Mort. Kogon's Fatal Accident Stuns Yeshiva

Yeshiva University was shocked by the murder of Mortimer Kogon, popular presi- dent of Le Cercle Francophone et littéraire, on December 13 at his residence in Sunnydale, Long Island. While walking in the backyard of his home, Kogon was struck by a pole later found by insurance investigators to have been stolen by termites. The pole frac- tured his skull and rendered him unconscious. He never regained consciousness and passed away in a hospital later that even-

World War Vet II
Kogon was born on December 31, 1921 in Montreal, Canada, the son of a manufacturer. He attend- ed Commercial High School in Montreal and graduated in 1943 with an academic diploma. His principal referred to him as “one of the finest pupils I have ever taught.” In July 1943 he enlisted in the Canadian Army, serving in Europe and Africa. After his discharge in 1946, he became involved in the Counter-Intelligence Corps. He served in the battles of Central Europe and the Rhineland, receiving the European-African-Middle Eastern Service Medal, the Service Medal and the Good Conduct Medal. (Continued on page 4)

Y.C. Ladies Group Hearts Dr. Jung

The annual luncheon of the Brooklyn and Manhattan branches of the Woman’s Organization of Yeshiva University was held on Dec. 11 at 6:30 p.m. in the Grand Ballroom at the Majestic Hotel, Monday evening, December 12.

The organization heard an ad- dress by Dr. Leo Jung, professor of ethics at Yeshiva College, and a noted investigator in the British educa-
tion in the making of a well-
integrated individual. Mr. Selkowt-
za has made a number of the presented scenes from his stage productions.

An appeal was made for funds for the benefit of Yeshiva, and $3,500 was collected.

Rabbi J. B. Soloveitchik
Dr. Joseph B. Soloveitchik will be the main speaker at Yeshiva University’s Tuesday evening assembly on January 6, which will initiate a financial drive to support the Keter Israel Synagogue in Palestine to absorb an increasing number of observant Jews. The students chose to honor Dr. Soloveitchik because he is the son of Rabbi Y. T. and Yeshiva Speakers Bureau which will furnish speakers to conduct appeals in various synagogues and community centers.

S. O. Y. Hears Pres. Belkin
Dr. Samuel Belkin addressed the annual student organization of Yeshiva Chazon Hagis on December 16 in Stern’s Cafeteria. Dr. Belkin stressed the importance of Talmudic studies and empha- sized that the Yeshiva was the institution most responsible for fulfilling this goal.

Discriminating Israel, Dr. Belkin stated that the fundamental character of the Holy Land makes it imperative for irresolution to continue for any period of time and declared that he has always been a “Mishna Israeli” in his attitude toward the nation. Regretting crowded dormitory conditions, he advised those who are easily irritated to exercise a little more forbearance and asserted that everything possible was being done to alleviate matters.

Kalodnow Elected Trustee of Y. U.
The election of Judge Harry E. Kalodnow of Philadelphia, as a member of the Board of Trustees of Yeshiva University, was announced December 17.

Judge Kalodnow has had a dis- tinguished career as a public or- ganizer, newspaper man, and an ironical person. Prior to his appoint- ment to the Circuit Court of App- eals, Judge Kalodnow had been a Judge of the U.S. District Court.

Confessions Of An Indolent Wage-Slave: They Also Serve Who Only Sit And Wait

I’m a waiter. They say I’m a pretty good waiter, too. Just ask Mr. Alvin Kamber. He happens to be the top waiter in the loan office of the Teachers Institute. When he asked me whether I would be interested in walking on the floor at the annual Chagalla Chagin, I told Mr. Kamber that I didn’t think that I would, and I didn’t plan to. He said that I should do it for the evening, not to man-

So that’s why when the night of December 11th rolled around, the skies were capped with clouds, the air was fresh, and I felt good. I walked into the store, and I felt good. I felt good for the rest of the evening. I was prepared for the worst, and it didn’t happen. It began — an endless pro- ceSSION from the kitchen to the dining room. The food was squeaking. But strangely enough, I almost enjoyed it. People were laughing at the jokes, and I was smiling along with them. It was greeted with smiles and kind words. One nice fellow even let me a ticket for the Chagin.

