TI To Change Policy Concerning Failures

The number of credits that a student may take will be determined by a Committee on Scholastic Standing chaired by Dr. Grinstein.

Major Subjects Listed

Major subjects in TI are listed as Talmud, Bible, and Hebrew. All other subjects taken are considered as minor. Two minor subjects, however, are equal to one major subject. Should a student fail either one major and two or minor subjects or he would be unable to graduate.

This is the second major change in two years made by Teachers Institute. Last year, the transfer of credit from TI to the college was made a valid assessment of a part of each course of studies during a given semester in order to transfer them to their highest grades. If a student fails in any one subject, the cumulative grade of all subjects will be sent to the college.

Dr. Grinstein said that the new policy was aimed at students who neglect their religious studies in favor of secular ones. He added that the policy would not be more reasonable to reduce a student's college program than to expel him from TI.

The committee, in deciding how many credits a student will be permitted to take at the college, according to Dr. Grinstein, "will consider his work up to the term in which he fails, and will also consider his general ability and capacity to do the work."

The Student Free Loan Fund of Yeshiva University will this year again grant short-term loans of up to $50 to Yeshiva College students, announced Rabbi Abraham Avreich, director of the Community Service Division. The Fund, established in 1953 by Eli M. Black in memory of the late Mendel Gottsman, provides loans without interest for tuition payments, books, laboratory fees, and personal expenses.

YC Has Unique Approach To Its Admissions Policy

"Admissions offices do not consider College Entrance Examination Board scores alone sufficiently to predict academic success in college work," stated Rabbi Jerry Hochbaum, assistant director of admissions.

He added that many college admissions officials are realizing more and more the importance of intangible, non-academic factors in making a valid assessment of a potential student's ability to cope with the demands of college.

This is also the preliminary for a study now in its second year, being conducted by the Office of Admissions to determine the most effective predictors of academic achievement at Yeshiva.

Specific statistics in the correlation of college board grades and high school averages will not be available until a larger number of cases are examined.

Rabbi Hochbaum emphasized that the special education offered at Yeshiva and its atypical student body necessitates a unique approach to college admission. "Motivation, for example," stated Rabbi Hochbaum, "not generally acknowledged adequately by admissions offices at other colleges, may be an important component of academic success at Yeshiva."

At Yeshiva, standardized test score, such as college boards, and the high school transcript are supplemented wherever possible by as many non-academic indicators as possible; the personal interview is therefore an essential part of the admission procedure. However, he concluded, "there will never be a foolproof method of predicting the amount of sweat and hard work essential to college success."

To further supplement examination scores, admission directors try to classify schools by quality of instruction and grading systems. This is possible for Yeshiva high schools, but it is impractical to apply this plan to students entering from public high schools.

The Problem of Religion in the State of Israel" was analyzed by Rabbi Shlomo Goren, chief chaplain of the Israeli Armed Forces in a lecture held at Yeshiva College Thursday Dec. 6. Rabbi Goren was introduced by Joseph S. Blumberg, chancellor of Yeshiva University and professor of United States history.

Rabbi Goren spoke on the new approach taken by the Yeshiva College admissions office. He said that the committee looks at the student's religious background and his potential as a community member in the United States. Rabbi Goren stressed the importance of the student's commitment to Jewish law and tradition.

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Most of the alumni—41.5 percent—are serving as spiritual leaders of congregations throughout the United States and abroad. Another 10.3 percent are working on a full-time basis in Jewish education; 5.6 percent are members of Yeshiva's faculty.

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YC has a unique approach to its admissions policy, which is based on a careful evaluation of the student's religious background, potential as a community member, and commitment to Jewish law and tradition. This approach has been embraced by Rabbi Goren, who emphasized the importance of these factors in determining a student's potential.

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Letters To The Editor

The Commentator

Monday, December 17, 1962

Blood From Benevolent

The Bloodmobile is making the first of its two annual visits to Yeshiva on Wednesday, December 19. The center of operations will be Furst Hall instead of Klein Hall, but all other factors are unchanged and Drive Chairman Robert Feinman anticipates an attendance of 1,536.

The reason for giving blood at any time is compelling—saving another human's life is given highest priority among the mitzvot. But the Yeshiva College Blood Bank does more than help the Red Cross fight emergencies of all kinds all over the world, for only one-third of the donated blood goes to that agency.

