUDENT ORGANIZATION OF YESHIVA were held Thursday, May 5. Henry Kamioner was victorious in his bid for the SOY presidency. The new vice-president is "Bummy" Kaisman and the new secretary-treasurer, Shlomo Mostofsky. A constitution for the YP-Riets program was also approved in the plebiscite.

A BLOOD DRIVE was held on Monday, May 2. The event was a huge success, according to Zev Nathan, the coordinator of the drive. The number of donors exceeded three hundred, with many students giving blood for their second or third times.

THE SCHOLASTIC STANDING COMMITTEE will hold its final meeting of the year on Monday, May 16, 1977, at 11:00 A.M. If you have any business to bring to the Committee's attention, please contact Dr. Conmolly in the Guidance Office, 205 Student Union Building at once.

THE TENTH ANNUAL ORAL INTERPRETATION FESTIVAL was held on Thursday afternoon, April 28. First prize honors went to Barry Holzer for his reading of "Babi Yar." Second place was awarded to Larry Russak; David Dore and Keith Strouse tied for third place. Joseph Rothstein, President of the Speech and Drama Club, coordinated the event.

DAVID GLATT, a sophomore at YUHS for boys in Manhattan has won second place in the International Bible Competition. He had won first place in last year's National Bible Contest and was thus eligible for this year's international contest.

STUDENTS INTERESTED IN WORKING ON AN ARCHIVE in American Jewish history to be housed in the Gottesman Library may contact Professor J. Gurock, BRGS, or Samuel Aksler or Bernard Leibtag of the Library. Work-study money is available and independent study or honors credit also may be earned, pending administration approval.

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Dean Bacon suggested that the problem in the sociology department is faculty weakness. He announced that he hopes to hire at least one "highly qualified" full time sociology professor for next year, who would supervise the progress of a public health minor. Bacon added that with the possible cooperation of the Albert Einstein College of Medicine a public health major would be a distinct possibility in the future.

After lengthy discussion on April 28, the Senate deferred action on the Yiddish resolution to May 12, pending the recommendation of the Division of Language, Literature and the Fine Arts. The resolution calls for Yiddish to be allowed to satisfy the language requirement at Yeshiva College. Presently, only French, Spanish, German, Greek, Arabic, Latin and Russian fulfill the requirement. Senator Torgow had introduced the resolution at the previous meeting, and he began the April 28 meeting by presenting the opinion of Dr. Kra, a French professor at YC. She said that Yiddish will damage the rest of the foreign language department. She further stated, according to Torgow, that graduate and professional schools would not look favorably upon Yiddish and that Yiddish might damage a student's admissions prospects. Torgow concluded by saying that Kra's opinion was representative of all the foreign language professors he had polled. Several other faculty members agreed that Yiddish is not an acceptable language in graduate schools. Dean Bacon countered by suggesting that an appropriate warning regarding Yiddish vis a vis graduate schools be

placed near the Yiddish listing in the college catalogue. Senator Friedman added that students must be responsible to choose the courses that will benefit them to the greatest extent. The obligation of the college, stated Senator Friedman, is to provide the widest range of curriculum choice.

Dr. Haahr suggested that Yiddish is not in the best interests of Yeshiva College. "The great mission of Yeshiva College," she said, "is to expand consciousness of students beyond the Jewish experience." She lamented the lack of respect and affection students have for the Romance languages. Senator Friedman added that Yiddish is a standard language in every sense with an established grammar, vocabulary and pronunciation. A considerable amount of material, according to Professor Silverman, exists in Yiddish that deals with history, sociology and literature. Dean Bacon refuted the charge that Yiddish would be a simple language to master and even argued that it would be a difficult language for YC students, since today's students have little or no background in Yiddish as opposed to years ago.

to be held by distinguished scholars in the arts, sciences and humanities on a rotating basis. The Dr. Samuel Belkin chairs are part of a University-wide effort to provide appropriate memorialization of the pioneering educator and Jewish scholar who was also the modern-day father of Yeshiva University.

In addition, President Lamm was presented with a scroll by Max J. Etra, chairman of Yeshiva University Board of Trustees. The scroll expressed the Board's confidence in Dr. Lamm's continuing leadership of the institution as a worthy successor to the University's two past presidents - Dr. Belkin (z"l) and Dr. Bernard Revel (z"l).

Upon acceptance of the scroll, Dr. Lamm delivered the main address. Dr. Lamm said that the awarding of the honorary degrees

Dean Bacon then moved that the Senate refer the proposal to the Division of Language, Literature, and Fine Arts for formal consideration before a final vote. He suggested that the Senate ask the Division to make their considerations quickly so that the Senate could vote on the Yiddish resolution during its final meeting on May 12. The Senate will also continue discussion at that final meeting on the proposal for a humanities minor, which has also been referred to that Division for their considerations.

Reawakening To Traditional Judaism Discotheque Rabbi Turns Jews Orthodox Schul Thrives Onto Path Of Orthodox Judaism In Conservative Setting

By NEAL AUERBACH

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Rabbi Yitzchak David Grossman is a pale man of medium height, with long earlocks, a black velvet fedora, and a long black coat. This rather unimposing figure is known throughout Israel as the "rabbi of the discotheques." His story is one of a

man who has taken upon himself the task of devoting his life to the glorification of the Torah. Rabbi Grossman is personally responsible for bringing hundreds of young Israelis closer to Orthodox Judaism.

He got the name "Discotheque Rabbi" after he concentrated his efforts in one Israeli town on going into teenage hangouts to convince children there to pursue activities more conducive to Orthodox Jewish life.

Rabbi Grossman is perhaps best known for the work he did in successfully converting a formerly irreligious town called Migdal Ha'amek into a thriving orthodox community. He and four other young friends moved into the town and started working with its residents. The young men began with the problem youths in the town, by inviting. them to activities in the afternoons and after school hours. In some cases, children received their first taste of Judaism at these sessions.

In a surprisingly short time, Rabbi Grossman inspired the love and trust of the youngsters in Migdal Ha'amek. Eventually a yeshiva was built for the town's children. His group of teachers has grown to fifteen Kollel men and is known as Migdal Ohr. This organization provides for the physical and spiritual wellbeing of its students, who come from many surrounding communities as well as from Migdal Ha'amek itself. Today the town of Migdal Ha'Amek has undergone a complete rejuvenation spiritually, and actively supports the activities of Migdal Ohr. The town was in the headlines some months ago, when a factory in town forced its employees to work on Shabbos. Rabbi Grossman intervened personally with Israeli Labour Minister Almogi, and the factories were ordered to close on Saturdays. Rabbi Grossman truly converted this once barren wasteland of Yiddish-keit into a thriving Torah community.

• The Rabbi is also widely known for his exploits in rescuing many Jewish teenagers missionaries. One such incident, which was reported in the Jerusalem Post involved an American Jew who frantically phoned Rabbi Grossman, seeking his help in locating his missing son. The boy had left the Jerusalem Yeshiva at which he had been learning and all indications showed that he had gone off to live among the Arabs.

Rabbi Grossman launched an investigation, and followed the youth's trail to a Christian retreat called Beit Netufa. He put on a sport jacket and his wife's

— Jerusalem Post

blond wig and went into the retreat where he found the boy. The Rabbi listened patiently to the boy's complaints against Judaism and convinced him to come to Migdal Ha'Amek. In the following few years Rabbi Grossman was successful in convincing other disillusioned and confused Jewish teenagers to return to their families from various Christian retreats in Israel. To quote the Rabbi, "My feeling is that if there is one country in the world where Jews should be safe from Christian missionaries it is Israel. Why should a Jewish parent from the Diaspora have to worry that when he sends his son to Israel he may become a convert to Christianity." As a result of his activities, Rabbi Grossman received a great deal of local and international publicity. He uses this publicity to help in raising funds for Migdal Ohr. The organization has grown in the past years, but its present facilities are scattered and desperately in need of funds. Rabbi Grossman's sphere of influence extends for the eight hundred square miles around Migdal Ha'Amek. Some of the activities under the auspices of Migdal Ohr include: the yeshiva Migdal Ha'amek, and yeshivot in surrounding communities like Kiryat Shmoneh, Ma'alot, Afula, and Nazareth, a dormitory and kitchen, which provide for students of the yeshiva from distant towns, a girls' yeshiva and an "evening yeshiva." In the last program, youngsters who attend government schools during the day can learn Torah for two and a half hours in the evenings. In this yeshiva, vocational guidance

is stressed preparing citizens for Israeli society.

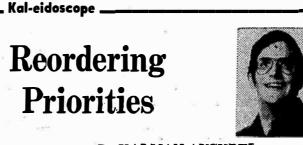
.Plans have been made to establish a Torah center in Migdal Ha'Amek, and it is for this center that Rabbi Grossman is travelling around collecting money.

In his speech at YU, Rabbi Grossman stressed the fact that (Continued on Page 8, Col. 5)

By NEIL SIMON

New York has been called the "greatest Jewish city in the world." Over three million Jewish inhabitants constitute a vibrant and powerful entity in this huge metrop-

olis. From Gracie Mansion to the garment district, Jewish influence is evident everywhere. Yet for some New York Jews the road to Jewish identification and observance has been one filled with various obstacles. In an affluent Queens community a small core of Jews has taken the first step toward identification with their Jewish heritage. The immediate problem confronting this group is the question of whether ortho-



By KALMAN AUSUBEL

Our four years at Yeshiva are almost over and most of the class of '77 will be moving on. We have loved this school at times and hated it at others. Rather than reminisce, I would like to make two points that I hope will serve constructively.

Firstly, I would like to address President Lamm and the "powers that be" at Yeshiva. New appointments and a sense of direction are anxiously awaited throughout the University. In the course of the many evaluations and recommendations that are being made toward this end, I hope that the problems of the undergraduate schools will be brought to the forefront. The visions of grandeur that prevailed in the University during the 1960's have caused many to lose sight of the trees for the forest, so to speak. The "trees" in this case are the individual undergraduate students who are the cornerstone of the worldwide Jewish community. While it is true that YU exists for Jewry at large, its primary efforts must be expended in providing a firstrate education to Jewry's future leaders. The universal answer of "No money!" is insufficient. Money must be raised and directed into the undergaduate schools. Resources must be used more

you would really like. If not, regulate your time in such a manner that when you leave Yeshiva, you'll be happy with what you have accomplished here.

Congratulations Ricky on the top quality newspaper that you produced this year.

I would like to thank all of my fellow graduates for honoring me with the title of valedictorian. I wish you all every success in the future.

Finally, I would just like to say "good-bye" and thanks to the "fellas" who not only made it bearable, but worthwhile as well. doxy can thrive in a suburban conservative community bordering on assimilation? A few hardy people feel that it can and are proving it every Shabbos morning.

In the community of Bay Terrace, Queens, surrounded by large and ostentatious conservative synagogues is a small minyan housed in temporary quarters. They number on a Shabbos morning anywhere from 15 to 20 men.

A few conservative synagogues in the community have instituted orthodox youth minyanim. Yet being under the auspices of those conservative congregations their hope for expansion is limited.

Until recently, the idea of an orthodox congregation functioning independently was unheard of. In an effort to discover the impetus behind this apparently sudden revival, this reporter went to Mr. Bob Meyer, the director of the orthodox minyan.

Sitting in his home, he related to me how he had been walking back from a youth minyan with an Israeli who had just moved into the neighborhood. The Israeli asked him why there was no orthodox congregation in Bay Terrace. Mr. Meyer told him there were not facilities and simply not enough interested people. The Israeli, through much persuasion and inspiration, coerced Mr. Meyer into finding a place and starting a minyan.

