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ALUMNÆ BREAKFAST

The eventful day is drawing close at hand—February 11th—the day of the Alumnae Breakfast at the Hotel Astor. Don't miss it!

The Associate Alumnae of Hunter College is dedicating the Breakfast this year to Dr. Eugene A. Colligan on the occasion of the fifth anniversary of his installation as President of Hunter College. It takes this means of expressing its loyalty and gratitude for his tireless efforts in advancing our Alma Mater to the outstanding position among Colleges it holds to-day. This is also your opportunity to show your loyalty and appreciation.

The Alumnae will be happy to welcome many distinguished guests on this occasion and takes pride in listing their names below: Mayor Fiorella H. La Guardia, Hon. Paul Windels, Dr. Joseph D. McGoldrick, Borough President Stanley M. Isaacs, Mr. George J. Gillespie, Monsignor Michael J. Lavelle, Mr. Lowell Thomas, Mr. Laurence L. Cassidy, Mr. Philip J. Sinnott, Mr. George V. McLaughlin, Major Irving A. Huie, Supreme Court Justices Albert Conway, James Hallinan, Frank Adel, Frank Martin, and Albert Cohen, Dr. Harold G. Campbell, Dr. Wm. E. Grady, Miss Regina C. M. Burke, Brigadier General Alexander E. Anderson, Colonel John Mangan, Dr. Harry Woodburn Chase, Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, Rt. Rev. Edward Walsh, Brother A. Victor, Rev. Robert I. Gannon, Dr. Paul Dawson Eddy, Dr. Paul Klapper, Dr. Nelson P. Mead, Dr. William Boylan, Hon. Thomas J. Mangan, Chancellor of the University of the State of New York, Mr. George Ryan, Mr. William J. Wallin, Mr. Christopher C. Mollenhauer, Commissioner Frank P. Graves, Dept. Com. Ernest E. Cole, Mr. George M. Wiley, Mr. J. Cayce Morrison, Mr. Lewis A. Wilson, Mrs. Eugene A. Colligan, Mrs. Leslie Graff, Mrs. William C. Popper, Dr. Elizabeth Jarrett, Miss Betsey B. Davis, Miss Grace B. Beach, Miss Jenny Hunter, Hon. Newbold Morris, Hon. James J. Lyons, Hon. Raymond V. Ingersoll, Hon. George U. Harvey, Hon. Joseph Palma, Hon. Ordway Tead, Mr. Joseph Schlossberg, Dr. Ruth Lewinson, Mr. Lauson H. Stone, Mrs. Emanuel van Dernoot, Mrs. Walter S. Mack Jr., Dr. Joseph J. Klein, Mr. Chauncey L. Waddell, Mrs. Carl Shoup, Hon. James Marshall, Dean Hannah M. Egan, Mrs. William Mills, Professor A. Broderick Cohen.

A very delightful program has been arranged. Incidental music will be played by the Hunter College Orchestra under the direction of Miss Beatrice Brown. Mrs. Kraus,

an alumna of the College, will be the soloist, and the Alumnae Choir will make its first appearance. The prize winning Valentine will be read by a student, preferably the author, coached by Professor Henrietta Prentiss, of the Speech Department of Hunter College.

If you have not already done so, fill in the following form and mail at once to the Chairman of the Breakfast Committee:—

Name

Address

Year of Graduation

Tickets, \$2.50.

GENEVIEVE BURKE CROTTY

(Mrs. James A.), Chairman,

Alumnae Breakfast Committee.

200 West 90th Street,

Telephone Schuyler 4-6274.

CARNIVAL

The Alumnae Committee of the Lenox Hill Settlement is planning a Carnival on April 21st and 22nd, to raise money for the Settlement House.

We are counting on the support of the Associate Alumnae to make this a successful affair in every way.

Won't you help by sending donations of books, toys, linens, gifts, anything which can be sold?

Have you a "white elephant" on your hands? Some one may be craving that very article. Send it to us.

All donations should be sent to the Alumnae Rooms, 204 West 55th Street.

And write to the chairman volunteering your help on the days of the Carnival.

IRENE B. GRAFF, Chairman.

REPORT OF NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee is pleased to present the following candidates for election to the Board of Directors of the Association:

Mrs. Ephraim Berliner
Miss Lillian Corrigan
Mrs. Michael F. Curtin
Mrs. Harry Arnold Day
Mrs. Robert E. Draddy
Miss Estelle Forchheimer
Miss B. Elizabeth Kallman
Mrs. James G. MacLean
Mrs. Joseph T. Mulligan
Miss Jeannette Seligmann
Miss Louisa M. Webster

Respectfully submitted,

(Mrs.) ESTHER G. VALET, Chairman

Nominating Committee.

January 12, 1939.

