Yavneh Plans To Institute Freshmen Guidance Program

The Yavneh Society of Yeshiva College will soon institute a religious guidance program for freshmen with the help of qualified Yeshiva smicha students, announced David Segal '62, President of Yavneh Society.

The program is designed to assist freshmen in their transition to college life. Freshmen will be paired with upperclassmen who will provide guidance and support. The program will also include workshops and seminars on various topics relevant to college life.

Tremendous Impact

Mr. Segal further stated that "because of the sincerity, ability, and expertise of those enrolled in the smicha plan, I feel that the plan will have a tremendous impact on Yeshiva. It is possible that the new program will help reduce many of the religious problems faced by the freshmen and faculty members of the college." This plan will provide for a more congenial and harmonious atmosphere.

D. Segal convinces Frosh

With mouths open and harmony towards all.

Dean's Award Given to Juniors: "In Pursuit Of Gelt" Triumphs

The Junior Play was chosen by Judges Henry Lissman, professor of English and Lewis Palfer, instructor of speech, to be the best presentation at the Dean's Reception. More than 1000 people attended the reception, which featured a silent auction, and the proceeds were donated to the Shabbos Project.

TI Plans New Dinim Course; Introduces Fiscal Pressure

Teachers Institute has revised its curriculum to enable certain upperclassmen the opportunity of taking a four-hour Dinim course instead of Talmud.

Govt. Grant to Aid Hebrew Pedagogy

Grants totaling $60,000 have been awarded to Yeshiva University to create a summer institute for high school Hebrew teachers by the United States Office of Education, stated Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of the University.

The program, directed by Dr. David Minsky, will seek to develop new methods for the teaching of elementary Hebrew. Much of this will be based on teaching experience in Israel where immigants are given a working knowledge of the language within a short time.

Record Percentage Of Yeshiva Alumni Continue Education

Ninety-two of last year's ninety-two Yeshiva College graduates are presently continuing their education in various professional and graduate schools. This mark far exceeds the sixty-eight percent average of the other liberal arts colleges in the country.

Successful Senior Social Solidly Swings To Terrific Talent and Satirical Stings With "Way Out Games And Wild Things"

For one brief evening last January, a visitor to Kleen Klull might have inferred from the scene that greeted his eyes that our senior class had turned credo.

A well-informed observer, however, realized that what was occurring was the Senior Class Mid-Year Gala, held January 30.

The affair, first of its kind at Yeshiva, attracted approximately one-hundred guests from many top universities and colleges in the east. Among others, these included Stern College for Women, a division of Yeshiva University, and two universities under Jewish auspices, and Barnard College.

"Sane Old Richard"

The master of ceremonies for the evening, Saul Wohlgemuth '61, will be remembered for his witty comments on the American political scene. Mr. Wohlgemuth was similarly effective in relating an anecdote concerning former Vice-President Richard M. Nixon and Mrs. Nixon.

He quoted Mrs. Nixon as tenderly answering a reporter’s question as to how the loss of the election affected her. Mrs. Nixon replied with the by-now-classic line, "Sane Old Richard."

Among the celebrities at the affair was the student’s choice for asst. Markishag, Prof. Louis H. Feldman, Dr. Feldman, who is the Director of Examinations in his spare time, was assisted by his charming wife in filling his new post of Director of Chap- erones.

Although many people may attribute the success of the social to the entertainment of Bernard Rachele '61 and Jack Merkin '61, the singing of Steve Nisn '61, or the piano playing of Stephen Goldberg '63, it is the opinion of this reporter that the success was due to the novel "ice-breaker" offered by the creative council of the senior class.

"Blazes"

This "ice-breaker" consisted of a chart resembling a bingo card of twenty-five squares. Each person was given one of these cards and was asked to fill the squares with the signatures of members of the opposite sex.

