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B'NAI TORAH INSTITUTE DINNER, TERRACE ON THE
PARK, 111TH STREET AT 52ND AVENUE,
QUEENS, N.Y., SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2, 1973,
5:45 P.M.

*(Wynell
Bodillo)*



I AM DELIGHTED TO BE HERE. WHEN
MY GOOD FRIEND, RABBI PINTER, ASKED ME
SEVERAL ~~WEEKS~~ ^{MONTHS} AGO TO COME HERE TONIGHT, I
SAID TO HIM, "LEIB, ^{Li} NOTHING COULD GIVE ME
GREATER PLEASURE." I WANT ALL OF YOU TO
KNOW THAT I HAVE GREAT RESPECT AND
ADMIRATION FOR THIS YOUNG MAN. RARELY HAVE
I MET A MAN WITH SUCH ENERGY, SUCH DEVOTION,

SUCH DEDICATION TO THE SPIRITUAL NEEDS OF HIS PEOPLE. SINCE HE INVITED ME HERE, SOME RATHER UNEXPECTED EVENTS HAVE OCCURRED IN WASHINGTON, AND I HAVE BEEN MORE THAN A LITTLE PREOCCUPIED. IT WAS WITH SOME DIFFICULTY THAT I WAS ABLE TO MAKE IT HERE TONIGHT. BUT I WAS DETERMINED TO KEEP MY WORD, ESPECIALLY WHEN I BECAME ACQUAINTED WITH THE NATURE OF THE INSTITUTION ON WHOSE BEHALF YOU ARE ALL GATHERED HERE TONIGHT.

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AS I UNDERSTAND IT, THE B'NAI TORAH
INSTITUTE IS A SCHOOL OF HIGHER JEWISH
LEARNING FOR ADVANCED STUDENTS, FOR
EXCEPTIONALLY GIFTED STUDENTS. ITS
ACCELERATED CURRICULUM AND ITS STRESS ON
YOUR SACRED STUDIES ARE ESPECIALLY
DESIGNED TO MEET THE NEEDS OF BOYS AND
YOUNG MEN WITH HIGH SCHOLASTIC ABILITIES.
YOU HAVE DECIDED, AND RIGHTLY SO, I BELIEVE,
THAT IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO TEACH ALL STUDENTS
IN THE SAME MANNER. THOSE WHO CAN LEARN
MORE, THOSE WHO CAN ABSORB FASTER,



THOSE WHO CAN DELVE DEEPER, SHOULD BE
AFFORDED THE OPPORTUNITY OF RECEIVING
SPECIAL INSTRUCTION, WITH SPECIAL PROGRAMS,
IN SPECIAL SCHOOLS.

ALTHOUGH I DON'T LIKE TO
GENERALIZE ABOUT VARIOUS ETHNIC GROUPS, IT
IS COMMONLY OBSERVED THAT THE JEWISH PEOPLE
ARE "THE PEOPLE OF THE BOOK." IT IS
THEREFORE QUITE APPROPRIATE THAT YOU, WHO
ARE SO CONCERNED ABOUT INTELLECTUAL
ACHIEVEMENT, SHOULD HAVE SUCH SCHOOLS FOR
SCHOLARS.



THIS REMINDS ME OF AN ANECDOTE I
HEARD SOME TIME AGO . . . ABOUT TWO COLLEGE
BOYS WHO WERE TAKING THE SAME COURSE.
AFTER A PARTICULARLY DIFFICULT EXAM, ONE
OF THEM SAID TO THE OTHER:

“I JUST DON'T UNDERSTAND IT. I
KNEW IT WAS GOING TO BE A TOUGH EXAM, SO
THE NIGHT BEFORE LAST I LIT A CANDLE TO
MY PATRON SAINT. BUT I STILL THINK I
FAILED THE TEST. HOW DID YOU MAKE OUT?”



“OH, PRETTY WELL, I THINK. YOU SEE, I ALSO LIT A CANDLE THE NIGHT BEFORE LAST . . . AND STAYED UP ALL NIGHT TO STUDY BY IT.”