Now that the idea had been implanted, putting it into practice (Continued on Page 9, Col. 1)

South African Religious Jews Conform With 'Racist' Society

By DAVE SHADASS

South Africa is indeed a place out of a storybook romance; the soft spoken tongue, the beautiful scenery, the vibrant living style and, perhaps, even the unique accent all contribute to the mysterious aura. And, despite the ugly racial problems that threaten the future of the country, South Afriça's paradise remains intact; the dreamworld continues to exist. This article will attempt to give presence in the country has led to its development, he is unwilling to let the black majority take over the reins without a struggle. Furthermore, the white man claims precedence in the region. It was the white man who took over an unsettled country and because of a need for cheap labor, invited the blacks without coercion to settle in the land. As a result, the white feels even more strongly that it is his land, and

from the clutches of Christian

Who's Whose

Engaged:

Paul Koenigsberg, YC '77 to Jo D. Shapiro Josh Gross, YC '76 to Sharon Weiss Steven Gordon, YC '76 to Hinda Shapiro Maury Bach, YC '73 to Debby Wunsch Sam Berkowitz, YC '78 to Judy Koesterich Eliezer Cohn, YC '77 to Aliza Mishkoff Sheldon Bronstein, YC '78 to Rebecca Fisch, SCW '77

Married:

Steven Tiefenbrunn, YC '75 to Rivka Scheinberg productively with a minimum amount of bureaucratic intrusion. Admittedly this is a formidable task, but the University must "reorder its priorities" in order to improve YC, SCW, and the religious studies divisions to insure a bright future.

My second observation concerns the students of Yeshiva College, It is not overly profound, but I feel it is very true. Our College is unique in that there are a vast array of activities in which to participate despite its small size. The spectrum of activities ranges from social to academic with the Beit Midrash, publications, and athletics in between. My point is simple. Too many students get caught up in the flow of life at Yeshiva and are controlled by their activities instead of the reverse. Stop for a minute to examine your lifestyle and see if you are spending your time as

some insights into the lifestyles and inner workings of the South African system, while carefully delineating the role of the Jew in this unique social structure.

Clearly, one of the more controversial aspects of the South African way of life is the complete subjugation and repression of black freedoms. Yet, despite the prejudicial ring to the whole affair, the South African can rationally discuss the entire issue. Although civil liberty groups around the world decry the exploitation of blacks, the South African believes he is actually helping the poor natives. . He points to the fact that South African blacks fare better than any of their African counterparts and he believes that it is only because of the white man that South Africa has progressed as far as it has. Since the white South African feels that his

his unalienable right to do as he pleases.

Some Specifics

The black is, without a doubt, considered second rate although the official governmental policy toward blacks has been liberalized quite a bit in recent years. Only as recently as ten years ago, blacks could not sit on park henches or go to the same movie theaters or restaurants. They couldn't even swim on the same beaches. Now, many of the more demeaning restrictions have been lifted even though the black still does not enjoy the freedoms that his United States counterpart does.

In the area of occupational opportunities, blacks are restricted to menial tasks, serving often as unskilled laborers, office clerks, delivery boys and truck drivers. (Continued on Page 8, Col. 2)

In Prospect

By PHILIP KLEIN -

It is difficult to appreciate the void in leadership which was created when Dr. Belkin, z"l, stepped down from the presidency of Yeshiva University. His resignation generated not only a great necessity for someone to assume command of the University, but also a pressing need for a redirecting of Yeshiva's priorities. No longer were the expansion plans of the Sixties to be pursued. The time and the urgent situation demanded that Yeshiva College receive some of the attention it had been denied in the past few years.

The announcement of Dr. Lamm's appointment as president was received with enthusiasm by the Yeshiva community at large. The students were particularly pleased with the ascent to the fifth floor suite of Furst Hall of a capable individual with whom they were already fairly well acquainted. Expectations of great change in the University seemed to rise in proportion with the excitement generated by Dr. Lamm's investiture. This atmosphere, compounded by a sense of general dissatisfaction with the situation at YC, fostered the widespread impression that a knight in shining armor had come to save Yeshiva from a myriad of academic evils.

As we look around, however, we notice little change, other than the new style of the various forms that an institution such as our's thrives upon. The Presidential Planning Commission was undoubtedly a noble venture on the part of President Lamm. Their report, though, or at least that portion which has already been presented, did not turn out to be the milestone in YC history it was expected to be. Seemingly, the basic problems were ignored in favor of an emphasis upon long belabored points.

In light of the anticlimactic tone which characterized the findings of the PPC, two questions seem to be very much appropriate. Are YC students to despair of any further change? Are their hopes for the long sought innovations and the modifications of the current system to be abandoned? Furthermore, can the administration be content with mere cosmetic alterations which change the bureaucratic structure of Yeshiva without seeking to eliminate the more fundamental, intricate problems that constitute the direct concern of students in the school as well as of prospective students?

It is my hope and belief that the student body will maintain a positive attitude - that changes can be brought about, albeit with a constant prodding of the administration and faculty. Anything less would be tantamount to a loss of faith in Yeshiva as a viable institution and consequently, to our sentencing the University to its demise. It is in this spirit that I envision the editorial policy of THE COMMENTATOR in the coming year. As the official voice of Yeshiva College, the newspaper will retain the sensitivity to the needs of YC and its students it has exhibited in the past. THE **COMMENTATOR** will remain at the forefront in expressing student satisfaction as well as dissatisfaction with the various aspects of the College and of student life, and in presenting meaningful and reasonable proposals for change.

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effort inherent in a sincere attempt to recreate an institution offering its students a dynamic education. Only the acknowledgement of this fact, coupled with a dedication to change, both among the administration and the students, will enable Yeshiva College to succeed as an institution of higher learning.

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It is with great pride that I assume the tremendous responsibility with which I have been entrusted. Serving as Editor-in-Chief of COM-MENTATOR is a frightening and formidable task. Unfortunately, people may take offense at some critical statements published in the paper. Yet, I am fully aware that it is with the discretion of the Editor that material is selected for publication, and I am thus ultimately responsible for all that appears in print.

My job is however made easier by the fact that this past year's COMMENTATOR serves as an outstanding example of what is to be presented in a respectable college newspaper. The quality of writing, the content of the articles, and the creativity of the paper in general, were considered by many to have led to the production of one of the best COMMENTATOR's in years. The success this year may, on the other hand, only serve to make my job all the more difficult. I am obligated at least to maintain the same standards of excellence established this year. I will nevertheless be bold and venture to expand coverage of items of interest outside the school and to possibly diversify the type of material appearing in the newspaper.

The source of my inspiration, which I hope will carry me through the coming year, is undoubtedly the outgoing Editor-in-Chief. Ricky, you are a lesson in inner strength. Despite all the frustrations — the issues on which we were thousands of words short, the time we tried out the new printer, the night when some rash copy staff member tore up an editorial you had written you remained calm and could not understand others' nervousness. I learned a great deal from you, living next door and working with you often till ridiculous hours in the morning. It is with complete sincerity that I say that it was your outstanding leadership and individuality that created the appeal THE COMMENTATOR enjoyed this year. 16

The proven abilities of the Senior Board members, Mickey, Dave, Aaron, Shelly, Lenny, and Morris, and the talents of the newly chosen Junior Board will all be integral parts of every aspect of the paper. It is only with their help that I can even entertain the thought of surpassing the excellence which was manifest this year.

I am aware of the difficulty of the job ahead of me. I only hope that the faith placed in me is well deserved and that I will be successful in coordinating such a challenging venture as THE COMMENTATOR represents.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the entire senior class on their upcoming

In Preview

By HARRY SKYDELL

For the past two years, I have played an active role in the student government, serving first as sophomore class president and this past year as secretary-treasurer of YCSC. I have thus observed the workings of two administrations at first hand. Many good ideas and proposals were put forth; some were fulfilled, others were not. The student body has derived many benefits from the work of these administrations, but, admittedly, a number of mistakes have been made.

It is now my turn! I have gained much knowledge and experience from the administrations of both my predecessors, Artie and Rick. They have shown endless devotion and have given boundless energy to the demanding task of leading the student body, an example which I shall endeavor to emulate.

As I pointed out during the campaign, I believe that the primary responsibility of the Student Council is to improve the quality of life for the students at YC. Particular areas of weakness that I have noted are: the student lounges and study rooms, social and sporting activities for afterschool hours, and special events to make life more enjoyable for the typical YC student.

The first proposal which I hope to bring to fruition next year is the refurbishing and renovation of all student lounges in Morgenstern and Rubin dormitories. I believe that although this is not of all Councilmen and a strong spirit of unity, which, unfortunately, was often lacking in previous administrations. I will make it a primary goal of the new administration to bring about such unity of spirit and action in the Council. Above all, I hope to gain the cooperation of each and every member of the student body to help us achieve the fulfillment of these aims, which will benefit all of you.

I would like to congratulate



Incoming President Harry Skydell

the new Council members upon their election and the student body for selecting officers of such high caliber. Working with them promises to be a very rewarding

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an easy project, it is long overdue. It will give students a place to relax and study, utilizing valuable space that has gone unused for too long. Secondly, I hope to help Wrestling Coach Ellman with the purchase of a Universal gym for the use of all YC stuexperience for me, personally. I know that every Councilman will put forth his best efforts for the benefit of the students. I have already come to appreciate the devoted service of my two fellow. Executive Councilmen, Henry Orlinsky and Ira Herman, and I ani sure they will continue to serve "beyond the call of duty" throughout the coming year.

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Furthermore, I hope the governing body of the University, specifically Dr. Lamm, and more generally those who will play the leading roles in determining Yeshiva College's path in the near future, will recognize the significant cost in human graduation. I will certainly miss the guys whom I had the good fortune of befriending during the past three years and during high school. May you enjoy success in all your endeavors and serve as a source of pride to your alma mater. dents. This facility will provide relaxation and a healthful form of recreation for everyone who wishes to use it.

Other plans call for instituting a cardiac-pulmonary resucitation (CRP) course, a YU benefit concert, a YU sports league, which would include Einstein and Cardozo, and a job placement center at Yeshiva, which will aid students (other than pre-med or pre-law majors) in their future careers. In addition, I will make a major effort to revitalize all committees and clubs, especially the Jewish Affairs Committee, to find a new location for the bookstore and to install a late-night snack bar.

I am under no illusion that these plans will be easy to carry out, particularly since there are so many routine tasks which Council is traditionally expected to perform. It will require many extra hours of effort on the part

Finally, to the graduating seniors, I wish each and every one of you the very best luck. Rick, I owe you a debt of gratitude for all your instructive advice and guidance. I know, personally, how much you gave of yourself for the benefit of YC and I will try to show the same sense of dedication to this purpose. To Posey, keep on sticking 'em. To George, my roommate: a special citation for having put up with me and my crazy hours for the past two years. To all the fellas on the eighth floor: good luck in all of your future endeavors. And to those of you who will be returning next year, I hope you enjoy the summer vacation and return with renewed vigor and zeal. Student Council is counting upon you to help us make your life at YC better in every possible way.

The all new 1977-'78 COMMEN-TATOR Governing Board. Seated (l. to r.): Ernie Roll, Jeff Kantowitz, Ben Kurtzer, Stuart Chesner, Mark Taragin. Standing (l. to r.): Shelly Senders, Aaron Stiefel, Dave Kahn, Phil Klein, Morris Bienenfeld, Ira Tokayer, Mickey Jablinowitz. Not pictured, Lenny Pianko.





I intend to do the traditional in an unorthodox manner, bid adieu with a unique style. To prevent confusion, I am now clearly stating the two devices that I will employ in this article to stimulate interest in this usually drab, sentimental and reflective farewell address. First, I will limit names, mentioned in the article, to the initial letter of the last name. This should keep you guessing and test your knowledge of the people with whom the pres-



Outgoing President Rick Elfman

ident of YCSC deals. Second, I intend to express my feelings through one of my favorite pasttimes, jogging.

