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TURN TO THE RIGHT

Dear Fellow-Alumni:

This letter is a double invitation.

In the first place, it is an invitation to attend the Fourth Annual Homecoming of the Alumni, to be held Saturday, November 4; for details, turn to the right. This year we are featuring the Department Chairmen of Hunter College. We feel sure that you will enjoy the opportunity to make the acquaintance of those of them whom you do not know, and to renew acquaintance with those of them whom you do know. You will also have the opportunity to meet many other members of the faculty, not to mention your fellow-graduates. And they will want to meet you. So do be sure to be on hand. (Reservation blank on Page 8.)

In the second place, this is an invitation to be not merely a member of the Alumni Association of Hunter College - every graduate is that, automatically — but an active member. This implies not only the mundane act of paying dues (the sum is not high, \$3.00 for those just out of College, \$5.00 for others), but it also affords the opportunity to receive all announcements, invitations, and publications (including the NEWS) issued by the Alumni; to participate in the charter flight which now seems to be an established annual event; and to take part, as we hope you will want to, in all Alumni activities, including the important rights of voting and holding office. (Membership blank on Page 8.)

This copy of the ALUMNI NEWS is being sent to all graduates for whom we have addresses. The NEWS is published nine times a year; most of its

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Alumni Homecoming Day

Fourth Annual Homecoming of Alumni Association of Hunter College

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4, at Hunter College, 695 Park Avenue

MORNING PROGRAM

Registration, First Floor Corridor, 10:00 - 10:30

DIVISIONAL MEETINGS, 10:30 - 12:30 Featuring the Department Chairmen of Hunter College

LANGUAGE DIVISION, North Lounge

Professor Lena F. Dahme, Chairman of Department of German, Moderator

Professor Edward C. McAleer, Chairman of Department of English: "Editing the Letters of Robert Browning"

- Professor E. Adelaide Hahn, Chairman of Department of Classics: "Greek Lyric Poetry, Grave and Gay"
- Professor René Taupin, Chairman of Department of Romance Languages: "The Comic Spirit in Molière"

Professor Maurice Friedberg, In Charge of Division of Russian: "What's New in Soviet Literature"

SOCIAL SCIENCE DIVISION, South Lounge

Professor Livingston Welch, Chairman of Department of Psychology and Philosophy, Moderator

Professor Dorothy Goebel, Chairman of Department of History: "Our Changing Foreign Policy"

Professor Lawrence R. Chenault, Chairman of Department of Economics: "Some Current Developments in Economics"

Professor Ethel G. Aginsky, In Charge of Division of Anthropology: "Anthropology in the Modern World"

SCIENCE DIVISION, High School Auditorium

Professor A. Willis Dearing, Chairman of Department of Chemistry, Moderator

- Professor Anastasia Van Burkalow, Chairman of Department of Geology and Geography: "Changing Geography"
- Professor Alice G. Elftman, Chairman of Department of Biological Sciences: "New Developments in Biology"

Professor Jewell Hughes Bushey, Chairman of Department of Mathematics: "The Revolution in Mathematics"

LUNCHEON PERIOD, Student Commons, 12:30 - 2:00

AFTERNOON PROGRAM

GENERAL GATHERING, Playhouse, 2:00 - 3:30

Greetings: Dr. E. Adelaide Hahn, President of Alumni Association Dr. John J. Meng, President of Hunter College

Reports by the three Moderators

Address, Dr. Mina S. Rees, Dean of Graduate Studies, City University of New York: "The Graduate Program in the City University"

Demonstrations:

Department of Speech and Dramatics, Professor Ota T. Reynolds, Chairman: Scenes from Jack Richardson's *The Prodigal* (the most modern rendering of Orestes story), Group of Students, trained by Dr. Vera M. Roberts

Department of Physical Education, Professor Jack D. Begelman, Chairman: Folk Dances, Student Group, trained by Professor Olga Kulbitsky

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IN MEMORIAM

Gordon G. Darkenwald, professor and chairman of the Department of Geology and Geography, died July 4 from injuries received when fire destroyed his home and killed his wife Gloria. They are survived by their three children, who were not at home when the fire occurred.