Former YU Student Held by Jordanians

The Israeli Police announced that David Flager of Lowell, Mass., a former Yeshiva College student, was being held by Jor- danian authorities. He had wandered across the Israeli-Jordanian border. Flager, a former Yeshiva University student left for Israel in the middle of his sophomore year. He was regarded at Yeshiva as a quiet, sincere student, and wanted to continue his studies uninter- rupted in Israel. He attended the Universities, Bar Yavneh, and Mir yeshivot.
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Ben Gurion Attacked And Praised; Viewpoints, Emigration Discussed
By David C. Segal

In the past decade, one man in the Jewish world has been the center of controversy. His actions and statements have been praised and condemned, respected and reviled. He has been hailed as one of the greatest Jewish leaders of all times and been called the man who changed the world. On the day he came to serve as Prime Minister of Israel, he was welcomed by a crowd of thousands, a so-called religious group observes a fast day.

This man, David Ben-Gurion, former prime minister of Israel, although not praised for his religious actions, has actually been criticized behind the Jewish homeland.

The State of Israel, under his political direction, has opened its doors to hundreds of thousands who were at the mercy of tyrants. Yet because of certain statements and because Ben-Gurion is not a religious man, "the prime minister is hated." It is possible to understand one's feelings when a man not bound by any religious edict attempts to establish: "What is a Jew?" But it is hard to imagine the ideas of those opposing him. The Prime Minister's position all for immigration to Eretz Israel.

Reminder to Diaspora

David Landau, director of the Government Press Office in Jerusalem stated that the Prime Minister was not interested in keeping Jew living in the Diaspora during his speech at the World Zionist Congress but rather "reminding the Orthodox group of the ancient Talmudic saying which compares Jews living outside the Holy Land to those deprived of the presence of the Messiah in the world." If this is true what basic did Ben-Gurion say that was so terrible?

Freshmen To Offer Wouk Court Drama

The Caine Mutiny Court Mar- rial will be presented by the Freshman Class at the Fort Washington YMHA, announced Melvin Freier '64 president of the class.

A sequel to the "Caine Mutiny," the play revolves around the trial and the individual qualities of the characters involved.

Captain Queeg, commander of the "Caine," will be portrayed by Marty Sigel '64; Fischbak Yalmon '64 will act the part of Steve Maryk, who was accused of the mutiny; Leonard Glass '64 will direct the production.

The average student at Yeshiva does not fully appreciate the attempts which have been made to beautify our college building. The students are responsible for the delloper of the fourth floor, I, too, was a Philistine; then, one night, I stumbled into the office of the Professor of Interior Decoration at Yeshiva. This man, whose name is Sam, stays awake all night in the Main Aca- demic Center, so that he can work with the intruders who would defile its beauty. He explains how the new color scheme for the walls, the swinging door for the canteen, and all the other innovations were chosen. It seems that our administration is quite fashion conscious.

The pride of Washington Heights is its citizens, the bulk of whom have migrated to New York from various parts of the West Indies. These colorful cit- izens are distinguished from other people by a marked lack of in- hibitions, and frequent the famous Washington Heights inn, of which I spoke previously. Thus, we have signs posted on the walls, "KEEP OFF THE WALLS." In my humble opinion, the interior decorators at Yeshiva achieved remarkable success. One can hardly tell whether one is walking down the halls of the fourth floor or down 184th St.
Matmen Score First Win; Yeshiva Splits Two Matches

In a dramatic home match held Wednesday February 8, Yeshiva defeated C.W. Post 23-13, thus raising their season record to 1-3-1. Freshman Phil Keen led the Yeshiva victory after registering his first varsity win by outpointing and almost pinning C.W. Post's captain in a tensely battled match. "His excellent form promises fine future performances," said Coach Hank Wittenberg.

Co-Captain Jack Merkin and heavyweight Warren "Killer" Klein followed up the win by literally sweeping the Postmen off their feet. Merkin brought his match to an early and successful end with a beautifully executed pin.

Suffering from 101 degree temperature, Klein electrified the crowd by pinning his man late in the match. This win, together with Klein's championship in the match for Yeshiva's "grunt and groaners."

Freddie Leiber and George Brown were pinnned by strong opponents. Co-Captain Bob Schwab lost a close match after putting up a fine fight.

Outstanding comments were on the happy side. Captain Jack Merkin said, "The boys were waiting for this, and they deserve our congratulations." Coach Wittenberg declared, "I'm delighted!"