As I suit up to jog around the

WYUR, Mr. G., or a senator, Mr. F., as the sun creeps over the morning horizon. It is, however, always a pleasant surprise to find the carrot-topped guardian of my end of the hall, Mr. F., up before noon.

Once downstairs and outside, I begin my round of thanks by trotting over to the Main Building to express my gratitude to Dr. M. for his sound advice on student affairs this year. Before I'm let in by his red-haired sen,tinel, Mrs. O. graciously offers me a seat and gives my tired spirit the kind of appreciated boost she's been giving me all year.

I pick up my pace and barely slow down as I slide through the Furst Hall doors. I come, abruptly, to a complete stop as I step into the Office of Building and Grounds, where Mr. B. reigns. Mr. B. can be proud of the service his maintenance men offer the students, but can only offer apologies for the clean up crew which this year was run by an outside corporation, Red Top.

A mere thirty paces down the hall and around the corner I stop in the JSS office to pick up the **YCSC** mail and talk to the Voice of Yeshiva, Mrs. S. She has dutifully sorted my mail and always had the students' best interests at heart.

Another ten short bounds and one hop away is Dean B.'s waiting room. His secretary, Mrs. E., a former landsman of my native

By RICKY	EIS
I have long looked forward to this column as	t
opportunity to express my personal feelings	
out Yeshiva. Yet, I now find it difficult to say	

an oppor about Ye farewell, and even harder to find appropriate words to express my appreciation. Indeed, in no single column can I begin to repay the debt I owe Yeshiva.

Perhaps my background makes me more appreciative than other students of the Torah-Umadah philosophy of our University. I attended a high school whose administrators, faculty members, and students frowned on such dangerous things as The New York Times, the symphonies of Johannes Brahms, the plays of Shakespeare, and Yeshiva University. I sensed at the time that religion demanded, more than narrowminded ignorance — I realized that a person can be complete only if he has experienced secular knowledge and beauty, aside from his traditional learnings. When I came here, I discovered that my vague ideas had already been institutionalized at YU, and I suddenly understood why the schools of the "yeshiva world" so oppose Yeshiva University.

YU is a bold and unique concept which is best understood and appreciated by those who have knowledge of the "alternatives" and what they represent. It is unfortunate, however, that so many students cannot take full advantage of what YU has to offer - that they will never fully appreciate either the YU philosophy or experience. It is regrettable that these students waste their years here while they could be accomplishing much more elsewhere; that these students leave without being satisfied with what their University gave them.

The appreciation departing students feel for their school is, I believe, closely related to the people with whom they associated here. As a columnist wrote in a previous issue, one's friends, to, a great degree, determine one's outlook. and viewpoint. Yet, an equally large role is played by the faculty members with whom the students have contact. I am fortunate that I was instructed. and influenced by some of the finest possible people. The individual who had the greatest impact on me was my rebbe, Rav Gorelick, Shelita. He taught

me about my religion and my abilities, but; more importantly, he taught me about myself. I had no teacher who knew me as well as he, and I am



Retiring sabreman and editor Ricky Eisenberg.

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teacher — her classes were among the few I enjoyed attending.

There are a number of other people whom I must also mention. Mr. Knudsen was one of the most exciting and personable teachers I had -I'm only sorry that I could take no more German courses with him. Dr. Herskovics, of course, remains THE outstanding Bible (and, of course, Jewish History) teacher. Dean Bacon deserves gratitude as a staunch supporter of Yeshiva College and its student body. His loss will create a large gap at YC.

Yeshiva has been good to me, and I owe it a great deal. I have changed a great deal while I attended YU, and this institution has become an integral part of me, and my way of life. I shall not soon forget it, or the people who helped make my stay so pleasant and rewarding here.

Whether despite, or because of the controversy surrounding THE COMMENTATOR while I was editor, I believe that the paper this year was one of the finest of recent times. We reaffirmed

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ഞ്ചാന് പ our belief in the need for a newspaper in which all opinions could be freely expressed and tolerated. We welcomed the new YU President, and reported on the faculty vote to unionize. We decried the poor security protection on our campus, and the "special status" given the Bernard Revel Graduate School. We interviewed Dean Bacon when he announced his intention to resign, and examined the recent decline in Jewish activism. We shed some light on problems facing many Jewish communities throughout the world, and looked into the interesting "second lives" that some of our overburdened students manage to lead. All in all, it was a fine year.

Credit for the quality of the paper must go to those who were most active in helping produce it - to the members of the governing board. The juniors have always been called the "backbone" of the paper, and this year, once again, they earned their title. Lenny did a fine job in preparing the sports articles which have, in the past, too often been gibberish. Lenny's planned early graduation will be a loss to the board, but Dale's great gain. I have special respect for Shelly who was simply outstanding. The success of this year's paper was largely due to the interesting and readable features that Shelly managed to conjure up each week, and he was certainly the best feature editor of the last decade, at least. Aaron followed in the fine tra-

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campus, I glance around my Morg dorm room which has been my home away from home for the past year. Most thank their roommates last, but since I'm starting in my room I want to thank them first and foremost. Thanks Mr. A and Mr. S. Like the three other rooms I've had in my four year stint here, the physical conditions could have been better or se. These sleening quarters. however, are better than any other school's because they house the synthetic Yeshiva University student. Students are molded into people during their college years, and YU is no exception, but it has a special synthetic blend. Yes, warm, friendly people who tackle a double program of Jewish and secular learning, abound and flourish in these chambers. With my blue sweatsuit on, I heave open my dorm door to be dazzled by my ill lit hallway. The nucleus of the student leadership resides on this second floor of Morg, endearingly labeled the graveyard shift because of the late hours kept by this dedicated staff of beleaguered leaders. It is not uncommon for me to run into any of the three other council presidents, Mr. W., Mr. G., or Mr. M., at four in the morning. Nor is it unusual for me to run into the Editor of COMMEN-TATOR, Mr. E., the manager of

Ma., makes the wait pleasant and hands out requisition forms to help bide the time. Dean B. is honest, straightforward, competent, and dedicated to maintaining high academic standards at YU. His position, however, demands that he draw a line to protect these standards and unfortunately the buck stops there.

Remaining on the first floor I ride down the hall and swing through admissions. Cantor G. and Rabbi G. assure me next year's freshman class will be bigger and better than ever. The registrar's Mr. A., Prof. S., Mrs. C. and Mrs. F. assure me I won't graduate. The financial office's leader, Mr. N., deserves special thanks for his role in instituting a check cashing service for the students. Mr. N.'s keen eye spots my new track suit and inquires how I can be on work-study if I can afford such luxuries? I race out of the building and off to hide in a vacant building, the Belfer complex. There, Col. M. accosts me. I plead guilty and jog in place as I ride the elevator to the basement. Here, at the YU production's window, unrevealed to the public eye, is yet another redhead, Mrs. J. (first name). This unheralded hard-worker, fills the supply orders for the entire school, including YCSC. (Continued on Page 8, Col. 1)

honored to have had the opportunity to be a member of his shiur.

My fencing coaches were two other people with a strong personal interest in my welfare. I still remember Coach Marcel, after giving me an especially painful sabre lesson, telling me that, as a younger man, he had interpreted lessons in which his instructor hit him very hard as a sign that the instructor cared for him. Neither he nor Coach Tauber ever left any doubt about their concern for me, and they are, indeed, two of the finest and kindest gentlemen I have ever met. I am proud that they both spent their time instructing me about fencing, and about living a fulfilling and rewarding life. I thank them both very much, and I strongly hope that they will long have the strength and health to give as much to future YC students as they gave to me.

As an eco major, I was fortunate to be instructed by two concerned and sensitive teachers. Dr. Levine has distinguished himself as a senior professor by his genuine interest and concorn for the students he teaches. His brilliant grasp of his material contrasted markedly to all too many teachers I had in college. Mrs. Schubert, the other eco teacher, was a warm and friendly

dition of his predecessor, by proving that the job of projects/research editor is vital to the paper. His work was uniformly excellent, but we expected no less from him.

When someone praised the paper by pointing out that this year's news was much better than last year's, I accepted the compliment for Dave. As last year's news editor, I fully agree with that statement, and can only add that Dave, with his great abilities, is one of the major assets of next year's board. I always felt close to Mickey, and it was a pleasure to sit with him while he worked to give the paper its professional look. As associate editor-in-chief next year, he will have the opportunity to continue making his valuable contributions to the paper.

Finally, I come to Phil who has been involved with the paper for more years than he will care to remember. It is never easy to be editor-in-chief for the position demands all of one's capabilities, and more. Yet, Phil has always demonstrated his competence, and I have the fullest confidence that he will achieve the excellence to which all editors aspire. Phil has undertaken the most difficult position of student leadership, but he will also find it to be the most rewarding one. I wish him luck. (Continued on Page 11, Col. 1)

Grand Master Of Karate At Yeshiva Hebraic Studies Expert As Well A

You've probably seen him walking around the campus with his train of faithful chasidim trailing close behind. No, he is not Rabbi Soloveitchik and he is not Colonel Marmorstein. His name is Chaim Sober, and he is Yeshiva's own grand master of Karate. More than a hundred students

are enrolled in his phys. ed. school. The insignia of the Tora course in Karate and he heads a Dojo, an open hand covering a



Karate Club at the University that is presently in its twelfth year. Over the years he has graduated ten black belts from the Karate Club here at YU.

To him, Karate is a philosophy which, together with the Torah philosophy, helps a person develop into a complete and wellrounded individual. It stresses the Jewish concepts of goodwill and respect for your fellow man as well as self-respect. Through Karate, one is able to preserve one's body, which helps to bring out the "internal part." Most of all, Karate at Yeshiva is Jewish because it is made that way and because it is taught by Jews.

The story of how he became interested in Karate is, by now, a famous one. At age 13 he suffered an "unfortunate experience" in the street in which he was beaten by a gang of neighborhood toughs in upper Manhattan. His father, subsequently, enrolled him at the famous T'ai Chee Ch'wan Kempo School on New York's lower east side where he studied under Grand Master Chen.

'His proficiency in the art of Karate is already legendary. In 1965, at the age of twenty, he was named the Chinese style champion of the East Coast. He studied sword fighting for three years and, though he did not go for any degree, achieved a great deal of proficiency in the art. His present ranking is first level grandmaster and he is third degree black belt (five degree system) roughly equivalent to about sixth or seventh degree belt, on the ten degree scale. He is now in fist, both of which are centered within a Torah, represents his philosophy that the weak must triumph over the mighty but only if they remain within the boundaries of the Torah.

Asked how the Tora Dojos first started, Mr. Sober stated, "With a lot of blood, sweat and tears." While he was just a second degree black belt a friend told him that some students had been attacked by strangers in the neighborhood. At this point, the practical program of training YU students in self-defense was implemented. Room 625 in Rubin (Continued on Page 8, Col. 4)

The Inside Line

New Senators Announced At Final YCSC Meeting

By JACK GLADSTEIN Speeches by outgoing and incoming Student Council members and the confirmation of Council appointments marked this year's final YCSC meeting.

The old council's last meeting culminated in short farewell addresses by departing members. Outgoing president Rick Elfman praised the former council members collectively and individually. Hc cited Council's achievements and failures throughout his term in offiice. He lauded the year's social improvements in the concert series, Shabbatons, blind date parties, wine and deli party, and the initiation of coed intramurals. Elfman acknowledged the efforts of his council and the improvement of the Student Directory, Freshman Guide. Daf Yomi, WYUR, and the check cashing service. Mr.

