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RECEPTION FOR DEAN COHEN



JOSEPH G. COHEN

We are pleased to announce that a reception is being planned to honor Dean Joseph G. Cohen, who will retire as Dean of Teacher Education in the Municipal Colleges on February 1, 1958, after a terminal sabbatical leave beginning in September.

The reception will take place at the Hotel Plaza on Friday, May 24, from 4 to 7 P.M.; and the price of admission will be \$6. The reception is being sponsored by the Board of Higher Education, the Presidents of the Municipal Colleges, and the Directors of Teacher Education in the Municipal Colleges.

Since 1949, when the Division of Teacher Education was created, Dr. Cohen has been a part of it, first as Associate Dean with the late Paul Klapper and later with Lester Anderson, and, since 1951, as Dean. He worked with Dr. Klapper in the early negotiations which resulted in the financial support now provided by the State of New York for teacher training at the Municipal Colleges.

We consider it a rare privilege to be able to pay tribute to a distinguished gentleman whom we respect for his great ability and achievements in the field of education, and whom we hold in deep affection for his warmth, his kindness, and his sympathetic understanding of others.

Above all, we admire Dean Cohen for his good judgment. He selected Emma Mabel, Hunter '22, to be his wife, and Ruth Salley, Hunter '22, to be the Executive Assistant for the Division of Teacher Education.

Members of our Alumni Association will be welcome to attend the reception. Any one interested will please communicate with Professor Harry L. Levy, Hunter College member of the Committee, or with the undersigned.

ETHEL G. BERL, Chairman,
Reception Committee

FROM OUR NEW DEAN OF STUDENTS



KATHRYN HOPWOOD

(Dean Kathryn Hopwood, who came to us in the fall of 1955, is still our "new" Dean of Students, although by this time all at Hunter look upon her as an old friend. Her genuine warmth and unaffected friendliness, combined with firmness when necessary, have endeared her to faculty and student alike. Dean Hopwood, who was formerly Associate Dean of Women and Assistant Professor of Psychology at Ohio State University, is active in many professional organizations. She holds the degrees of A.B. and A.M., in English, from Oberlin; and the degree of Ph.D., in Administration of Higher Education, from Ohio State.—Editor.)

By and large, deans of women struggle with a tradition and do their best to live it down! Listen to the nostalgic reminiscences of any group of middle-aged people who are recalling their undergraduate days. You are certain to hear accounts of gay and illegal escapades, carried on practically under the nose of a moralistic, justice-meting duenna who always *almost* (but never quite) caught them! Their attitudes are well represented by the boy in a mid-western university who said, "The Dean of Women? Thank God, I never had to meet her!"

Existing as we do with such Apocrypha, life is surprisingly good. It is a happy circumstance that the deans of more recent vintage have taken on a "new look". This is to some extent the result of a growing professionalization of student personnel work. The dean no longer sees herself as a law-giver. She does not sit in her office either to judge on the sins of the college or to "give advice". She is a combination of administrator, counselor, and teacher.

In her administrative role, she deals, to be sure, with certain regulatory functions of the