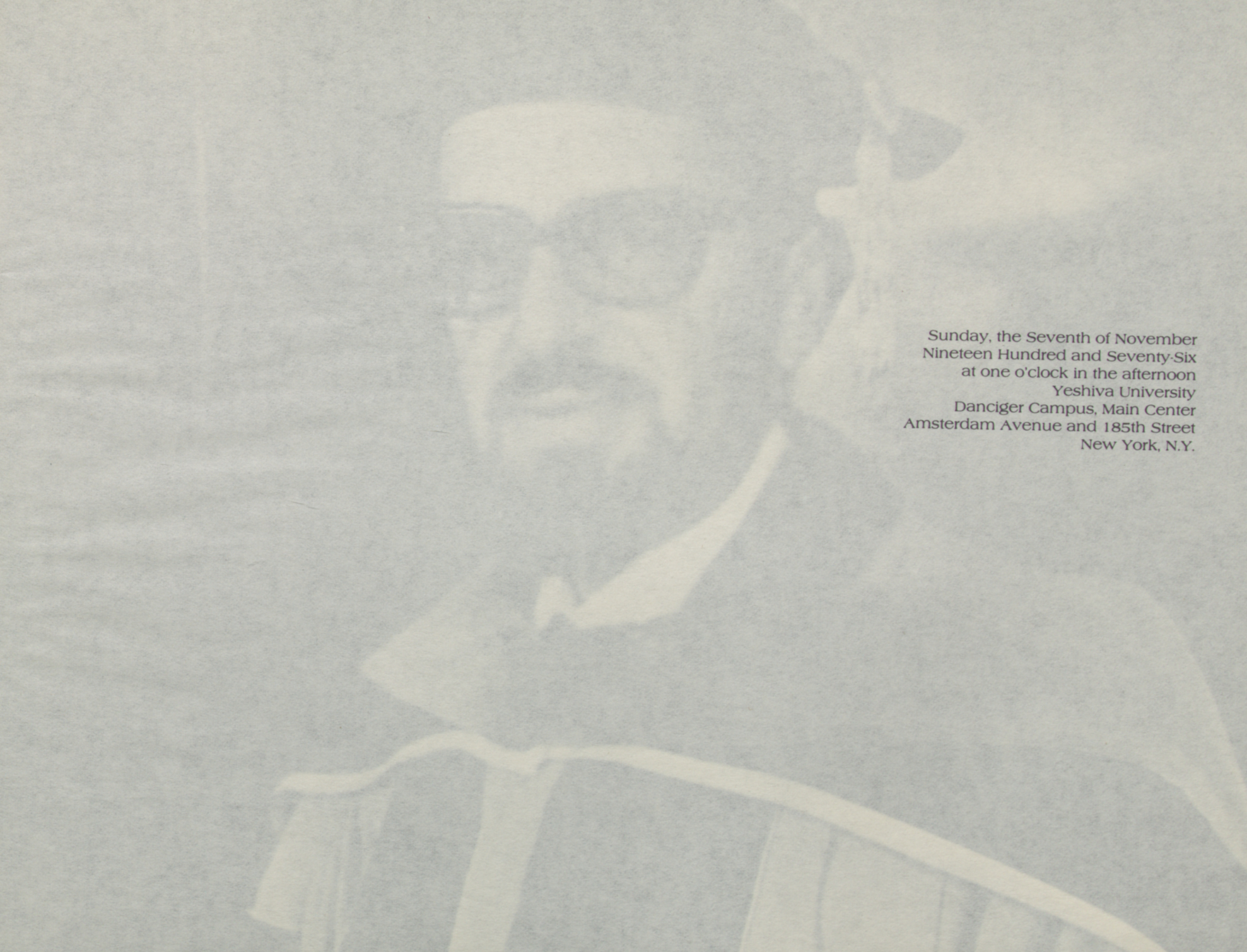


The Investiture of
Dr. Norman Lamm
as President of
Yeshiva University



Sunday, the Seventh of November
Nineteen Hundred and Seventy-Six
at one o'clock in the afternoon
Yeshiva University
Danciger Campus, Main Center
Amsterdam Avenue and 185th Street
New York, N.Y.



The Academic Procession

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The Faculty

Honorary Degree Recipients

Delegates of Colleges, Universities, Learned Societies, and
Professional Organizations

Delegates of the New York State Board of Regents

The Deans and Directors

The Vice Presidents

The Boards

The Chairman and Vice Chairman, Board of Trustees

The President

In the event of inclement weather, exercises are held in the
Nathan Lamport Auditorium, 2540 Amsterdam Avenue.

Order of Exercises

Herald

Abner H. Groff, M.H.L.
Director of Admissions

Chief Marshal

David Mirsky, M.A.
Acting Vice President for Academic Affairs

National Anthem

Cantor Paul Glasser, M.A.