Elfman was disappointed at the inability of Council to effect positive change in the bookstore, the Student Union Building conditions, and the lack of security on campus. He was especially disappointed at the Polls Committee and the Student Court, both of which he felt were essentially vestigal.

Mr. Elfman proceeded to hand over the symbolic gavel of the presidency to Harry Skydell, who praised his predecessor's hard work, perseverence, and friendship.

In the new council's initial action, the Senators, new governing boards, and committee chairmen were unanimously approved. After a selection process involving the executive council and the acting Senators, four new Senators were nominated. The four, Seniors Joshua Lamm and Jay Solomont, and Juniors Jeffrey Kantowitz and Michael Weisz, were unanimously approved.

The new editor of COMMEN-TATOR, Phil Klein, Editor effrey Tepler of Masmid, Editor Jon Stein of Tempo, Ted Zablotsky, Station Manager of WYUR, and all their respective executive staffs were also unanimously approved.

Two orders of business were discussed, both of which concerned allocation of remaining funds. After the suggestion of President Skydell and a short debate over the merits of such plans, \$1,500 were allocated to refurbish lounges in the Rubin Hall basement and in the Morgenstern Dormitory. And \$1,500 were allocated for the purchase of a "universal gym" for use by the College's athletic teams and student body. Both proposals were approved by overwhelming majorities. The meeting adjourned with hope that the implementation of these two measures would be only the first step towards a successful coming year for YCSC.

Farewell, Not Good-Bye

Once again THE COMMEN-TATOR's year draws to a close. It is now my chance to say farewell by expounding on' Yeshiva and thanking all those who helped me during my Yeshiva career. I must admit that both are easy tasks; there is a lot to say concerning Yeshiva and thank-you's must go to so many.

Two factors made Yeshiva the perfect choice of college for me. Firstly, the James Striar School has been great. Criticism of the Hebrew divisions ceases when one talks about JSS. This is true not only because it is an educationally sound school, but because the faculty has shown a desire for closeness with the students. Each student has had the opportunity to develop personal relationships with the rebbeim, which will remain long after farewell columns have been forgotten. Secondly, where else could I have found such a group of friends? I realize that editors say this every year, but I sincerely believe that none have appreciated it as I do. Whether it is a Purim party in Yonkers, a bull-session at night, or even, I dare say, a wedding, they are always there, ready to help, advise, and listen. These are qualities that can't be

three years how student council leaders and newspaper editors all were able to thank the various administrators. This was so diametrically opposed to the way underclassmen felt about the same people. Being now a wizened senior, I understand the answer. While it is true that each one of the administrators is 100% for every student, lack of time prohibits closer contact in earlier years. This situation cannot remain. The students must have the cooperation and better relations earlier, without the administrators distinguishing the student leaders from the rest of the student body.

The final criterion, however, for judging a school is whether the student has been happy and has had a meaningful educational experience. Yeshiva, despite its problems, has passed my test, but only because of the many individuals which form the whole. I'm indebted to them, and this column lets me thank those people personally.

Rabbi Herskowitz, I'll forever thank you for guiding me to Yeshiva University High School (MTA). Without that step, the following wouldn't even be commentary. Thank you Rabbi Fin. kelstein for supplying encouragement and understanding; Rabbi Besdin, for letting me drink the wine from your vineyard (JSS). Rabbi Steven Stein, for helping me "learn" over the rough spots, and ...Rabbi ...Fulda, ...my ...Rebbe, there's nothing I can say except "Acharon acharon chaviv." My friends, thankfully too numerous to list, you have all been true treasures and hopefully, the. years will also cement the foundations started here at Yeshiva. To my own parents and future parents, thanks for the love, guidance, advice, understanding, etc., etc. Since I have future parents, there naturally must be a future wife. Leah, you're the hardest one to thank. In two and a half weeks, we'll start a life that will be even better than the wonderful years already past. You are everything I've already

By TERRY RIFKIN

stated for everyone above, but most of all, you are what makes everything in my life so worthwhile. I won't write down all my feeling for public inspection, but I'm sure you understand all my thoughts.

In closing, where does Yeshiva fit into my future? Will I be one of the many alumni who leave, never to return physically or monetarily? I fervently pray that this will not be the case, for Yeshiva needs much help just to maintain the status quo, let alone progress. Therefore, when I graduate on June 8th, I will leave saying farewell, not good-bye.

> Book Review

Resistance, by M.D.R. Foot: Mc-Graw Hill Co.; 346 Pages; \$15. Any book claiming that resistance organizations established by European partisans to resist the Nazi occupation forces during World War II actually played a significant role in ending the occupation, will require solid documentation to convince the justifiably skeptical. There is all too much reason to doubt the effectiveness of the resistance, whose

Jews are all too familiar with the Nazi racial theories which, of course, called for elimination of all genetically inferior peoples. Less, however, is known about the Nazi program to establish a genetically pure "Master Race" which was accomplished through selective breeding and grooming of those with the proper "Aryan" features. In their frightening work, the authors examine the various aspects of the Lebesborn program which among other horrors involved the abduction of suitable youngsters, and the establishment of "stud farms" of often unwilling victims. The book is easily readable, and offers a worthwhile insight into this relatively unknown aspect of the Nazi racial program.

his twentieth year since beginning the study of Karate.

When asked about the possibility of advancing further in the ranking, Mr. Sober explained that it would be impossible for him because there is no one in the U.S. who is qualified to give him the advancement. He noted that the members of the board that judge rankings in the U.S. are actually students of his teacher. He did point out, however, that while he could not advance in numbers he is always looking to improve and advance in his techniques.

His Karate schools, or Tora Dojos as they are called, train some 400 Jewish youths in the fine are of Karate and self-defence. The title of the schools comes from a double-entendre of the word Tora which is Japanese for tiger, and Dojo meaning

topped.

I'm sure the reader has noticed that while I've talked about the morning (JSS) and the evening (friends), the afternoon has been glaringly omitted. This is the time spent going to YC, where the most obvious problems are found. Usually, as one progresses from a freshman to a senior, registration eases because the upperclassmen get first priority. This is not true at Yeshiva, mainly because of the decimation of courses and departments. Even as a senior it is difficult to find satisfactory courses. Though many argue against requirements, we might just as well have them to prevent our being burdened with the prospect of not being able to find a reasonable elective. The situation is due, of course, to the University's lack of funds.

It always amazed me my first

stories, with only a few exceptions, seem to have been more romanticized than based on solid evidence. Mr. Foot approaches this topic with the premise that the resistance was fairly well organized and quite successful; consequently, he must bear the burden of proof.

Unfortunately, Mr. Foot does not meet up to the challenge he sets for himself, as he only bores the reader with a great deal of technical information concerning the minutest details about the structure of the resistance, but never satisfactorily demonstrates its total success. This work cannot be seen as conclusive, or as a particularly valuable contribution to the literature dealing with this still very unclear topic.

Of Pure Blood, by Marc Hillel and Clarissa Henry; McGraw Hill Book Co., \$10; illustrated. An Especially Tricky People; Cartoons by Gary Trudeau; Holt, Rinehart and Winston; \$1.95.

The Doonesbury characters return in this collection of comic strips which were printed in newspapers last year. Topics about which Trudeau offers his own satirical view include the adventures of Mr. Duke as the US envoy to China, the unsuccessful attempt of Ginny Slade to run for Congress, and the reunion of the 'Gators. All in all, a worthy addition to the Doonesbury collection.

Exxon Executive Explicitly Expounds Expectancy **Of Exaggerated Expenditures And Exploration**

By JACK STROH

On April 28, 1977, during club hour, Mr. W. A. West, Executive Assistant to the President of the Exxon Corporation spoke to Yeshiva College students on the topic, "An Energy Outlook for Canada and Canadian Policy." Mr. West began speaking amid the jeers of several student demonstrators who shouted "break up monopolies" and other anti-oil company slogans. The poster carrying demonstrators read a statement at the end of the lecture as an amused Mr. West left.

protesters, Mr. West lectured about Canada's growing energy needs and the country's exhaustion of limited fuel supplies. He came prepared with charts showing Canadian energy consumption and depletion of the world's fossil fuel supplies, and he discussed the steps being taken by gas and oil companies to head off the future formation of a gap between supply and consumption. The steps he mentioned include the development of coal use, and synthetic fuels, the use of hydroelectric, solar and nuclear ener-Despite incessant heckling from gies, and judicious consumer con-

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could be done to help his daught-

er. He said that all cultural and

scientific exchanges with the Sov-

iet Union should be protested;

pressure should be applied to

Congressmen who have to answer

to their constituancies; and mas-

sive protests and demonstrations

should be carried out. Tiemkin

recently participated in a JDL

servation. However, Mr. West pointed out that there are problems with regard to the above mentioned substitute fuels.

Strikes by coal miners and the high cost of coal are drawbacks to the use of coal. A plant which produces synthetic oil, costs \$2.5 billion to build and yields only 125,000 barrels a day. The other alternatives, nuclear, solar, and hydro-electric energies, will take too long to develop, since Canada will have to begin importing fuel as early as 1979 because of its dwindling natural resources.

In views consisent with oil company policy, Mr. West offered a plan for relieving impending Canadian and American shortages of fuel. "The energy crisis is caused by political crisis; the Congress against the President and the Provinces against the federal government," he said. Because of Federal controls on oil and natural gas prices, many investors shy away from investing in the fuel companies, thereby diminishing fuel exploration throughout North America. If, however, the federal government removed price controls, investors would invest more in fuel companies, thus financing more exploration of this continent's natural resources. These extra fuel supplies would give Canada the time it needs to make itself independent of the Arab sheiks of Saudi Arabia and Ku-

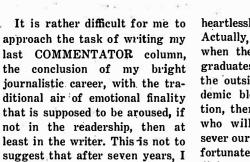
Dr. Alexander Tiemkin: Embittered Russian Jew By NORMAN KIMEL 2 for long periods of time, and

ism.

On Thursday, April 28, Dr. Alexander Tiemkin spoke to a group of students in Furst Hall about his experiences with the Soviet Union in his attempt to emigrate to Israel. Dr. Tiemkin is the father of Marina Tiemkin, one of the most well known victims of Soviet persecution. The timing of his talk was meant to coincide with Solidarity Sunday for Soviet Jewry which was observed on May 1. Dr. Tiemkin periodically visits the U.S. from his home in Israel to raise support for his daughter who is still imprisoned in the U.S.S.R.

Dr. Tiemkin began his talk by commenting on the recent escalation of anti-semitic activities by the Soviets, and compared this outbreak to the notorious "Chrys-" talnacht." Dr. Tiemkin is more worried about this anti-semitic campaign than the suppression of Aliyah because its ramifications are potentially much more dangerous. However, he did make reference to the widely publicized Helsinki accord, which he feels the Soviet Union voluntarily signed and nevertheless ignores.