IF THIS IS THE KIND OF STUDENTS YOU HAVE AT B'NAI TORAH INSTITUTE, THEN BY ALL MEANS BUILD SPECIAL SCHOOLS FOR THEM AND LET THEM GET THE MOST OUT OF IT. FOR ONLY IF EACH MAN ACHIEVES THE HIGHEST POSSIBLE GOALS WILL THIS NATION CONTINUE TO BE STRONG AND HEALTHY AND CONTRIBUTE TO THE WELFARE OF MANKIND.



THIS BRINGS ME TO A DISCUSSION
OF A PROBLEM THAT CONFRONTS AMERICAN SOCIETY
TODAY: THE MEANING OF EQUALITY.

WHEN THE FRAMERS OF THE
DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE PROCLAIMED THAT
"ALL MEN ARE CREATED EQUAL," WHAT DID THEY
MEAN? IT IS OBVIOUS THEY DID NOT MEAN TO
EQUATE YOUR UNCLE, (THE CHESS BUG,) WITH
BOBBY FISHER. WHAT DOES THIS LOOSELY-USED
WORD 'EQUALITY' REALLY MEAN?



FORGIVE ME IF I DIGRESS A BIT,
BUT HAVE YOU HEARD THE ONE ABOUT THE HIGH
SCHOOL HISTORY TEACHER WHO HAD TROUBLE
WITH JOHNNIE? SHE WAS TEACHING THE CLASS
ABOUT THE FRENCH REVOLUTION, AND SHE COULD
NEVER GET JOHNNIE TO REMEMBER ALL THREE
PARTS OF THE FAMOUS SLOGAN; "LIBERTY,
EQUALITY, FRATERNITY." WHENEVER SHE WOULD
QUIZ HIM HE COULD ONLY COME UP WITH TWO
OF THEM. SO ONE DAY SHE TOOK THREE BUTTONS
OUT OF HER HANDBAG AND SAID TO JOHNNIE,



"NOW REMEMBER, ONE BUTTON IS FOR LIBERTY, ONE IS FOR EQUALITY, AND ONE IS FOR FRATERNITY." NEXT DAY IN CLASS, SHE CALLED ON JOHNNIE AND ASKED HIM TO REPEAT THE SLOGAN OF THE FRENCH REVOLUTION. WHEREUPON HE PULLED OUT TWO BUTTONS AND SAID PROUDLY, "LIBERTY AND FRATERNITY." "WHAT HAPPENED TO EQUALITY?" SHE ASKED, QUITE UPSET. "OH," HE SAID, "EQUALITY IS HOME HOLDING UP PA'S OLD PANTS."



THOMAS JEFFERSON AND HIS FRIENDS
EXPLAINED WHAT THEY MEANT BY EQUALITY.
THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, THEY SAID, ARE ENDOWED
BY THEIR CREATOR WITH CERTAIN UNALIENABLE
RIGHTS; AND AMONG THESE ARE LIFE, LIBERTY
AND THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS. TRANSLATING
THESE BEAUTIFUL CONCEPTS INTO SIMPLE BUT
QUITE PRACTICAL TERMS, OUR AMERICAN
TRADITION -- AND THE COURTS -- HAVE TAKEN
THEM TO MEAN: EQUALITY BEFORE THE LAW,
AND EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY.



EQUALITY BEFORE THE LAW HAS ITS
ROOTS IN THE OLD TESTAMENT, IN YOUR OWN
TORAH. I DON'T MEAN TO REPRESENT MYSELF
AS A PREACHER OR A BIBLICAL SCHOLAR, BUT MY
RESEARCH PEOPLE HAVE DONE THEIR HOMEWORK.
IN THE BOOK OF LEVITICUS, CHAPTER 19,
VERSE 15, WE READ. "THOU SHALT DO NO
UNRIGHTEOUSNESS IN JUDGMENT; THOU SHALT NOT
GRANT SPECIAL CONSIDERATION TO THE POOR,
NOR SHOW PREFERENTIAL FAVOR TO THE MIGHTY;
BUT IN RIGHTEOUSNESS ~~SHALT~~ THOU JUDGE THY
NEIGHBOR." IN JUDGMENT, ALL ARE EQUAL --



THE RICH AND THE POOR, THE MIGHTY AND THE WEAK, EVEN THE JUDGES AND THE JUDGED! THIS WAS A REVOLUTIONARY CONCEPT THREE THOUSAND YEARS AGO. AND TWO THOUSAND AND EIGHT HUNDRED YEARS LATER, WHEN AMERICA DECLARED HER INDEPENDENCE, IT WAS -- IN PRACTICE, AT LEAST -- STILL A REVOLUTIONARY CONCEPT. AND THANK GOD, THAT IN THE TWO HUNDRED YEARS OF OUR COUNTRY'S EXISTENCE, WE HAVE STRIVEN MIGHTILY TO MAKE THIS CONCEPT A REALITY.



