

# The Absurder

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## Dr. Silver Engaged To Be Dean

After a long week of student protests, Dr. Belkin finally submitted and installed former English professor, Dr. Silver, as the new dean of Stern College.

On Tuesday night, February 26, an emergency Student Council meeting was held to discuss prevalent student dissatisfaction at the fact that Stern College has a male dean. As *Observer* Editor Giggles Gittelman pointed out, "There's no reason why Stern, which has been progressive in other areas, should not follow suit in this area too. Stern College should be headed by a woman!" Then Senate Secretary, Frayed Waltuch explained that the only way to get the faculty and administration to act was to present them with a concrete suggestion. At this, a freshman jumped up and screamed, "I've got a concrete suggestion for them!" She was quickly silenced. Then senior, Sharin Twersky made the motion that Dr. Silver be named as the new dean. The motion was unanimously passed, and Student Council President, Sherry Appleshine, announced that this would be a specially sponsored activity of Student Council.

At first the Senate Agenda Committee refused to schedule this proposal out of respect for Student Dean Mirsky. However, Dean Mirsky insisted that it be



Dr. Belkin and Silver At Installation

scheduled. When students learned that it was scheduled to be discussed next year, they united in a uniform picket-line which lasted four days.

Senate then held an emergency meeting. Students argued that they felt that a female dean would be more sympathetic to their special problems. Students also pointed out that more students felt close to Dr. Silver than to Dean Mirsky, and that a good rapport between and students is highly important.

The proposal passed Senate and it passed the Faculty Assembly meeting that evening. After two days of debate, the Board of Trustees agreed to this revolutionary new step.

In a brief installation ceremony this morning, Dr. Belkin stated his hopes that this

step would improve student-administration relations. Then Professor Mirsky spoke. "The students could not have selected a more capable replacement for me. I'm really going to enjoy returning to full time teaching here. My only worry now is that I'm coming up for tenure." Then Dean Silver, formally on the verge of losing her job because she was eligible for tenure, said, "This is all terribly ironic. Thank you."

## News From All Corners

GENEVA

Brezhnev stole the show at the Geneva war Conference last week by making his appearance in a 3-cornered black hat. While tying a white horse to a tree he was asked how he happened to have such a hat in his possession. He replied, "It's an old family heirloom."

## Miracle on 34th St. Student Council Meets



People flock to Meeting

In keeping with the agreement that *The Observer* cover more Student Council Activities, the newspaper would like to present an in depth report of the last student council meeting.

Pres. Sherry Shine-on-harvest-moon-berg opened the meeting at precisely 7:12 p.m. (precisely 12 minutes late) by banging her gold-plated wooden gavel (obtainable for \$4.95 apiece from Macy's) on a table at which was also seated Vice Pres. Susan Paddler-her. Ms. Shine-on-harvest-moon-berg was wearing a brown Jonathan Logan dress, natural hose, brown shoes, and a diamond ring. Ms. Paddler-her was wearing a black sweater, print skirt, and a Stern ring.

Soon after the meeting began, fierce discussion ensued on the plans for the senior class trip. One girl suggested that the class visit the set of "The Newlywed Game" Boni Nathan insisted she would rather visit the offices of *Ms* magazine. Unfortunately, no one else had an opinion, whereupon it was decided that the seniors will visit Fort Dix, N.J. where are found many captains, corporals, and sergeants. All other men are a private matter.

seen running across the room. One hysterical Sternie called the fire department, and after the fireman had extinguished the insect, caught a glimpse of 2 or 3 screaming Sternies in nightgowns and departed; the meeting resumed.

Maurice Grossman, freshman class president, reiterated that she did not have an older brother named Larry, and would everyone please stop asking her for his phone number. She said this just for the Hecht of it.

Ms. Shine-on-harvest-moon-berg sneezed. Sara Squashenbaum said, "Gesundheit" and the motion was seconded by Mindy Glands.

Sharon Crook then got up and said that reminded her of the time her cousin, Gesundt, got

The junior class report came next. Miriam Peppersteak declared that as soon as she found the rest of her class, she'd be glad to give a report.

The sophomore class came next and delivered a very sophomore report. Treasurer Zelda Grim-brat said that the class had raised \$16.75 to buy a ring for Dr. Grossman, whom they find to be a very engaging person.