According to Tiemkin, "To leave the Communist paradise is considered a crime . . . a betrayal of the motherland." He outlined the major weapons used by the Soviets to supress those who desire to emigrate: charges of parisitism, induction into the army



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Actually, the opposite is true, for when the legions of this year's graduates will be ushered into the outside world with the academic blessings of this institution, there will be a few of us who will refuse steadfastly to sever our Yeshiva connection. Unfortunately, out of the myriads of diploma seekers, the number of those influenced by their previous years in Yeshiva to wish to prolong rather than cut short their

experience is dismally small in-

deed. There is no doubt that not everyone would feel satisfied in the Semicha program, nor does everyone belong there. Yet there are many talented individuals among the friends and acquaintances that I have made through the years, whom I'm certain would not only gain a great deal from the extra years of learning at Yeshiva, but whose talents would also creatively fill a dangerous gap in the Jewish community. I find it difficult to believe that all of these students who refuse to consider this alternative are driven to the medical schools, etc., solely by their overwhelming desire to serve humanity for an exorbitant fee. Upon analysis, I feel that somewhere along the line, the lack of a positive motivation is helping to turn these people off and out. And unfortunately, a great deal of fault lies within the Yeshiva itself.

great detail. I am unable, however, to totally restrain myself from recalling at least the concluding paragraph of a previous column of mine in which I dwelt upon the tremendous effect it had on the students when they real-(Continued on Page 9, Col. 3)

Two Hundred Thousand March In Support Of Soviet Jewry

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By GARY MILLER

The Solidarity Sunday Rally for Soviet Jewry took place Sunday, May 1, with a crowd in excess of 200,000 participating. Jews and non-Jews from through-

nature of New York City began to change about twenty-five years ago when the city became less important as a distribution center for shippers of goods to Europe. He blamed high energy, transportation, and labor costs as well as the advent of the airplane for the decline in New York's commercial priority.

Borough President Sutton

Gives Campaign Address

By NOAH WITTY

Borough President and Demo-

cratic candidate for mayor of

New York City, addressed Ye-

shiva College students this past

Thursday. After a thirty minute

meeting with University Presi-

dent Dr. Norman Lamm, Mr.

Sutton spoke to over 150 students

in Rubin Hall. A question and

answer period followed his talk.

noted the failure of New York

City to "discipline itself eco-

nomically" as the reason for the

city's current fiscal crisis. Mr.

Sutton continued to say that the

In his address, Mr. Sutton

Percy E. Sutton, Manhattan

The maintenance of special services such as municipal hospitals to serve the poor (Sutton indicated that 19 hospitals were too much), free tuition to city universities, specialized high schools, and a multitude of courts and probational systems were mistakes in light of the decrease in tax money collected by the city.

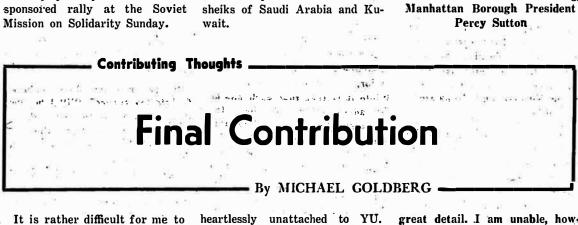
"No mayor can, in the next four years, return New York City to its former glory of twentyfive years ago," said the mayoral hopeful. New York's high crime rate and a taxation rate 50% higher than the national average have been the major causes behind the exodus from the City. Sutton said that crime rates could be lowered by additional police on the streets. This could be accomplished with the help of a well coordinated auxiliary police system and civilian volunteers.

"To improve the quality of life by redirection of services," Sutton suggested that the manufacturers of medical supplies be taxed. He was appalled by the fact that New York City has "no single budgettype hotel" and felt that prohibitive costs of existing accommodations were depriving New York of huge sums of money from "middle income and low income tourism."

Sutton stressed the role of the mayor as a "good manager" as well as a "national mediator": capable of working in concert with the nation's other major cities to solve common problems together.

Before the federal government' will aid the city, Sutton said that it has to believe that "we've done all that we could with all that we have."

tery Park. At Battery Park, they listened to a mixture of speeches by outstanding public figures and to musical entertainment. One of the few noticeable breaks in the crowd's attentiveness occurred when Senator Pat Moynihan sifted through the crowd. The first politician to address the crowd was Governor Hugh Carey of N.Y. Carey emphasized the Soviet Union's continuous denial of basic human rights to her country. The governor reminded the audience of how his ancestors, along with many millions of immigrants, had come to America in search of freedom, and that we, the descendents, are obligated to protest the cause of freedom throughout the world. Margaret Costanza, assistant to President Carter, also spoke to the demonstrators. It marked the first time that a president had ever sent a high ranking emissary to represent him in such a demonstration. Mrs. Costanza stated that although the Carter administration was committed to detente with the Soviet Union, every effort will be made to in-(Continued on Page 9, Col. 1)



cil class elections were held on Thursday, May 5. Marvin Schuss, David Cherna, and Marc Schneier were elected as presidents of the senior, junior, and sophomore classes, respectively. The positions of vice-president and secretary-treasurer of the class councils were also decided.

Schuss, last year's junior class secretary-treasurer, and a YP student majoring in pre-med was a decisive winner. Also elected by wide margins were EMC students Philip Rosen and Saul Finkelstein. Rosen, a political science major, will serve as the new senior class vice-president, while Finkelstein, an economics major, is the new secretarytreasurer.

Cherna returns to YCSC as the junior class president. An economics major attending JSS,

vice-president this past year. Saul Lieberman, an economics major enrolled in YP, is the Class' new vice-president, while Moish Lovinger, a psychology major in the Yeshiva Program, will serve on council as the junior class secretary-treasurer. All junior class representatives to the 1977-78 student council were decisive victors.

could possibly remain coldly and

New Class Officers

For Student Council

Yeshiva College Student Coun- David was the sophomore class

Incumbent freshman president Marc Schneier, a pre-law major in YP, was reelected to serve as the sophomore class president. Marty Lewitter (typing editor of COMMENTATOR), an information science major in EMC, defeated Warren Lent on the second ballot of the preferential voting system for the position of sophomore class vice-president. Robert Marcus won by a commanding margin in the balloting for sophomore class secretarytreasurer. He is an economics major currently enrolled in JSS.

It would certainly ruin the traditionally positivist, chin-up trend of an editorial valediction to discuss these problems in any

out the metropolitan area converged on Battery Park in the shadow of the Statue of Liberty, in what has become in recent years an institution in American Jewish life. People of all ages and backgrounds, united in their expressions of solidarity for Soviet Jewry, listened to numerous politicians declare their support for Jews behind the Iron Curtain. The change in the site of demonstration from the traditional Dag Hammarskjold Park was intended to show the world that the United Nations has been abandoned as an institution at which international justice can be sought.

The unusually good weather and picnic-like atmosphere seemed to be an important factor in the strong turnout for this year's march and rally. The demonstrators, bearing many different kinds of flags, buttons and posters, marched from City Hall to Bat-

Schwarzbach Defends Voltaire's Stand Tora Dojo Netwo

By MEYER LAST "Voltaire's biblical works are replete with errors and ultimately insignificant." With that introduction, Dr. Bertram Schwarzbach of Columbia University, speaking during club hour on April 28, lectured in defense of those works which many critics have called "polemic buffoonery." Dr. Schwarzbach, whose specialty is Voltaire and the history of Bible criticism, explained that, "Because Voltaire has been attacked so often, it requires more ingenuity to defend him, than it does to impugn him."

The lecture, sponsored by the French Club, was directed at answering two questions: why are Voltaire's errors ultimately not significant, and why do his biblical works interest us today? The latter was answered immediately. Voltaire's biblical works don't interest us, except in the case of "occasional scholars desperate for dissertation subjects who drop it immediately after," or "professional detectives of anti-semitism who quote Voltaire with little comprehension of what they are quoting."

The first question did not have such a straightforward answer. Dr. Schwarzbach began by expounding Voltaire's view of the Bible and what he did with it. Voltaire saw the Bible in a new light. He purged it of its Christian allegorical meaning, and also of its Jewish midrashic and homiletic interpretation, and viewed it solely in its literal perspective.

In this light, Voltaire synthesized all the previous lower criticism more coherently and completely than any other anti-Biblical polemicist. He then expanded the critical corpus with his own revisionist ideas.

Sex and violence in the Bible were particularly offensive to Voltaire. From his literal perspective, the Bible could indeed be found replete with cruelty and immovality. Although Voltaire himself did not have the highest moral scruples, he felt such abject issues did not belong in the sacred scriptures. He was mortified that such actions should be presented as either the direct commandment of God, or the action of a holy chosen people. He described how the Inquisition, the institution he hated most, drew on these verses and episodes to justify its tyranny over Europe.

It is at this point, according to Dr. Shwarzbach, that Voltaire's criticism becomes significant. If Voltaire's criticism bothers us, as indeed it must, since from his perspective, acts of sex and violence in the Bible are outrageous, it can only be because the moral offenses he describes shock us, too. This reaction proves that

essentially we agree with Voltaire, and support the legitimacy of his charges, and that if the Bible were convicted of these offenses, we, too, would reluctantly abandon it. Therefore, "We emphatically protest and plead not guilty, ready to cite all the Rabbis and early Midrashim. Yet if there is so much need for answer, surely there was much to criticize. This consciousness that we feel now was first felt long ago by the earliest scholars and critics, and was never completely repressed." It is this insight into our thoughts and beliefs that makes Voltaire's work significant in contemporary society.

Tora Dojo Network Trains For Defense

(Continued from Page 6, Col. 3) Hall served as a makeshift workout area. This group eventually developed into a Karate Club and continued to grow in popularity until, finally, Karate became a course in the Phys. Ed. department of YU.

When asked if there is any truth to the rumor that he had taught Israeli soldiers in Israel, Mr. Sober answered, "Yes, but not in Israel," and would not elaborate.

He recently atended the Mac-

cabiah tryouts with several members of the YU Karate Club. One member of the club, Noah Nunberg, won first place in the light-heavyweight division. Mr. Nunberg is a graduate of MTA in the class of '68, graduated J.S.S. and Y.C. in 1972 and the Ferkauf Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences in 1974. Three other members of the club placed very high in the competition.

Jot Jews Of South Africa Retain Religious Traditions he Ho Yet Conform To Non-Jews In Social Behavior of (Continued from Page 8, Col. 5) How does the Jew fit into all file. But perhaps most unique

(continued from Fage 5, Col. 5) Furthermore, the blacks do all of the hard industrial labor, especially in the lucrative South African diamond mines. Medicine, law and top managerial positions in business are closed to the black; indeed, assistant manager is the highest position a black can hold in any enterprise.

Black Presence

The clearest evidence of white supremacy is the presence of the black servant. In South Africa, even the middle class white has servants. Servants receive between thirty to fifty rand a month (about sixty to seventy dollars) plus food, board and hand-me-down clothing from the "baas" and "missus."

White South Africans, on the other hand, are a privileged group. Women spend the day shopping at their leisure, playing tennis or simply socializing. It is a world taken out of the Great Gatsby, a world that remains unshaken by the ugly riots close by. For many feel that the racial problems of today are but a passing phenomenon and they are willing to weather the storm. And so the party continues.

volleyball, softball, and bowling,

this you may ask. For an answer to this question I turned to Rabbi and Mrs. David Sanders, recent emigrants from South Africa. who were asked for some of their candid views on the subject. First the area of religious toleration was explored. The South African government is ruled by the Afrikaner party, a group of individuals who trace their ancestry back to the Netherlands. Very Calvinistic in doctrine, the Afrikaner, like the Jew, sees himself, religiously speaking, as part of a chosen group of people. In light of this, the exploitation of the black becomes perfectly clear. But the effect of this religion infused environment on the Jew is profound, making it easy for him to retain his own traditional approach. Thus, the predominant force in South African Jewish life is the Orthodox movement. Synagogues are lavishly ornate; each has a cantor and a choir. And they are well attended, especially on Friday nights. Indeed as many as 500 people may attend a Friday evening service with many driving of course.