EQUALITY BEFORE THE LAW MEANS
THAT THE ACCUSED IS PRESUMED INNOCENT UNTIL
HE BE PROVEN GUILTY -- WHETHER HE BE PAUPER
OR PRESIDENT.

AND, YES, EQUALITY BEFORE THE LAW
ALSO MEANS THAT WHEN JUDGES OR GOVERNMENT
OFFICIALS BREAK THE LAWS OF THE LAND, THEY
TOO MUST BE PROSECUTED TO THE FULLEST
EXTENT OF THOSE LAWS.



EQUALITY BEFORE THE LAW MEANS
THAT WHOEVER BURNS DOWN MY HOUSE, OR
INJURES MY FAMILY, OR DEFRAUDS ME OF MY
MONEY, OR ILLEGALLY DISRUPTS MY BUSINESS,
SHALL SUFFER THE CONSEQUENCES -- WHETHER HE
BE WHITE MAN OR BLACK MAN, CORPORATION
PRESIDENT OR UNION CHIEF!

EQUALITY BEFORE THE LAW IN
INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS MEANS THAT WHEN THE
UNITED NATIONS CONDEMNS AGGRESSION, IT
SHOULD CONDEMN ARAB AGGRESSION AS WELL AS
ISRAELI AGGRESSION.



EQUALITY BEFORE THE LAW MEANS
THAT WHEN ALL THE NATIONS OF THE WORLD,
GATHERED IN THE UNITED NATIONS, DECIDE
THAT THE STATE OF ISRAEL HAS A RIGHT TO
LIVE, NO ONE -- WHETHER IT BE ARAB NATIONS,
OR RUSSIA, OR ANY OTHER NATION -- DARE
TAKE AWAY THAT RIGHT!

THERE IS NO NEED TO CITE FURTHER
EXAMPLES. IN RECENT YEARS, THIS CONCEPT
HAS COME TO BE KNOWN AS "LAW AND ORDER" --



AND IN SOME CIRCLES, THESE ARE DIRTY WORDS. SOME POLITICAL FIGURES HAVE BEEN ACCUSED -- ACCUSED, MIND YOU -- OF SUBSCRIBING TO LAW AND ORDER! WELL, I, FOR ONE, BELIEVE THAT LAW AND ORDER, AND EQUALITY BEFORE THE LAW, ARE THE VERY FOUNDATION OF ANY DECENT AND CIVILIZED SOCIETY, AND I AM NOT ASHAMED TO SAY THAT I SHALL DEVOTE ALL MY ENERGIES TO THE PRESERVATION OF THIS SACRED PRINCIPLE!



NOW, TO THE SECOND ASPECT OF
EQUALITY -- THE PURSUIT OF HAPPINESS,
WHICH WE INTERPRET AS EQUALITY OF
OPPORTUNITY. THROUGHOUT THE AGES CERTAIN
CLASSES OR GROUPS OF PEOPLE WERE
DENIED -- FOR REASONS OF RELIGION OR COLOR
OR WHATEVER -- THE OPPORTUNITY TO STUDY AS
THEY PLEASED, TO WORK OR ENGAGE IN BUSINESS
AS THEY PLEASED, TO LIVE WHERE THEY PLEASED.
SUCH RESTRICTIONS FINALLY WERE OUTLAWED
IN THIS COUNTRY, AND AMERICA HAS VASTLY
BENEFITED. SO MANY TALENTED PEOPLE HAVE



COME TO THESE SHORES, SO MANY OF OUR
CITIZENS HAVE BEEN ABLE TO DEVELOP THE FULL
POTENTIAL OF THEIR ABILITIES THAT IT IS NO
EXAGGERATION TO SAY THAT AMERICA HAS
PROFITED MORE THAN IT INVESTED, AND THAT
OUR ATMOSPHERE OF FREEDOM IS THE VERY
REASON THAT WE HAVE BECOME THE GREAT AND
POWERFUL NATION WE ARE.

