**DATELINE JERUSALEM**

**Bloom Sees Assassination Attempt**

By Norman A. Bloom
Special Commentary Correspondent

JERUSALEM, OCTOBER 29 (Delayed in Transit)—I was in the Knesset building when the attempt was made to assassinate the Israeli Cabinet.

At 6:15 P.M. today, I was sitting in the waiting room of the Knesset when the noise of an exploding grenade rocked the building. Outside, guards dressed in their kibbe frantically ran calling for doctors. The sound of sirens soon shrilled through the air as ambulances and police cars began streaking in from all directions. Crowds—multitudes—all bewildered—came running in from all sides.

"What happened? What happened?" they dumbfoundedly asked.

"Some people were injured inside. But whom?" Tension began to mount as the crowd spilled around frantically trying to find out, above all, "is the boss okay? Is B-G all right?"

There he was—B-G—just walking through the Knesset entrance, a cocky and confident look on his face.

"Yeah! I guess he's okay. But wait—("look at his right arm") his face and chest—covered with blood was being taken out on a stretcher. The word went through B-G's office that [Name] the Minister of Religion? A kind of chill ran through my body. About 20 minutes later, I was sitting there being watched the debate and there on the Knesset floor I had seen Moshe Shapiro quietly seated at the Cabinet table. After about a half hour, he got up and walked off the floor. I left the visitor's section and walked towards the成." He was now being put into the ambulance. Mortal, Moshe, I guess. Did...

His stretcher was now being put into the ambulance with Moshe Shapiro and both were taken away.

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**Y. U. Inaugurates Parent Conference Program for Frosh**

Yeshiva College will inaugurate its Parent Conference Program, sponsored by the "This Change," stated Mrs. Shapiro, was in the selection of future editors-in-chief, announced Larry Friedlander '58, editor.

A resolution passed by the newly established Governing Board provides for the election of an editor-in-chief replacing the former policy of direct appointment. A pre-required course, which was also established: all editors-in-chief must be former members of the Masmid staff.

The following new appointees have been added to the Governing Board: Elliot Ginsburg and Shimi Kressel, Business Managers; Alfred Becker, Managing Editor; Simon Gluck, Activities Editor; Sheppard Levine, Literary Editor. Also, Joel Kaplan, Sports Editor; Jay Braverman, Special Editor; and Herbert Friedman and Bill Klein, Typing Editor.

**Mrs. Kross, Henig Debate Wagner's Administration**

"The Wagner Administration" was the subject of the annual Election Assembly held in Lampsot 30. The Hon. Anna Kress, New York City Commissioner of Correction, defended the present Democratic administration while Mr. Henig, counsel to the New York City Commission on Education, substituting for Mrs. Caroline Simon, Republican candidate for City Council President, attacked it.

Mr. Henig discussed the qualifications of Caroline Simon. He alleged that Abe Stark, her opponent, had not made one constructive contribution to the city during his tenure of office. He blamed the present administration for the rise in juvenile delinquency and said that this was due to inadequate law enforcement and to an outmoded approach to the entire problem of juvenile crime. Mrs. Simon, he stated, has accomplished many outstanding things as a member of both the State Commission Against Discrimination and the State Youth Commission.

Mrs. Kress countered by saying that the problem of juvenile delinquency has always existed and should not be made a political issue.

In rebutting assertions made by Mr. Henig, she advised the audience to evaluate carefully articles appearing in our daily press. "The fact that Abe Stark received no endorsement by the press means nothing," she declared, for P.D.R. also lacked the support of most large newspapers.

Mrs. Kross presented Mr. Stark as a man who fought to help New York City's underprivileged youth. Mrs. Kross reasserted that "we in N. Y. C. haven't proper representation in Albany," and accused the Republican-controlled, State Legislature of being responsible for the present deplorable situation.

"In reviewing the main speeches, each side delivered a two-minute rebuttal. An audience—participation question and answer period followed.

**Dr. Lowan Returns to Yeshiva**

After a year's work at the Radiation Laboratory of the University of California, Prof. Alfred N. Lowan has resumed his teaching position at Yeshiva College.

Prof. Lowan served as a consultant in theoretical physics and applied mathematics at the laboratory in Livermore, Calif. During this period, his work was devoted mostly to studies on thermonuclear reactions. He stated that the work, "if successful, would make it possible to harness fusion reactions for controlled, heavy hydrogen in the oceans and provide for the next billion years."

The Atomic Energy Commission is publishing the coverage of a book which arose out of the work which Prof. Lowan accomplished during the past year. The book is being published under the auspices of the National Academy of Sciences.

