Rabbi Cheifetz Made Dormitories

Rabbi Joshua Cheifetz has been appointed as director of the Rubin Residence Hall and the Graduate Dormitory, revealed Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of the University.

The new director received his smicha from Yeshiva University in 1958, two years after he graduated as a sociology major.

In 1958-59, he served as head counselor of the dormitory, under Rabbi Mohe Klein, who resigned to become a clinical psychologist in Poughkeepsie, New York. At the same time Rabbi Cheifetz also worked for and earned his M.S. degree from the Yeshiva University School of Social Work.

Rabbi Cheifetz stated that this year the sharp rise in enrollment placed a particular strain on residence hall facilities, and that rooms were refused to students in Manhattan and Bronx who were within commuting distance. However, he noted this was done "on an individual basis," taking into account family factors in addition to academic performance.

Air Force Awards Fusion Study Grant To Dr. Finkelstein

The United States Air Force awarded a $100,000 grant to Dr. David Finkelstein, associate professor at the University's Graduate School of Science, announced Dr. A. Gelbart, dean of the school.

The grant will be used to begin work on a three-year experiment in fusion. Dr. Finkelstein said he "will attempt to artificially create the first time a thermonuclear plasma," which is a gas that has been broken down into ions traveling at speeds close to that of light. This could be an era of storable energy, he said.

Construction Plans Delayed By Strike

Completion date for the new classroom building has been delayed "until 1962" because of the recent strike of concrete workers.

Dr. Finkelstein came to Yeshiva University in September 1960. He graduated from the City College of New York in 1952 and earned a Ph.D. degree from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1953.

In 1958-59, Dr. Finkelstein served as scientific editor for the United Nations, Geneva, Switzerland.

Student Body To Honor Dr. Belkin At Convocation

Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of Yeshiva University, will be honored by the Student Senate at a convocation ceremony this afternoon at 3:30 p.m. in the Language Center.

"The convocation, which will launch the seventy-fifth anniversary of the University's Smicha Fellowships," announced the Student Senate, "will honor the first recipients of the University's Smicha Fellowships."

The ten fellows are: Rabbi Abraham Frishman, Benno R. Malvin Yaged, Martin Gordon, Abraham Mandelbaum, Meyer Belsburg, Samuel Frank, William Golberg, David Aaron, Joseph and Matthew Shatzkes.

Each fellow will receive $1200 for the academic year. Those who reside in the dormitory will receive an additional $250. The convocation and fellowships may be renewed during the course of the three-year smicha program.

Kennedy Extends Congratulations On Occasion Of Diamond Jubilee

President John F. Kennedy extended congratulations to Yeshiva University on the occasion of its seventy-fifth anniversary as he accepted honorary chairmanship of the University Diamond Jubilee committee.

"With the past seventy-five years as a foundation, the next seventy-five will represent outstanding achievement for the University and for the nation," President Kennedy said. "I accept the idea of a Yeshiva University City, and I wish you every success," he stated, referring to Yeshiva's "Blueprint for the Sixties" program.

Serving with Mr. Kennedy as honorary co-chairman are such celebrities as Governors David L. Lawrence, and Nelson Rockefeller, Senators Clifford Case, Joseph S. Clark, Paul Douglas, Jacob Javits, Estes Kefauver and the late Henry M. Jackson, Generals Hoyt S. Vandenberg and William O. Douglas, and the Israeli Ambassador to the United States, Abba Eban.

Mayor Robert F. Wagner, Jr., presented the New York proclamation on behalf of the seventy-fifth anniversary to President Belkin September 21.

The Diamond Jubilee, which will be a year-long program, starts with the Diamond Jubilee year, and the six years of work after of a year of planning celebration at YC will include speeches highlighting the past, yet looking to the future of Yeshiva University," stated Ve'Zion '62, chairman of the Convocation Committee. Classes will be suspended in honor of the occasion.

Dr. Belkin will deliver an address on the future of Yeshiva University after receiving a plaque from Tobias Berman, Student Council President. The plaque is inscribed in part: "To the Diamond Jubilee in recognition of a lifetime of devotion to the growth and development of the Yeshiva. His contributions to the field of Torah education, his self-sacrifice and unswerving commitment to Yeshiva, and his close personal contact with the students who have passed through its doors stand as an effective tribute to his spirit and to his assistance."

Dr. Belkin will deliver an address on the future of Yeshiva University after receiving a plaque from Tobias Berman, Student Council President.

The main speaker of the event, who will deliver an address on the past of Yeshiva, will be Dr. Leo Levin, an alumnus of Yeshiva University and currently professor of law at the University of Pennsylvania.

Speaking on the present of the University, Mr. Berman, president of the Student Council of Stern College, said: "The innovation will be carried on by Rabbi B. Avtturea, rabbi of Congregation Agudah Achin, Hartford, Connecticut, and Vice-President of the Rabbinical Council of America."

A reception with refreshments will be held following the convocation for Yeshiva and Stern students in the residence hall cafeteria and lounge.

Mr. Berman stated that he hopes this convocation will impress upon the student body the significance of this 75th Anniversary Year.

Diamond Selected Guidance Director

Rabbi Edward Diamond, author of numerous magazine articles in the field of vocational guidance, has been appointed guidance director of Yeshiva College.

Previously director of guidance at Beach High School, Rabbi Diamond received his smicha from Tifereth Yehushaylim, his BA from CCNY, and his masters from Columbia University. He is currently working towards a doctorate in guidance at New York University.

In his position at Yeshiva College he will meet with all entering students and "will also see upclassmen in reference to personal, academic or vocational problems or choice of voca-

Rabbi Diamond plans to initi-
ate new vocational seminars and the opportuni-
ities available in these fields. "All students should feel free to draw upon the guidance department for the new guidance director."

Student leaders voiced the opinion that this appointment will be "an added bonus to all students of Ye-
From Strength to Strength

As students of Yeshiva University in this year of its Diamond Jubilee, we are privileged to participate in a year of celebration, thanksgiving, and homage. We celebrate the accomplishments of a great institution which for many years has inspired the people of our faith and has guided them in a traditional path upon the many walks of our secular surroundings. We give thanks to G-D who has enabled a Jewish institution to gain such prominence and exert much influence in a non-Jewish world. And we pay homage to the leaders of the Jewish community who have toiled patiently to achieve past dreams and establish future goals.

Today the Yeshiva College student body will attend a convocation in which we honor the University of which we are a part, and pay tribute to Rabbi Samuel Belkin, who has emerged as a symbol of the holy and sacred ideals which Yeshiva is committed to. It is difficult, however, to express the respect that is held by the student body for the President of our University. Dr. Belkin has been an indomitable force in our growth. Under his guidance we have developed into an eminently venerable institution, a center of religious and secular education.

Yeshiva University has surpassed even the highest hopes of its founders as an influence in the American Jewish Community, and we pray that in the years ahead Yeshiva will grow from strength to strength.

No Strings Attached

As the privilege of citizenship involves certain communal responsibilities, the right to dissent and the freedom of expression demand serious consideration of an issue.

One should not claim the services of his government and be negligent in choosing his representatives, nor should one venture an opinion without first investigating all matters pertinent to the situation.

In recognition of this basic rule, the Governing Board will attempt this year, as before, to discuss with those parties concerned the theme of all editorials prior to their publication.

We believe that if our suggestions are directed to the proper officials, most problems will be solved with the least amount of friction and ill feeling.

With this in mind we are asking that this 75th Anniversary Year be one not of conflict and confusion, of struggle and strife, but rather a year of discussion and debate.

The Governing Board has therefore asked to be invited by the heads of each of the three religious divisions at the Main Academic Center to a discussion of their respective departments.

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Through such meetings we will be able to clarify our position to them, and it will be an opportunity for these administrators to discuss with us their plans for bettering the institution.

We hope that these sessions will lead to the establishment of better rapport between student leaders and the administration.

Mazel Tov

Opening week at the Co-op was often the scene of disorganization and confusion. Incomplete stocks and long waiting lines inevitably resulted in chaos. The Co-op managers, in order to expedite and simplify matters, have completely revised their merchandising system with the result that the first week was the most profitable and efficient ever. Congratulations to Aaron Levine and the Co-op staff for a job well done.