IN RECENT YEARS, HOWEVER, VOICES
HAVE BEEN HEARD IN THIS LAND THAT, BY
MISINTERPRETING EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY,
WOULD SUBVERT THE VERY BENEFITS IT HAS
BROUGHT US.



EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY MEANS
THAT YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO ANY EDUCATIONAL
PROGRAM YOU QUALIFY FOR REGARDLESS OF YOUR
RELIGION OR COLOR -- NOT BECAUSE OF IT.

EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY MEANS
THAT YOU HAVE A RIGHT TO BE CONSIDERED FOR
ANY EMPLOYMENT YOU QUALIFY FOR REGARDLESS
OF YOUR RACE OR YOUR BELIEFS -- NOT BECAUSE
OF IT.



EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY MEANS
THAT YOU MAY LIVE WHEREVER YOU CAN AFFORD
TO LIVE REGARDLESS OF YOUR CREED OR
COLOR -- NOT BECAUSE OF IT.

IT IS UNFAIR AND UN-AMERICAN TO
INSIST THAT EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT OR
HOUSING BE ON THE BASIS OF QUOTA AND NOT
ON MERIT. IT IS UNFAIR AND UN-AMERICAN THAT
A BRIGHT JEWISH BOY BE DENIED ENTRY INTO A
COLLEGE BECAUSE THERE ARE MORE THAN
TEN PER CENT OR TWENTY PER CENT JEWISH BOYS



IN A PROGRAM ALREADY. AMERICA WAS BUILT,
AND FLOURISHED, ON THE PRINCIPLE OF "MAY
THE BETTER MAN WIN!" LET US NOT DISTORT
EQUALITY OF OPPORTUNITY TO MEAN THE EXACT
OPPOSITE.

THIS DOES NOT MEAN THAT WE -- AND
I MEAN ALL OF US, IN GOVERNMENT AND IN
PRIVATE LIFE -- ARE NOT OBLIGATED TO ASSIST
THOSE WHO NEED HELP. THE GENEROSITY OF
JEWISH CHARITY IS LEGENDARY; THE DUTY TO
HELP THE POOR AND THE DISADVANTAGED IS ONE



OF THE CORNERSTONES OF OUR JUDAEO-CHRISTIAN
CIVILIZATION. WE, BOTH IN AND OUT OF
GOVERNMENT, MUST DO EVERYTHING WE CAN TO
HELP THE LESS FORTUNATE TO BE ABLE TO
TAKE ADVANTAGE OF ALL THE OPPORTUNITIES
THAT ABOUND IN THIS BLESSED LAND, FOR WE
WILL ALL BENEFIT BY IT. BUT THESE MUST
BE ACTS OF ^{*justice*} ~~MAGNANIMITY~~, NOT COERCION, FOR
THEN IT CAN DO HARM TO OTHERS.



AND OUR GOVERNMENT UNDER THE
PRESENT ADMINISTRATION, DOES HELP THE POOR
AND DISADVANTAGED -- AND MANY OF YOUR JEWISH
ORGANIZATIONS BENEFIT FROM OUR PROGRAMS.
IN THE AREA OF FEDERAL AID TO PAROCHIAL
SCHOOLS, BOTH PRESIDENT NIXON AND I ARE
COMMITTED TO FINDING SOME CONSTITUTIONAL
WAY TO HELP YOU EDUCATE YOUR CHILDREN IN
THE NOBLE TRADITIONS YOU CHERISH. THE
MORAL AND SPIRITUAL IDEALS YOU INCULCATE
IN YOUR STUDENTS ARE SORELY NEEDED IN THIS
COUNTRY, AND WE MUST FIND SOME WAY TO



HELP YOU IN YOUR NOBLE WORK. IT MAY TAKE
SOME TIME -- WE MUST NOT RIDE ROUGH-SHOD
OVER OUR CONSTITUTIONAL SYSTEM -- BUT WE
WILL DO SOMETHING. WE MUST DO SOMETHING.

