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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 Govern-

ment to these ends."

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Mrs. Maurice S. Cohen

Miss Dorothy S. Cross

Mrs. Morris B. Hanauer

Miss Nettie Judels

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 esesntial 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 Isabe!le 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.