The Jewish community can best be described by briefly evaluating its internal structure and organizations. The Jewish Board of Deputies is similar to the American type federation differing only in the fact that in South Africa, the chief rabbi is the official head. It is recognized by Jews and non-Jews alike as the official organ of the Jewish community and is charged with safeguarding the equal rights and status of Jews as citizens. Then there is the Jewish Board of Education, responsible for the Jewish day school organization. Presently there are different day and afternoon schools with vari ous graduations of religiousness and Hebrew emphasis, catering to close to 10,000 students. In all schools, Africaans, the official language, is required, and a mandatory dress code is enforced. The South African Jewish community is very Israel-oriented, with many people making Aliya annually. Presently, 8,500 live in Israel, the equivalent of an Aliya of 400,000 American Jews. Coordination of all Aliva activities is carried out by the Zionist Federation, one of the strongest Jewish groups in the country. Finally, and perhaps most interesting of all organizations is the Federation of Synagogues, composed of delegates from every shule which cares for all the religious needs of the different communities. A bet din is maintained. daily and all marriages and divorces are recorded in a central

file. But perhaps most unique among its activities is the development of a chevra kadisha which not only supervises religious burial, but acts as a general benevolent society, dispersing millions of dollars in charity. The chevra kadisha takes care of the elderly who obviously receive no Social Security and aids the poorer elements of the society. As one can clearly see therefore, the structure of the South African Jewish community is extremely well developed.

The average Jew in South Africa mimicks his non-Jewish counterpart with regard to relations with blacks, occupation and social behavior. In fact, the Jew as a white, is, today, in much the same position as the Afrikaner himself. Take the relationship between maid and missus for example. Mrs. Sanders said that in most cases the maid feels like a part of the family, yet she readily concedes many inequalities in the system. And although many Jews are politically liberal, favoring the easing of restrictions. on black freedoms, the day has not yet come where they are willing to part with such "necessities" as the live-in maid.

As one who has emigrated from South Africa to the United States, and has experienced both ways of life, Mrs. Sanders was quick to point out the difference between the two systems. "South African children have a certain sweetness, almost a simple naivete. There is a lot more expected of American children and as a result, many are fiercely independent." She also sees American children as being inhibited in their actions and speech; they are not as open or frank in their discussions. But it is all a result of the difference between the relaxed South African society and highly competitive American world. Another direct corollary of the difference in system structure is the greater intimacy and closer relationship developed amongst South Africans. Perhaps it is because there is so much free time that such highly developed friendships can be nurtured.

This year Mr. Sober has been named to the Selection Committee for Sports of Israel which includes the Maccabiah Games. The highest ranking which Mr. Sober ever awarded is a second degree black belt. He pointed out that after a member of the club is awarded the black belt he is sent to a well known oriental master for additional training and that, so far, none of the black belts have been sent back for regrading.

Master Sober stressed that the purpose of the Karate Club was "Not to make militant Jews, but rather to create Jews who are willing to defend themselves when necessary. The Jews of Europe, did not desire to defend themselves, and when they did so desire, it was too late."

Mr. Sober is also a teacher of J.S.S. freshmen and sophomores and E.M.C. mechina. Next year he will be teaching an elective for E.M.C. juniors and seniors called the Geography of the Bible which will cover geography and archaeology in Israel.

Mr. Sober is a man of many faces. He has taken an apparently violent activity and complemented it with the rather anti-violent tenets of Judaisma. The diversified aspects of his personality and ideals have contributed greatly toward establishing a new dimension in the philosophy of the traditional Jew facing the problems of a modern world.

Discotheque Rabbi

(Continued from Page 3, Col. 3) once many people arrived in Israel, their dreams of returning to Eretz Yisroel clash with the" reality of the economic and social problems that face them when they arrive. This is especially true for Russian olim, who often face unusually severe hardships upon arrival in Israel: Resorting to drugs, crime, and immortality is often the response of Jews who find them-. selves unable to cope with mounting problems of Israeli life. Rabbi Grossman perceived the spiritual emptiness prevelant in many Israeli teenagers. He began to go to the streets to talk to these youths with honest respect and they responded to him. The Rabbi attempts to give these boys self-respect, dignity, and meaning in life. The charisma which emanates from this scholar has contributed greatly to the success of his programs. The Kiddush Hashem which this man has been responsible for is beyond limit. His program director described Rabbi Grossman quite aptly as "a lover of God, a lover of Torah, and a lover of man."

In Review

(Continued from Page 5, Col. 2)

Stepping gingerly I bend low as I sneak through a secret passage leading from Belfer into the cafeteria. Here I thank Mr. P. for the food which has literally transformed mc.

Fortunately I'm in shape, because my next stop has me coursing through the streets of NYC till I reach Stern College, the home of the SCWSC President, Miss Z. We worked closely together to create the best range of co-ed activities YU has ever had. Miss S., Miss R. and Miss T. were the three other females that kept me sane when the going got rough. The run back was farther than I thought; luckily my whole Student Council found me and carried me back to YC. On the whole, I'm proud of this year's Student Council members. It might help to jog your memory if I mention some of the successful new programs that were developed this year.

but few members of the basketball team will forget our support at the exciting home game against Conn. College. The Studio Concert series and the Talent Show made their debut this year. The winetasting and deli party had everyone happy, but no one tipsy. The Evelyn Wood speed reading course has everyone skimming through this column. We saw the revival of the used book exchange and the re-establishment of the Philip Lieberman award. A change machine was added to the game room, and a copier was placed in the dorm. All that was in addition to the normal functions and productions of YCSC. For every new program that succeeded, there was one that failed and three others that did not come to fruition, but that is what makes a good council-the ability to keep trying and learning from their mistakes. Harry Skydell, the President elect of YCSC, is fortunate to have been a part of my track team. I have every confidence that he can guide Council over the finish line, but no one ever said victory comes easy. Take it from the marathon man, start jogging now. Good luck in the year ahead.

We raised laughter and money from a turkey raffle, but all were serious when half the money went to enable the handicapped to attend seminar. YCSC was criticized and praised for their engaging in co-ed sports, namely So now we know about the dreamworld termed South Africa. But where to now? The rapid spread of black nationalism and imminent dissolution of Rhodesia do not bode well for the future of South Africa. And yet many whites have not even considered leaving. The Jews. Well, the strong Jewish community is not disintegrating, but with one eye looking back at the lessons of history, the other looks for a new home.

Queens Orthodox Community Is Thriving

(Continued from Page 3, Col. 5) was the next step. With the existence of the minyan being spread by word of mouth, on March 12, the Orthodox Congregation of Bay Terrace conducted its first service. The first week 13 men attended. They borrowed a Sefer Torah and prayer books and, fired with enthusiasm and idealism, embarked upon the journey towards becoming a successful orthodox synagogue. Since then they have grown, but the special ingredients which many organizations lose when they become successful are still present in this extraordinary group. They are united towards one goal and are prepared for self-sacrifice. One week, they were locked out of their quarters due to circumstances beyond their control. The home of a Lubavitch Baal Teshuvah who regularly prayed with the minyan was used for Shabbos tefilah.

Yet the activities of this group are not limited to formal prayer. Various programs are being organized which shall reach out into this largely assimilated community and attempt to revive the sense of identification with traditional Judaism which either never existed or had been long lost. A model seder was organized and led by Mr. Meyer for the community's youth. Discussion groups on Torah related topics are held weekly. Plans for community seminars and lectures are being prepared. These efforts have resulted in a slowly but



(Continued from Page 7, Col. 5) sure that human rights "will occupy a place of prominence and importance." She emphasized that international peace and justice go hand in hand and thus cannot be separated.

Two other high ranking politicians, Senators Baker and Javits, also addressed the crowd. They both stated that strong measures should be taken to insure that the U.S.S.R. lives up to that section of the Helsinki Accord dealing with human rights. Senator Baker accused the U.S.S.R. of harrassing would-be emigrants and also of repressing religious activities.

The most widely applauded speaker was former United States ambassador to the UN, US Senator Patrick Moynihan. Sen. Moynihan praised President Carter's "unflinching, courageous and unprecedented support of human rights everywhere." He demanded that a tough stand be taken at the upcoming talks at Belgrade by exclaiming, "On to Belgrade, no flinching, no trimming." One of the last speakers was former "refusenik" (a person originally denied permission to emigrate from the USSR) Dr. Shapiro. He told the crowd that although he is free, "many are still prevented from leaving Russia." During the demonstration the crowd also heard from Alfred Lowenstein, US representative to the UN Human Rights Commission: Brooklyn District Attorney Eugene Gold; and Bayard Rustin, chairman of the Black Americans, a group which supports Israel.

steadily increasing base of support for the minyan in the community.

Despite its early successes the minyan has not been immune to certain problems. Rabbi Hyman Levine, spiritual leader of the Bay Terrace Jewish Center had made an earlier agreement with the orthodox congregation's landlords that the building would be closed on the High Holidays. A delegation from the orthodox minyan went to Rabbi Levine and an agreement was reached whereby the orthodox congregation would screen any potential ticket buyers. A committee from the orthodox congregation would question these people as to their motives for wanting to play in a "simple plain ordinary service with no frills," as opposed to the fancy service with mixed seating. Should their motives be of a religious nature, they would be sold tickets. However, should they be merely attempting to avoid the higher priced tickets of the conservative congregation, then they would be turned away. Rabbi Levine explained the reason for this screening being that people should look at attending orthodox services for the religious reasons rather than for the financial benefits. Under this agreement the orthodox congregation hopes to hold services on Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

Rabbi Levine stated that he was very much in favor of the orthodox minyan. "It affords an opportunity for those who are orthodox and want a minyan with separate seating to have that opportunity." He displayed no antagonism towards the minyan. In fact, though he admitted it had drawn from some of his regular worshippers, he felt that it was advantageous to the neighborhood. Whereas in the past he could not suggest to orthodox Jews that they settle in the community, this new congregation affords the traditional Jew a place to pray and experience forming a dynamic Jewish neighborhood. Rabbi Levine expressed that the two synagogues could work together for the overall good of the Jewish community and Eretz Yisrael. He declared that he was ready to assist the minyan in any way.

As to the future growth and development of this synagogue, this reporter sees great hope. As Mr. Meyer stated, "This is a nice, quiet, relatively Jewish neighborhood, and the opportunity is present for young couples or professionals who want to move here, to help in the growth citing challenge."

With the ever present physical attraction of an affluent neighborhood overlooking the Bay, and now with the seed of orthodoxy implanted here, there is no reason why the Orthodox Congregation of Bay Terrace cannot flourish.

Final Contribution

(Continued from Page 7, Col. 4) ized that a lawyer in the administration can make literally five times as much as an underpaid rebbe in the Yeshiva. As John Kenneth Galbraith points out in his INDUSTRIAL STATE, people tend to view the value of an individual in society more by his salary than by his absolute worth. Thus, it is a sad and effective statement that certainly has its impact on our graduates when rebbeim are forced to openly complain about the injustice of their paychecks. On another plane, the problems extant in the Semicha program itself that have only recently been given fuller attention, have also taken their toll.

If I have restrained myself (obviously not too effectively) from highlighting the problems that exist in the present, and if I am in no position yet to take my parting farewell glance at YU, then the period of time peculiar to my perusal must be that of beginnings.

Although the passage of the years has fogged the memories of my own entry into YUHS, as a high school dorm counselor I see a great deal of myself in my freshman friends. A dorm counselor here is one part motherfather, another teacher-rebbe and a third part friend (and yet with all the roles, still overworked and underpaid). I anxiously watched 'my boys' go through a tremendous year of growth and change and I eagerly experienced the process with them. Yet, their development is certainly not completed for them just as ours is not finished for us. Maturation at a yeshiva is something unique. It not only implies an adjustment and acclimation to the societal elements that surround us, but it encompasses an intellectual and emotional nexus with the God of Israel as well. Among my freshmen, I have observed a definite and sincere attempt to steadfastly lãy down the foundations that will transform them into 'bnei-Torah', allowing them to wholeheartedly shape their lives around the existence of God. Despite all the pressures that every boy meets,

With the end of another academic school year almost upon us, Yeshiva students can be seen turning their eyes from the depths of their studies to the fathoms upon fathoms of help wanted ads in the classified sections of the various newspapers. Knowing that students may not

Jobs Available

follow that will pass the ultimate judgment on Yeshiva University.