Two-thirds of the bank is accredited to the donors and their families for an entire year. Should an emergency arise, blood is supplied free of charge (it is usually $25 a pint) to the donor anywhere in the United States or Canada. The donor also receives a certificate with his blood type and gets a free medical examination.

In order to encourage student participation, the Dean has announced that no tests are to be scheduled for December 19, and all donor absences will be excused. Every student who is physically able should make every attempt to donate.

Sweat From Students

The Commentator is pleased with the recent resolutions passed by the faculty of the Teachers' Institute. The action, although far from a solution to the many problems of the Institute, shows an awareness on the part of the administration that present conditions leave much to be desired.

The decision to establish a committee on Scholastic Standing to study each individual student's abilities and achievements is a step more equitable than the introduction of a blanket ruling affecting all students in attendance would have been.

Having, furthermore, seen the lackadaisical attitude of the graduating seniors, we understand the administration's wishing that unsatisfactory work will result in note being taken on a student's permanent scholastic record.

At this time, it might be proper to emphasize though, that a really effective Beit Medrash L'morim will never be achieved through the marking of notes on a student's record or the lowering of the number of college credits he may carry. It will be effected, rather, by internal changes in the Institute itself. The recent ruling affects only the poorest students, and not the institution in general. We realize that sweeping changes in programming and faculty cannot be made overnight. That notable improvements have been made in the past two or three years, is enough, though, that the administration will continue to initiate these changes, and to further orient its course of study to the needs and interests of its student body.

Tears From Transients

We are aware that over seventy-five years ago when Yeshiva was founded, automobile parking space was not a major problem. In fact, automobiles were about as scarce then as parking space around the University is today. Returning from the printer's just after eleven P.M., we have been forced to search for parking space until eight the next morning.

We looked high and low—even into Commentator archives. These revealed that the top of the Main Building was once intended to be a parking area—but someone forgot to include elevators in the blueprints. Other plans called for construction of an underground parking lot under Danziger Campus—but these too had to be abandoned. You see, in order to reach the entrance to this parking lot, students would have had to cross the campus and they weren't allowed to walk on the grass.

When the ground on the corner of 184th Street and Amsterdam Avenue was cleared, we hoped that a parking lot would be erected there. But, alas, this ground was soon covered at the cost of over $3,000,000.

We have one hope left, dear administration. The lot which Graduate Hall once dominated, now stands barren. Could we not use this land as parking space until the libraries are expanded or a field house erected on it?

Rachlin Rotors
To the Editor:
Very truly yours,
Miss Frank, I think you missed the point. Somehow, I get the impression from your letter that I should consult you before choosing a topic.

I had done so, I imagine you would have given me advice on the subject of Zion. However, I was discussing Berlin and would have appreciated your criticism in relation to that subject.

Furthermore, I wonder if our greatness is so vitiated that we can no longer look past ourselves.

Would you have us destroy our husbands, their wives, their children? Should we sink to the level of beastiality? If you tell me yes, I shall keep silent.

You will complain that you have not asked me to commit atrocities in the name of morality. Literally, I would be forced to agree. However, I feel strongly that the attitude of condemnation you have held of the Jews does not often succeed. It means the foundation for a far more extreme position.

Had you read my first article, I feel certain you could not have construed my statements on the attitude of Germans as an endorsement of their position in the past or today.

To Overcome Attitude
I will, however, say that if we pretend that we do not regret that destiny, we will not do so by advocating condemnation of individuals, but rather, by attempts to accommodate those persons within a moral framework—full as that often seems.

When we hold the attitude which you have been condemning, it should be clear that we lay the foundation for its continued existence.

Finally, since you have felt the necessity to question not only my article, but also myself, I must make it clear that I do not question the intensity of your devotion, but I find your reasoning rather incomplete, and, admittedly, your attitude is more offensive from my standpoint as a Jew who is a human being.

Sincerely,
Bruce Rachlin

Loan Report
To the Editor:
I believe we will be interested in the enclosed annual report of The Student Free Loan Fund in memory of Mendel Gutman, established by E. M. Black, Class of 1940, for the year ended June 30, 1962.

Since the organization of The Student Loan Fund eight years ago, the trustees have granted, 1,536 loans totaling $34,265 to students of Yeshiva and Stern Colleges. During the last fiscal year of the Fund which ended June 30, 1962, 228 loans totaling $5,256 were granted.