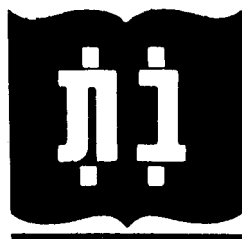
AND SO, TO ALL OF YOU WHO WORK
FOR AND APPRECIATE THE EFFORTS OF THE
B'NAI TORAH INSTITUTE, WHICH IS A CITADEL
OF EQUALITY BEFORE THE LAW AND EQUALITY OF
OPPORTUNITY AND A SHINING EXAMPLE OF THE
NURTURING OF EXCEPTIONAL INTELLECTUAL AND

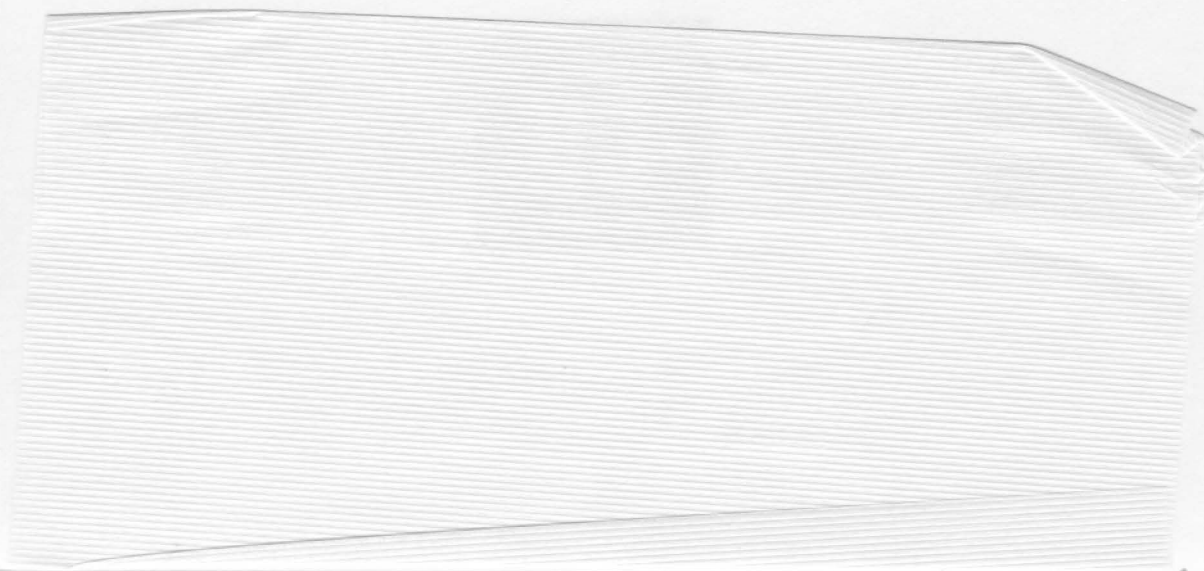


MORAL ACHIEVEMENT, I SAY GOD BLESS YOU,
EACH AND EVERY ONE OF YOU. THANK YOU.

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YOU are cordially invited to attend the INAUGURAL DINNER of the B'NAI TORAH INSTITUTE, to be held on December second, Nineteen-seventy-three, at the Terrace-on-the-Park, 111th Street at 52nd Avenue, Flushing Meadow Park, New York.

It will be our privilege to have as our Guest Speaker the Honorable GERALD R. FORD, Minority Leader of the United States House of Representatives.

Cocktails will be served at six, dinner at seven.

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December 2, 1973/Terrace-on-the-Park/New York

B'NAI TORAH INSTITUTE EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION



EDUCATE the child according to his way," said the wise King Solomon. For he understood that all children are *not* created equal, at least in their intellectual capacities and talents. Ideally, therefore, the brighter child should be taught differently than the average child. Unfortunately, with the growth of mass educational systems and large classes, it is well-nigh impossible to teach each child according to his own needs, at his own speed.

Nevertheless, every so often, a dreamer appears, a dedicated idealist, who insists on achieving perfection. Often battling against great odds, he strives to overcome the obstacles of impracticality and indifference in order to achieve his goal. Such a dreamer is Rabbi Leib Pinter.