My dreams were rudely inter- rupted when I heard the familiar voice of Dr. Pickering Churgin, dean of the Teachers Institute. He wel- comed the students and guests, and he reminded us that Mr. Alvin, who spoke inspiringly of some tasks that would be ours with the coming of the new year.

Rabbi Dr. Jung Says, Gentile World Needs Judaism

“The world needs the Jew to teach it the quality of mercy and the concept of human dignity,” said Dr. Joseph B. Soloveitchik, noted professor of Jewish philosophy at Y.C., declared in a speech before the International Relations So- ciety, December 17. Dr. Jung described the world as being in a low state of moral rep- air. “No one pays any attention to moral considerations. The U.N. will succeed only out of fear of the atomic bomb or because peace is good business.”

In these troubled times Jews should be the ones to foster “nearness to the social ideals of the Torah” and only liberalism “strives to achieve” a balance between two extremes. It is the academic man who can contribute most to the solution of the present moral crisis. The community has no choice but to judge the man. In the moral adjudication, the community is in need of moral propaganda.

Dr. Jung has traveled extensively in Palestine in connection with the Joint Distribution Com- mittee. He served as a member of the Board for the Chalutz. He has no fear of the Arab. It is the Arab who is strong, and he is the Jew who is the weak one. The people have been too quick to criticize Judaism. The modern Jew is too quick to criticize Judaism.

The speaker defined three sig- nificant types of D. F. O. Some move closer to Orthodoxy. They realize that there is no place for them in the Gentile world.

Asher Blumenthal, chairman, administrative commit- tee for the dinner; Hon. Sam-uel B. Lewis, president of the Board of Trustees; and Malvina Bauman, chairman of the dinner, presided.

Mass Protest Against Arabs Urged By S.C.

Student Committee, at its last meeting, decided to prepare a resolution calling for a mass meeting against the Arab uprisings in the Near East by a united front.

“This will show that orthodox students are actually behind the gallant Palestinians, who are bear- ing the brunt of the fighting,” Council President Gershon Stern ‘48 said. “The various, colleges in the metropolitan area are being contacted, and the plan is to have a mass turnout, show- ing the solidarity of American students against the Arab conspiracy, es- pecially as manifested in the numerous student meetings in the Arab countries. This has been ap- proved by the Executive.

It was also announced that, thru the efforts of Gershon Stern, the Social Hall on the second floor of the Dormitory will be opened short- ly as a recreation room, contain- ing phonograph, record albums, a ping-pong table, and a dart- board for quiet activities. The ad- dress was approved by most of the council members, including the orchestra, placemakers, Maccabees, and Tennis team.

Perpetual Trophy Voting

In another important action, the
Expressing Student Criticism Purpose Of Undergrad. Paper

by MYRON M. FENSTER

It becomes poignantly evident with each successive issue that many do not fully understand the scope and importance of the student voice in the college's Graduate newspaper. The members of this staff who have time to think about their role are considered the bearers of only unpleasant, highly exaggerated tidings with whom, all too often, their opinions and all suggestions are usually ignored. This is grossly unfair.

In the past the opinion columns have been, on the whole, of a critical nature. But in all instances these have been offered in a strictly conservative manner, the aim being the improvement of an institution which we all hold dear. At no time has University, Commentator exists so that these students may have a medium for their expression.

On the other hand, the presentations, despite the unbecoming cries of "reformers" and "revolutionaries", is the opinion that any responsible reader will readily admit that through the years this paper has been an instrument for good within these walls.

