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In Retrospect

As we review the past year at Yeshiva College, we find it difficult to refrain from voicing our keen disappointment, at the lack of any improvement. With the removal, at the end of last year, of what we had considered to be the greatest obstacle to the progress of the institution and the chief cause of student-administration friction, we had hoped to embark upon a new era of development and cooperation. We had hoped to attain a true community of purpose, a united effort towards a common goal. It was expected that there would be a sincere exchange of ideas between faculty and students concerning their mutual problems. A considerate administration, an active faculty, a mid-knowledgeable student body—all these seemed certain to follow.

Instead, we have had nothing but a repetition of the old evils. Measures are administered with the same high-handed arbitrariness. The administration shows the same lack of consideration for the needs of the students. The faculty, as passive as ever, ready to accept whatever the administration may dictate, and unwilling to exert itself against measures it knows to be unwise and unjust or to propose any changes which might not meet with the full approval of the authoritarians. Students are still treated by the administrative office as though they were nothing but names in the roll book.

In short, we are at the same low ebb as when we were here a year ago. Scarcely, it seems, the institution has changed.

The spirit of true cooperation so that the opinions and interests of all involved would have been consulted. The resulting plan of action would have benefitted from the combined consideration of different groups and from contributions which could have been made from those who were interested and would have made the plan more acceptable to the students.

The administration's answer to the constant criticism coming from the students was only a stubborn stand that under no consideration would they plan be sacrosanct.

Whether the plan really resulted in the benefits claimed for it was immaterial. The whim of the administration must be attained. All other considerations are irrelevant.

Subsequent modifications were imposed in an equally haphazard and arbitrary fashion.

The natural step to take after the resignation of a dean would appear to be an attempt to find a suitable successor as soon as possible. The fact that few people could be found who possessed the qualifications required of a dean of Yeshiva College would have only caused the intensification of such a search. Nothing new materialized, however, as the alumni attempted to press the issue, they were met with evasion and complete lack of good faith on the part of the President.

What virtually amounted to action was given over to the registrar who, though he may be efficient as far as clerical and routine administrative work is concerned, is not qualified to be entrusted with discretionary power or with the academic functions of a dean. The results are known to any one who has heard the constant murmurings of the students, and even the campaign issues of the recent election for president of the student body.

We do not know what the reaction of faculty members or of outsiders is towards this situation. As far as the students concerned, the past year has brought about a complete demoralization. Rather than being interested in constructive efforts towards the improvements of the college activities, they are filled with resentment towards the authorities. In dignification and disgrace are the reactions of the students towards the present conditions.

Before anything can be accomplished in the consideration of real progress this situation must be eliminated.

Two conditions must accompany such improvement. The faculty members must be given the right to function in the school problems and to present their opinions and proposals to follow the administration's line, at the same time the administration must be willing to discuss controversial issues candidly and to be ready to consider the various distinct measures of the past year.

If this is the next step must be taken, the appointment of a proper person to administer the affairs of the school. Nothing can bear out this issue. Yeshiva must find a dean.
ON THE SIDELINES
By ABE NOVICE

Wrote you when you became sports editor, thought I’d drop you a line on the day of your departure. One would expect a few expressions of gladness on your part on such a happy event, but I can bet you no such thing is occurring. Despite all the pains in the neck you’ve experienced throughout the year worrying where your next column would come from, and attempting to round up a few reporters to assign a couple stories to, deep down in that large carca of yours you must feel a little tinge of sadness over the thought of leaving. Say what you may but I can’t deny that you’ve spent some of the happiest moments of your life during this past year on the Commentator.

Well enough of this mushy stuff. I started off to tell you that some of your columns were patrid. Sometimes I wondered where you learned the art of writing. Another thing I often wondered, whether your was a sports or humor column, but I guess I’ll have to admit there were a few that were not so bad. I imagine that’s enough of your case. If you’re under the impression that I was a little hard on you this year, wait till I jump on that cute little successor of yours. Wait till he attempts to ape the individual style of a mob of readers and we’ll see how he likes it. Boy oh Boy, I’m gloating already.

My regards to the bugs, and until a future haunting date, I’m just,

A. BUFF.

DAVID PAPAP YORRID—Morristown, N.J. David, a member of the art department, is at present working with Dr. Dillon in the economics department over the summer. Almost becomes a football manager of the Mounties. Known to all as his best friend, the chemistry student.

ARLINGTON JEESE—Assistant manager of the art department. Known to all as the man who always has a smile on his face. A true gentleman and always willing to help others.

DONALD DILL—Assistant manager of the art department. Known to all as the man who always has a smile on his face. A true gentleman and always willing to help others.

CLAYTON FODER—Formerly known as "Fod," the art department's favorite. Known to all as the man who always has a smile on his face. A true gentleman and always willing to help others.

MORRIS BURWITZ—Manager of the art department. Known to all as "Burr," the art department's favorite. Known to all as the man who always has a smile on his face. A true gentleman and always willing to help others.

BILL MAROOL—One of the night owls of the art department. Bill can always be seen during the last hours of the day, laboring in the chemistry laboratory. One of the most helpful members of the staff, he always has a smile on his face. A true gentleman and always willing to help others.

FRED KEOGH—To those who might not be acquainted with the Fred, Fred is expected to be the vice-president of the student council. Besides acting in that capacity he is also busy playing in the art department. Known to all as the man who always has a smile on his face. A true gentleman and always willing to help others.

PHILIP BENNET—Most conspicuous student in his class, Phil has been a member of the art department for the past four years. Known to all as the man who always has a smile on his face. A true gentleman and always willing to help others.

IRVING HOFFMAN—It’s the end of a busy term for Irving. Irving, the art department’s favorite, has been a member of the staff for the past four years. Known to all as the man who always has a smile on his face. A true gentleman and always willing to help others.
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- **BASEBALL GAME FRIDAY**
  - The Yeshiva baseball varsity will meet Talmudical Academy on the Lawton Park Diamond this Friday at 1:30 p.m. Manager Gold requests that all squad members be present.

- **Yeshiva Book Due**
  - Books must be returned to the Yeshiva Library before June 12. Dr. Joseph Marcus, Librarian, has announced that the library will be closed at 12:00 p.m.

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