To Dorm Or Not To Dorm

Various events of the past two weeks have made it evident that the perennial 'dormitory problem' has mushroomed into an unbearable situation. We have long realized that a difficult situation exists; we do not expect an immediate solution, but we can, however, expect that the problem will be handled judiciously and with some measure of foresight.

One can well imagine the surprise of the student who, returning to his dormitory room after a weekend at home, finds that it is no longer his room. No warning, not a word of discussion, just some strange luggage and a slept-in bed.

Perhaps this is also the time to again urge that the upperclassmen, rather than the freshmen and sophomores, be placed in the new dormitory. We have long heard the argument that the incoming freshmen will find it easier to adjust to the surroundings in the new dorm; but are the sophomores still adjusting—and the juniors? In practically every college and university there is a certain coveted status associated with being a senior. Here it looks up to by the student body and is occasionally afforded various privileges. He is most certainly not packed into a small room containing two other seniors, two dressers, and a table.

It is with resignation that we accept the prevailing situation. We well realize that it is too late to remedy the dormitoryills before September 1962; but we speak now so that we might not be put off with the excuse that 'the plans have been made and it's too late to change them.' This we will not accept.

Third Floor Renovations

A bright new coat of paint and a newly refurbished shower room greeted the residents of the old dorm on their return from the summer vacation. It was quite a pleasant surprise to find that they had not been forgotten after all. We know that we don't have to remind the administration that there are still things to be done. New lighting is a must for the rooms as well as comfortable new mattresses. We might also suggest new medicine cabinets and adequate desks, closet and storage facilities.

In the meantime, however, we'd like to thank Mr. Jacob Blazer and his maintenance crew for their efforts.

THE Yeshiva College faculty has been increased by the addition of nineteen new members, augmenting the various academic departments of the College.

Dr. Perlmutter, who received his B.S. from the City College of New York and his Ph.D. from Columbia, has been appointed associate professor of physics. He is currently engaged in research at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine. Visiting Professor of Chemistry this year was Rabbi L.B. Liebenkind, who received his M.S. from NYU and taught at Cooper Union.

No members of the physics staff are Drs. Ralph Behrends and G. Carmi, Drs. Behrends, National Science Foundation fellow at the University of California, Dr. Carmi, an Israeli, will serve as visiting associate professor of physics.

Dr. Glenadd, who was a visiting professor of political science last year, has accepted a position with Mr. Israel Perlmutter will be new teachers in the psychology department. A graduate of Yeshiva University, Mr. Sternlicht, visiting assistant: professor-of psychology, served as a clinical psychologist at the Kings County Hospital, and Mr. Israel Perlmutter has served as teacher in the Yeshiva University High School, and has received his BA from Yeshiva College.

Mr. Elazar Silverman, who obtained his MA from NYU, Mr. Baruch Greenblatt, who received his MS from Columbia, and Mr. Hershkovits, who obtained his MS from Columbia, have been appointed as visiting lecturers in psychology.

Mr. Philip Pessin, a lecturer in the subject of sociology, has returned from a leave of absence.

Three visiting lecturers this year will be teaching history at Yeshiva. They are: Mr. Julius Briller, who received his MA from the State University of Iowa, Mr. Leonard Tabachnik, who received his MA from Boston University, and Mrs. Robert Weisbrot, who received her MA from New York University. All three have taught at Queens College.

Mr. Ely Silverman, who obtained his MA from NYU, Mrs. Barbara Olson, who earned her MA from the University of Michigan, Mr. Walter Beute, an instructor at Columbia University, and Mr. Phillip Gelfand have been appointed as visiting lecturers in the speech department. Miss Minerva Chalapit, Instructor of Speech, has returned from a leave of absence.

Reverend Dr. Martin Hershkovits has been appointed as assistant professor of Jewish studies. Mr. Harry Frumkin, an lecturer of economics at Rutgers University, has been appointed as visiting lecturer of economics.

Wilson Stipends To Be Awarded

The Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation will award 1000 fellowships for the academic year 1962-63. Candidates for the stipends must be nominated by their home institutions no later than October 31.
**Hyman B. Grinstein**

By Irving Green

One feels a sense of history as he walks into the picture-lined office of Hyman B. Grinstein, director of the Teachers Institute for Men, associate professor of Jewish history at Yeshiva College, and grand marshall of ceremonies at the University.

It is almost as if one is being invited to partake in a special, even private, celebration of Yeshiva’s seventy-five years.

The even rows of file cabinets with their contents spilling onto the neighboring desks, the glass-covered conference table, Ben Gurion’s gold-framed, autographed photo, and a typewriter on a little table cluttered with index cards all tell the story of Hyman B. Grinstein.

But perhaps the most important object of all is a striking portrait of Dr. Pinchos Churchin, hanging over the huge mahogany desk. This representative not only the present and perhaps the future but also the past of Yeshiva University and, in particular, of the Teachers Institute for Men, with which our subject is as completely identifiable.

Our story begins in Dallas, Texas, birthplace of Dr. Grinstein. From there it goes on to Europe and then returns to New York at the Talmudical Academy of Yeshiva. It is here that our tale has its real beginning.

One of the most profound influences on Dr. Grinstein’s life was his association with Dr. Bernard Revel, the revered first president of Yeshiva University, during the depression days when boys would walk into Dr. Revel’s office for a dollar with which to purchase a meal. No one was ever turned away.

It was always given with a warm smile and a firm shake of the hand.

And so Dr. Grinstein, first as a student and later as Dr. Revel’s private secretary, came into contact with the man who became a legend in his own lifetime.

Dr. Grinstein soon found himself very much interested in the field of Jewish education. At the College of New York and later Teachers College, Columbia University, provided the setting for diligent studies in this subject. At Columbia he studied American and Jewish history under the guidance of the noted authority Dr. Salo Baron. Originally Dr. Grinstein had hoped to work on a doctoral thesis on “The Philosophy of Jewish Education,” however, Dr. Baron felt that this topic did not come within the required framework.

“I was rather disappointed that he didn’t accept my plan.”

This refusal, coupled with an invitation to attend a meeting of the American Jewish Historical Society, led Dr. Grinstein to a new-found interest in the field of American Jewish history. His authoritative *The Rise of the Jewish Community of New York* is an outgrowth of his doctoral thesis on this subject. He is now working on a companion volume tracing New York Jews from 1860 to the present time.

But Dr. Grinstein is not content merely with writing history. He wants to make a little of his own. His major contribution in this field is his directorship of the Teachers Institute. Dr. Grinstein feels that there is a strong connection between life and education. “What you want to teach to others should comprise your own ideals in life. We feel that through the medium of the Institute we can bring to many of our students a great sense of responsibility and a feeling that they, too, are an integral part of the community and of Jewish history.”

“We’ve got to understand the changes that have taken place over the course of time. We must study the evolution of the Jew in America and in this we are the custodians of the two-pronged changes that have taken place. It is also important for us to understand why some of our fellow Jews have shown a complete lack of interest in their past while others have at last turned back and shown some recognition to their Jewish heritage. Each and every one of these problems has a place and a role in Jewish life. They ought to be at least through the looking glass, to discern and to understand.”

“This is the crux of Dr. Grinstein’s philosophy of life.”

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**Critical Examination Of Students’ Dress Habits**

By Nimrod Tsigrov

“Yeshiva University is unique — unique in curriculum, students, and student-faculty understanding and friendship.”

We have all read advertisements such as this in countless Commentator articles and numerous University publications. It seems that these will appear over and over again until we get a new policy for the public relations department.

However, since this writer is new to the field, he will digress a bit by attempting to force upon you, the student body, a relatively new form of heresy. He believes that every undergraduate in the Beth Medrash should wear either an Ivy league suit or reasonable facsimile thereof.

Students in TI and JSP, being more liberal, according to recent surveys, should experiment with the continental style or another progressive fashion.

But how are these unknowing and indifferent young men to choose from the hundreds of styles and colors presented to them by the ubiquitous retailers? The answer follows.

**What to Wear**

In this column this connoisseur of men’s fashions will enlighten everyone, as a new movement — one which will put a tie on every neck, a white shirt on every back, and a suit on every chest. Wherever gold and olive were prominent colors last season, various shades of blue and tan will be the colors to watch.