At this point, a cockroach was

## Flash!

At the latest Student Council Meeting, Student Council President Sternly Councilberg announced that Student Council was to have sponsored a Student Council-sponsored event under the auspices of Student Council next week. However, due to apathy, this latest in a series of many Student Council events sponsored by Student Council was Student Canceled.

## Smicha Draws At-ten-shun



Future Rabbis of America.

It was a special time for this year's 1984 graduation class. Yes, there were those receiving their usual M.A., B.A. and M.R.S. degrees. This year, however, a new degree has been formed, the N.R.E.T.S. SMICHA DEGREE. This N.R.E.T.S. group represents the Newly Rabbicized and Educated Teachers of Stern. These ten girls have completed four years of intensive training in local

synagogues. The program included student sermonizing and Sabbath morning observation.

Aware of the controversy concerning women holding rabbinical positions, one of the graduates, MS. PLONI ALMONI, was asked how her congregants reacted to her appearance on the pulpit. Replying in prophetic simplicity, the new Rabbi said "How should I know? They were sleeping!"

## Blume In Thal WINS Sternie!

"Blume In Thal," the touching story of a young boy fighting his way through a crowded subway station, won the Sternie Statue of Excellence at the awards dinner here last night.

"Blume In Thal," starring the noted Socialist potato farmer, Commie Tater, won out over such unmentionables as "Ham-Vasser," (starring Yussi Grepstein) the concise exegeses of a pig in water.

Although there was some underhanded competition, as shown by "Danny Jock" receiving publicity on the first page of a scandal sheet (otherwise known as a Bull Sheet), or Mark Breastlow, star of "Midnight Jewboy" attempting unsuccessfully to bribe the board of judges, "Blume In Thal" won hands down (or actually, hands up, as he was mugged while emerging from the subway station at St. Nicholas and 185th St.)

Chaim Loving her, although losing by a landslide, left the award ceremonies with much joy.



The Winner!

The award ceremonies themselves were unmistakable, except for those few who mistook them for an orgy. Henry was found in the corner Kissing her, but the administration said Nix on that kind of behavior. He left soon afterwards for more pressing business.

Commie Tater's next venture will be "waiting for Godot," and, the way this reporter sees it, he'll be waiting a long, long time.

drunk. He landed in jail, and she had to shell out money to get him home and sober him up. It cost her \$20 to get Gesundt tight.

Ms. Shine-on-harvest-moon-berg said she was out of order, whereupon Esther Vas-is-las replied, "That reminds me. So is the phone."

Committee reports came next. Sharon Twersky, representing the committee on clean language, said, "!!!&!!!" Most of the audience agreed, but one freshman was heard to remark, "What does that mean?" The Stern College Dramatic Society announced that due to the overwhelming success of last semester's production, this semester, they are planning to pair with the Y.C. Dramatic Society in an off-Broadway production of "A Yingle Und A Maidel," the Yiddish version of "A Man and a Woman."

The CFISAS, the Committee for Increasing Frumkeit for Stern, announced that they had done their share this week by making sure that all girl's pants were below their knees.

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Q-Why is there so much apathy in this school?

A-Who cares?

# Crime And Punishment

As of March 10, 1974, the schools's new hotplate laws will go into effect. These new laws, pushed through by Governor Marmostein, are the strictest laws passed to date. The new hotplate laws are an attempt to crackdown on the increased surreptitious use of hard core cooking utensils.

In an exclusive interview, Marmostein stated that the problem is well out of hand. "Dormitory residents have been known to cook such harmful and addictive foods as MBT vegetable broth, yellow waxed beans, and popcorn. The dire effects of such practices cannot be over-emphasized."

However, there are some high government officials who claim that the law arose as a result of political maneuvering. They claim that Parker Industries has contributed to Governor Marmorstein's campaign in return for the cooking crackdowns.

Under the new laws, the violations and penalties have been defined as follows:

<b>misdeameanor</b> cooking on radiator or under hot tap water or loitering near frozen lima beans or possession of spaghetti	1-2 years at Stern without chance for parole
<b>felony</b> making 7 course dinner with immersor or possession of 8 oz. of raw meat or possession of bow tie marcaroni	2-3 years hard labor in registrar's office
<b>3rd degree cooking</b> making roasted chestnuts on single burner hotplate cooking Chinese dinner for two or smelling up hall	10 years in periodical room (solitary confinement)
<b>2nd degree cooking</b> possession of double burner hotplate or possession of rags, matches, cans of gas using study hall desks for fire wood	8 consecutive years of Jewish History
<b>1st degree cooking</b> lighting Shabbos Candles	life imprisonment in Stern dorm, with no hope of pardon

# Kiddish Keit

When a boy becomes thirteen years old, it is his impurity to become an **alter yid**. His parents send him to Bar Mikvah school so he can learn what he's gotta do. He must put on his **tachrichim** every day and kiss his **scissors**, and he must wear his **telescope** everyday. He must go to **shul** to hear the **Chazer daven**, and he must recite the **Shimon Eorug**.