Seldom has one person contributed to the work of Hunter College in as many ways as did Professor Darkenwald during the past twenty-six years. In his own department his name will always be associated with the Lehnerts Rock Garden, the cartography courses, the Cooperative Weather Station, the war-training program in meteorology, the air photo collection. The College as a whole knows of his work on the book room, the duplicating office, the supply room and the Veterans' Advisement Center. As department chairman he served, of course, on many important college committees and in 1956 and in 1957 he was director of the Summer Session. He was a pioneer in planning for the use of closed-circuit TV and overhead projectors, and for the latter he invented numerous improvements that will be used far beyond Hunter.

Professor Darkenwald's energy, enthusiasm and resourcefulness will be missed by the entire College. To those who knew him, however, the greatest loss is the man himself. Always cheerful, even in the face of adversity, dependable, fair in all his dealings with others, he was a valued friend.

ANASTASIA VAN BURKALOW '31

S.G.S. IN BRONX EXPANDS

Hunter College is expanding its new School of General Studies on the Bronx campus. Thirty-four new courses are being offered this semester and more sections have been added to courses which were held last term.

Students from Westchester and Rockland Counties are permitted and expected to enroll. Inquiries concerning classes, registration and elegibility should be made at the School of General Studies office in Shuster Hall. The telephone number is We 3-6006.

FACULTY NOTES

The Board of Higher Education has approved the appointments of Professor John W. Wieler and Professor Louis Hallgring, Jr., as Assistants to the Dean of Faculty. Professor Wieler will be in the Bronx and Professor Hallgring will be at Park Avenue.

The Board also approved the elections of the following new Chairmen of Departments: Professor Edward C. McAleer, English; Professor Gertrude M. Borgeson, Home Economics; Professor Jack D. Begelman, Physical Education and Professor Olive Huber, Physiology, Health and Hygiene.

Dr. Helaine Newstead has completed a year as Adjunct Professor of English at Columbia University.

Professor Milton Furst, of the Department of Physics, is doing research on Fluorescence at the Centre d'Etudes Nucleatres de Saclay in France.

Professor Anastasia Van Burkalow will complete the new edition of Dr. Darkenwald's text, "Economic Geography" (of which Clarence F. Jones of Northwestern University is co-author), which was in preparation at the time of his death.

MEDICAL CARE STUDY

A grant of \$272,968 from the Health Research Council has made possible a five-year study of government expenditures for medical care and their role in relation to total medical care in the City of New York. This study is jointly sponsored by the Graduate Division of Hunter College and the Office of Program Planning, Research and Development, Department of Health of the City of New York. It will be directed by Mrs. Nora Piore, Consultant on Public Health Economics to the Department, who has been appointed Adjunct Assistant Professor of Public Health Economics to the faculty of the Graduate Division of Hunter.

CALENDAR

- Wed., Oct. 4—Executive Council, 8:15 p.m. Wed., Oct. 11—Board of Directors, 8:15 p.m. Sat., Oct. 21—Class of 1927, Roosevelt
- House
- Sat., Nov. 4—Homecoming
- Wed., Nov. 15-Board of Directors



DEAN REES IN NEW POST

Dr. Mina S. Rees has been named Dean of Graduate Studies of the City University of New York. She leaves Hunter College where she has served as Dean of Faculty since 1953. In her new post, Dean Rees will coordinate graduate work of the four degreegranting colleges and will organize doctoral programs.

A graduate of Hunter College High School and of Hunter College (summa cum laude), Dean Rees returned to the College in 1926 to teach mathematics, after earning her doctorate at the University of Chicago. As Dean of Faculty hers was the general responsibility for curriculum development, recruitment of faculty members, encouragement of faculty scholarship and the setting of standards for admission of students, among other phases of academic life.

During World War II Dean Rees helped mobilize the resources of modern mathematics for national defense. As technical aide and executive assistant to the chief of the applied mathematics panel of the National Defense Research Committee, Office of Scientific Research and Development, she was called upon to facilitate the use of mathematics where needed. In 1946 she was assigned to head the mathematics branch of the Office of Naval Research. In 1949 she became director of the office's mathematics science division.

Now, once again Mina Rees leaves Hunter, though she remains in our academic family. Confidently and proudly, albeit reluctantly, we wish her godspeed.