A course in the Calculus of Finite Differences is now being offered at the Institute of Mathematics by Prof. Lowan.

This year at the University of California, Prof. Lowan was involved in the scientific career of Dr. Lowan. He was previously connected with the Institute of Applied Mathematics at the University. Afterward he was in charge of the project of the Brown-Bagham calculators and his study of calculational mathematical tables.
Censorship

Once again, we enter a year of publication under the advisory system instituted in September, 1951. At that time THE COMMENTATOR objected vigorously to its introduction. However, faced with the choice of an advisory system or complete censorship, we were forced to accept the former alternative. Nevertheless, we viewed it as an infringement of the editor's right to make the final say on what is to be printed. Nothing has happened since to change our original opinion.

According to the present agreement (October, '57), the "advisory board for THE COMMENTATOR is intended solely as an advisory board on matters of propriety." We feel that college students are mature enough to judge what is proper to print in their own newspaper. Furthermore, unfortunately, in the past what constitutes "matters of propriety" has often been misconstrued by the administration. In their minds, any criticism might be interpreted as being synonymous with "lack of propriety."

We must assume, unless informed differently, that the attitude of the administration is expressed in the statement issued by the Office of the Dean, November 30, 1955, that "there is a desire to have students entirely from the consequences of their own immaturity."

How can the student body ever be expected to trust in an administration which considers the students so immature that they at times might be beyond salvation? Trust and respect is still a two-way street.

The function of a student newspaper (and for that matter is a worthy goal) is to provide a source of reliable information, and second, just as important, to act as a voice of constructive criticism of the administering elements in order that the processes of learning shall not be disturbed by their duties and responsibilities. If the administration itself is the final authority on controversial matters, whether they are controversial because of "propriety"—or for any other reason that might be invented—then how can the above functions possibly be successfully fulfilled?

Clearly, the key to a successful student newspaper is to have it published by, and only by, the students.

Support Masmid

The editors of Masmid, the senior yearbook, have announced a new policy intended to broaden the scope of the magazine and to bring it closer to undergraduate activities. A new, modern layout and a fuller coverage of college and university events is the aim. The editors, who are the students themselves, feel that it is important, to act as a voice of constructive criticism, to keep a proper balance.

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The inaugral of a new column in THE COMMENTATOR calls for an explanation. A short history of Commie columns seems in order here. Until some years ago a "Maybe I'm Wrong" column was written by a staff member on current issue. This was discontinued and at intervals students would sound off on their pet theories. This year a letter column has appeared regularly on this page, and is called the "Maybe I'm Wrong" headed column.

When Joel Balsam '54 was President of Student Council he wrote a column in this newspaper.

Now the time has come for the Editor of THE COMMENTATOR to weigh into the fray, and I humbly and with the dignity befitting a Yeshiva man, offer this proposal. The object, we must remember, is to give people more. Let us, then, do away with all forms of instruction; they are surely just a waste of time. From the first days of "freshmen" to the last days of "seniority," let the college curriculum consist of one long examination.

There will be such courses as Examinations 1, 2, the pre-requisite for which shall be General Tests. 0,04. The requirements for graduation shall no longer be 128 credits of instruction but 128 credits of examination.

These 128 credits of examinations could have been accomplished within four years of 32 per annum, and further subdivided into eight terms of 16 per term. To signify the termination of a term a marathon examination shall be administered. Called the Test of Tests, it will include the best of the six full days and nights—even the Lord rested on the Sabbath.

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To encourage the taking of such examinations, awards can be distributed. For example, an award may be given to the possession of the largest bank under the left eye.

In order, however, to ascertain whether the examinations are being met a certain standard, at the end of the senior year, a soul-searching sort of examination shall be given. This shall be called the G.R.E. I must explain the nature of this examination rather its former G.R.E.

When it was statistically proven, lately, that the direct proportion between instruction and examination had evaporated into an indirect proportion, certain measures could have been adopted to restore a proper balance.

When it had become evident, lately, that the cramming done by students for seven or eight final examinations given within one week (and some simultaneously) did not further the noble processes of learning, some more rational, more practical and perhaps less literal system of final examinations could have been devised.

And when this mania for examinations resulted in the destruction of the original purpose of these tests, we could have had the courage to form a certain accrediting organization to perform its accrediting or disciplining elsewheres. With the use of a certain amount of insight and perspicacity, we could have shattereth the straight-jacket of conformity which tied us so closely to this organization, and we could have set rational standards of our own.