Parents and teachers should teach their children about **Russian Summer** and **Yankee Clipper** when everyone gets sick from fasting. Then comes **Sickies** when they all go to the **Sicker** and get sicker. That's when grandpa comes with his **lulu** and **hashrie** to show everyone. And then there's **Passover**, when everyone goes to grandpa's house to have a **zaida**. Grandpa sits there with a **strudel** on his head, and also, he wears a long **cup-of-tea**. That's when the youngest child recites the four **katchkas**. That's the story that begins with **Manischewitz halillah hazeh mikol halalos**. After this, it is the father's turn to hide the **apikores**.

Parents should teach their children about **Chanakee**. That is when we light the Chanakee oil they put in a large **metzarah**. In school, children play the Chanakee **doodle**. Then there is **Barrum** when everyone gets drunk. Everyone goes to grandpa's house to eat **flamentashen**.

Rabbis should teach students Jewish History about Yankel O'Henry and Moshe Labrini, also about Judah Macaroni and King Davy Crockett. Friday the Moslem Shabbos and therefore called **Arab Shabbos**.

One should not eat meat unless it is killed by a **sheigatz** while the **Moshiach IS WATCHING**.

Children should be grateful to their parents for working **Shabbos** and **Yom Tov** to bring them up as good Jews. They should try to give their parents a lot of **Menuchos**.

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### Social Games Stern Girls Play

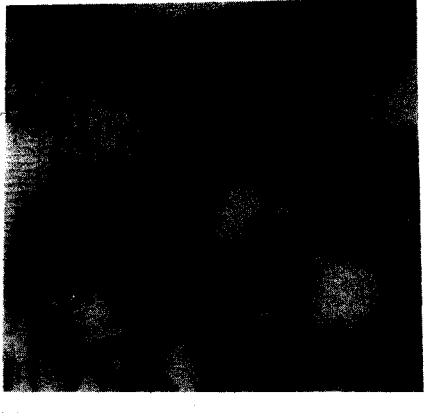
- "Monopoly" - who can tie up the switchboard best
- "Rish" - blind dates
- "Clue" - looking at him from front room windows
- "Hands Down" - the cry of the frummie in the Blue lounge
- "Scrabble" - for a 9 o'clock class
- "Chess" - scheduling different dates on the same nights
- "War" - getting information from the registrar
- "Candy Land" - 12 P.M. in the snack room
- "Parcheesie" - going to Chopsies'
- "Telephone" - nighttime activity
- "Sorry" - I hold the laws of **nogiah!**
- "Cribbage" - the game of babies
- "Careers" - going to Bio Teas
- "Operation" - getting food from machines without losing the money
- "Aggravation" - pretending fake diamond is the real McCoy

### Card Games

- "Poker" - Y.U. boys slogan
- "Old Maid" - senior year at Stern
- "Spit" - the Bubby's favorite formula to combat the evil eye
- "Fish" - the freshman mixer

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# Letters To The Editor

Dear Mr. Brookdale:

I am fed up with the lousy service here. You call this a hotel? I get better service in a gas station.

When I ring for room service, I expect service—I don't want to be connected to a party line!

The main problem here is maid service. If the maid finds it difficult to move my bed in order to vacuum under it, I would be delighted to move it for her.

Also, since when is there a shortage of toilet paper? I was under the impression that there was only an oil shortage, wheat shortage, potato shortage, and gasoline shortage in the United States.

I am terribly sorry that I have to come to you with these seemingly foolish problems, but the manager is nowhere to be found-ever.