A blend of these colors in plaid and stripes will oftentimes take on a brown appearance which also will be the color to watch.

However, we can all be assured that we will not be forced to dispose of our gold and olive jackets. In my opinion they are here to stay.

Ivy league and continental are still the main styles. Classic ivy is the high three button jacket with breast pocket and straight sidepockets. This year, the variation in ivy is the two button pocket. Otherwise, the style remains the same. The predominant patterns in these jackets are stripes, mostly in shades of blue or tan.

Continental styling shows itself mainly in the double-breasted suit, though the single-breasted type is still to be seen. The latter appears mainly with two buttons, box pleat lapel, no breast pocket, slanted welted sidepockets and a wide cutaway in the front. On the back there are two side vents instead of one center vent. On the sleeves there are usually cuffs. Colors are mostly solid.

**Short-Sleeved Trouser Suits**

Ivy league trousers have no pleats, no cuffs, and are generally worn with a belt. They are usually snug at the seat and have short, tapered legs. A suit of this type, on the other hand, has one pleat on each side, no cuffs, and an extension belt.

Shirts to go with Ivy styles are striped and have plain or button-down collars. Ties are solid or of very dull, striped slates. Shirts of the continental type have tab collars, French cuffs, and are sold in color. Solid ties go very well with this style.

Vests are taking a leading role in the accessory race, especially for wear with the continental clothes.
"Red" Sarachek To Begin Cage Drills

By Stu Berman

After spending the summer recuperating from last season's play, coach Bernie "Red" Sarachek is back at the helm of the YU basketball team. Coach Sarachek has put in a call to all candidates for varsity basketball. Interested students, particularly freshman, are requested to sign up in the athletic office- Room 208A.

In order to mold this year's varsity into a winning team, Coach Sarachek has scheduled a series of scrimmages with teams of the Eastern Professional Basketball League. The first of these contests will pit the Mets against the Williamsport "Billies" coached by Hank Rosenstein, ex-Scranton mentor, and featuring former All-American Tommy Hemus. These sessions will provide the varsity with crack competition and enable the coaching staff to select a starting five. The scrimmages are open to the public and the student body is welcome to attend.

Sam Grawein, recently back from a tour with the United States Olympic team at the Macabiah Games in Israel, reports that he is in great shape and is looking forward to the opening game this season.

Another lettertext of whom big things are expected is Bob "Suit-cas" Podhur. Bob reported to pre-season drills in excellent condition displaying a style of ball that which he calls "The Twist." It is reported that he was tutored by the dancing instructor at the championship camp.

Senior backcourt man Shelly Weider is looking forward to a banner year after leading the Fine View Hotel to a winning season in the Bockast Circuit. Expected to provide the scoring punch in the backcourt is sophomore Art Aaron. He looked very good as a freshman and could be counted in the starting lineup.

With the basketball schedule still incomplete, Mr. Sarachek is hoping to book a series of contests with the Israeli Olympic team should they visit this country. It has been four years since YU last faced the Israeli team. The record stands at 1-1. The Israelis emerged victorious in a contest played at Madison Square Garden, while the Mets came back to defeat them at Philadelphia's Convention Hall.

Lenny Pinca, former varsity basketball player, is presently serving in the capacity of college athletic manager. He will conduct a full scale program of intramural athletics. Some of the new innovations this year will be ping pong and bowling.

Grapplers Wrestle Training Problems; Coaches Optimistic

In preparation for an extended season, Yeshiva's wrestling team held an open day Monday night, October 9th, in the University gymnasium.

Thirty-two five-man teams were seen at this first meeting of the grapplers—a commanding increase over last year's attendance.

Enthusiastic aspirants were first subjected to a bone-crushing warm up session by ex-Olympic coach Hank Wittenburg. They were then given a spirited pep talk by the famed mentor, stressing the art of wrestling and its movements. The boys spent their remaining time on the mats, practicing the sport's basic holds.

Matside comments were reserved but optimistic. The novices look quite promising. Though a majority were newcomers weighed in as lightweights, an abundance of solid muscle was seen. The increase in this usually scarce commodity can be attributed to the weight lifting activities of many of the boys. They were best summed up by co-captain Warren Klein as "a strong and eager bunch." Co-captain Benji Leifer and "all—I hope they stick around for the season."

Several returning veterans were honored on the opening session. George Brown, Phil Keelin, "Bouncing" Benji Leifer, Joe Rapport and Mike Gross put on a show of grappling skill that delighted the wrestling freshmen.

Also present was last year's team captain Jack Merkin. Though he is ineligible because of personal reasons, Jack will aid in training the new squad.

Hank Wittenburg, wrestling coach for many years at Yeshiva, was present and called it "one of quantity and quality."

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Soccer Team Drills For Coming Season

Plagued by lack of equipment and personnel problems, the soccer team doggedly maintains its practice sessions at Inwood Park, 207th Str. and Seamon Ave. According to reports the spirit is high, as organized drills are now in progress.

The team is under the leadership of co-captains Dave Frolich, Charlie Maurer, and Steve Diamond. Their most significant improvement over last year's team. This fall's practice sessions are concentrated on offensive drills, dribbling, and offensive and defensive maneuvers.

When the squad has completed preliminary training drills, they will scrimmage such teams as CCNY and Columbia Pharmacy. It is particularly important for the team to present themselves at these scrimmages in uniform. In the past, team members have appeared at practice in makeshift uniforms. The co-captains note that footwear is extremely important in the sport of soccer, and regulation soccer shoes are at a premium.

Only three team members were lost through graduation and this year's squad boasts a fine group of promising freshmen.

On The Sidelines

By Wally Flanagan

Writing is to many their pride and joy—a game of words juxtaposed in an effortless coherency. To me it's rigorous, without effort nor always a coherent composite.

My idea of a season, at other times seasonless. Some will be practical, others not. Some will be feasible, others totally inconceivable (for the purpose). It will remain my privileges to bring to the reader, on every page, on every level, every moment of life. Criticism at a constructive level has found its way into every path of life from Orwell's Primal to the best of Gross. My column will not be an exception to this universal practice.

To introduce gossip is unkind; therefore, features of personal experiences, as well as academic life, will be constantly presented on this page. No sport shall be stressed more than any other, nor will any star gather too much publicity. Whatever the future brings, this column should not prove either unduly dull or overly playful. It will be an accurate and balanced account of life; never in exaggeration. I ask but one thing in return—support of a vital issue when needed.

To enlighten the student body is not my total desire. To gain a more promising sports program with full participation is my goal. I hope that cooperation will not be hard to come by and that a successful year will result.

Taubers Teaches Freshmen Fencing

These "foreign terms" only serve to add to the confusion, but moments later we realize our poor freshmen have learned their meanings, the hard way. Indeed the words are driven deeply into their brains, not to play with, but to use when their back is against the wall.

But look at our mighty veterans. Form ranges from fair to exalted heights. Fins begin to take its toll as the casualties drop to the gym floor and slowly crawl out of the line-up, their limp muscles are stretched and loose tendons, swollen blisters and bone creaks from disuse.

Our freshmen still haven't even been allowed to touch one of the many weapons scattered invisibly throughout the room. They seem a bit discouraged and besides their feet no longer seem to respond. But soon the coach gives his first pep talk and the green eyes light up as the indomitable freshman spirit shines through. After all, you can't run a team with underclassmen alone.

And so it goes, as Coach Tauber whips his team, literally and figuratively, into shape for the coming season which will be ushered in December 5th.

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Yeshiva U. Mourns Professor

Professor Aaron M. Margalith died suddenly in his home at 115 Pinehurst Ave. Saturday October 21, at the age of 59. Dr. Margalith, former chairman of the social science department, 1949-1955, was professor of political science.

A native of Jerusalem, Dr. Margalith, was active in the early years in the Holy City, and there attended elementary and secondary schools. During the First World War, Dr. Margalith, although under age, joined the Royal Fusiliers of the British Army. He fought at the Sina where he distinguished himself by receiving both the British Victory and War Medals.

In 1921 he came to America and studied at the City College of New York and Temple University. He received both his B.A. and Ph.D. degrees at the Johns Hopkins University, the latter in 1929.