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It would be difficult to thank all of my present roommates this year individually in this column as I have eighteen of them and a limited amount of space. I only hope that they have gained as much from the experience as I have. My acid test will come within the boundaries of their future thoughts and actions.

To the other people in the dorm, if I hadn't been 'scooped' by Joey Epstein, I could have easily devoted an entire column to our Mrs. Weitzendorf, Hamevaser's Woman of the Year. Rabbi Handel, although he doesn't bake cookies, is one of the finest people that I have been privileged to work for. The same, of course, goes for Dovid Serkin, the headcounselor who has dramatically shaped this place into an effective yeshiva dormitory. Of course neither of these two gentlemen could properly function at all if not for the magnificent work of the other counselors: Ricky Ehrlich. Shmuel Gordon and my own neighbor Kenny Blackstein who has stayed up past the unmentionable hours of the morning reading my columns and sharing my tribulations.

My admiration goes to Ricky for putting together a professional quality newspaper and my thanks go to the governing board for overlooking the fact that my meeting time was spent in the dormitory. And last, but certainly not least, my special thanks go to the Dramatics Society for not burning down my room. As a famous man once said, "Well fellows, you won't have me to kick around any longer."

Gesher is now accepting scholarly articles on Jewish related topics, from YU students, for its 1977-78 edition. The deadline for submitting articles is August 1, 1977.

For information see Shelly Senders in Morg. 525, or Aaron Stiefel or Jordon Cherrick in Morg. 506. have had the opportunity to seek summer employment, THE COM-MENTATOR is providing its own classified ad section to aid students in their pursuit of summer jobs. If you don't intend to spend the summer panhandling or sitting on a park bench, but have not yet found a summer job, you may want to follow up on the following employment opportunities that are still available.

An informal poll conducted last week indicates that approximately 45% of Yeshiva students intend to spend the summer engaged in camp activities, 25% in sales endeavors, 15% studying in universities, yeshivot and kollel, and the remaining 15% just plain old vacationing. THE COMMEN-TATOR "help wanted" section has openings in all of these areas.

High Camp A wide range of camp jobs are still available and can provide substantial financial reward while simultaneously offering enjoyable recreational and social activities.

Massad Hebrew Camps, with coed camp branches throughout Pennsylvania, has positions available for counselors and kitchen staff. Applicants must be fluent in Hebrew and must be at least 18 years of age. Counselors' salaries range from \$200 to \$400, for the summer. For information call 212-265-7240.

Yeshiva Day Camp, a coed camp in Jersey City, a mere 30 minute drive from Manhattan, has openings for counselors, lifeguards, arts and crafts instructors and other specialists. Good salaries are being offered through workstudy, but other means are also available. Pick up service also available. If interested contact camp director Jeff Bernstein M538 or call 212-928-3849.

Surprise Lake Camp under the auspices of the Jewish Federation, is an orthodox cultural camp situated in Putnam County, one hour outside Manhattan. Positions are available for general staff, waterfront, arts and crafts and unit heads. Salaries are commensurate with experience. Call 212-673-7430 for more information.

Camp Hatikvah, a coed camp in Livingston Manor, NY, is seeking specialists and cabin leaders. Good salary scales and work study available. Call 212-724-5629 (days) or 212-877-6698 (eves.) for more details.

Torah V'ruach

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this will be their toughest and most important challenge.

The real test for Yeshiva University however, does not rest with them but rather with us. The criteria for YU's success and the justification of its existence cannot be placed within the confines of a mathematical equation. They exist instead within the personal boundaries of each and every graduating senior. If in the world of burdening internal drives and external pressures, the Yeshiva has made such an impression that we can especially excel in society because we have retained an intimate connection with G-d and His Torah, then the lessons of synthesis have been well taught. If, however, the process of learning will become just another memory among others then the memories were not the right ones to begin with. Thus, it is our lives and thoughts in the years that

New Governing Board

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 3) enfeld will serve on the governing board for the first time in the capacity of Senior Editor. Jeffrey Kantowitz has been named to the position of News Editor on COMMENTATOR. A student in EMC, Jeffrey was an Associate News Editor this past year.

Stuart Chesner will assume the position of Feature Editor, having worked as an Associate Feature Editor this past year. Stuie is an SOY representative and spent last year in Israel. Mark Taragin is the new Sports Editor. A pre-med major and a student in YP, Mark is a member of the fencing team and the pre-med honor society.

The new Copy Editor is Ben Kurtzer, a psychology major and a student in EMC. Ben served on the Copy staff this past year. Ernie Roll, a political science major from Montreal, Canada, is this year's Projects Editor. A Dean's List student and a member of the Student Court, Ernie was an Associate Feature Editor last year.

The position of Makeup Editor will be held by Ira Tokayer who is attending YC and YP. Ira studied in Israel for a year and a half, and is currently a member of the fencing squad.

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Commie After Dark Ho No one will doubt that the Intra

average war movie glorifies and fictionalizes what is really a tragic and terrible spectacle. Yet, it stands to reason that war is so depicted because people would rather not be subjected to the horrors they can well imagine, even if they have not experienced them firsthand. So one should well wonder about Sam Peckinpah's latest film, Cross of Iron, which is nothing more than two hours of blood. carnage, and destruction, for the express purpose of showing the futility and tragedy of war. Why should anyone wish to see this film, which can certainly not be billed as "entertainment" for normal human beings? Who, indeed, besides demented fans of inhuman destruction and desolation would see this film of inhuman destruction and desolation? Mr. Peckinpah may call this an anti-wai film, but, unfortunately, only those who are insensitive enough to stomach war will be able to stomach this horror.

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Hockey Intramurals

(Continued from Page 12, Col. 2) in goal for the sophs was apparent as the seniors poured it on in the third period running away with the game 9-4. The second game saw the sophs go with Alan Berkun in goal. Howie Estrin scored a shorthanded goal late in the first period to give the seniors the lead. Joel Mael scored twice in the second period to give the sophs a 2-1 lead. In the third period the seniors came to life on goals by Henri Setton and Nati Katz. Judah Koolyk made it 4-2 seniors, late in the third. But Joel Mael retaliated with his third goal closing the gap to 4-3. With only 36 seconds left the sophs were awarded a penalty shot on a controversial call. Alvin Pasternak held his ground and stopped Joel Mael on the penalty shot. The seniors went on to win the second game 4-3.

The third and final game showed the depth of the senior team. Despite sluggish play, the seniors managed to walk away after the first period with a 3-3 tie. The game settled down in the second period with both teams scoring to make it a 4-4 game. In the third period Nati Katz and Jerry Joseph exploded for 4 goals between them. A brilliant 5 goal effort by Ernie Roll was layed to waste as the seniors won the game 9-5 and the series in 3 straight.

The major factor in the soph's loss was their weakness in the net. The loss of last year's goalie dropped them from the championship to a second place position. (Continued from Page 12, Col. 3) Yeshiva lost the first game by 18 pins, as a late surge fell short. The second game was even more heartbreaking, as Kings Point topped Yeshiva by only two pins. However, with a brilliant effort by Sam Berkowitz and company, Yeshiva decisively won the third game, winning by a large enough amount to edge out St. Francis by three pins in total score.

In the next playoff series, Yeshiva faced Cooper Union and St. Francis. This time Yeshiva fared slightly better, picking up five points, compared to three points for St. Francis and seven for Cooper Union. Bob Gittleman sparked the victory with a tremendous 226 game and another 500 series. This marked the eleventh time Bob went over 500, a truly remarkable feat.

The long bowling schedule, stretching from October to April, finally ended the following week. Facing Fordham and St. Francis, Yeshiva needed seven points to stay ahead of these opponents. Thanks to the clutch bowling by all the team members, Yeshiva did just that, sweeping the match. This victory gave Yeshiva a fifteenth place finish in the EIBC, an improvement of five places over last year.

The final week also saw the unanimous election of next year's captain and co-captain, Junior Sammy Berkowitz and Sophomore Norman Shapiro. Sammy replaces outgoing Senior Bob Gittleman, whose loss will be sorely felt. Bob was by far the MVP of the Keglers, having one of the best averages in the league. Yet, even more than his bowling, was his advice and aid he gave to the entire squad. Also special thanks to Coach Arthur Tauber for his well timed help.

YU Keglers Conclude Successful Season

Even with the loss of Bob, the Keglers are looking forward to a strong team next year. Heading the list will be Sammy Berkowitz, winner of the coveted "Most Improved Bowler Award" from the American Bowling Congress. With him in the young starting lineup will be returning lettermen Bill Sharfman, Norman Shapiro and Aaron Glatt.

After the regular bowling season and playoffs were com-

Mexican Medical School Accepting Applications for Sept. '77. Fully accredited four year institution. Authorized U.S. Representative. Call (212) 277-8194. pleted, the equivalent of an NCAA tournament — the National Collegiate Match Games was held. Yeshiva, a member of the Eastern Intercollegiate Bowling Conference (EIBC) participated in this event, putting in a respectable showing.

Eight bowlers advanced to the finals, where they played representatives from the West Coast and Midwest. Unfortunately, none of Yeshiva's bowlers qualified, even though they gave it a valiant effort.

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Jewish Studies Deans Appointed

(Continued from Page 1, Col. 5) Soloveitchik hope to encourage more undergraduate students to take advantage of the opportunity of taking coursework in the Bernard Revel Graduate School.

The PPC report also discussed the quality of some of the courses. As Dean Rabinowitz pointed out, many of the courses' syllabi are too large for them to be covered properly in the limited amount of class time allotted. Despite long lists of outside readings required for each course, the subjects are rarely taught with the necessary depth. The Dean suggested the possibility of cutting down on class attendance requirements and implementing seminars to cover certain topics.

Also suggested was the possibility of setting up new interdisciplinary courses. Dean Rabinowitz assured the students that the faculty and students of Stern College and, together with them, has been reviewing various proposals. One of the more interesting proposals is the institution of a "Beit Medrash" program at Stern. Under the program, students would have the option of taking a joint Talmud and Bible program which would include a specified amount of time to be spent in the "Beit Medrash" studying bechavrutah. As the Dean pointed out, "it's worked for men for thousands of years, why shouldn't it work for us?"

Finally, in response to a question about his new relationship with Rabbi Besdin, the Director of JSS, Rabbi Rabinowitz smiled and said, "I was a faculty member in JSS working under Rabbi Besdin and I have the utmost respect for him."



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he was going to take a hard look at the present course structure of all Jewish schools. He did, however, flatly deny any truth to recent reports that pleas were being considered to combine certain courses in both EMC and JSS.

According to the PPC report there is a need for major structural changes in the Judaic studies departments at Stern College. The Commission suggested combining the Jewish Studies and Hebraic Studies divisions under the auspices of a single dean. It is believed that the position will be filled by Rabbi Berman, presently head of Stern Jewish studies.

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Dean Rabinowitz had met with

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In Retrospect

(Continued from Page 5, Col. 5) Then, of course, there are the seniors, who contributed some of our best pieces. Witness the articles on Jewish voting, the co-op program, and the analysis of the YC Senate - all researched and written by senior editors. Indeed, the contributions of Kalman, Mike, Alden, Bob, Harry and Terry were the major cause for the success of the paper while they were on governing board.

I must express special thanks to Vic and Henry, who always managed to take the circulation load off my mind. Ira can never be thanked adequately for the hours he spent sitting before his typewriter, and my roominates, Moshe and Elliott, and Danny and Jeff, were almost always willing to listen to my nonsensical chatter. The Mrs. Owgang, Epstein and Streich, three beautiful people, eased my work considerably, but also made me feel as though our relationship was more than simply "business." The paper, of course, could not be produced without the members of all the staffs, and they should all be proud of their excellent work this year.

