

ORDAINED AS RABBIS AT YESHIVA UNIVERSITY YESTERDAY



Some of the eighty-five graduates of the Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary are shown with Dr. Samuel Belkin (second from left), president of the university.

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85 RABBIS ORDAINED AT SEMINARY HERE

Eighty-five rabbis, graduates of Rabbi Isaac Elchanan Theological Seminary of Yeshiva University, were ordained at a "S'micha" convocation yesterday afternoon in the Nathan Lamport Auditorium, Amsterdam Avenue and 187th Street. Dr. Samuel Belkin, president of the university, presided, and Dr. Joseph B. Soloveitchik, Professor of Talmud and Jewish Philosophy, delivered the address.

The eighty-five rabbis, who finished their studies during the years 1943-47, came from sixteen States, the District of Columbia, Canada and Palestine. Seventy are occupying pulpits from Maine to Washington, with New York leading all other States. The others are serving as religious teachers, leaders of Jewish youth groups and directors of Hillel Foundations at American colleges. The ceremony marked the first public presentation of their degrees.

The exercises, the twelfth in the history of the seminary, also marked the fiftieth anniversary of the founding of the institute, which was incorporated on March 20, 1897.

Dr. Belkin challenged a recent movement for a "dehydrated" religion permitting Jews and Christians to worship together in the same church. He said that such a movement, if not defeated, would certainly undermine the entire existence of the synagogue.

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