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GREETINGS!

I hope that each of you has had a pleasant summer and feels ready and willing to take up Alumnae activities with vigor and zest. Committees are to be formed as soon as possible to work on our Scholarship Fund. Please send in your name if you wish to serve—and please do not refuse when you are asked.

Our quota of \$250,000 may seem large, but when you read of the sums being raised into the millions by other institutions it is comparatively small. Let's all work together and put it over!

Please reserve November 16, at 8 P. M., for our joint meeting with the Alumnae majors of the History Department.

MARY LOUISE DRADDY, President

ROOSEVELT HOUSE

Now that the Alumnae are Resident Members of the Roosevelt House, they are entitled to use the main rooms for certain dates, with a small charge such as the other groups pay. If you are interested, kindly get in touch with Miss Margaret Rendt, 49 East 65th Street, New York 21.

(Mrs. Robert E.) MARY LOUISE DRADDY

LENOX HILL SETTLEMENT

For many years a Kindergarten for children of three and four years has been conducted at Children's House (316 E. 63 St.) of the Lenox Hill Neighborhood Association, under the auspices of the New York Kindergarten Association. This spring they left us, and our Director asked me if it would be possible to interest Hunter Elementary School in our program. I said that I would try.

President Shuster and Dr. Brumbaugh gave me the most gracious interviews, and signified their intense interest in the project. It remained for me to obtain the consent of Mrs. Maynard, Chairman of Children's House, and the Board of Directors of Lenox Hill Settlement; and they were delighted. President Shuster then presented the plan to the Board of Higher Education, who approved; and our program was on its way.

I am pleased and very proud to report that the school will open this fall under the auspices of the Hunter Elementary School. I trust to the mutual benefit of both organizations. Our girls will receive their training at Children's House, and the classes will be composed of children from Lenox Hill and the Elementary School.

And so another link has been forged in that chain which binds so closely Hunter College, our Associate Alumnae, and Lenox Hill Settlement.

IRENE BRANDON GRAFF

CALENDAR

OCTOBER-FEBRUARY

Wed., Oct. 6—Board of Directors
Wed., Oct. 20—Executive Council, evening
(Date changed because of Yom Kippur)
Wed., Nov. 3—Board of Directors
Tues., Nov. 16—Meeting with History Dept.
Sat., Nov. 20—Northrop Camp "Movie"
Wed., Nov. 24—Alumnae Day
Wed., Jan. 5—Board of Directors
Wed., Jan. 12—Executive Council, afternoon
Mon., Jan. 31—Commencement
Sat., Feb. 12—Alumnae Breakfast

IN MEMORIAM

JENNY HUNTER, 1881

The members of the Associate Alumnae were deeply grieved to learn that Miss Jenny Hunter passed away on Friday, September 17th. She had not been well for more than a year, and during that time had been confined to her room and unable to attend the various College functions as in other years. She was eighty-five years old.

Miss Hunter is the last member of the family of Dr. Thomas Hunter, founder and first President of Hunter College. She always took a keen interest in every activity of the College, and was delighted to speak to the students at Assemblies and at Commencements. The students in turn were charmed with her dainty doll-like appearance and with her keen wit.

Every term she presented books from her library at the High School Commencement, and until very recently made it a point to be present.

She was a graduate of the College and a Life Member of the Associate Alumnae.

Miss Hunter established the Jenny Hunter Kindergarten Training School in 1887 and continued her work there until about ten years ago. In this field she was a pioneer and trained teachers who went out to be leaders in the profession. She loved to talk about "her girls" and to recount their successes.

The Jenny Hunter Kindergarten Association is still supporting a Jenny Hunter Kindergarten at the Home Thrift Association, 350 East 88th Street. Miss Hunter personally contributed liberally to the support of this school.

Her love for her illustrious father never dimmed. She had countless stories about his kindness at home and abroad, and about his courage and initiative when these qualities were required. The welfare of the College he founded was her abiding interest at all times. She was the link between the past age and our modern era. We shall miss her.

JEAN F. BROWN