We are living through a period which sees the squelching of student expression on all sides, in colleges throughout the country which were formerly noted for their liberality of thought. For that reason, Dr. Belkin is to be highly lauded for never having attempted to usurp our freedom by censoring the contents of this paper. This despite pressure many times from highly influential sources. It may even surprise some to know that the editors fully appreciate the freedom of movement that has been offered to them and have "never purposely profaned that freedom."

Unfortunately, no institution can be free of some internal deficiencies. We feel it incumbent upon us to point out that we are not prepared to sign a direct or indirect approach in any way that they feel personally offended or insulted when our opinion disagrees with theirs is difficult to understand.

I would be the first to agree that in the past the Commentator may have been wrong on certain issues. We do not claim to be infallible, perfectionists being what they turn out to be. "Commie" has always stood for forthright unquestioned opinion of the student body of Yeshiva College, without waiting years to express that opinion and without waiting to see whether or not it could stand the test of time. In all instances majority, a discussion, is expanded. Whether it be dramatic or pugnacious for a militant Zionist we feel the will of the student body of Yeshiva College is being expressed. Dissenting student opinion is heard with indignation on the one hand, fully state that I have never barred these pages to any student in this institution. Our sole purpose is to record student opinion.

We do not for one moment contend that we know our educational knowledge is equal to that of our teachers and leaders, but to us the students are the most important, the pivotal part of this meet the faculty

The Commentator Presents: "The Voice Of The Terkel"

by BOB KURTZMAN

Bang! A student strode out of the classroom. Bang! Another student stormed out the next day. Half a minute of post-lecture inquisitors haggled the instructor's dictating questions. It is all part of the morning swindle down to less than a mum­men, I approached the instructor and asked him my honest views. Mr. Ter­kel, newly appointed instructor of education, has an air of enthusiasm about him. His rosy complexion adds to the jovial twinkle half-hidden in the corners of his eyes. He shook the dust of City College from his feet in 1937 and heard his "Master's" voice in edu­cation the following year. At pres­ent the ever-sharp Mr. Terkel is working at Columbia University for his Ed.D. degree. A Chinese immigrant, he has to his credit twenty years of teaching experience and has held down the position of principal at the New York City Evening School for Adult Educa­tion for the last two years. He has found courses to teach, teachers, boards of edu­cation, and private institutions on education of all kinds, new and old, to his teaching. A few weeks ago, just a block away from our alma marna, he addressed the City College Association of George Washing­ton High School on the topic "The Adolescent: Growth and Development." Recently, at the invitation of Professor Zarbog of New York University, Mr. Terkel took part in a forum on the use of comic books in the classroom. His Yeshiva experience, no doubt, has added him immeasurably.

The real challenge to Yeshiva students for their general attitude in the classroom. He claims that there are "questions and try to be scholarly in their approach." One eager-beaver even walked up to Mr. Terkel with a question. "If there were any other research he might carry out (Passion, savour, the virus of Yeshiva had struck another victim!)."

From the discussion I was im­pressed with Mr. Terkel's insight into the ultimate value of education. He desires an "inter­relationship of adult community organization." He be­lieves "school, college, and com­munity must be a threefold unit to make education more free and that the community itself, helping to solve its problems." On employing definite discus­sion techniques, adult education pro­cedure (which he advocates), Mr. Terkel finds "the boys know how to handle themselves better than some college students that he has taught."

Mr. Terkel summed up his atti­tude toward education by saying "that he finds it very stimulating teaching at Yeshiva."
Cagers Drop Heartbreaker To Cathedral By Two Point Edge

The Cathedral College hoosiers nossed out the Yeshiva U. hoosiers 58-56 before a large crowd of spectators at the gymnasium of the Central High School of Needle Trades on Saturday evening, Dec. 26. The game started slowly, and, at the end of the first quarter, Yeshiva was tied with 9 points per team. Encouraged by the cheers brought forth from the crowd of his blue-clad Yeshiva cheer-leaders, the Saratoken began dropping in their shots. With Arty Stein jumping and swishing in for pivots shots to lead the team, the Yeshiva scoring machine rolled out a 5 point lead to put the Bears at a top at half time by a 26-21 count.