After careful analysis, Rabbi Pinter concluded that the greatest need, and his greatest capacity to make a contribution, lay in the area of high-school and post-graduate Yeshiva studies. On the elementary level, there often are sufficient pupils in a school to organize parallel classes based on slow, average and advanced achievers. But on the higher levels of Yeshiva education, he felt, only a separate school devoted especially to the needs of the gifted, intellectually superior student could prove successful.

Accordingly, he founded the B'nai Torah Institute. Through careful screening of applicants, he was able to gather a select group of outstanding high-school students, as well as a number of post-high-school young men who wanted to devote themselves exclusively, for a few years at least, to their Hebrew studies. Indeed, several of the latter are married, and the B'nai Torah Institute supports them in a modest but comfortable manner befitting dedicated Torah scholars.

The high-school curriculum is intensive and accelerated. Based on a 12-month program, B'nai Torah students graduate high-school after only 3 years. In addition to their Hebrew studies, they take advanced courses in the maths and sciences, as well as the general liberal arts subjects.

After its few short years of existence, B'nai Torah Institute has earned an enviable reputation as an outstanding school for scholars. And thus, thanks to the dream of one man, Rabbi Leib Pinter, the Jewish community will soon be blessed with a cadre of brilliant rabbis, teachers and educated laymen who have been trained for excellence.

A MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN



IN realizing my hopes for the special educational program of the B'nai Torah Institute, I have been called, among other things, a "dreamer." I think it is only fair to point out that no man can "dream" if he cannot sleep nights. And I must admit that my aspirations would have come to nought without the assistance of many dear and devoted friends. Wherever I have turned, both in the private and public sector, I have found understanding, warm-hearted people who shared my deep conviction that we dare not settle for second best.

These are troubled times for America and, coincidentally, for the traditional Jewish community in this country. Both would benefit from an infusion of strong, intelligent moral leadership. The calibre of students we accept at B'nai Torah Institute, and the unique education for excellence we provide, should contribute immeasurably to such leadership.

I can only express my deepest gratitude to those who have lent a helping hand to our work. But the Almighty can, and surely will, shower His beneficent rewards upon all those who support this sacred cause.

RABBI LEIB PINTER



INAUGURAL DINNER PROGRAM

Welcome	Rabbi Dovid Mykoff <i>Principal, B'nai Torah Institute</i>
Benediction	Rabbi Abraham Kelman <i>Honorary President, Religious Zionists of America (N.Y.)</i>
Greetings	David Scharf <i>Inaugural Dinner Co-Chairman</i>
Toastmaster	Nash Kestenbaum <i>Honorary President, National Council of Young Israel</i>
Greetings	Dr. Joseph Kaminetsky <i>National Director, Torah Umesorah</i>
Musical Interlude	Joseph Braun <i>Violin Virtuoso, Leningrad Symphony Orchestra</i>
Greetings	Rep. John W. Wydler <i>Assistant to Minority Leader, House of Representatives</i>
Address	Hon. Gerald R. Ford
Presentation of Awards	Rabbi Leib Pinter <i>Dean, B'nai Torah Institute</i>

AWARD RECIPIENTS
Edward W. Aponte
Richard O. Reed
Harry Walker
Rabbi Shlomo Lesin

OUR GUEST SPEAKER

THE HONORABLE GERALD R. FORD



AS of this writing (and events happen so quickly these days that they out-pace our preparations), Representative Gerald R. Ford of Michigan is about to be confirmed as Vice-President of the United States. His nomination to this second highest position of honor which our country can bestow not only caps a brilliant quarter-century career of public service, but is also a measure of the man.

His list of achievements would do credit to half a dozen men, let alone one. Nebraska-born and Michigan-raised, "Jerry" Ford was a member of two undefeated national championship football teams at the University of Michigan and was named Michigan's most valuable player. Graduating with a B.A., he went on to Yale University Law School and was admitted to the Michigan State Bar in 1941. He was first elected to Congress in 1948 and has been re-elected ever since, serving on numerous committees and maintaining an attendance record of 90.9% during his years in office. Congressman Ford became Minority Leader of the House in 1965.