Sarah

# Literary Corner

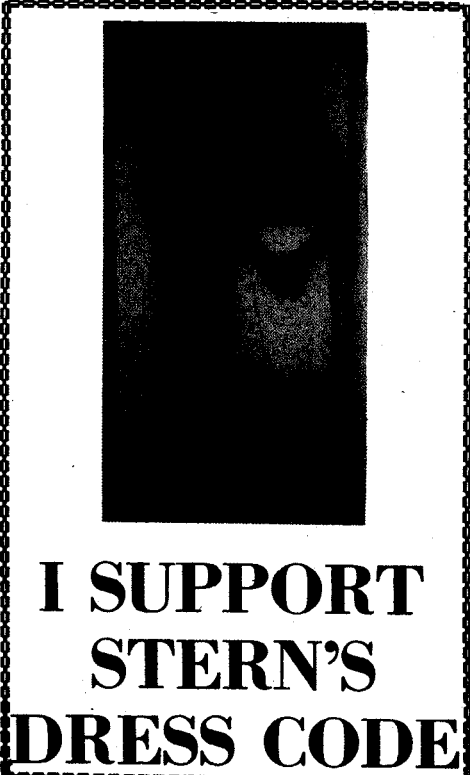
### Ode to a Librarian

Once in bibliotheque so dreary,  
As I pondered weak and weary,  
Over many a quaint and curious  
volume of forgotten lore,  
While I nodded nearly napping  
Suddenly there came a tapping  
Then shufflin feet across the  
floor  
Only this and nothing more.

Tap a tap a tap  
They call her the tapper  
Tap a tap a tap  
To stop all the laughter,  
How does it bug me? Let me  
count the ways  
I'd love to break and steal and  
chop  
All the pencils in her reach, just  
to stop  
That tapping motion, through  
the day,  
(trepeat refrain)

### PSALM XXIII REVISITED

A psalm of Richard,  
Nixon is my shepherd, I shall not  
want.  
He leadeth me beside the still  
factories  
He restoreth my doubt in the  
Republican Party  
He guideth me to the path of  
unemployment.  
I do not fear evil for thou art  
against me  
Thou anointeth my wages with  
freezes so my  
expenses runneth over my  
income  
Surely, poverty & hard living  
shall follow the  
Republican Party  
And I shall live in a rented house  
forever.



# I SUPPORT STERN'S DRESS CODE

# USSR Exiles Silvernitsyn

The USSR, the Union for Slaughtering Stern's Responsible teachers, headed by Premier Mirskygen and Party Leader Reichiev, announced today that they were exiling Carolsandr Silvernitsyn, who wrote *The Gesundt Iceberg*, an expose showing how Stern favors Jews, such as Goldbergs, Steinbergs, Sternbergs, Greenbergs, and Icebergs.

Reichniev, speaking for Mirskygen, said that soon to be exiled would be other members of the writer's family: Doris Shoresovskiy, Laurel Hatvoryvich, & the youngest member of the family, Leo Taubesnuzov.

"This will eliminate a major problem at Stern—that of infiltrating modern ideas into young minds. Homer, Shakespeare, & Browning, to name but a few, will no longer corrupt the pristine mind of the Stern-girl," declared Reichniev.



Reichniev making statement for Mirskygen.

In addition, informed sources stated the upcoming plans for eliminating the controversial families of Sociologikovskiy, Psychologovitskiy, & PolSeichiev.

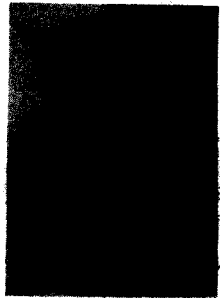
"We can't understand how people say we're not liberal,"

said Reichniev. "We see no harm in such families as Phys-Edovich."

When asked her opinion, Silvernitsyn announced, "I'm so mad, there's smoke coming out of my ears...& my nose...& my mouth...& my...."



## THE REAL



## RIGHT GUARD



# Faculty Scatologized

It is a common belief that many fictional characters have been based on real personalities.

The world-famous scatologist, Dr. Skep Tick, has refuted this theory in his recent book, *That Old Familiar Feeling*. In it, he has developed a revolutionary hypothesis that, contrary to this belief, many well-known individuals are really based on fictional characters.