A member of College faculty for twenty eight years, Dr. Margalith became full professor in 1951 and also served as University librarian and chairman of the social sciences department. He was currently serving as faculty representative to the alumni-faculty-student relations special committee.

Mr. Margalith, a son of a family of scholars, was the author of “The International Mandate” and co-author with Dr. Cyrus Adler of “American Intercession on Behalf of Jews” and “With Firmness in the Right,” a statement of diplomatic action affecting Jews during the century before its publication in 1946. He was a member of the American Political Science Association, the American Society of International Law, the American Library Association, the Association of American University Professors and Phi Beta Kappa, national honorary scholastic society.

Professor Aaron M. Margalith

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TI Director Reveals Change In Credit Transfer System

Transfer of credits from Teachers Institute to the College has been modified, by a resolution of the faculty, announced Dr. Hyman B. Grinstein, director of the Institute.

Under the newly initiated system, all students taking a full program at the Teacher’s Institute must pass each of their courses during a given semester as prerequisite to transfer of their two highest grades. Previously, there was no such stipulation and the two highest transferring grades were recorded in the College records. Each student must still transfer sixteen credits.

Should a student taking a complete program fail one subject, then a composite grade will be calculated and transferred to the College. However, if, as determined by the instructor, the student was not adequately prepared for the subject due to previous inadequate training, the failing grade will not be included.

A cumulative grade of all subjects will be sent to the College should a student fail more than two subjects. In the case of failing two subjects, a cumulative grade may be transferred, subject to the discretion of the college.

The executive board of the Teacher’s Institute Student Council, Jerry Hornblad ’62, David Spindel ’62, and Myron Sokev ’63 supported the proposal at a meeting of the subcommittee and faculty.

Commenting on the new grading system, Dr. Grinstein stated, “The new method of grading will undoubtedly prove beneficial to both Teachers Institute and its students.”

Three Roommates – The Trend As Dorm Residents Increase

An overflow of dormitory applications has necessitated the placing of a third occupant in rooms with two in-town students. This innovation applies primarily to sophomore and junior men, as it was found that freshmen need a year’s time to adjust to residence life.

However, instead of imposing assignments upon students, residents are for the most part being given the chance to choose their new roommates. To accommodate the extra occupants, high-riser beds are being purchased which, when in use, slide under a desk, making a bed.

Another innovation, a new phone system is being installed in the dormitory to allow more calls to be handled at one time. Under the new system, the main floor switchboard has been eliminated and a separate phone for information alone will be placed on each floor (in addition to the regular outgoing pay phone).

Rabbi Joshua Cheiftetz announced that as part of his program to “provide students with religious background necessary for dormitory life an enjoyable, educational experience.” Rabbi Sherman Siff and Joseph Yurievsky have been appointed guidance counselors for resident college and high school students, respectively.

The new dormitory guidance staff will work in consultation with Rabbi Edward Diamond and Professor Menachem Brayer, guidance directors of the college.

Commenting on minyan attendance, Rabbi Cheiftetz emphasized that the problem was not one of “religious laxity” but a human problem. Individual factors, such as a heavy schedule will be into account and Rabbi Cheiftetz will consult with each student whose attendance is below par.

Rabbi Cheiftetz also outlined in full his program to improve neshama spirit in the dormitory. A nesheh shabbot will be held every Friday night at 8:30 at which time students will either hear a speaker or will participate in panel discussions, forums, and debates.

YC Debaters Plan Large Schedule; Open to Tryouts

The Yeshiva University Debating Society decided to increase the under the scheduled of anti- the coming season at a meeting held Oct. 25, announced Abe Sofer, president of the club.

In the past, the Society’s forensic activities consisted of national tours, the annual YU tournament and a few home debates. However, under the new program, members will debate on weekends in schools and synagogues in the New York area, New Jersey, Connecticut, and Massachusetts area.

Junior varsity debates will begin Tuesday, Oct. 22, and the students are invited by Campus Manager Nathan Dembin ’63 to try out for the team. Those that make the team will be selected based on the varsity. “Evaluations,” according to Mr. Dembin, “will be determined solely by merit. All decisions will be made by the coaches.”

The national intercollegiate topic for the 1961-62: “Resolved: that labor organizations be placed under control of anti-trust legislation.” Research for the topic will be coordinated by Steven Pyszewski ’64.
f ew students have accomplished this in the past, in the last analysis, the major goal of Teachers Institute is to provide more teachers for the Jewish community.

New Library Hours

In response to requests by members of THE COMMENTATOR and Student Council, the Pollack Library has announced a new set of hours as of December 1st. The hours will be Monday through Thursday from 9:00 AM to 9:00 PM. This represents a welcomed step in services to the students. The present library hours drastically contrast the 3:00-9:00 p.m. hours of only a few years ago. The change is of crucial importance in the quest for study facilities by providing a quiet place for the noise-ridden dormitory residents.

Responsibility Welcomed

We concur with the administration in its decision to entrust Student Council with the responsibility or maintaining discipline in the library.

At long last the University has come to the realization that students, upon the completion of three quarters of their college career, are capable of conducting themselves in an appropriate manner.

Seniors - Graduate in '62!

We wish to applaud Rabbi Meyer Edelstein, Assistant to the Registrar, for establishing a system by which he, together with each student, will review that student's individual scholastic records. In this way every student will have an accurate assessment of his academic standing and it is commendable when an enthusiastic desire to help students is genuinely exhibited by an administrative officer. Because of their particular problems, freshmen find it difficult, if not impossible, to map out a four-year curriculum. It is therefore imperative that students be informed of the courses students in their senior year lacking either a required course or the necessary 128 credits for graduation. In the past, review of transcript evaluations has been left for the end term—far too late for any possible rectification.

To inaugurate his program, Rabbi Edelstein urges all seniors to consult with him as soon as possible. In view of the intrinsic merits of this plan, we urge all students to avail themselves of this opportunity.

To Phone Or Not To Phone

It has recently come to our attention that the telephone switchboard in the New Dorm has been removed. In its stead, a phone will be installed on each floor which will receive incoming calls. This means that two phones will be available for the inhabitants of each floor, only one of which can be used for outgoing calls.

This addition cannot even be termed a "measure", for it is not in the slightest way an attempt at alleviation of the present телефон situation.

The administration has imposed crowded conditions in both college dormitories; yet their actions are justified. It takes time for buildings to be completed. There is, however, no reason for the almost comic scenes at the dorm phones which occur every night. Unless the call is made at an unreasonably late hour, one must virtually stand in line to use the telephone.

The relative advantages and disadvantage of switchboard versus floor phones are debatable. The fact that our dormitories at the present time are in a state of greater need of better telephone service is incontestable.

Let's Analyze:

The Closed Doors

by David Segal

Last year, during one meeting of the Governing Board, it was suggested that a study be made to determine the purpose of Yeshiva University—a not a criticism of existing policies, but an inquiry into the goal of the University. The board was in fact asking, as former President Eisenhower had done, for the United States, for a definition of its mission.

However, after consideration of the situation, it was quite obvious that the character of the University it would be almost impossible to formulate one encompassing aim that would not seem elementary. Seeing the almost impossible task before it, the Governing Board could do no more than agree with Dr. Samuel Belkin, that our purpose "is to train young men and women for leadership."

Discussion was then ended and the complete file was put aside. It is not my intention now to formulate the goals of Yeshiva, but to suggest that we are discussing a paradox that may exist, that who may have leadership capabilities from coming to Yeshiva College.

It is not uncommon that an orthodox boy, having the desire to accomplish anything, may turn away from Yeshiva because it cannot offer basic courses in his field of study. I believe in the need of those arts we have all heard Dr. Belkin hopes for adding 100 members to the college student body. And in the same address emphasis the University's responsibility to improve undergraduate education. How can we fulfill these two goals if we neglect an important aspect of Jewish youth?

The doctor's, lawyer's and educator's career starts here, and there is no reason why the doors of Yeshiva are closed to the business community.

The businesswoman's son who hopes to enter his father's profession probably will be in a financial position to support his education. He can assume leadership in his community, must not be turned away.

We are proud of our scientists who need a liberal arts degree. Let us also be proud of our businessmen who in the future, I hope, will be permitted to be called Yeshiva graduates.