Invocation

Rabbi Max Schreier, B.A.
President of the Alumni, Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological
Seminary
Avenue N Jewish Center, Brooklyn, New York

Presiding

Israel Miller, M.A., D.D.
Vice President for Student Affairs

Greetings for the President on Behalf of:

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Miriam Kopelman, B.A., Stern College for
Women, Class of 1976
Benjamin N. Cardozo School of Law,
Class of 1980

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Class of 1975
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Presentation of the University Charter

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Conferral of the Presidential Medallion

Max Stern, LL.D.
Vice Chairman, Board of Trustees

Investiture Address

Norman Lamm, Ph.D.
President

Benediction

Rabbi Maurice Lamm, B.A.
Beth Jacob Congregation, Beverly Hills, California

*(Guests are requested to rise for the Benediction and the singing
of Hatikvah, and to resume their seats until the Procession has
completed its withdrawal.)*

Hatikvah

Cantor Glasser

Delegates of Colleges, Universities, Learned Societies, and Professional Organizations*

1636 Harvard University
Gerard Weinstock
Alumnus

1701 Yale University
Stanley Z. Siegel
Alumnus

1740 University of Pennsylvania
Norman Lichtenstein
Alumnus

1766 Rutgers University
Dr. Leon A. Feldman
Professor of Hebraic Studies

1787 University of Pittsburgh
Dr. Lauren H. Ashe
Alumnus

1789 The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
Eli Nachamson
Alumnus

1819 Colgate University
Gordon D. Miller
Alumnus

1841 Fordham University
Rev. George J. McMahon
Vice President for Administration

1847 College of Mount Saint Vincent
Sister Doris Smith
President

1853 Manhattan College
Brother J. Stephen Sullivan
President

1854 Polytechnic Institute of New York
Professor Erick Zauderer
Associate Professor

1865 Cornell University
Robert H. Abrams
Trustee

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1870 Hunter College
Jacqueline Grennan Wexler
President

1870 St. John's University
Col. Abraham S. Robinson
Alumnus

1886 The Jewish Theological Seminary of America
Dr. David Weiss HaLivni
Morris Adler Professor of Rabbinics

1893 Upsala College
Dr. Aaron Nierenberg
Associate Dean

**(as of publication)*

1907 Dropsie University
Dr. Abraham I. Katsh
President Emeritus and Distinguished Research Professor

1917 American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education
Dr. Daniel E. Griffiths
Dean, School of Education, Health, Nursing and
the Arts Professions, New York University

1918 American Council on Education
Dr. Jacquelyn A. Mattfeld
President, Barnard College

1921 Hebrew College
Dr. Eli Grad
President

1927 Duke University
Robert E. Mitchell
Alumnus

1931 Brooklyn College
Prof. Samuel Abrahamsen
Chairman, Department of Judaic Studies

1937 Queens College
Dr. Ernest Schwarcz
Dean, School of General Studies

1940 Iona College
Dr. John E. Daly
Assistant Director of Alumni Affairs

1943 United States Merchant Marine Academy
Dr. Joseph Gitman
President

1950 Mercy College
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President

1951 Downstate Medical Center of the State University of New York
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Assistant Instructor in Psychiatry

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Dr. Bernard Revel: President 1915-1940
Dr. Samuel Belkin: President 1943-1975
Chancellor 1975-1976
Dr. Norman Lamm: President 1976

In today's investiture ceremony, Dr. Norman Lamm will receive the Charter of Yeshiva University, an act signifying his accession to the presidency. Beyond conveying the State Board of Regents' authorization of Yeshiva University's manifold schools and degree-granting privileges, the Charter symbolizes a legacy confided to Dr. Lamm's stewardship—the legacy of learning and commitment transmitted with successive increase by his two revered presidential predecessors, Dr. Bernard Revel (1885-1940) and Dr. Samuel Belkin (1911-1976), of blessed memory. Elected after an intensive and comprehensive search, Dr. Norman Lamm, philosopher, rabbi, teacher, and author, third president in Yeshiva University's 91-year history, now takes up the task of enriching the legacy in his turn.

It is a legacy unique in history, generated by the spiritual wealth of materially impoverished immigrants who in 1886 founded the tenement school, Yeshiva Eitz Chaim, in their indomitable commitment to the survival of the Jewish heritage.

DR. REVEL

In 1915, Dr. Bernard Revel, a gifted young scholar of Torah and Semitic studies, was called to the presidency of the recently merged Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary, a new institution dedicated to the perpetuation of Jewish learning in America.

Bringing to office unparalleled zeal and daring, the new president devoted himself immediately to the work that would engage his tireless efforts for a quarter of a century: the comprehensive long-range program of imbuing students with a clear sense of Jewish values within the context of contemporary arts and sciences. He refused to be discouraged by the staggering financial obligations that had followed the restless students and faculty as they moved from the most modest of beginnings on Canal Street, through the dilapidated environs of Montgomery Street and East Broadway, to a brownstone amid the panorama of drab backyards on Henry Street. Guiding the embryonic institution in its development into a center of Torah leadership, Dr. Revel strove to provide stability to those who had felt so transient for so long. First came the reorganization of the course of study in the Seminary; next, the founding of the Talmudical Academy, the first high school in the United States to offer instruction in both Jewish and secular subjects. With the incorporation of the Teacher's Institute for Men in 1921, Dr. Revel began to train teachers and supervisors for Hebrew schools in the United States and Canada.