A tall, ruggedly handsome man, he has been described as a combination of a Horatio Alger hero, Tom Swift and Jack Armstrong, the All-American boy. *Sports Illustrated*, as a matter of fact, awarded him its "Silver Anniversary All-American Award" for his contribution to his fellow citizens over a quarter of a century. Congressman Ford was the Permanent Chairman of the 1968 Republican National Convention; a member of the Warren Commission in 1963-64; and a co-author (with John R. Stiles) of the book "Portrait of the Assassin" (1965). He has received awards and honorary degrees too numerous to mention, in recognition of his many years of service to the American people.

INAUGURAL DINNER



EDWARD W. APONTE. Regional Manpower Administrator, U.S. Department of Labor; formerly Acting President of Hostos Community College of CUNY. Mr. Aponte brings a wide background in education and administration to his current responsibilities as director and co-ordinator for the Labor Department's employment, work-experience and training programs for Region II, which includes New York, New Jersey, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands. His understanding of the special needs of Yeshivos in these areas is worthy of our sincerest commendation.



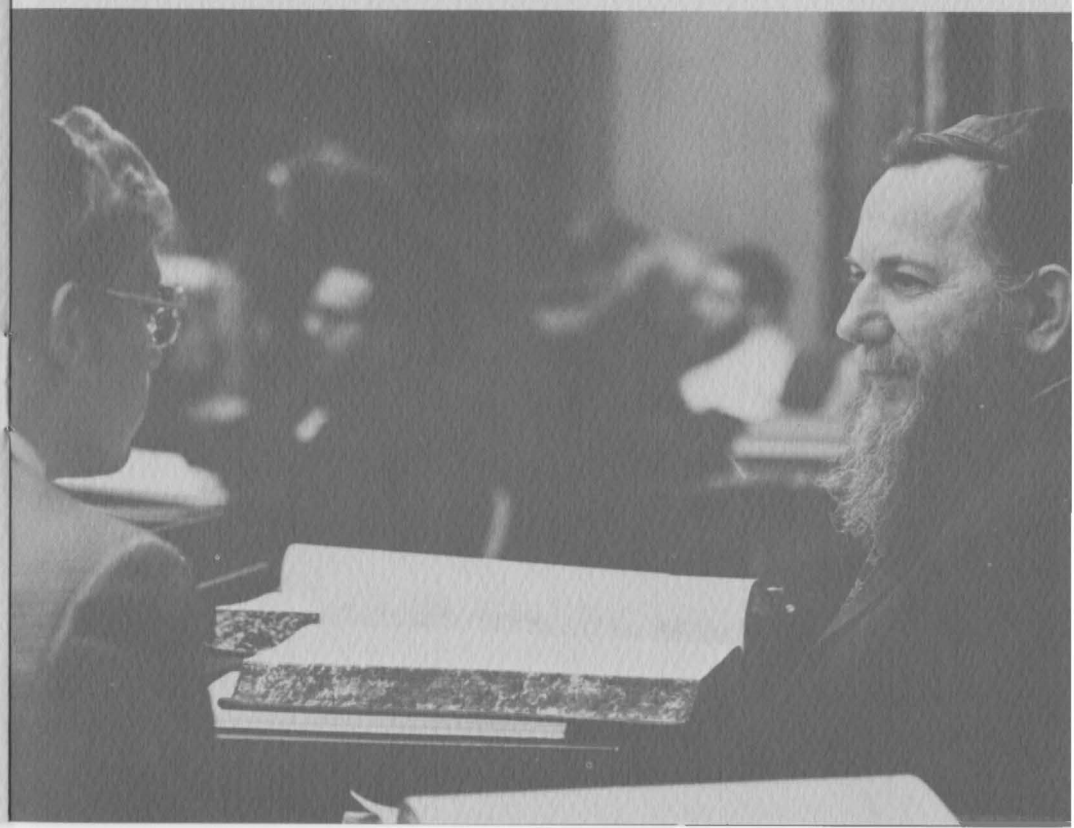
RICHARD O. REED. Chief, Bureau of School Food Management, New York State Education Department; Alumnus of University of Michigan, Cornell University, Elmira College. Mr. Reed puts 20 years of food management experience in the restaurant and hotel field at the service of educational establishments throughout the state. He has been especially helpful to the many Yeshivos in New York, and we are particularly proud to honor him for his considerate thoughtfulness.