On January 10th at Columbia's gym, Yeshiva's grapplers lost to Columbia Junior Varsity 21-15.

Victories were registered by Co-Captains Jack Merkin and Bob Schwab, and all the weight classes.

Bob, a determined individual on the mat and an amiable one off, is majoring in math. He plans to pursue a career in that field after graduation.

Yeshiva's Podhurst scores against Pace.

Mighty Mites Defeat Pace

Gaining momentum as the game progressed, Yeshiva defeated a highly-touted Pace College quintet, 75-50, on the lousy home court's attitude. N.Y. School of Printing gym.

The Mighty Mites were never seriously threatened, as they controlled the ballgame from the opening period.

Semi Grossman was the high scorer for Y.U. and also the top man in the game with 20 points. This contest marked the sixth consecutive victory for the Mighty Mites.

Bob Schwell, who became the first in a line of Mite ballplayers to score a total of 600 points, has scored 20 points or more.

As usual, Grossman was greatly aided by the pinpoint passing of Gary Baum who led the team in assists. Four Mites double figures with 16 points being contributed by a Freshman playing his first varsity ballgame. The performance of Bob "Suitcase" Podhurst who shot a brilliant 62% from the floor. He promises to provide the sorely needed spark in the forseeable future.

Bob "Suitcase" Podhurst grabbed 14 rebounds while dumping in an equal number of points. Another Freshman, Kenny Jacobson, cut the lead to five points.

Setters of Pace started out strong but faltered in the second half as Yeshiva poured in 41 points in that period.

Defense seemed to be the key. The Mighty Mites were switched to man-to-man defense to cope with the brilliant outside shooting of Pace.

Yeshiva Downed By Rough Riders

Trailing throughout an edge, Yeshiva was outdistanced by Rider at the F.I.T. gym February 9th, by a 72-66 score. In going down to its ninth loss of the season, the Mites were plagued by a game long press and often had difficulty passing the ball out of the backcourt. Sparked by Captain Louis Horowitz and Sam Grossman the Yeshiva hoopsters stayed even with the Rough Riders until the visitors broke a 24-24 tie. They were never again headed.

Coach Sarachek shuttled men into the game throughout the second period in an attempt to draw even. But the Mighty Mites were unable to overcome an eleven point halftime deficit and faded at the home stretch. Grossman was game high scorer with 22 points, tallying 13. Granich of Rider netted 17 points. Yeshiva's Tri-State Slate now stands at 1-7.

Tauberman's Split Matches With Two Jersey Schools

Yeshiva's fencing team split a pair of matches during the two weeks preceding first examinations. Y.U. scored a 19-8 victory over Fairleigh Dickinson and sustained a 16-11 defeat at the hands of Rutgers in matches held at the Y.U. Gymnasium.

The home team assumed a quick 6-0 lead, over Fairleigh by virtue of a sweep of sabre and foil bouts in the first round of the match. Yeshiva was never challenged thereafter as they extended their lead to 15-3 at the end of round two. The sabre and foil teams accounted for 14 of the 19 victories scored by Yeshiva while the epee fencers recorded the remaining 5. Sabreman Warren Enker and Manny Wasserman, foilman Herschel Parkas, David Shelnick, and Matty Shatzkes and epee man Steven Rothman won two bouts each against their respective opponents.

However, Y.U. fencers were not successful against their sec-

ics Society in November. However, Jack is no foreigner to the wrestling mat on which he galloped in the 177 pound weight division. So far this season, he holds a 3-1 record.

Blessed with a powerful build, Co-Captain Jack is at his best wrestling in the top position. Last season his record was 5-4-1 which can be attributed to his remarkable strength and stamina, two of Jack's most admired assets. He excels in all sports, but chose wrestling in order to be under the wise tutelage of the amiable Olympic champion, Coach Hank Wittenberg.

Jack derives pleasure from participating in dramatics and enjoys music and singing.