SC President Disappointed At Lack Of Student Spirit

by Yehezkel Benjamin

The Yeshiva College and Stern College Student Councils co-sponsored the 75th Anniversary Convocation, in honor of the diamond jubilee year of Yeshiva University, October 18. The event was attended by many notables, among them Dr. A. Leo Levin and Rabbi Abraham Arruteck. The Stern College student councils presented to Dr. Belkin a scroll in appreciation of his devoted work to the University.

What happened at this affair is typical of what happens at many student council functions. When the news of a forthcoming event breaks out, so does a new ephemeral spirit of student apathy.

Apathy Again

Apathy is a funny word. It is a word representing the feeling election week when everybody promises to do something about it and usually nobody does. It is not merely apathy, it is an anti-sympathy campaign among the students of this school. It is my purpose, however, to de-cry the lack of enthusiasm in the affairs at which the president of Yeshiva University, Rabbi Dr. Samuel Belkin, is so greatly honored for seventeen years of tireless devotion to this institution.

Why did only half the student body attend this affair?

What happened at the Yeshiva student convocation?

If the students are not interested in participating in activities, then why participate?

If you find that you have no time to attend a function for which classes were being called, why not cut your regular classes and we won't have that function.

Why make fools of the people who worked for the affair?

The problem of student apathy should not start end with attendance at convocations, basketball games, or even the Dean's Reception. It extends even to the dormitory where students must co-operate in order to live with each other.

Obey The Rules

For an individual to live in a social society, one must learn to obey the rules and mores of that society, and this principle holds true for dorm life at Yeshiva. The rules advocated by council permit no water fighting, then for the sake of other students, don't have them. If you are a Senior, in which your own student council supports, permit receive card playing, then for your own sake don't play.

The fight against student apathy is an uphill battle. Your cooperation is necessary if that battle is to be won.
Cuba In Period Of Prosperity
States YC Economist O’Connor

by David Segal

"If President Kennedy would have sent a few planes to rein- force the Cuban invasion army, Cuba would now be ours, or fast becoming so." This is the opinion of Mr. James O'Connor, instruc- tor of economics at Yeshiva Col- lege, who has recently completed a tour of Cuba in preparation for a book on the economic history of that country.

Mr. O'Connor believes that the main purpose of that ill-fated es- ca- nion was not to arouse the Cuban people to revolt, but rather to be a prelude to the landing of America’s army in Cuba.

"The coordinator of the opera- tion, the CIA, is not so naive as to believe that the whole country was eagerly awaiting 'liberation.'" They knew the people were con- tent with the Castro regime and realized that the only way of con- quering the island was to be use American forces," he stated.

This idea plus Mr. O'Connor's statement that American journals- mists are not accurately reporting all the happenings in Cuba con- vinced this reporter that the fol- lowing statement is true.

"The little printed concerning Castro and his nation would seem to indicate that his regime is fac- ing immediate collapse." But a faltering economy and a discon- tent populace.

"And its government is here to stay for a long time." It is interesting to note, however, that the person being inter- viewed was a member of the Fair Play for Cuban Committee, a com- mittee of the American Businessmen's Association of Cuba.

Editor Segal interviewing Eco- nomic Y. O'Connor.

President Speaks About Past, Future Of Yeshiva

"ED. NOTE: Following are excerpts from Dr. Samuel Belkin's speech at the 75th Anniversary Assembly, Oct. 18.

"I say with all honesty that I remember very vividly the day when Dr. Revel, invited me to teach at Yeshiva. In those days, I was not a member of the faculty at Yeshiva. As the first president of Yeshiva University, my first name was not a part of that relationship.

"... Developing a school here at Yeshiva is not big news for the to? As far as I am concerned, one? Yeshiva University is dedi- cated to the supremacy of Jewish education and particularly the centrality of Torah learning. Two? Yeshiva University is dedi- cated to the idea of raising a new generation in America which should be well educated in Jewish pietah and Torah learning and be equally educated in the arts and sciences. To raise the dignity and prestige of Torah learning is as important as Torah Learning itself.

"Founders of Yeshiva said that Yeshiva came into being with the purpose of providing Rabbis and teachers in the community, that small Jewish community which existed seventy-five years ago. Yeshiva University from its inception was community conscious. Yeshiva ever attempted to create just a little block, a little pocket, and bind itself since its inception Yeshiva has felt a tremendous responsibility towards the Jewish community, in particular to the ad- vancement of Torah learning.

"... Development of Yeshiva is something important... It is very important that our graduates become a part of the community and fulfill their responsibilities towards the com- munity.

And I may say that Yeshiva University has raised the dignity of being concerned with the com- munity, by building schools, and by attempting to elevate the Jew- ish spiritual values as well as in- tellectual values."

Right for Revolution

This led to an idle labor force and a backward technology, ex- cept the conditions Karl Marx predicted have been very real. It would be foolish for them to say that an economic system opposed to ours is succeeding only 90 miles away. There are several specific shortages, but not about the overall Cuban economy under which the people enjoy the high- est standard of living in South America.

Prior to the Castro revolution, exports, which consisted mainly of tobacco, sugar and coffee, made up 80-90 percent of Cuba's imports.

"... According to Mr. O'Connor, that Cuba was an econ- omic satellite of the U.S."

"But the revolution, however, gave the people a larger share of the cooperative, or state property, made use of idle land, and turned 90 percent of the coffee to production over to the state.

"There are no general short- ages of food stuffs, but there are specific shortages in specific goods."

(Continued on page 7)
Cultural Religion Are Paramount For Mizrahi Zionists Program by Howard Joseph

Editor's note: This is the first in a series of articles which will attempt to present a taste of the views and motives of the major organizations competing for the orthodox college youth. The article represents the views expressed in a speech given by Mr. Joseph on Oct. 8, 1961 at Mizrahi's annual installation of officers. Dr. Harold Joseph, president of the Mizrahi Hatzair, graduated from Yeshiva College in 1961, where he majored in mathematics. The recipient of a Yeshiva University fellowship, he is presently studying for the rabbinate.

Why is there a need for Mizrahi Hatzair? Why and where does Mizrahi Hatzair as a religious Zionist youth movement differ from other religious youth organizations, and why are they considered a religious Zionist youth movement?

We might begin by glancing at the Zionist interest prevalent in the United States today. What we find is shocking! Zionist interest is growing. Such an outburst in Jewish society in the United States has not been seen since the Jewish War, the year 1861. The concept that Zionism is an impotent factor in the life of the American Jew has shifted. Perhaps little time it spends concerning Judaism to the many problems it faces there. Fewer people are affiliated with Zionist groups, as their initial ation at the creation of the state of Israel.

At this time, thirteen years after the creation of the state, we might have expected many more people affiliated and participating in that establishment, and can only be shocked when we see that they have failed to do so.

We have no need for speeches by observers of the contemporary scene, we are constantly reading the works of the greatest observers of humanity that ever lived—our own prophets, should we say of Zionism. We are seeing the realization of their words and the beginnings of the consummation of Jewish history. It is interesting to note that many great Jewish leaders throughout our two thousand years of history, continually predicted dates in their own near future at which time the Redemption would come. Why, one wonders, were they constantly debunked? The answer is simple. These people who witnessed so much suffering felt that that which they had witnessed signified the beginning of the End. They couldn't believe that more hardships were in store for their people, and so, the end had to be near.

In late 19th century Europe, many warned of more destruction, but very naively attributed it to them and instead pointed at and grabbed onto any liberal ray of light in a turbulent and emerging society. For a time, it was suffered enough and would now live in peace. Maybe now our generation can say that, but nobody really knows. However, we are now living in a day of reawakening and this goes by, largely unnoticed by the great majority of Orthodox Jews. We realize that the days of prophets and yet we doubt, and we quake, and we quiver while maybe we are missing our great opportunity.

And how is it that we are more tragic when we realize that religious Jews do not have a vehicle, an organization, that expresses their desires, and works for the establishment of a religious, G-d-centered country. The Mizrahi Organisation is that vehicle.

