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## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION

To the Executive Council of the Associate Alumnae of Hunter College of the City of New York:

Your Committee appointed at the meeting of the Executive Council on January 14, 1931, to consider a plan to provide for automatic retirement from office of members-at-large of the Board of Directors, begs to report as follows:

Your Committee recommends the following two amendments to the Constitution of the Associate Alumnae:

### I.

That Article IV, Section 1, of the Constitution shall be amended so as to read as follows:

*Section 1. The affairs of the Association shall be entrusted to a board of twenty (twenty-one) Directors and Miss Anna M. Hunter, daughter of the founder and first president of the College, who shall be a Director-for-Life.*

*The twenty Directors shall consist of the President, three Vice-Presidents, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Recording Secretary, Assistant Corresponding Secretary, Assistant Treasurer, and nine (eleven) members-at-large and the retiring president of the Association.*

Eleven members of such board shall constitute a quorum.

### II.

That Article IV of the Constitution be amended by the addition of a new section to be known as Section 5, which shall read as follows:

*Section 5. The three members-at-large who are senior in point of service on the Board of Directors shall not be eligible for re-election as members-at-large of the Board of Directors, except after the lapse of at least one term. If more than three members-at-large are of equal seniority in point of service, the three who are senior in year of graduation shall not be eligible for such re-election.*

(Matter in brackets is material in present constitution to be omitted; matter in italics is new.)

Respectfully submitted,

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## IN HONOR OF DR. SWIFT

To the Alumnae of Hunter College:

May we call your attention to the following letter which has been sent to the members of the staff of Hunter College:

"On August 6, 1923, Dr. Harry P. Swift was appointed a member of the Board of Trustees of Hunter College, and since March of the following year has served as its very active chairman. With the interests of the College at heart, he has spent tireless hours in furthering our aims. His work in urging the completion of the plans for the new building is particularly appreciated at the present time.

"At a recent meeting of the Heads of the Departments, it was suggested that a testimonial dinner for Dr. Swift would be a very fitting way to show our appreciation of his work for the College.

"In accordance with this suggestion, a dinner in his honor will be given at the Hotel Commodore on May 12 at 7:00 P. M. The cost per person will be \$4.50.

"It is hoped that every member of the Hunter College staff will be able to attend."

The Committee wishes to extend to the graduates of the College an invitation to join with the staff in offering this expression of their regard for Dr. Swift.

If you expect to attend, will you please notify Dean Annie E. Hickinbottom at the Main Building, 68th Street and Park Avenue, as soon as possible.

Respectfully yours,

ADOLF BUSSE,

Chairman of the Committee

## ALUMNAE HALL

204 WEST 55TH STREET

Hunter Alumnae Hall Committee can now offer full hotel service for luncheons, teas, or dinners, either in Alumnae Hall or in the Hotel Woodward. For complete details, phone Mrs. Baird, Circle 7-9659.

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## CALENDAR, 1931

Tues., April 14

Wed., May 6

Fri., May 8

Tues., May 12

Wed., May 13

Sat., May 16

Wed., June 17

Finance Committee

Officers and Directors

College Sing

Dinner to Dr. Swift

Executive Council

Reunion; Election

Commencement Day

More than a hundred guests were present to honor Professor Emeritus Helen Gray Cone at the birthday tea held for her by the English Department on Thursday, March 5. Besides the birthday cake with its seventy-two candles, and a bouquet presented by Dr. Reilly, another congratulatory token came in the form of a radio message from Dr. Williams, now abroad.

Appropriate to the occasion was the reading of a sonnet specially composed by Miss Mary F. Lindsley of the Class of 1929. Miss Lindsley, who is at present a tutor in the English Department at 85th Street, enjoys the distinction of having had one of her sonnets appear in the *North American Review* of April, 1930, and this tribute coming from a young poet of promise to one whose worth has long been recognized, seems particularly fitting. The poem follows:

#### TO HELEN GRAY CONE

Laurel is quick to clasp the living head  
With the dark grace of cypress. It will lie  
Lightly at last, but it is best put by.  
The ever-young are daisy-garlanded,  
We rise to honor them, but they are bred  
To gentler homage. Ariel hovers nigh,  
And Puck has told them that they shall not die,  
But sleep where thyme and columbine are spread.  
Strangely they pass among us, while the hand  
Outstretched to touch them falls, the lips are mute,  
So weak, and yet such power to command  
Spirits of air and fire; to mock pursuit  
With faint, sweet laughter out of Fairyland,  
And the shrill wailing of a little flute!

—Mary F. Lindsley.