Although the loans were granted without guarantors, red tape or embarrassment, uncollectible loans during the eight-year period amounted to only $192, which is approximately one-half of one percent of $34,265, the total amount of the loans granted since the Fund was established.

Credit for these achievements is due to the honesty and trustworthiness of the students of Yeshiva and Stern Colleges and to the efficient manner in which Rabbi Abraham Avresh, Mrs. Elizabeth Issacs, the late Dean Samuel Sar and his successor, Rabbi Emanuel Rackman administered the fund.

Sincerely,
Herbert Dilling

Return To Sender
To the Editor:
Very truly yours,
Arthur Klass
Tel. GEdney 6-0239

The Commentator, on behalf of the entire student body, expresses condolences to Warren Ecker '62, on the loss of his mother. May he be comforted among the mourners of Zion and Jerusalem.

I am studying English hoping to be able to do justice to this beautiful language. I have a great love for the English language which I speak and write to a certain degree. I should like to know more about young American people's activities; it would help all of us to have a better understanding of each other's customs, legends, and so forth.

I hope this will be starting point in strengthening our heartfelt friendship.

Thanking you in advance for your very kind consideration, I remain,
Yours faithfully,
Vera Moor Marques

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Porto Alegre
Rio Grande do Sul
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See And Ski
Dear Editor:
I am hoping to organize a ski club for religious college students and young professionals as there is none now.

Skiing is one of the fastest growing sports and many religious people who indulge wish to join clubs but can't as the clubs usually consist of mainly non-Jews and non-Shomer Shabbos, and frequently meet on and plan activities for Friday nights and Saturdays that are forbidden.

Interested parties, both experienced skiers and beginners, who wish to form such an organization should contact Arthur Klass, 4515-12th Avenue, B’klyn, 19, N.Y.

Thanking you,
Arthur Klass

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Blue Laws Made Test Case
By Guilty Sabbath Observer
by Arvyn Stein

One Sunday last July, Mr. Charles Pam, the father of Leon-
ard Pam 63, was served with a ticket for entering a clothing store in his Brooklyn grocery store "on the Sabbath." He came before the judge in magistrates court not to fight the inevitable, but to pay the five dollar fine.

When the short, routine trial came to a close, the judge handed down his decision: "I am still behind you because this law is against the American way."

The exemption has never been pointed out by "Beer yes; babyfood no!" The Sabbath law exempts everyone except those who serve a Sabbath-violator." Mr. Pam asks, "Why should our Sabbath not count also? What right does the government have to establish the Sabbath as Sunday?"

He feels that a religious group has as much or more right to an exemption as does a beer company on the Sabbath.

The only way to insure favorable action in the legislature is to make sure that the voice of Joseph Pam, who are 25% of New York City's residents, is heard.

Historians claim that it is a near impossibility to pinpoint the end of any era. Certainly, if insufficient time has elapsed in which to assess the impact of any single event on a given period, the difficulty is increased. Yet there are some occurrences which transcend these arbitrary categories and their profound effects are immediately recognizable. Such an event was the passing of Rabbi Aaron Kotler.

Rabbi Aaron Kotler Dies;
Thousands Throng Funeral

In New York, more than 25,000 people jammed the streets of the lower east side near the Kefi-

BOOK REVIEW

YC Critic Reveals Hemingway's G'd;
Reflects On "A Farewell To Arms"

by Alan Shapin

There have been a few brief years in the life of Frederic Henry, an American who drove an ambulance and battled innumerable years during World War I. For our purposes, the most important incident in the early part of this book is Henry's meeting Catherine, a British nurse, and their falling in love. It is important be-

ence pattern, and the succeeding of the American operation.

The Absurdity

Only six times in the text of Heaven's purpose does Heaven begin to think of the absurdity of all this. Why was this beautiful story ruined by deaths; what could have been more unbel-

ness as to be completely unbelievable? Very well, then, we will go on.

At this Yeshiva College there were a number of clubs. Oh, there were all sorts of clubs. There was a math club, a French club, a (Continued on page 4)

Rav Aaron Kotler, seeker tzedik lvorcho.
Seniors Victorious; Sophs Lose 47-34

A heavily favored senior basketball squad managed to defeat a determined sophomore team 47-34 on Tuesday night, Dec. 4. The game was much closer than the scores indicated and was hard fought throughout. Not until the final minutes of the game were the seniors able to build up a sizable lead.