Responsibility Rested

And what inspired the formation of the Mizrahi movement? It is to this we believe the motivation of the great responsibility religious Jews have to do all they can to bring about the conditions favoring the establishment of our people. Rabbi Zvi Hirsch Kalischer, one of our modern-day prophets, formulated this concept in his famous book in Exileation of Israel, for which we long, is not to be imagined as a sudden miracle. The Almighty, blessed be His name, will not suddenly descend from on high and command His people to go forth. He will send the salvation of the great trumpet for the scattered of Israel and gather them, and Jacob shall see his people again. Consider the conventional view that the Messianah will somehow suddenly fall on the great trumpet and cause all the inhabitants of the earth to tremble. On the contrary, the Redemption will begin by natural causes, by awakening sympathy among the philanthropists and by gaining the consent of the nations to the gathering of some of those scattered in the Holy Land."

Yehuda Halevi, Ramban, Rav Yosef Karo, and many other sages realized the importance of Yibre Eretz Yisroel and went there themselves to settle and tried to bring about some renascence of Jewish life there.

And this is Mizrahi, and no less Mizrahi Hatzair. We are aware that our commitment to Torah carries with it a commitment to all of the Jewish community of Jews in the Land of Israel, living according to G-d's word, the eternal word, His eternal Torah.

Religious Obligation

Here is where Mizrahi Hatzair differs from most other Jewish youth organizations: so ask our youth to take a positive stand towards Israel as part of their religious obligation. Only in this way we can consider them or her a Jew. Mizrahi Hatzair is not only ritually or ethically Jewish, but one who also stands up to the consciousness of the values of the Jewish people and the honor of the land of Israel.

Now, where does Mizrahi Hatzair stand towards religious Zionist youth groups? Upon examination we notice that secular Zionist groups are motivated by various forces, some of which one might label "cultural." To us in Mizrahi, cultural and religious reasons are both personal and it is our belief that anything short of Torah is irrelevant and doomed to failure.

Even though a non-religious organization may produce concrete achievement, the movement itself will have but a fleeting existence. The Mizrahi Organisation is the only one of the manifestations of something called a "Jewish Spirit," is foreign to us. We see the Torah as the only program, and the only way on all activities of the Jewish people.

Another consideration in answering this question is that secular Zionist groups often originate as a result of social, economic, or political reasons. Thus, Eastern Europe, where the Jews were on a low level of society, saw greater inter- est in secular Zionist groups.

The Exodus of Jews from other non-European countries, where Jews had advanced socially, economically and politically.

So, too, in the United States where it is fairly easy to be a Jew. The Jews in America were told in Europe that they don't belong or that there are more opportunity elsewhere. Thus, the Jewish establishment of groups which were organized to meet the conditions must change and slowly disappear, from lack of need, from secular Zionist groups.

Thus, Mizrahi Zionism, a more pure Zionism, will last, and may prove to be the only productive function of Jewish movement, if and only if we begin to realize the significance of our responsibility in what is surely a decisive moment in our history.

In conclusion, I will offer one more thought. Eretz Yisroel is not just for the religious Jews, it is for all Jewish people; it is their promised land. It is part of the covenant between G-d and the Jewish people. And our responsibility is not less than to fulfill the Torah in the Holy Land. If not we will be removed from the land and scattered among the nations for another long period of galut.

And it is thus that Mizrahi Hatzair strives to educate Jewish Youth and to turn them from a passive sense of religious devotion is not complete unless they are also devoted to the cause of Eretz Yisroel. "L'On Yisroel, al ji Tov Yisroel."
Happy is the man who hears and understands (Psalm 119:131)

It is altogether fitting and appropriate that the story of David Levin ’63 should be the first in this projected series of stories about our graduates. He has seen more and endured more in the past twenty-four years than most of us will in our entire lifetimes, and for that reason alone his story is worth reading, not just once, but two and three times.

David was born in a small Polish town near the border. His earliest recollections are associated with the German bombing of his town. He remembers, when he was a year and a half old, lying in a ditch to escape the fury of the onslaught; he remembers his mother covering his head with a green blanket to protect him from flying debris.

To Siberian Camp

After the German occupation of Poland, David and his family were sent to White Russia and then to Siberian work camps. Thus, before he was three, David found himself surrounded by Jews and Russian, and David was separated from and lost contact with his father. Wretched conditions made life already unbearable. David’s younger sisters died for lack of milk. David recalls the cemetery where they were buried—“eight children in one grave.”

When Germany invaded its anti-aggression pact with Russia in 1941, the Polish government in exile was able to procure passage for David and his family, still considered Polish citizens, permission to move to a small village in South Russia near the Ural mountains. He lived in a modest hut high above and half below the ground. Fortunately enough, however, he and his family had a small garden of their own. David fondly remembers the bustling and flurry before Pesach, when people came to buy from all over the Yiddish-speaking area to take their matzot in their home.

David was very anxious to tell me about the town barber, whom, during these days, used to conduct his business by traveling from house to house. Once the barber overhead David’s mother speaking in Hebrew to a friend and instinctively as to what language she was using. Mrs. Levin not only answered the barber’s question but started to talk about the glorious history of the Jewish people. The barber said that, he, too, was Jewish but that he didn’t know his parents at the age of six and knew absolutely nothing about Judaism. David says he then asked the rabbi to come to his home and teach him. My mother started to hum the Haskalah and the barber began to cry. As to the Jews being my role model today, David says, “If they just know that they are Jews, then they are warm Jews, and are proud of their Jewish People.”

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Masmid Plans Show
To Aid In Fund Raising

Comedian Milt Kamen and the Oranim Zabar will be highlighted at Masmid Presents, the first annual fund-raising variety show sponsored by the Yeshiva yearbook, Sunday December 3rd.

The show will be directed by Jack Cohen ’62 and Jules Eisenhorn ’62, chairmen of the event, which will take place 8:30 at the Hunter College Assembly Hall.

Margolis, Steinberg, Shapiro Elected To Top J.S.P. Posts

Steve Margolis ’63 was elected president, Steve Steinberg ’63, vice-president, and Alan Shapiro ’64, secretary-treasurer of the first Jewish Studies Program Student Council.

Although the JSP Council is in existence less than a year, this campaign marked the initial official election conducted under a constitution ratified by the student body last spring. Under the new constitution, officers for the year are to be elected not later than three weeks after sukkot, with incumbent officers also being given the right to vote.

Mr. Margolis, a chemistry major in the college and a member of JSP class Junior A, is a chemical engineer at the General Foods Corporation. Last year Mr. Margolis served as secretary-treasurer of the intern council.

A member of the JSP Junior B class and economics major in the college, Mr. Steinberg ran unopposed for the position of vice-president.

Mr. Shapiro, an English major in JSP Sophomore B, is also a member of the Sophomore B class.

In the preferential type of voting used in college student council elections, each respective winner received a majority on the first ballot. Approximately eighty-five percent of the entire JSP student body of 120 voted in the election.

The election was supervised by principal entertainers at the event, an Israeli folk singing trio who record on the Electra label.

Tickets will sell for $2.75, $2.25 and $1.50, with special rates for groups of twenty or more, and will be offered to Jewish high schools and organizations throughout the city.

SCIENCE SOARS

Of the 647 students at Yeshiva College, 329, or a total of fifty-one percent of the student body, are science majors, announced Rabbi David Mirsky, director of admissions.

This compares with the total of fifty-three percent of last year’s student body.

Despite this drop, Rabbi Mirsky noted that JSP still leads many liberal arts colleges in the percentage of science majors.

Arnold Grant ’63, last year’s Student Council vice-president, who was appointed by that council to head an election committee.

On the day prior to the election, an assembly was held in Lamport Auditorium at which the candidates introduced themselves and presented their platforms. After copies of the election were distributed, Rabbi Morris Besdin, chairman of the JSP department, outlined and explained the aims and goals of the student organization, “We are not a collection of representatives,” he stated, “we would be expected to present student views to faculty and administration in all matters relating to the welfare of the student and also, through planned activities and programs, to instill a deeper knowledge and appreciation of our Torah heritage.”
"Milk and Honey" Approved By Reviewer Fast Moving Saga About Modern Israel

(Continued from page 4) tongue lashing. Amidst the tartig background and cohesively flowing music and dance, the plot continues. Phil tries to convince Ruth that it's not a crime to live with him in the desert...and raise a family, and David's resulting deep emotional conflict. The third interwoven plot presents a group of American husband-hunting spinsters on a Hadassah tour of the Holy Land. They are led by Clara Weiss (Molly Picon) an energetic woman, who with her ladies, tries to brighten the lives of every available middle aged swain in the country.