In support of this thesis, he offers the following data:

- Sleepy—Dr. Appel
- Sneezy—Rabbi Shurin
- Dopey—Mr. Rabinowitz
- Happy—Mrs. Dobin
- Bashful—Rabbi Gordon
- Doc—Dr. Rosenbloom
- Grumpy—Stern Students
- Snow White—Ms. Shaw

- Simple Simon—Dr. Sar
- Mother Goose—Dr. Koenigsberg
- The Old Woman Who Lived in a Shoe—Mrs. Milner
- Rapunzel—Dr. Putz
- The Pied Piper of Hamelin—Dr. Robinson
- Sleeping Beauty—The Dormitory Night Guard
- Little Jack Horner—Prof. Waxman

- Alice in Wonderland—Ms. Bick
- The Cheshire Cat—Mrs. Shimoff
- The Mad Hatter—Dr. Feinstein
- The March Hare—Dr. Havazelet
- Tweedle-dee & Tweedle-dum—Dean Mirsky & Mrs. Reich
- The Queen of Hearts—Dr. Grant

- Giuseppe—Prof. Silverman
- Pinochio—Ms. Colodner

- All Ten Plagues—Dean Mirsky

- The Little Rascals—Student Council
- Winnie the Pooh—Dr. Krumbien
- Captain Blye—Dr. Remes
- The Sorcerer's Apprentice—Jimmy Martin
- The Messiah—Rabbi Weiss
- Grampa—Rabbi Schacter
- Dagwood & Blondie—Rabbi & Mrs. Finkelman
- "Howzabout" Merlin the Magician—Rabbi Berman
- Scooge—Dr. Eidelberg
- Hear no Evil, See no Evil, Speak no Evil—The Registrar's Office
- Stern Co-op Students—Little Women
- Y.U. Guys—Little Men

- Cinderella's Stepsisters—Mrs. Rosenthal & Mostow
- Cinderella—Registrar's office work study girls
- Prince Charming—Dr. Hecht

- The Wolf in "Little Red Riding Hood"—Sammy Klein
- Old Mother Hubbard's Cupboard—Y.U.'s Allotment to Stern
- Humpty-Dumpty—Rabbi Greene
- Tarzan—Dr. Grossman
- The Bride of Frankenstein—Dr. Shores
- Ichabod Crane—Rabbi Victor
- Captain Hook—Colonel "Hot-plate" Marmorstein (Sorry for the change in rank)
- The Headless Horseperson—Dr. Rosoff

- Tevye—Dr. Goodman
- Puss 'n Boots—Mrs. Berman
- Rambam—Rabbi Bleich
- Robespierre—Dr. Bernstein
- Don Quixote—Rabbi Metzger
- Moby Dick—Dr. Perlin
- Heidi—Frau Laufer
- Madame Lafarge—Dr. Krakowski
- Sweet Little Buttercup—Bessie

# Belchin Gets New Masters

After much delay, Yeshiva University President Solemn Belchin announced that at some unspecified time in the future, YU plans to open a graduate school leading to the conferral of the M.B.M. degree, Master of the Bureaucratic Method. No definite date could be given due to the backlog of cases now before the Board of Regents, which must approve the request.

Dr. Belchin cited the increasing need for bureaucratic experts in today's society, in general, and for young Orthodox men and women in particular. "YU students have especially been trained in the bureaucratic process, having had much exposure to its intricacies in their college careers." When

questioned about the expense of establishing a new school when much of the University seems to be in dire financial straits, Dr. Belchin replied that he was presently in negotiation with prospective benefactors. However, he would not commit himself to any specific amounts until he could reach them to confirm their pledges, made several years ago.

Dr. Belchin was especially proud of the faculty he has been able to procure. Among the prospective instructors are Professor Fred Tape, Dr. Ron A. Round, and Dr. d. Lev and Professor John Wate, Dean of the school, will be the world's foremost bureaucratic practitioner, Dr. Reggie Strar.

# Have I Got A Boy/Chick For You!

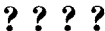
Are you tired of dating Y.C. bums? Is your mother complaining that it's time you settled down with a "nice boy"? Well then, sign up with Jennifer Rude, head of S.A.C., the Shidichin Activities Committee to meet a fine from RIETS boy or Smicha student.

She, in turn, will meet weekly with Irwin Griss, head of C.O.Y., the Chanyuk Organization of Yeshiva, and arrange matches for these special applicants.

It is felt that this will be an invaluable service to students in

the future. Stern women will no longer have to tolerate immature, egotistical Y.C. bums. Instead, they will be able to meet the "cream of the Y.C. crop."

Jenny and Irwin hope to schedule special mixers where a RIETS rebbe will lecture, and afterwards students can get acquainted over cookies and punch. "This is about as far as C.O.Y. can go," Irwin reportedly said. Jenny added, "This will definitely be better than staring across the auditorium during the Rav's annual shnur."



