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DONATIONS TO SCHOLARSHIP FUND ARE TAX EXEMPT

Last May the Board of Directors organized a separate corporation bearing the name "Scholarship and Welfare Funds of the Associate Alumnae of Hunter College of the City of New York, Inc." The purposes of this new corporation, as stated in its charter, are: "Voluntarily to stimulate, encourage, and promote the educational welfare of the students and alumnae of Hunter College of the City of New York, and voluntarily to improve, aid, and develop the individual capabilities of those students and alumnae, and to those ends voluntarily to establish, maintain, operate, and support scholarship and other funds, student and alumnae aid, and other means solely to effectuate the purposes hereof, and voluntarily to build, equip, establish, operate, and maintain reading rooms, and buildings therefor."

The new organization applied to the United States Treasury Department for exemption from Federal Income Tax for contributions to this fund.

On September 1st the United States Treasury Department ruled that so long as this corporation operates strictly in accordance with its stated purposes and does not attempt to influence legislation (1) the corporation itself will be exempt from Federal Income Tax, (2) employment taxes will not be applicable to remuneration for services performed in the employment of the corporation, (3) contributions made to the Scholarship and Welfare Funds of the Associate Alumnae of Hunter College of the City of New York, Inc. will be deductible by the donors in arriving at their taxable net income, (4) bequests, legacies, devises, or transfers to or for the use of this corporation, will be deductible in arriving at the value of the net estate of the decedent for estate tax purposes, (5) gifts of property to the corporation will be deductible in computing net gifts for gift tax purposes.

These tax exemptions should give added impetus to all to achieve as soon as possible our goal for a \$250,000 Scholarship and Welfare Fund.

MARY LOUISE DRADDY, President

Apropos of the article on our exemption for the Scholarship Fund, the sincere thanks of the Alumnae Association are due to Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Berliner. They have spared neither time nor effort in order to accomplish this. Our thanks are also due to Mr. Randolph E. Paul, of Washington, D. C., whose law firm successfully handled the petition before the Tax Department.

MARY LOUISE DRADDY, President

THE SCHOLARSHIP FUND

Only faint memories of the past summer's unusual heat remain with us now. The cool and lovely autumn days are here, and with them have come to the minds of all of us the promises we made and hoped to make to do our share toward the Eightieth Anniversary Scholarship Fund Drive, with a goal of \$250,000.

Many functions have been planned for the autumn and winter months, and many more will be added to the schedule as we go along. You will be kept advised in the monthly bulletins. Only five months remain before our Eightieth Anniversary Dinner at the Waldorf on the evening of February 14th! There is much to be done in those five months! We can all help, each and every one of us, in greater or less degree. Here are some of the activities we are planning, in which YOU can take part.

Magazine Subscription Drive. By special arrangement with the publishing company, subscriptions to the list of magazines will not be limited to a special time. We may continue to send in our renewals all through October, November, and December. This gives us all a wonderful opportunity to include subscriptions to magazines in our list of Christmas gifts. Many will be glad to hear that *Time* and *Life* have been added to the list. Lists of magazines and application blanks have already been sent to you. Additional lists and blanks are available at Alumnae Headquarters, 49 East 65th Street, New York 21 (Telephone BUTterfield 8-3203). We all read magazines. Members of our families read them. Our relations and friends read them. All these people will be happy to give you their renewals or their new orders if you will only tell them about the good they can do by helping to build the Scholarship Fund for the benefit of needy Hunter students. The Fund receives approximately 40% of the total subscription moneys. *With a united effort, this activity alone is capable of making over \$100,000 for the Fund!*

Banks. These little Hunter banks are another easy way in which you can do your share to help the Fund. Send for a bank, or drop in and pick one up at the Alumnae Headquarters, 49 East 65th Street. Set it up on your desk in your office or in your home. Take it with you to Class parties and reunions, to small bridge and supper parties. Keep it conspicuous. That is all that is required. The story is told on the wrapper, and all who read it will add their bit to the Fund. Send NOW for a bank.

Rummage Sale. Autumn cleaning is on its way! There are heaps and heaps of things

FIFTY YEARS OF SERVICE

Isabel McDonald, '98, retired in June after fifty years of teaching at P. S. 165, at 225 West 109th Street. In an article about her in the Herald Tribune of June 1, which also printed two pictures of her, one as she looked when she graduated from "Normal College" in '98 and one as she looks today, she was quoted as having introduced "progressive methods" in teaching fifty years ago, and as "never having gotten into any sort of routine". "I do what I want when I want to," she says. "I'm not a teacher twenty-four hours a day. I've traveled in this country, right up to Alaska, and I've been through Europe. I've had my own life—and it has been a good one."

In the Sun of June 21, an impressive tribute was paid to her by her old Principal, later an Assistant Superintendent of Schools, Jacob Theobald, who stressed her fine work in experimentation and demonstration, and her inspiring influence on the pupils and teachers-in-training who came under her influence. Among other things he wrote: "Miss McDonald entered upon her teaching career at 19, fresh from Normal (now Hunter) College, with a thorough professional training and with a devotion to duty and enthusiasm for teaching which remained with her through all the years. She makes her exit in professional outlook and practice as young as the youngest."