Grieving Robert Weede, who was "The Moor Happy Fella" on Broadway, is splendid in the role of Phil, with his distinguished baritone voice that received acclaim for more than twenty years at the Mot. His dramatic performance is forceful and moving, yet lacks the energy to continue for another performance again and again without require. As a Dramatics Per

The musical score and choreography is alive as only Jewish-oriented music can be. It is bouncy and energetic, through men's feet to the music and feeling a strange desire to get out of your seat and dance in the sides of the play. It still tingle with great wonder when I think back to how this matriarch of the Yiddish theater could run through her entire routine twice a day every week, and still retain her strength and energy to continue for another performance again and again without require. As a Dramatics Per

A Scene from Milk and Honey

such vigor and energy as one would normally expect from one many years her junior. She is thrown through the air from arm to arm of male dancers and gone through many intricate and racy dance steps within the course of the play. I still tingle with great wonder when I think back to how this matriarch of the Yiddish theater could run through her entire routine twice a day every week, and still retain her strength and energy to continue for another performance again and again without require. As a Dramatics Per

The two young gentlemen slowly walked through the streets, scanning the sidewalks and gutters for that which they sought. All at once a triumphant cry burst forth from one of them looking toward the plain-looking box which lay by a lamp post. The jealous eye of his companion followed him as he picked up and tore open the official government stamp. This time he hit paydirt, for Philip Morris counts as ten points. The cigarette accumulation contest is a leading force in the campaign to make Yeshiva a "fun" school. We may not have winter carnivals or a campus queen, but where smoking is concerned Yeshiva ranks with Yale and Harvard. (I am surprised that Mr.

Division Heads...

(Continued from page 1) suggested that the Student Union be given the power to formulate the editorial policy of The Commentator with all members having equal status. He strongly asserted that in this kind of organization, representatives of the Hebrew division would not be "second class citizens." Dr. Grinstein stated that all the Hebrew divisions were united in striving for a common goal, which is to create orthodoxy Jews who will continue in their orthodoxy after graduation from Yeshiva University. Closing, he affirmed his wish for mutual understanding among the college, the Hebrew departments and THE COMMENTATOR.

Rabbi Beinin, chairman of the faculty of the Jewish Program, was of the opinion that the newspaper can write about any controversial matters, but should do so only after full consultation and deliberation.

The hunch on ended with a general feeling of understanding and mutual agreement for future meetings in which the Governing Board would discuss more fully the program and problems of the morning divisions.

Cigarette Pack Contest Finds Many Enthusiasts

by Joan Rosenblatt

Harristien has overlooked this proof that we are college; perhaps he will include it in the next "Inside Yeshiva University." At any rate, let us hope so.

Hard work for acquisition of cigarette packages has led to healthy rivalry among the students, especially since an abundance of Marlboro packs is perhaps the biggest status symbol at Yeshiva.

There are many rumors as to what first prize really is, particularly by someone: smoking all those cigarettes, which formerly formed the packages.

If anyone wants to know what he can do for Yeshiva, especially if he desires to help Student Council get a Polaroid, he can get out and smoke.

Student Convocation Proves A Big Success

A convocation assembly, commemorating the seventy-fifth anniversary of Yeshiva University, was held October 18 in Lamport Auditorium. The assembly was

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Economy Examined

(Continued from page 3) because of a shortage of raw materials and spare parts," the economist stated.

Castro is modeling his economy after that of the Soviet Union which is underwriting the forthcoming four-year plan.

Agreement with Russia

Russia has agreed to purchase the complete sugar crop and will provide $100 million a year in credit for use in heavy industry. This will allow Cuba to grow without cutting down on consumer goods.

Mr. O'Connor said, "If we now turn around and wanted to renew our trade agreements with Cuba, I don't think they would sell us sugar. They feel we might change our minds next year."

Mr. O'Connor then turned to the political situation on the island. "Fidel prevents the creation of a third party. One is either a revolutionary or a counter-revolutionary, and the counter-revolutionaries get rid of. When Castro first came to power, he held military trials and executions only to please the people and prevent them from murdering Batista's followers in the street. Now, there are arbitrary arrests but those detained are held 3-4 days in comfortable surroundings.

Hurwitz Announces Free, Professional Bowling Instruction

Professional instruction in bowling is being offered to all Yeshiva University students, free of charge, announced Professor Max Hurwitz, director of the physical education department. These lessons, to be held on Friday from one o'clock will be given at the Manhattan Lanes, 196th St. and Broadway. Instruction will begin this semester.

Professor Hurwitz said that if enough students show interest in bowling, a bowling team will be formed to compete against other colleges in the Eastern Intercollegiate Bowling Conference which is comprised of two hundred members.

where they relax, swim and play pool. They are treated with courtesy and kindness and are released with apologies.

"Those who are convicted of sabotage are shot without mercy."

"One amazing thing about the revolution is the absence of atrocities directed against the Catholic Church and, to a degree, this is the only revolution I know of in which they don't shoot priests. Even when the clergy are caught with a cache of arms they are only deported."

Defectors Unimportant

Mr. O'Connor said that the majority of Cubans defecting to the United States are clerical workers who are not really missed. "These people are not skilled in the trades that Cuba is lacking—tool and die makers and agricultural engineers."

When asked about the Cuban attitude toward the U.S., Mr. O'Connor stated that the people are told that Americans are forced to control their government. But the Cuban government is not that naive and knows the truth about Americans."

It was noted that the Cuban press is self-censored by the card-carrying Communists who run it, and freedom of speech no longer exists in that country. One can say anything he wants so long as he praises the revolution.

Mr. O'Connor strongly disagrees with the popular conception of Cuba as a puppet of Moscow. He said that many times Cuba does things that benefit itself and Russia, but never has it implemented a policy purely to please the Soviets. "Because there is no Russian army in Cuba as there is in other Communist countries Castro will never be Khurshechev's stooge."

During the interview one statement stuck in this reporter's mind. "Every New York Time printed about Cuba is a pack of lies including the story about Castro and the chickens.

Whether this is true or not we can not now know, but we now have before us both sides of the story.

Sam Grossman, scoring ace of Yeshiva's Mighty Mites, has returned home after playing on the United States Basketball Team at the Maccabiah games held in Israel last summer. Basketball, swimming, fencing, and various track and field events highlighted this year's activities.

Thirty-one nations sent their most able Jewish athletes to participate in Maccabiah competition, to which only Jewish aspirants may qualify. Countries such as the United States, Israel, and Britain with large Jewish populations competed against such countries as South Africa and Karanga. There was no representative from Russia.

Lack of Facilities

Because of a lack of facilities at the Maccabiah Village, to which the team had initially been assigned, the site of the scrimmages and practice sessions moved to Wingate University near Nattanya, a beautiful, picturesque suburb on the road to Haifa.

"We would get up at five o'clock in the morning and practice scrimmaging against one another. After three hours, we were forced to take shelter from the hot morning sun. For breakfast and lunch, a twenty-minute walk in the desert, we would swim in the Mediterranean Sea," stated Mr. Grossman.

The United States squads consisted of one hundred and twenty athletes and officials. Nineteen men, including Charlie Rusin from Hunter College, Steve Steinberg from Alfred University, Bruce Ballish from Bucknell, and all-American Art Heyman from Duke made up the core of the United States Basketball Team. The most valuable basketball player award went to Art Heyman for his distinguished shooting and defense.

Athletes March

Sam's most exciting experience came during the opening game ceremonies August 29th. Flags representing thirty-one nations flew high above the grounds as the athletes in their respective countries' uniforms marched proudly into the huge Ramat Gan Stadium.

The Grand March of Athletes.

Sam Grossman and Rafer Johnson at the Maccabiah.

The United States drew the greatest round of applause from an enthusiastic crowd of 80,000. Rafer Johnson, United States Gold Medal Olympic winner, even though he did not participate in the actual events, received the largest single ovation of any athlete present, as he marched with Albert Axlerod of New York University from Olympic pole vaulter John Thomas at the head of the United States contingent.