The game opened up with the sophomores unexpectedly fighting the taller senior team under the boards and getting their share of rebounds. However, the seniors jumped off to a 7-2 lead on two baskets by Stu Harris, one by Barry Silber and a foul shot by Norman Beeman. The seniors threatened to run away with the game, but the aggressive sophos started ball hawking. Baskets by Phil Morginstin and Moishe Brand cut the lead to 9-6 at the quarter.

Sophs Take Lead

The second quarter saw the sophs take the lead for the first and only time 10-9, on baskets by Joe Strauch and Jack Haller. Morginstin hit a couple of jumpers, one by Josh Jacobson, and Haller hit a couple of jumpers, one by Josh Jacobson, and Haller shot a three-pointer, to build up a substantial lead. The sophomores upped the jumpers by Morginstin narrowed the gap. However; the jumpers by Normie Bergman. The half ended 16-12 with Harris leading the upperclassmen lengthen the lead to good advantage, scored the height to good advantage, scored, after if you were to college, you want to learn, and the clubs contribute to education and are often very interesting. But everybody knows that. Why do people go to college? Aren't intelligent people interested in things like books discussed at, let's say, the literary society? By the way, we hope you are keeping in mind that this is a way-out, fictional tale. We wouldn't want you to get the idea that what happened was true.

It was The Night Of The Lecture; No One Was There

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In this we are being starkly realistic, because as everyone knows every college has clubs and societies, after the second year we can talk of you to college, you want to learn, and the clubs contribute to education and are often very interesting. But everybody knows that. Why do people go to college? Aren't intelligent people interested in things like books discussed at, let's say, the literary society? By the way, we hope you are keeping in mind that this is a way-out, fictional tale. We wouldn't want you to get the idea that what happened was true.

The Pollock Library will be open until midnight for students to work on term papers and prepare for final examinations. The closing of the library on February 22, 1963—January 22, 1963, Monday through Thursday. This arrangement will accommodate the overnight loan program of reserve books in the library. For this period only, overnight books will circulate starting from 11:30 p.m.

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Yeshiva Drops Big Game To Stags;  
Fairfield Edges Mites By More Five  
(Continued from page 6)

Yeshiva was one of the next entry in the competition for the 19-inch Motorola Console.

Mites meet Fairfield
The Mighty Mites played a small college power, Fairfield, on Thursday, Dec. 6, and lost 68-63. YU jumped out to a quick lead on the team's co-high scorer Steve Gralla's two baskets and a steal converted into a two pointer by Jay Garsman.

With the score 11-8, the beautiful functioning, well-oiled Fairfield machine went to work. Baskets by game high scorer Bob Hurter and second high man Nick Macarachuk pulled the staged ahead 12-10. Artie Aaron put YU back in the lead 16-15 but foul shots by Macarachuk put the stage ahead 17-16. This lead was never relinquished.

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However, trouble was brewing for the Mites. Garsman acquired his fourth foul and was replaced. Fairfield opened up with a quick eleven point lead 62-51, and while the Mites did cut it down, the game seemed about over. In the last minute, Katz and Garsman scored, closing the gap to 66-63. However, Hurter's two foul shots with 17 seconds left on the clock for the game and staged them a total of 29 for the night.

In spite of Co-Captain Artie Aaron's 15 points, Yeshiva disappointingly opened the basketball season Dec. 3, losing to Kings Point, Ken Jacobson, Mike Alper, and Bob Podhurst. The Kings went on to victory 67-62, having the Mites down 31-26.

The Marines didn't have a set attack but stole the ball often on score layups and gained an early 4-2 lead. Cager's impossible passing, inability to click on set plays and lack of rebounding hurt the Mites for most of the first half. With minutes remaining the score 19-13 Kings Points, Ken Jacobson, Mike Aaronwald and Aaron scored successive baskets to tie the game at half.

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Grapplers Pin Hunter 30-8; As Four Novices Take Part

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Last, and always a high point of the evening, was the heavyweight class. Pitted against Hunter's but man was Yeshiva's Bergman. Both men were strong and fast, but as the match progressed, it became clear that experience would be the decisive factor. Fighting an uphill battle, Barry gave it all he had, but was pinned.

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