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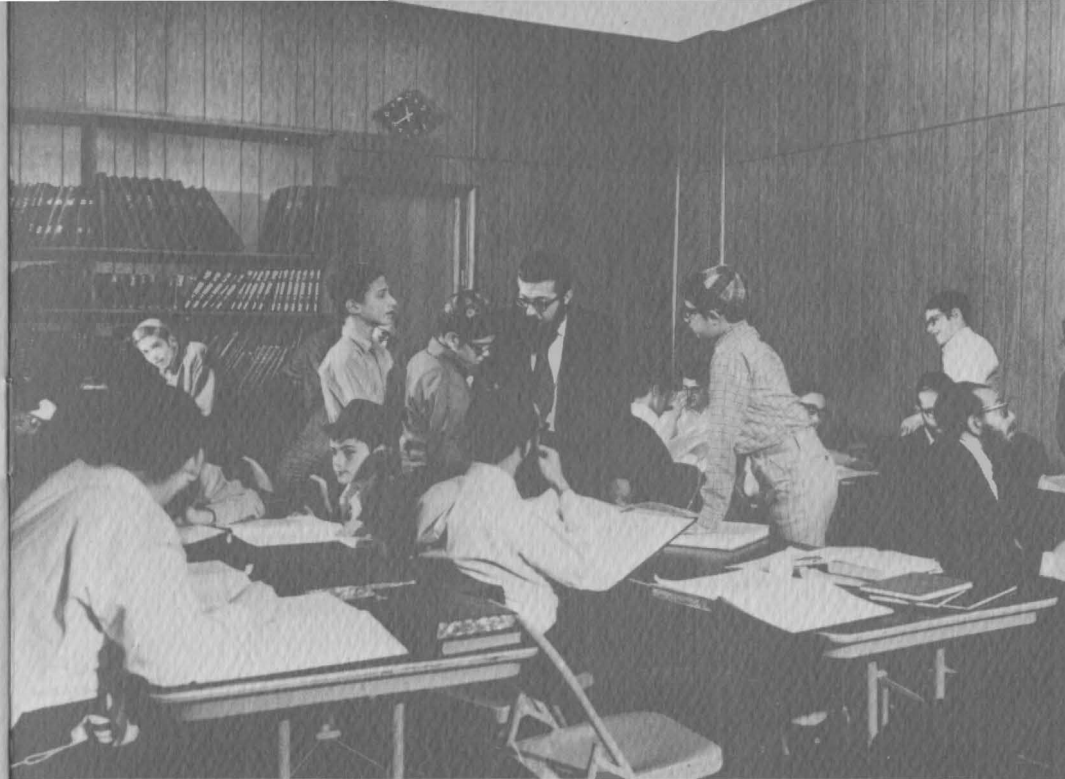
HARRY WALKER. President, Harry Walker, Inc. (representing distinguished platform personalities); Graduate of Talmudical Academy, Hebrew Teachers College and Yeshiva University. He served as President of Yeshiva University Alumni Association of New England and more recently as National Treasurer of Yeshiva University. This past Spring, as General Chairman of Mesivta of Long Beach Dinner, Mr. Walker was instrumental in securing Congressman Ford as Guest Speaker. He is also actively involved in Beth Medrash Govoha and many Israeli Yeshivos, and is a prominent figure in the Bonds for Israel campaigns.



INAUGURAL DINNER CO-CHAIRMEN



DAVID SCHARF. President, L & D Scharf Enterprises; President, N.Y. State Association of Residences and Homes for Adults; Member, Board of Directors, Long Beach Memorial Hospital. A prominent leader in the field of senior citizens' residences and health-related facilities, Mr. Scharf has a young man's healthy regard for a wide range of educational institutions (Bobover Yeshiva B'nai Zion, Hebrew Academy of Long Beach, and many others) which foster the perpetuation of traditional Judaism.



RABBI SHLOMO LESIN. Executive Vice-President, Mesivta of Long Beach; alumnus of Ner Israel Rabbinical College, Baltimore, Md. and Beth Medrash Govoha, Lakewood, N.J. A "professional" in the management and financing of Yeshiva high schools, this dedicated young dynamo has given generously of his time and talents, not only to his own Mesivta of Long Beach, but also to many other similar institutions.



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