The United States basketball team completed the circuit undefeated to gain the championship by downing the second place Israeli squad 85-60.

Grossman Impressed

A series of speeches and dinners marked the end of another season of Maccabiah sporting events. While touring Israel for a few days, Sam Grossman was impressed by the great strides taken by Israeli basketball industry and particularly by the extreme hospitality of the people, who invited athletes to dine with them. However, the outstanding event and highlight of Sam's stay was "meeting gold medal winner and Olympic star Rafer Johnson, a calm, sedate, friendly and sincere person. Rafer was liked and loved by all. A man of honesty and integrity, Rafer Johnson will always be a prime and joy to the United States. So long as we have men such as he in our country we need, not worry about anything. I'm most thankful to have met and made friends with such a great athlete."

Grant For Study...

(Continued from page 1) investigate aspects of modern geometry relating to the theory of relativity and to other topics of mathematical physics.

Professor Rauch graduated summa cum laude from Princeton in 1946 and received his masters and doctoral degrees there. In 1958 he joined the faculty of Yeshiva University.

Highlights of Dr. Rauch's career at Yeshiva include his representation of the United States at an international mathematical congress in India in 1959 and presentation of an important paper in his field at an international congress in Switzerland in 1960.

A member of the Swiss Mathematical Society, Dr. Rauch is also a member of the New York Academy of Sciences, Phi Beta Kappa, and the American Men of Science. In 1946 he received the George B. Crooming prize in mathematics.

Dr. Abe Gelbart, dean of the Graduate School of Science, has announced that a meeting of the American Mathematical Society will take place at Yeshiva. February 22, 1962. Mathematicians will present papers representing their recent research work.
Yeshiva's new classroom and administration building is rapidly nearing its completion. To most students this new construction symbolically represents the end and the beginning. It ends those endless flights of stairs one must methodically climb to reach classrooms. It ends humid, sticky, lecture rooms where professors indifferently cool themselves via a dual fanning system. Our new structure brings with it the beginning of relief in the form of elevators and central air conditioning.

Details of this modern edifice to the casual observer are amusing and inspiring. For the athletically minded student it is both disappointing and frustrating. A larger gymnasium and swimming pool, but two of many—would—after school essentials, were not concomitant with the rest of the architectural plans.

Designers of the attractive building evidently thought athletic facilities to be of secondary importance. To study the situation as it presents itself today would cause alarm and disillusionment. Yeshiva University, the only University under Jewish auspices, has its major varsity teams seeking refuge on foreign grounds.

In the past, varsity teams have cooperated strongly with the administrative budget. Basketball members journeyed to Power Memorial Cabin and the New York Athletic Club for the season. Baseball and the varsity football team also played games outside of New York City. Only a handful of ice games could be played in the kosher ice rink.

In its 75th anniversary year, Yeshiva University is being celebrated in the eyes of many across the country. The greatest institution of Torah U'Mada has gained tremendous momentum and prestige since its inception and is celebrating its period of greatest popularity. It has been applauded by both student and administrative leaders as having made great progress in its initial 75 years of existence and is expected to be blessed with another 75 years of vigorous expansion and advancement. A reputable school with growing student enrollment and tentacle-like expansion, Yeshiva should certainly realize the importance of providing a more progressive and energetic athletic program.

To say that Yeshiva has altogether forfeited interest in Varsity play is a gross untruth. Plans for a future gymnasium—recreational center are in the blueprints stage. But what about the classes of '63, '64 and '65? How are they to gain from a building that will be erected after their graduation?

For several years administrative personnel have belabored the issue of converting useless ground space into a functioning playground area. Klein Field, as the patch of black-top in the back of the High School dormitory is affectionately called, is and has been an ideal spot for such conversion. Because it is surrounded by high fences on three sides, it is perfectly suited for basketball courts and soft ball diamonds. A series of lines could be drawn and a temporary net set up for tennis, while shuffle board games could easily be painted on the top. Equipment for the games could be requisitioned at the dormitory office.

Similarly, complaints of discontented dormitory students that there are no interesting diversions offered in the evenings could be quelled by acquiring a pair of ping pong tables. The tables could be installed in the student lounge or in the synagogue assembly. Intramural games could then be established, creating a more neighborly atmosphere and an outlet for all.

Our student body is left with the job of effectively altering any current policies that may be hampering the development of necessary student facilities. It is our obligation to act unilaterally in a concerted effort for principles we have long clamored for, and in so doing facilitate the growth of our athletic programs at a rate equal to the growth of Yeshiva.

Intramurals Begin; Decathlon Planned
Professor Hyman Wettstein in his role as director of Yeshiva College's Varsity sports has planned an intensified program of activities for the 1961 fall term.

Picking up where he so ably left off last year, Professor Wettstein is adding a new feature to basketball intramurals. The granting of awards to top athletes of the season, at the annual Athletic Association Dinner, will hereafter be based on team success as well as individual performances.

New Event
In announcing this year's program, particular emphasis was placed on a new decathlon event. This will be a test of physical endurance and athletic prowess in ten fields of competition. The person amassing the greatest total number of points wins the decathlon. The event will include basketball, fencing, tennis, broad jump, physical fitness, and other areas of athletic competition.

CHESS TEAM
Students with exceptional chess skill are requested to see Professor Wettstein, captain of "A" team Room 379 of the Old Dorm or Marty Rosman in room 711 in the Student Center for preliminary information concerning Varsity tryouts. Please contact these two before next week.

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Returning Veterans Promise For Chess Team
As the weather becomes progressively colder, Yeshiva's sports focus shifts from outdoor activities to those which can be pursued within its sheltering walls. One such pastime is chess, which finds many adherents in the student body. From among these enthusiasts, a shining few can be discerned who together comprise Yeshiva's Chess Team.

Captained by Joel Grossman '62, this veteran team presents itself today would be requisitioned at the dormitory office.

Joel Grossman, this year's team captain, has been an avid chess player since his Yeshiva days. Many opponents have pitted their skills against Grossman's, both at his college and at other institutions where he has honed his skills.

Good times may be entered by the YU's Chess Team.

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To insure sufficient time for practice, fencing, volleyball, and basketball students will begin early in the semester.

Basketball activities will also include a continuation of last year's round robin amongst T.J., REITS, JSP, and Smicha divisions of the University.

Individual activities in ping pong and tennis will be held on the state of intramural games.

Rules and Regulations
Professor Wettstein has outlined the following rules for intramural games:

1) Varsity team members cannot compete in their respective sports.

2) Members who are cut from Varsity action cannot compete in that activity during the semester.

3) A student is allowed to play only with his current college class.

4) "I am no part of the student body will actively participate in the series of intramurals that have been planned. Those who take part in the extensive physical fitness program outlined will prove most desirable and beneficial for the students," said coach Wettstein.

Josh Mus Elected Tennis Squad Capt.
Joshua Mus '62, a three year veteran of the tennis squad has been elected captain of the 61-62 varsity squad. A starter for the past two seasons, Mr. Mus has compiled a personal record that surpassed a rather lackluster tennis team mark. In addition to his new post, he is now associate editor of The Commentator and served last year as president of the class of '62.

Intramurals
All classes and teams wishing to participate in intramural competition should present their rosters to either Professor Hyman Wettstein in the gymnasium or athletic manager Lenny Fincus in Room 363 of the Old Dorm.

Crowded that classes had to be re- scheduled.

Under the tutelage of professional instructor Joe Cassius, students mastered judo's many intricate techniques. It was an ignoble sight to see a judo team was seriously contemplated. Yeshiva's administration was pleased with the classes' progress, and extended to it full credit.

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A year later the administration on contact withdrew credit from this course. Only a dedicated few maintained an interest in judo, which had virtually disappeared at Yeshiva.

Today, students are again being offered the opportunity to transform their natural endowments into mechanisms of power via judo. Old dreams of a judo team that will participate in intercollegiate play are being revived.

To overcome these goals, a rapidly increasing number of boys are practicing on Friday mornings 10 a.m., and Sundays at the gymnasium. Eddie Kaminetzky, a seasoned judo veteran, is directing the group.

It is the hope of Dr. Hurwitz that the rejuvenated judo class will flourish and resume its former position as a mainstay in Yeshiva University's sports programs.