In the third quarter, however, disaster struck in the person of the referee. Waving an authoritative finger and declaring in a loud voice, "You fouled him," he contributed to what turned out to be one of 37 foul shots attempted by the backcourters from Cathedral. This maneuver, in the opinion of the referee, he has committed five fouls. Following the natural train of logic, we can easily conclude that during the game some of our Washington Heightonians were deposed for this reason. During this third quarter, Arty Stein and Rod Friedman left the game via this method.

Along with them went the Yeshiva men, as the Bears had shown an amount, and ultimately won victory in the contest. The abashed basketballers' soon joined by the "Lefty" Rayt, and, by the end of the third quarter, the Cathedral team had cut the Yeshiva lead so that the tally stood at 39-37.

In the final counter Coach Saratok exclaimed, substituted freely to compensate for the loss of yet another athlete, Danny Geller by name, who also had committed five fouls. After this the second stringers fought valiantly especially Howard Danzig and Danny Kony, the sophomore stars, the game ended with the ball in the hands of the Cathedral team and the score stylized at a blank 58-56.

The high scorer and outstanding all-around player from Cathedral College was their spring-legged center, Beimont, who reached up 14 points and drew 13 fouls from the Yeshivites. For the defeated, Arty Stein put in 12 points and Ruby Davidsen tied with Danny Geller for second place honors with 8 points apiece.

Yeshiva vs. Marshall

The Miles played the first game of the current season against the John Marshall Lawyers at the Jersey City Armony December 9. The Yeshiva men, not finding their pace in the first half, were outclassed, and the score at the halfway buzzer was 23-11. The final score of the game was 66-33. Arty Stein was high scorer.

On-The-Sidelines
Sports Editor
Annihilateth\nZaratustra

by sol Blumenfeld.

Hardly had Zarathustra seen the score, 52-50 when he fell down as one dead and remained as one dead. This condition continued for seven nights and days, when came a letter from the Registry's office. Then, however, he again came to himself, then was his pale and trembling and remained lying, and for a long time would neither go to the Garden, nor listen to Marty Glickman. Thereupon Zarathustra raised himself upon his down-decker, and heard the Sports Editor speak:

"Oh Zarathustra!" he said, "why was the game so affected?" Step out of thy room and come with me to the gym. The Varsity playing with leather spheres and the very baskets long for thy presence.

"Every team worth-while, every team looth; eternal runs to the basketball season. Crooked is the path of eternity, yet giveth birth to hope at every turn."

"Oh, ye lowly people!" answered Zarathustra, "thou hast seen it all and now playest false music upon the lyre of the sideliners. Now I, however, lie here still exhausted, sick with the sight of mine eyes as they saw the Brasis Israel.

"The much bahl is clearest to me as I lie here in the midst of space. Nothing liveth that I loved, and seeing this, how can I love myself?"

"To have power and victory, to win every contest, or not play at all; this did I wish. But alas! can I now love the Miles that have frustrated those wishes? Was there a goal towards which their sail was set? Only he that knows whether he saith knoweth what wind is good. The goal is the Supersteam, and the charted path, victory. To strive without a goal and without power is death. There is no room for the vanquished, for having been vanquished, the defeated are insert in the Supersteam.

The Supersteam

At this point Zarathustra wiped the sweat from his brow and collapsed on his pillow.

"Oh, ye politicized, debased, thou attemptest to compromise with fate, whilst, I shape it. Self-annihilation is thy only remedy."

Thus spake Zarathustra.