Q. What's the difference between Tuberculosis and mononucleosis?

A. According to Dr. Sar, there is no difference.

Q. Why do people call Mr. Marmorstein "the colonel?"

A. Because he makes "Kentucky Fried Chicken" on confiscated broilers.

# UCLA Meets Vanishing Vashtis

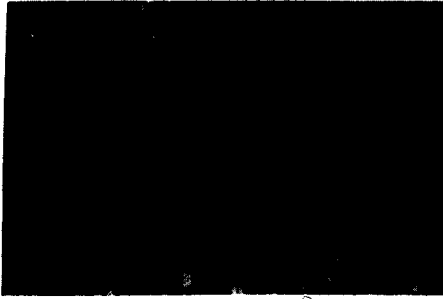
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## Best Seller List

U.C.L.A., which has been acclaimed as the best college basketball team in the history of collegiate sports, agreed to play Stern's newly-formed all girls basketball team, named the "Vanishing Vashtis."

Dean Mirky, in an unprecedented first, called a news conference in the plush, renovated student lounge in the school building which is located in beautiful Midtown Manhattan. Surrounded by other members of the Y.U. family, Dean Mirky stressed that this event would be a first in Y.U.'s endless string of firsts and lasts. When asked why a basketball team was being formed, Dean Mirky replied, "Why shouldn't a basketball team be formed?" Dean Mirky replied, when asked about financial backing for the team, "Money is not required to buy one necessity of the soul."

The team, it was learned later, took a long time in the making, nineteen years to be exact. The first problem faced by the Selection Committee, whose members' names are being withheld for obvious reasons, was to coerce, beg, plead or intimidate five athletes to form the new team. Naturally, the committee, trying to follow the "Good Neighbor Policy," attempted to coax some Knick players to jump the N.B.A. and join the newly formed SSL (Sarah Sternic League). Walt Frazier and Dave Debusscher refused, since the \$2.00 an hour work study wage was not enough of a financial enticement, for them, Bill Bradley, however, an aspiring politician, agreed to forego all wages, providing that the entire Stern family would move out to the New Jersey wastelands and form 99% of the total constituency which would vote Democratic. That proposal was rejected, since it was shown the "Yishuv New Jersey was not seen as a **Chovah** from the **Torah**. Even Red Holtzman, the coach of the Knicks, was urged to be the new coach, since this would re-rouse his Jewish consciousness. However, the pleas were in vain; due to Holtzman's Jewish consciousness, which is to earn more and more money.



Stomping Stobetzki and Crazy Cohen annihilate UCLA.

Through the tireless efforts of the committee, a team was finally assembled. At the press conference to announce the new team was its new coach, Rebbetzin Oldrice. Rebbetzin Oldrice was appointed to her job on the basis of her qualities: exciting, demonstrative, Ruachdic, flashy, commandeering and ignorant of the game of basketball. In her effervescent, yet low-keyed manner, she announced the names of the starting five. In the back court, Ayalah Lightfoot and flashy Margolish Monroe will fill the guard positions. At forward, will be 6'6" and 220 pounds, Goida Goliath, and devious "Dollar Bella" Balaam. Jumping center against Bill Walton will be **Kehezath Haderech**.

The uniforms, in accordance with the dress code, will be the light blue and purple Stern teeshirts with maroon collotties. The game originally was to take place in the gym, however, due to technical difficulties, (the gym isn't large enough for a regulation game and the piano could not be moved) the game was held at Koch Auditorium. Seating arrangements were adequate, with students paying \$10.00 for seats on the bimah, \$5.00 for seats on top of or in the book cases, \$3.00 for seats on the windowsills and \$2.00 for seats on the catwalks.