Jack, an English major, will either go on to study law or enter the teaching profession.
Top Priority Given GRE

In a memo issued right after installa- tion of the G. K. E. L., the appointment of an assistant dean for student affairs, the establishment of an “Advisor” to the administration, and the issuance of dog-tags.

The Graduate Record Exam forming priority for 1/8 of the student’s time, and late counting for nobody will be pegged once more. This time it will be worth approximately 40% on the senior average. Marshals will be provided to all applicants but all prospective graduates are expected to refrain from being there. In this way the G. K. E. L. hopes to follow the example of its predecessor in being friendly with the boys but at the same time it plans to carry a big stick.

A reorganization of student council is planned and for this purpose the browncoats have established the Office of Student Affairs under Colonel A. Moses Tendril.

Col. Tendril has vast experience in this field having served a previous term 2 years ago. He is expected to effect vast changes and to try to integrate Student Council into the administration rather than simply a staff setup, particularly into the Department of Public Relations. Of course, every intelligent student immediately realizes that this would mean the end of Student Council as “the spokesman of the students of Yeshiva College” and therefore the CONRAITOR, denied a publisher, would flounder.

Understanding this the more intelligent student further grasps the fact that the Office of Student Affairs will so enlarge that eventually it will take over the college. However, it is far too early to say that;

Shadchun Market In Active Trading

At our Sternly division the shadchun market, recouping swiftly from the initial shock, has closed higher by more than three engagements in all prospective matchings. This month’s tally, which has not been officially rele- aised is the highest since June 1959 when Dr. Guterman was still at the helm.

Expert market analysts see the rise as predictive of even better figures in the future. They attrib- ute it to Dr. Guterman’s famed program of promoting maturity among Yeshiva College undergraduates. This program has been further perfected during the Dean’s vacation at the Graduate School of Education.

The recent recession, it is claimed, is due to ex-Dean Ba- con’s pseudo-mercantilist idea of “salesmanship” in the subject of guidance was noticeably lacking. Now, however, with Dr. Guterman at the helm, the Yeshiva men will be royally matured and before long the Sternlys will have to change their administration also in order to catch up.

DEAN I. BACON RESIGNS

Dean Isaac Bacon has been relieved of his duties, and Dr. Simeon Guterman has been re- duced as dean of Yeshiva College, announced Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of Yeshiva University.

The sudden resignation of Dr. Bacon appears to have resulted from a policy created by the former Dean’s policies concern- ing student-administration relation- ships. It is common knowledge that Dr. Bacon constantly sought to create a strong rapport between his office and the student body. His aim has always been to get at the seat of student problems, and to establish intimate relations with individual students via this procedure.

This attempt on the part of Dr. Bacon to really get to know students has resulted in a great deal of friction.

Faculty members complained that the students were being forced to spend too much of their time in the dean’s office at the expense of their college classes. They also made unfavorable comment on the apparent exhaustion of the students after having met with the dean, their physical weakness resulting in an impairment of their ability to attend classes.

As of today, the students seemed to feel that it was becoming increasingly difficult to distin- guish between Dr. Bacon the dean and the other boys that were his boys. Among the actions of the dean which particularly antag- onized the students was his at- tempt to run for the presidency of Student Council on the- Palmo-Mine ticket. His trying for the wrestling team was very well received, and when he insisted on having his name on the Dean’s list because he had done well on the finals, it was ob- jected that the list was nearing the breaking point.

Among the faculty those who were most instrumental in securing the former dean’s dismissal strongly urged Dr. Belkin to take some action against Mr. A. Buns is reported to have stated that—“Such friendliness is downright unnatural, if not un- natural, for a dean to maintain with his usual power and forcefulness backed Mr. A. Buns all the way and added that—‘I feel that by resigning to fulfill the student’s inner needs the dean was disloyal to the ideals of the college administration.”

Commie Advisor To Lose Position

Perhaps one of the major in- justices accorded the student body this year—the appointment of an advisor to Student COUNCIL, will be rectified according to the Office of Student Af- fairs.

