

# THE ALUMNÆ NEWS

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## IN THE NAME OF HUMANITY

A series of rallies attended and addressed by staff and students jointly have been held in all the buildings of the College in protest against recent events in Nazi Germany. Resolutions were drafted by a committee of faculty and students; and the first meeting held by the Faculty of Hunter College as organized under the new By-Laws was one expressly called to consider these resolutions. The Faculty voted as follows:—

"Whereas, the civilized people of the world have been aroused and incensed by the recent injustices and outrages perpetrated upon human beings in Germany, and are deeply shocked by such violations of human rights wherever they occur; and

"Whereas, all Americans, realizing that the foundations of civilization have been threatened by the recent deplorable events, are awakened to the need for action if we are to preserve the democratic ideal of human rights; and

"Whereas, we deplore cruelty in any human being and abhor mob violence and rejoice that under our democratic government we are free to express public detestation of outbreaks of brutality wherever they occur, here or elsewhere, and to engage in such activities as may remove causes and alleviate suffering; and

"Whereas, historically one of the sources of strength of our country has been its service as a haven for the persecuted and the oppressed;

"Be it resolved, that we commend the humanitarian utterances of our President protesting against the violation of the rights of minorities, and

"That we urge those specific measures which may seem to him most effective, as expressive of the will of the American people, in relieving immediate distress and in exhorting the United States to assume its share in the responsibility of the nations of the world for achieving a solution of the problems of these oppressed; and

"That we offer our coöperation in assisting any program undertaken by our Government to these ends."

## NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Mrs. Maurice S. Cohen  
Miss Dorothy S. Cross  
Mrs. Morris B. Hanauer  
Miss Nettie Jude's  
Mrs. Louis Paschkes  
Miss Rose Segal  
Mrs. William Valet.

Suggestions should be sent at once to the chairman, Mrs. Valet, at Alumnae Hall, 204 West 55th Street.

HELEN L. SIMIS, President.

## SPECIAL ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

On Tuesday, November 15th, the Special Activities Committee conducted a symposium on "Employment". The subject was discussed from three angles—the part played by the College, the business point of view, and the employee's personal qualifications.

Mrs. Dean Schloss, Director of the Bureau of Occupations at Hunter College, traced the history of the Bureau, described the type of work being done, and emphasized its prominent features—the N.Y.A., the Student Loan Fund, and coöperation with the Vocational Guidance Bureau, originally founded by Professor Harriet H. Keith, now under the supervision of Professor Marie K. Gallagher.

Miss Helen Washburn, Director of the Personnel Division of the Socony Vacuum Oil Company, offered many valuable suggestions for job seekers. We learned that personal application for a position is preferred to a letter. If it is inconvenient to apply directly, or a letter is definitely requested, make it read like a short, short story covering your education, experience, references, and a request for an interview at the employer's convenience. When applying for a position, one is expected to be equipped with the essential tools of business—stenography, typing, business English, and spelling. If you have had specialized training in a particular field, and you cannot find that type of work, accept a less important position within your field, changing jobs constantly until you have found the one in which you can use your ability to best advantage. Very often, a minor position will lead to an executive post, or an entirely new one will be created for you because of the value of your services.

Professor Isabelle Greene of the Department of Education at Hunter College, told us how the career girl should dress. The prerequisites for any type of position are simplicity of clothes, quiet dignity, immaculate grooming, and good speech. At all times, avoid conspicuousness in dress and manner. Live on a budget and spend wisely. Since clothes will consume a large portion of your salary when you first enter into business, buy out of season at the better stores, and you will have good clothes that will wear well and will always be in style.

The audience eagerly asked questions that shed light on many dark subjects. It was with reluctance that the Chairman brought the discussion to a close at a very late hour.

A business meeting will be held on Tuesday, December 13th, at 8:15 P. M., in the Alumnae Rooms, to prepare a program for our first meeting in the new year.

CATHERINE A. WEIGL, Chairman.

## IN MEMORIAM

On October 10, 1938, the first, only, and beloved President of the Class of '78, Carrie Louise Smith (Mrs. Kasson Church Gibson), entered into Life Eternal at her home, 37 East 64th Street. She is survived by her only sister, Mrs. Julie Drummond.

Born in New York City, she was educated in the public schools of the city and Normal College, as it was known then, where she was the Salutatorian of the Class of '78 at the time of her graduation. She founded the Graduate Club, of which she was later the President.

From 1898 to 1900, Mrs. Carrie Louise Gibson was President of the Associate Alumnae of Hunter College. She was also active in the City Federation of Women's Clubs.

Her interest in Hunter College was continuous, and as President of the Class of '78, she coöperated in its welfare. Two scholarships for Hunter College were established and provided for by the Class of '78, who were zealous for the girls' welfare.

As the presiding genius of the Class of '78, she helped to keep up its yearly reunions. It is recalled by those who were present at the sixtieth anniversary of the graduation of the girls of '78, in May 1938, how cordially and lovingly she welcomed and greeted all who came from far and near to celebrate our class reunion.

At a meeting of the Class of '78 on November 16, 1938, in the Hunter College Alumnae Rooms, we could truly say,

"We miss her—her who in our midst  
Did labor with untiring zeal:

We miss her, but her work goes on

In other realms of Life more Real."

At that meeting we elected as our new President and Treasurer Mrs. Emma Heilbrun Falk, and Mrs. Dorothy Finch Seward, daughter of Mrs. Harriette Finch, as our Secretary, to continue our loyal class spirit.

We feel as if

"She is not dead—she is just away.

Somewhere yet on the hilltops

Of the country that hath no pain,

She will wait in a beautiful doorway

To bid us Welcome again."

MRS. ANNA WALTER CHURCH,  
for the Class of '78.