In 1927, despite the expression of serious doubt from various segments of the community, Dr. Revel initiated amendments to the Charter for the establishment of Yeshiva College. He then instructed the Building Committee to draw up plans for a new edifice that would house America's first and only college of liberal arts and sciences under Jewish auspices. Just one year later, in the autumn of 1928, his romantic vision of a synthesis of the ideals of Judaism and the ideas of secularism

became a reality when, in the early throes of the Great Depression, Yeshiva College opened its doors to its first class at the Washington Heights campus in Upper Manhattan.

An era of expansion was engendered by Dr. Revel's leadership as Yeshiva College blossomed into an outstanding institution of higher education. In 1937, he established a Graduate School which offered its first courses in Hebrew and Semitics leading to the degree of Doctor of Hebrew Literature; in the same year, the Rabbinical department was cited as one of the finest "Yeshivoth" in the world.

For twenty-five years, Dr. Revel was a guiding spirit to students and faculty, and his undying commitment to the creative principle of synthesis prepared the ground for further growth during the presidency of his successor, Dr. Samuel Belkin.

DR. BELKIN

Dr. Samuel Belkin, a brilliant thirty-one year old scholar, author, and educator who was barely recognizable as a Yiddish-speaking immigrant only fourteen years in the United States, brought the institution to university status just one year after his inauguration into office.

During the Belkin Administration, the University Charter was amended eleven times, each amendment adding new schools and degrees as increments to the legacy now represented by fifteen undergraduate, graduate, and affiliate divisions. With eleven new schools, YU became the western hemisphere's largest center of Jewish learning and a national center of higher education, research, and community service.

The early transformation of the University marked the beginning of unparalleled expansion which ultimately led to the realization of Dr. Belkin's life-long dream: the establishment of a multi-faceted educational complex offering a viable synthesis of Jewish and secular instruction. His *Blueprint for the Sixties* was an ingenious plan that brought about the completion of library, classroom, residence hall, and science facilities at the Main Center; classroom and residence hall facilities at the Midtown Center; new quarters for the Graduate Center in Greenwich Village; and a hospital and other medical facilities at the Albert Einstein College of Medicine.

Remarkable as these achievements are, they represent only the most evident aspect of Dr. Belkin's accomplishments. In a more subtle manner befitting his own gentle nature, his thirty-three years of leadership prepared Yeshiva University for its new role in an epoch of steadily rising Jewish consciousness. He has left an institution standing as a potent educational resource encompassing the four great dimensions of human knowledge: the study of the natural sciences, which is concerned with the physical world into which we are born; the study of the social

sciences; the study of man himself, his endless physical and intellectual characteristics; and the study of the moral and spiritual purposes of life.

Yeshiva University, embracing the creative principle of synthesis as articulated and developed by Dr. Revel and Dr. Belkin, stands today as an emblem of preservation and enrichment of the Jewish heritage and nation.

DR. LAMM

With the investiture of Dr. Norman Lamm, its first native-born president, Yeshiva University enters a new era of creativity which looks ahead to the enrichment and innovation of studies, the concentration and application of scholarship, and a new phase of service to the nation and the Jewish community.

As a philosopher, author and teacher, and chemist who became a rabbi, Dr. Lamm is an extraordinary example of the harmonization of Jewish values and secular knowledge. An alumnus of Yeshiva College, the Bernard Revel Graduate School, and the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary, he is deeply committed to the creative principle of synthesis as a source of enrichment, exemplified by his own words:

"I am committed, fully and completely, to the idea of synthesis, a poor and inadequate word for one of the noblest of concepts. The idea has its roots in centuries gone by, but YU is the first and greatest institutionalization of this idea."

"It's a great experiment. We're nearing the end of the experimental stage, but it's not yet over . . . This is our mission . . . this is our purpose . . . this is our ideal . . . this is our uniqueness and this is our essence."

"Synthesis as it is known at YU is not a compromise—it is an ideal. It is not a coerced accommodation to reality—it is a fundamentally Jewish mode of approaching reality. It is a philosophy of education and a way of life—not a concession to vocationalism."

"The ultimate act of synthesis is an internal one, for it is a process rather than an act."

Yeshiva University, the institution which nurtured Dr. Lamm as a student and matured him as a scholar, today invests him as its president. But long ago, on this campus and in these halls, Dr. Samuel Belkin, his teacher, mentor, and guide, invested him with the ideals, aspirations, commitment, and creativity borne in the legacy committed to him this day.

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- 1917 Erna Michael College of Hebraic Studies
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- 1928 Yeshiva College
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- 1945 Harry Fischel School for Higher Jewish Studies
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Baruch N. Faivelson, M.A., Director
- 1954 Stern College for Women
David Mirsky, M.A., Dean
- 1955 Albert Einstein College of Medicine
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- 1957 Ferkauf Graduate School of Humanities and Social Sciences
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