IN MEMORIAM

In the passing of Miss Anna M. Hunter the Associate Alumnae of Hunter College has lost one of its most beloved and valuable members.

She was a native of New York and taught in Public School No. 103 until she retired in 1906 to keep house for her father, Dr. Thomas Hunter.

Since her graduation, in 1874, she had been active in both Hunter College and the Associate Alumnae, and with her sister, Miss Jenny Hunter, gave to the College many valuable books on education and literature from their father's extensive library.

Miss Hunter was an active member of the Board of Directors and the Executive Council, as well as the Chairman of the Conant Memorial, the Permanent Exhibit, and the House Committee of Hunter Alumnae Hall.

At the latest meeting of the Executive Council, Miss Anna Hunter's name was placed on the "In Memoriam" list *in perpetuity*.

E. G. VALET.

Katharine M. Talmage of the Class of '72 died in Long Island on November 12, three days after her eighty-fifth birthday.

Born in Amoy City, China, in 1853, in a rain of bullets at the time of the Taiping Rebellion, the daughter of a pioneer missionary in whose memory Talmage College was erected, she returned to her parents at the Mission with her sister Mary in 1874. The Misses Talmage were the first American women to travel into the interior of China. They had charge of the first girls' school in Fukien Province, founded in 1870. This school "Miss Kittie", as she was affectionately called, saw grow from 20 to 600 students, from primary to high school, and she lived to teach the grandchildren of her first pupils. She also taught in the Kulangsu Boys' Primary School, and many leaders in church and civil life got their start with her. Later she was head of the Charlotte W. Duryee Bible School for Women, the oldest of the women's schools of China. She nominally retired in 1927, but continued to teach until 1933.

In 1924 the Amoy Mission celebrated the golden jubilee of the Misses Talmage. Miss Mary Talmage died in 1932. "Miss Kittie" hoped also to die in the land of her birth, but at the insistence of the Board of Foreign Missions she was among those evacuated in 1937 because of war conditions. She was at that time the oldest missionary in all China.

Like her father before her, she won distinction as author and translator. She translated hymns into the Romanized colloquial which he had introduced, and produced collections of short stories, tracts, essays, and study books.

Again the Class of '78 has to mourn the loss of one of our fine classmates,—Emma C. Haviland, who will be lovingly remem-

bered by them as a pretty brown-eyed lassie, with brown curls and rosy cheeks, in our undergraduate days.

She was a teacher for fifty years in the City of New York. The last twenty of those years, up to 1930, when she retired, she was the capable, fine principal of P. S. 121 Manhattan, in East 103rd St. She was beloved by teachers and pupils, and honors were given to her on her retirement. She kept on with active work in White Plains, being the Recording Secretary of the United Guilds of Grace Episcopal Church of White Plains, where her funeral services were held at Christmastide. On Wednesday, December 21, she slipped while crossing a street in White Plains and fell. She was taken to White Plains Hospital, where she passed away on December 24.

Although born in New York, for many years she lived in White Plains, and was an active member of the White Plains Contemporary Club.

She is survived by two sisters, Mrs. L. R. Hill and Miss Carrie Haviland, and a brother, Frank Haviland.

Her genial countenance and sweet smile linger in the thoughts of her many friends.

ANNA WALTER CHURCH.

GIFT FUND

"Wake up, Fellow Alumnae, do your share!" was my closing sentence in last month's News. It had the desired effect. A number of presidents of classes wrote to your Chairman, and have pledged their whole-hearted coöperation. Some wrote they intend to organize their classes, and will welcome members of the Gift Fund Committee to address their groups. If this Gift Fund Committee succeeds in bringing together unorganized classes, it will have accomplished a great deal for the Associate Alumnae of Hunter College.

A fine example of the loyal spirit and love for her Alma Mater is Miss Jennie N. Child, Class of 1906. Representing her Class on the Executive Council, she is working anxiously to reach the members of her class and has started the quota for 1906 by sending me her personal contribution of a \$50.00 U. S. Treasury Bond. We wish you success, Miss Child, and hope your classmates will be inspired and follow your splendid example, so that you will succeed in reaching the quota.

A meeting of the Gift Fund Committee will be held in March, when, I hope, plans will be formulated to reach every graduate of our beloved Hunter College. The Alumnae serving on this committee are Mrs. Leslie Graff, Mrs. Theodore Simis, Mrs. Esther Valet, Miss Edna Lewinson, Miss Margaret Meade, Mrs. Ida Baron Sternlieb, Miss Christine Klauer, Mrs. Selma Lobsenz Berliner, Mrs. Anita N. Paschkes, Mrs. Jacob Heiden, and Miss Sibylla A. Mellor.

Mrs. SAMUEL BITTERMAN, Chairman.
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