The Sports Editor upon hearing this was sorely perplexed, but having returned from the Minchah service he went to the dicthomous bed upon which Zarathustra had fallen as sleeping man. The Sports Editor then asked: "Thou hast attended the Yeshiva and art indeed learned, but thy philosophy confoundeth me. Basketball players cannot shape their fate, but only futilely attempt to do so and having attempted, remain satisfied with their lot. Though he be foul in vain whilst referees walk in nights of blindness, the chart saith 32-56, and so let it be. Though Zarathustra's face exuded the color of his hair, and Alphonse talked in dormitory language, the chart saith 32-56 and so let it be.""Till Zarathustra, is there not compensation even in defeat? Is not the feeling of unity a feeling of power? The shaking of pride serveth merely to measure and re-inforce that pride. Defeat is the test of a man, victory inflates his vanity."

Thus spake the Sports Editor. Thereupon Zarathustra was greatly impressed and reverted to his original self. He smiled and, reaching under his pillow, withdrew a copy of "Metaphysical Sports Stories."
Placement Bureau

Aaron J. Weiss '48, chairman of the Placement Service, announced that a concerted effort is being made to fill all requests for private lessons. Advertisements are now appearing in various Jewish publications. During the early part of February, the Placement Service will begin its program of obtaining summer positions for all applicants.

Masmid Postpones Raffle To Jan. 25

The Governing Board of the Masmid '48 announced that the date of the Masmid raffle scheduled to be drawn on Jan. 8 has been postponed to Chanukah over B'nai B'rith, Monday, Jan. 25. This has been done so as to give the students an opportunity to make the raffle a real financial success. Stubs should be turned in to Harry B. Steinberg or to the office of the Placement Service. Mr. P. Templeman will be dedicated to him, there will be a Mortimer Kogen Debating Tournament to be presented every year, and "Doc" Hurwitz has announced that he will award annually a Morgen Kogen medal for leadership.

Clearing House

Jerry Abrams '48 has been appointed as the new chairman of the Clearing House Committee. Due to past difficulties, Mr. Abrams urges all organizations to keep in contact with him regarding meetings and speakers.

Chess

Harry Yanofsky '48, Y. U. representative at the international championship tournament of the National Intercollegiate Chess League, has, at the end of the Fourth Round, a score of 3½-1½. The three leading contenders are tied with a score of 3½-3½. Yanofsky has actually won only three games, excepting a draw on the fourth because of the approach of Sabbath.

Kogon (Continued from page 1)

He was discharged in March, 1948, after being given the rank of 1st Lieutenant. In February 1947 he entered Yeshiva College, planning to major in social sciences, with law as his ultimate goal. Although he held both a part-time job in a law office, nevertheless found time to devote himself to the interest of the College. This, the Masmid Franscals was revived, and work began on La Planchez. He participated in inter-college debates and assisted "Doc" Hurwitz by serving as a student-in- instructor in several physical education classes.

Eranos

On Monday, December 26, the classical society of Yeshiva College, under the leadership of Rabbi M. Berman and the faculty of the University, through a book entitled "Thomas Jefferson, American Humanist," by Dr. Carl Levin, the book includes the history of the humanist movement in America from the time of Jefferson to the present day.

Teachers Institute Chagiga

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Kalogora "You've got to work for it," reminded me of my job in no uncertain terms. I knew them by the wave of quiet that enveloped the audience that an original pageant written by Louis Bernstein was being presented. With the aid of A. Shaprio and Co, the dramatization effectively painted a picture of oil and new Palestine. This seemed to be the climax of the evening for suddenly hands clapped shoulders and the steps of the dancers, here reached my ears in the kitchen. I could stand it no longer. The spirit of the evening surged through me. I contemplated. I hesitated. I decided. I tore off my apron with one wave of my hand, and was in the circle of dancing feet. I thought I heard someone crying. "Come on, finish those dishes," but after all, I thought, it must only be my imagination.

A half an hour later, I learned that I would never be hired again as a waiter. But it didn't bother me. And it doesn't bother me now. There are other ways of getting to the annual "Y. T. Chagiga."

I hear that Sunny Sklar won't be around this year. Boy, hand me that record of Pigaro. P. A.