This, then, ends my final column in the paper which meant so much to me. I am satisfied, content in the knowledge that I have done a fine job. As I wrote this column, a number of people asked me if I planned to apologize for the many "terrible" things I did as editor. I leave, secure in the knowledge that the paper will continue to feature those "terrible" things even if there will always be a narrowminded minority who will never be able to appreciate their value.



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Summer Employment Opportunities Still Open For Students Who Have Not Yet Made Plans

(Continued from Page 9, Col. 5) Camp Ashrei under the auspices of the Williamsburgh YMHA is a boys camp looking for Jewish subjects teachers and counselors. Call Mr. Stern at 212-387-6695 for more details.

Positions are available as well at Eagle Day Camp, a camp for yeshiva children, located in Nanuet, NY, a mere half-hour ride from Manhattan. An assistant head counselor, a woodwork specialist and general counselors are in demand. Pick up service available. Salary commensurate with experience. Call 212-441-3144 if interested.

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If "ye hath sought and ye hath not found," a job in this classified section, you might try putting your name in with the Youth Opportunity Center of New York State Employment Service. For further details call 212-855-7575 in Brooklyn or 212-695-0750 in Manhattan.

If one of the above jobs has attracted your interest, you would be wise to act swiftly, for the few remaining opportunities at this late date are quickly being filled. Happy hunting and have a great summer!

Juniors Victorious In **BB** Intramurals

(Continued from Page 12, Col. 5) few foul shots. At the same time the seniors made a few personnel changes and brought in some good quick outside shooters. As a result the seniors began to hit over the zone and brought their score to within three points of the juniors, who had stayed in a zone in an effort to keep fouls low, but who now had no chance but to switch to a man defense. Once again the senior offense was shot down and the juniors were able to end the half with a good lead.

The second half began with the juniors playing a tough man to man defense. This enabled the juniors to check the outside repeat as champions of Yeshiva shooting of Herb and Alan Lem- Basketball intramurals.

pel. Deep penetration inside from Michael Weiss and Sheldon Small enable the juniors to outplay the seniors during the third quarter. The juniors, with the help of their powerful rebounding forwards, dominated both the offensive and defensive rebounding. The seniors kept up in the game with the hustle of Daniel Feuer and Avi Moskowitz. The third quarter ended with the juniors leading.

In the fourth quarter the juniors were able to run away from the Seniors. The strong inside play of Leon Behar, Mitch Merlis and Shelly Lindenfeld enabled the juniors once agam

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By LEON BETTS

Wednesday, May 11, 1977

A Jump Ahead

By MARK TARAGIN -

On the Sidelines _

Yeshiva University in its role as the center of Jewish education, held an all-star basketball game, preceeded by a dinner, on Sunday, April 21.

The Jewish participants were all youths who had excelled in basketball in their respective leagues. Among them was Danny Schayes, son of professional basketball star Dolph Schayes. Also in attendance were such illustrious personages as Master of Ceremonies Bill Mazer, sportscaster for WNEW-TV and graduate of YUHS and Lou Carnesecca, fornier Net Coach and present coach of St. John's University.

The dinner and basketball game, which drew a crowd of over 300 people, including 18 to 19 top college coaches, were a great success. Both were brought about through the efforts of Sam Stern and Jonathen Halpert, former and present coaches of Yeshiva's basketball team, and the assistance of Miss Lisa Sokol, Dr. Lamm's secretary.

The purposes of this Yeshiva first were many. At least these athletes were made more aware of their Jewish heritage and will proudly remember it in their future careers.

Another favorable result of this event was the publicity Yeshiva received, with the dinner being covered both by the New York Times and the New York Post. People who were not previously aware of Yeshiva's stature were enlightened and some went so far as to pledge future assistance.

Yet another outcome of this event is the potential for the recruiting of better athletes for Yeshiva. Some of the participants ap-plied here and if they decide to come would undoubtedly strengthen our team.

Altogether, the all-star game and dinner were an excellent idea. It is still reaping rewards, as thirty applicants have already applied for next year's game. This group includes several who are seriously considering attending Yeshiva.

It is unfortunate that Yeshiva does not have a student activities building to show to these prospective applicants. Many more would certainly have applied if Yeshiva had the minimum facilities that befit its stature — a gym, a pool, and any other vital necessities.

Nevertheless, I would like to commend Yeshiva on this spectacular success: for realizing the importance of improving athletics at Yeshiva.

and CHUCK LEAVELL The juniors once again have become Intramural Basketball champs by beating the Seniors by 16 points. The junior team, basically the same team that captured the Intramural title last year as Sophomores, continued to demonstrate its team concept, a concept that has made the juniors the most successful team in the league for the previous two seasons. Even though the juniors were short-handed, with only seven players present, and missing the strength of regular Lenny Pianko, they were able to fill in for each other and totally outclass the aging Seniors advance to the finals. The seniors defeated a depleted freshman team. The brash and erratic freshmen had been favored to bust the proverbial bubble of the juniors but were squeezed

out by the seniors. The game started out with both teams very keyed up, but a little tight on the court. The juniors had very little ball movement and forced a few shots inside. The seniors attempted to woik the ball down low to the big men, but had the ball stolen repeatedly by the juniors' aggressive zone defense. The quiet hands of Sheldon Lindenfeld and Sheldon Small effectively cut off most of the passing lanes for the seniors and they were forced into giving up the ball or into taking poor long-range shots. Unfortunately, the jun-

iors could not capitalize offensively, as they refused to set picks for one another and to move without the ball as should have been done against the seniors' man to man defense. Nevertheless, the juniors led after the first quarter 13-7, mainly be-. cause of some inside shots by Mitch Merlis and Leon Behar. The only senior scores came

Juniors BB Intramural Champs,

Defeat Seniors In Playoff Game

from Terry Rifkin, from outside and underneath.

The game began to loosen up slightly in the second quarter. The juniors began working the ball and executing plays. Unfortunately they had trouble putting the ball in the basket (missed baskets, inability to hold the ball), and had to settle for a (Continued on Page 11, Col. 4)

Fencing Popular At YU; **Competition Is Spirited**

By ROBERT COHEN

The Knights of the Round Table may be dead but fencing still lives at Yeshiva University. The sparks of clashing sabers at this year's intramurals were a strong testament to the increasing in-

terest in fencing at YU. A large turnout of over 50 people competed in close to 500 bouts. The intramurals provided an excellent opportunity to examine our future fencing team.

In sabre, the first of the intramurals, tensions were high as a result of a tie for first place between this year's co-captain, Lenny Budow, and Baruch Deutsch, an upcoming Soph on the sabre squad. The tie sent the two of them into a "fence off." Lenny took the early lead, going 4-2, but a strong comeback by Baruch won him the match by the score of 5-4. Howie Sherman, who spent last year in Israel, placed third, showing that he had not forgotten his talents.

Foil intramurals had the larg-est turnout with twenty participants. Mark Taragin, a first year Sabreman, proved that he

has good fencing potential as he stole the show and took first place. Ralph Abbetan, the team's "Morrocan import," placed second in a fine showing, barely beating David Katzenstein. The Taubermen are very lucky in that Ralph and Dave are both sophomores and have two more good years to offer Yeshiva.

At this point we would like to thank our outgoing seniors. Co-Capt.'s Robert Berko and Lenny Budow and fencers David Wolfson, Marc Felberbaum, Herbie Pasternak, Richard Bernstein, and Ricky Eisenberg, for their unending dedication and support.

We wish all of them much success in their respective careers; Despite the loss of these experienced fencers the Taubermen are looking forward to a better season next year under the expert leadership of Coaches Tauber and Marcell.

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YU Keglers Conclude Very Successful Season; Gittleman Given MVP, Capping A Great Career

By AARON GLATT

Going into the final weeks of the bowling season, Yeshiva University's bowling team, the Keglers, was in the midst of a close fight with Fordham University. Kings Point Academy, Cooper Union and St. Francis University. All the teams were within .01% points of each other in the

standings, and all met in the flat, and NYU took all seven playoffs.

In the next to last week of regular season play, Yeshiva lost a tough match to a strong NYU squad. Captain Bob Gittleman bowled well (his usual 500 plus series), and Efram Berger came up with an excellent 198 game, for a 493 series. Unfortunately, the rest of the team came up

Seniors Beat Sophomores To Regain Hockey Title

By ISAAC SOIBELMAN seniors won their second Intra- victory. The seniors now advanced four years. The second place seniors were pitted against the third place juniors in a 2 out of 3 game qualifying round. In the first game, the seniors jumped out to an early 2-0 lead on goals by Eliezer Cohn and Alden Leifer. The juniors fought back and tied the game on second period goals by Marv Schuss and Selwyn Levine both within a 2 minute span. The seniors regained the lead as Judah Koolyk scored to make it 3-2. The senior defense, consisting of Zvi Freidman, Mark Weiner, and Beam Cohn completely cut off the junior attack, keeping them scoreless for the duration of the game. The seniors won 3-2 putting the juniors in a must win **B**ituation. In the second game, junior goaltender Heshie Bessin was replaced by the inexperienced Harry Skydell. Harry was unable to handle the explosive senior of-

fense. Alden Leifer's hat trick After all was said and done the led the seniors to an easy 6-2 mural Hockey Championship in to the finals against the sophomores.

points.

For the final regular season competition. YU was pitted against powerful City University, the fifth ranked team in the Eastern Intercollegiate Bowling Conference. In what turned out to be the biggest upset of the year, the Keglers stunned City, taking five points, while barely losing the other two. The first game saw Yeshiva bowl a season high, 852, led by Efram Berger and Bill Scharfman with games in the 190's. Yeshiva took this game by just 7 pins. In the second game, another thriller, Yeshiva squeezed out a twenty pin victory. Strong games by all five starters allowed Yeshiva to post a new season high of 865. Over the day, Berger finished with a superb 539, while Sharfman has a 537. Rounding out the day were Gittleman with a 518 and Glatt with a 495. Indeed, it was Yeshiva's best match of the year, averaging all three games in the 800's. With the regular season ending on such a high note, Yeshiva confidently entered the playoffs. In addition, the first position playoff against Kings Point and St. Francis featured Norman Shapiro's return to action after having been sidelined for several months with a fractured ankle. However, things did not turn

out as well as expected, as

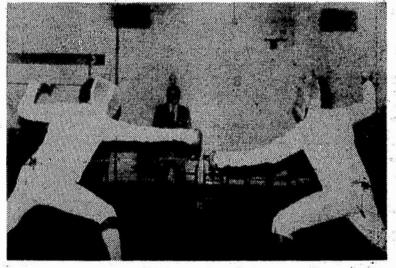
Kings Point picked up seven

points and St. Francis four, with three points for Yeshiva.

All the games were extremely

close. Under enormous pressure,

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YU fencers in action.

The finals were a rematch of last year's finalists. The seniors were hungry for a victory, having been in the finals their first three years, but winning only one championship. The sophs had other ideas and took a quick 2-0 lead in the first period of the opening game. Saul Grife scored early in the second period to give the sophs a commanding 3-0 lead. The seniors then started juggling their lines, desperately trying to put some points on the board. They finally came up' with the line of Koolyk and Leifer on offense and Freidman and Weiner on defense. On their first shift Leifer scored twice to cut the lead to 3-2. Ernie Roll made it 4-2 but the senior offense then started to click. Goals by Freidman, Weiner, and Leifer put the seniors ahead 5-4. The weakness (Continued on Page 10, Col. 2)

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