However, since statistics, proportions, and reason seem to have no purpose in the modern trend, I humbly and with the dignity befitting a Yeshiva man, offer this proposal. The object, we must remember, is to give people more. Let us, then, do away with all forms of instruction; they are surely just a waste of time. From the first days of "freshmen" to the last days of "seniority," let the college curriculum consist of one long examination.

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Dr. Isaac Levin, the representative from the House of Representatives, has stated that while purportedly permitting shechita as "human slaughter with the meaning of this act" requires the stunning of animals prior to slaughter. This, in turn, prevents unfit for shechita and kosher consumption.

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There is one fact concerning this bill which should not be left out. It is the fact that it is sponsored by Representative Abraham Muller of Brooklyn, has also been introduced in the House of Representatives. This bill, which prohibits shechita has taken a stand against this bill which strikes at the heart of Jewish religion.

I can suggest only one course of action. Our constitution permits anyone to peacefully petition the government. This we must do in various ways. We must bombard our representatives and senators with letters indicating our feelings on this bill. We must circulate petitions condemning the bill among the general Jewish population. We must be able to maintain by writing letters to influential publications.

If Madison Avenue can sell soap, we, too, can sell shechita.

Future Columns

In future columns I hope to deal with major issues that crop up from time to time right here at Yeshiva. Both the President of the Student Council and myself feel very strongly that an informed student body is the prerequisite for a democratic student government.

Commie Columns; A Threat to Judaism

By Abraham Shapiro

Many of you may be unaware of it, but there was before Congress a bill which would have effectively prohibited shechita in the United States. This bill, H.R. 3028, sponsored by Rep. Poag, actually passed the House Rules Committee and had a good chance of becoming law.

According to Sen. Jacob Javits (and some simultaneou-
**Co-op Store Equips "Yeshiva Leaguers"**

The Co-op Store is currently featuring Yeshiva University pillows, which are decorated with the logo of the main campus Academic Building. It was announced by Charles Palt '58 and Israel Rick '59, store managers.

**Dateline Jerusalem**

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Sure enough the doors were opened again. But wait! A slow smile went up as the idea that the "Yeshiva League" store now has belts, wallets, cuff link sets, tie clips, and collar-pin in stock.

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**Maybe I'm Wrong**

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In time, with proper amount of fastidiousness, the Graduate Record Exam will come, as much as two, three, and finally eight-twenty-four in the total average. It's the Registrar's department that will allow, the ultimate level will be reached when these examinations count nine and ten-eighths of the average. As you see, the possibilities are limitless.

With the college education consisting of one long exam, plus the Test of Tests, the Graduate Record Exam, the words, "mid-term" and "final" will no longer instill fear and error in the test-weakened hearts of students. The mid-term and the final shall have disappeared at last.

Finally, let me assure you that my proposal has not been offered as a means of personal gain. The bags under my eyes are moderately low, and anyone who has ever heard of the excessive use of a drug, I have taken so many examinations that no longer do they or can they have any beneficial effect on me.

Moses M. Berlin '58.

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**Sputnik**

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We went to the moon, we played the game again, this time in the fact that there is no gravity on the moon, many peculiar things happened. But this is a feature piece and the story of the game is news, and the editor won't let the tween meet, so if you meet me in the hall I'll tell you about it.

Anyway, I just had to let it be known that we were first with this spurtink fad, and even though John will be pleased that I kept the secret out, he's pulled some funny bits himself lately, and I got the impression that he was on the brink of telling anyhow, so why not give my old paper a scoop?

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**RESERVES PLAY BIG ROLE IN NEXT COMING BASKETBALL CAMPAIGN**

By Joel Daner

(Ed. note: This is the second of four articles on Reserve basketball. Last year's story appeared in the issue of November 15, 1957.)

In college basketball more is than in any other sport the success of the team depends on the reserve and his position on the reserve. The reserves play a good portion of the game and control a large share of the burden. This is the reason Coach Red Sarachek is counting on his reserve and many of his returning lettermen from last year for the upcoming season.

The mainstay of last year's reserves was his depth. This year's reserve is practically the same, with a few exceptions.

The most significant addition was a freshman and a transfer. The Freshman is an intelligent and hardworking player who has shown an ability to score under pressure. The transfer, a transfer from a small college, is a two-sport athlete and has shown great promise in his first year. He is expected to contribute significantly to the team's success.

The most significant loss was a senior, who was a key player for the team. The team will have to adapt to his absence by using their reserves more effectively.

Sarachek is optimistic about the team's prospects for this year. He believes that the team will be competitive and that they will have a chance to make the playoffs. He is counting on the teamwork and hard work of the reserves to make up for the loss of the senior player.