In his first major political speech since his return from his self-imposed exile after the Gattie-Levithan wars, Dr. Ten- drills declared that he would like to start off on the right foot by compromising Student Council on this all important issue. He therefore has made the first move by rescinding the executive order. In return, the col- onel from the East Side expects Student Council to accede to one of the following proposals:

1) To cease and desist from publishing THE COMMEMENTATOR.
2) To appoint on own ini- tiative Dr. Grimm as editor and Mr. A. Buns as president.
3) To hereby and forthwith convert THE COMMEMENTATOR into a biology journal with a hichok in color and elect Dr. Meyer Atlas as a member of the technical staff.

New Dorm Converted

In his first public official act after his successful coup this morning Dr. Tendrill revealed plans to reorganize the complete physical structure of the Main Aca- demic Center. Students residing in the dormitory will be moved into the Main dormed building and the Rubin Residence Hall will be converted into a deanery with the suite of rooms previously occupied by the Teachers Insti- tute office.

Juniors and seniors will be housed in the fourth floor and will be compelled to attend minyan four times a day.

Fearing a student revolt, Dr. Tendrill newly installed director of residence, informed the students that the first minyan will begin at 9:21 a.m. immediately after check out.

Tripods will be used in most rooms, however, room 404 has been reserved as a shul dedi- cated to Carl Sandburg.

“Because of the massiveness and immovability of equipment in the labs no beds will be placed there,” it was announced. “How- ever, hammers will be suspend- ed between the thistle tubes and centrifuges.”

Residents were warned to be careful of locating vases open at night for the labs have been a favorite bird roosting place.

Student Council and THE COMMEMENTATOR offices will be located in the former dean’s of- fice and card games will be held unofficially in the dormitory.

All lectures will be conducted on the Danziger campus, as it is understood that the fresh air will be beneficial to the faculty. Said Dr. Guterman, “The fac- ulty should become accustomed to roughing it from here on in.”

Certain faithful members of (Continued on page 2)
Workers Request For News Variety In Commie Alumni

Daily News—Orgies revealed at Yeshiva. The office of the president at the same time answered the dean. The conspicuous lack of comment leads to our conclusions.

Daily Worker—As a result of the snoopy "Commie" at Yeshiva, Dr. I. Bacon has resigned as dean. Bacon, whose iron fist has caused many of our students, was exposed with the help of a Red coach and a socialist banner.

Variety—Yeshiva Yokes Yielded, Bacon Boot Bagged.

Jewish Press—Exposed at yeshiva type university. On a tip from a contact at Yeshiva, your reporter has revealed that the problems for which the religious furor at this institution. Alleged students have been involved in sexual activities, has established him as a risk never-the-less. Incoming Dean, S. Guterman will be regarded more with the reverence of a Saint. Such has been.

Commentator—Dean I. Bacon (censored) announced Dr. Samuel Belkin, President of Yeshiva (censored) at Yeshiva, Dr. S. Guterman (censored) as new Dean. (censored). . .

Alumni News—The students have done it again. Graciously acknowledging the cooperation of the students of Yeshiva have succeeded in a giant step forward because of the dismissal of a longstanding Assistant, Anarchy at Yeshiva. . .

Community Service Release—Yeshiva University, the only university under Belkin's auspices, has announced the addition of an 18th division—Dean Simeon Guterman. Dr. Guterman is former dean of the renowned Graduate School of Education. He undertook that post after being in the teaching profession to a high, good of the University, when he resigned his previous position.

Goose Blessings To Flasher Grins

Dr. A. Goose—"I give my blessings to Flasher Grins.

Dr. Flasher—"Let's not say we're loosing a good man, let us rather rejoice in that we are getting a better man.

Dr. Leviathan—"This is over my head.

Dr. Griffin—"I warned that man upstairs to sign the pledge. Happened to Dean Dr. Guterman, Beshem T.I."

A. Buns—"Check out! Check out!"

Col. A. Moses Tendril—"I can't help but feel a bit disappointed. However . . . one is still a young man.

Prof. Hebrew—"... And then I said: Poof—you're a dean.

Dr. Goldbug—"Don't be naive. The change is statistically acceptable.

Dr. Guterman—"I came, I went, I came.

Dr. Bacon—"I have malice towards none."