

IN MEMORIAM

On August 17, M. Christine W. Reid, Professor and Head of the Art Department for almost twenty-five years, died in her ninetieth year.

Miss Reid was a pupil of the well-known portrait painter J. Alden Weir, N.A., who carried on the French traditions of Jerome, and who founded the American Artists' Society. Before coming to Hunter College she taught at Cooper Union Art School, New York, at Norfolk College, Virginia, and at Shorter College, Georgia. She was appointed Associate Professor in 1904, Professor in 1910, and Professor Emeritus by action of the Board of Higher Education in 1942. She retired from the College in 1928.

Miss Reid was a pioneer in Art Education. When college art departments and art curricula were straining against obstacles in other academic centers of learning, Miss Reid developed under the leadership and steady encouragement of President Davis an extensive and steadily widening Art Department, giving to the young women of New York City the opportunity to develop training in art while pursuing the Degree of Bachelor of Arts. Three members of the present Art Department faculty were appointed to the college while Miss Reid was chairman. They are Professor Boecker, Professor Stauffer, and Professor Luetz.

Miss Reid is remembered by her students for her gentle and persuasive inspiration as a teacher of the great painters and their paintings. She had that rare gift of making art a vital and fascinating part of life, and this not only because she lived her whole life with and through art, but because she herself was a painter of sensitivity and subtle beauty. Throughout her life she completed many paintings in oil and water color which were exhibited in national and New York galleries. Two of her paintings were given to the Roosevelt House, and the greater part of her personal library was willed to the Art Department of the College.

EDNA WELLS LUETZ

GRADUATE GLEANINGS

We are always glad to hear from Ella O'Gorman Stanton, '85, who usually sends us word of her doings at the time of her birthday, November 3. This year she was eighty-two years old. Her eightieth birthday two years ago was, as the Alumnae may remember, celebrated by a party at the Eighth Regiment Armory, where her son Major-General Walter X. Stanton (an Assistant District Attorney in Bronx County) was the commanding officer. Five years ago Mrs. Stanton was named "The Typical Mother of Greater New York for 1943", received a gold medal at the Whitelaw Reid Mansion from Acting Mayor Newbold Morris, and was entertained at the White House in Washington. She has nine children living (two sons were killed in World War I), nine grandchildren (two of whom served in

World War II), and four great-grandchildren. Her youngest daughter is the wife of Supreme Court Judge Thomas L. J. Corcoran. Two grandsons are Fordham University graduates; one of them is now studying at Fordham Law School, and the other graduated from this institution last June, and has passed the Bar Examination. Two other grandsons are now at Fordham High School.

Pauline Gratz, June '45, Columbia A.M. '48, worked for three years after graduation as a bacteriologist, much of her work since January '47 being with high speed electrons. She is now teaching anatomy and physiology, microbiology, chemistry, psychology, and sociology to twenty charming student nurses at the Bayonne Hospital School of Nursing in Bayonne, N. J. She writes: "It's hard to believe that it is three years since I received my A.B. All this time it has been a pleasure to receive the News and learn some news about fellow-graduates. I am looking forward to your next issue of the News."

The *Hartford Times* of May 18 contained a poem, "The Greatest Thing", by Hanna L. Hoffmann, June '46.

Edith C. Olshin, Jan. '47, Pre-Journalism, has recently been named New York Editor of *Magazine Digest*, a Canadian publication with a million and a quarter circulation, which is distributed in the U. S., Great Britain, Australia, New Zealand, and the Near East. She is in charge of promotion and publicity. Before joining the staff of this periodical in May, she operated a literary agency of her own under the name of Olshin-Grumet; and she has also done graduate work in the drama at Columbia. While at Hunter, she was New York Times correspondent, Literary Editor of the *Wistarion* for three years, a member of the *Echo* staff, a member of Sigma Tau Delta (English honor society) and Upsilon Phi, and active in the Interfaith Club.

In the October issue of the *Magazine Digest*, Miss Olshin published an article on Sylvia Porter, another Hunter alumna.

Frances Rothstein, Jan. '47, has received a tuition scholarship to the School of Social Research at the University of Chicago.

Eleanor Zuckor, Jan. '47, is in her second year at Long Island University Medical College.

Estelle Traurig, June '47, is now in her third year at New York Medical College.

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