Perhaps the most astute remark that could be made about the game, which oddly enough coincided with **Parshas Zachor** was that it was something to be

remembered—by the U.C.L.A. Bruins. The referees, two apparent unknowns, who had better stay that way, seemed to call the entire game in favor of the Bruins. Naturally, one would rather argue with Ayalah Lightfoot than with Bill Walton. Goida Goliath, the awesome Vashti, attempted to score the first basket. However, in her excitement, she forgot to dunk the ball in the basket and dunked herself instead. The game was held up for an hour, and as a result of the incident, Goida's hair became a mesh of tangles. She refused to play, since her hair was so messy and was replaced by 6'8" Sarah Sulam. However, due to the lack of a combination of certain things, namely offense and defense, the Vashtis vanished. The score, in order to protect Stern's integrity, is being withheld from public knowledge. As a matter of fact, the score board mysteriously disappeared after the first two minutes of play. Dean Mirky claimed to have no knowledge of the affair, yet there are rumors circulating that a special group of plumbers were hired to seal up any leaks that may emerge. A notice has been posted on the bulletin board, asking anyone knowing of the whereabouts of the scoreboard to please return it to Room 607. When Rebbetzin Oldrice was asked to comment on the game, she sighed, "A zochin Vei" (woe to us).

1. Much Ado About Nothing—Dr. Krumbein
2. Gidget Grows Up—Mrs. Shimoff
3. Everything You Wanted to Know About Sex but Were Afraid to Ask—Dr. Shores
4. Souls on Fire—Mr. Klein
5. Female Eunuch—Ms. Shaw
6. Comedy of Errors—Dr. Remes
7. Green Eggs and Ham—Sammy Klein
8. Slaughterhouse five—Dr. Silver, Rabbi Greene, Dr. Goldring, Mr. Friedman, Mrs. Giges
9. Prisoner of Zenda—Mrs. Keller (the periodical room librarian)
10. Majorie Morningstar—Co-op girls
11. I'm O.K.—You're O.K.—Mrs. Berman
12. Pride and Prejudice—Y.U. Boys
13. The Promise—The Y.U. Administration
14. The Exorcist—Rabbi Weiss
15. To Sir With Love—Rabbi Berman
16. The Hardy Boys—Dr. Feinstein & Dr. Havazelet
17. For Whom The Bell Tolls—Dr. Robinson
18. Live and Let Die—Nurse Dunne
19. The Peter Principle—Dean's Office
20. Future Shock—Senior class

## Masochism and the Single Girl

What masochistic impulse compels me to subject myself once more to this torture? Why do I repeatedly enter the lion's den, stick my toes in cold water, put my hand into the fire? Why do I accept blind dates?

"It's your gambling nature and you love for adventure," myself tells me. "Grin and bear it and make sure you have your mad money." That's easy enough—but what happens if he's ugly, stupid, and boring? And worse, what happens if he tries to hold my hand? And even worse, what happens if someone from Stern sees me out with him? I'll die. I'll tell him I have to use the lady's room and I'll slip away. He probably wouldn't notice anyway. That's it—We'll turn the corner and poof! I'll just vanish into thin air, he'll never know what happened.

No, bad idea. I'll call up my room-mates and tell them to rush into the movie theater with an urgent message from home... No, I'll just tell him I have a terrific headache. No... 3 tests and two papers due tomorrow... No, I'll call him up and tell him I can't make it at all. There's an urgent Observer meeting I just can't miss.

Maybe I'll just go out with him and bore him to death talking about the physiological attributes of the amoeba in comparison with the red blood corpuscles. I'll tell him my father makes a living by selling ear-

throwms and that my mother's a professional sky jumper. I'll tell him I keep a snake and a monkey in my dorm room, and that my room-mate reads Zen books and meditates while standing on her head. Then I'll just say that all perfumes bother me—heh, heh. And then, when he takes me out for ice-cream, I'll order a kitchen sink and make the waiter take it back because I won't like the flavors.

Great. It's all planned. I'll give him, no more. Two and one-half hours of my time he'll be taking. The nerve of that boy. Buz... Buz...

"Hello, Judith, this is Judah, I'm here."

"Oh hi, Judah! I'll be right down. (e.gads, he's on time, shows he's really hard up. I'll just take it slow.) Hell, he forgot to tell me what he's wearing... Only 2 hours and 29 minutes left, great.

I'm sure that's him. He's two inches shorter than I am and I'm wearing flats. He looks Puerto Rican. I knew it...

"Judah?" no, wrong. Thank G-d!

That's him. I'm sure. Of course he'd bring an orgo book with him on a date. He looks like that guy I went out with last year I couldn't stand, the one who took me to a dog show... "Judah?" no? well the stars are good to me again.

That's not him for sure. He looks too normal. His hair is not too long; he's wearing black socks and his teeth are straight. "Judah?"

*Brookdale is  
where it's at,  
Babe!*

## Parker's Builds



Strong Bodies

