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THE SPRING REUNION

On May 20th, in spite of the lure of unusually clement weather, some four hundred members of the Alumnae attended one of the most successful Spring Reunions recorded. The Reunion Committee, under Miss Kallman and Miss Beach, had arranged a diverting program.

After music by the Hunter College High School Orchestra, Mrs. Popper extended a welcome, and reviewed briefly the high points in the year's work. Mrs. Popper emphasized the progress of Alma Mater in administrative activities, by the recent election of alumnae to the Board of Trustees of the College, so that now Hunter graduates constitute a majority on the board; the advance in intercollegiate affairs, by our recognition as member of the American Association of University Women; and the further development along extension education, as manifested by the splendid work of the Lecture Committee, under the indefatigable chairmanship of Dr. Forchheimer. The President then called upon Professor Cone to present the Resolution as drawn up by the Executive Committee, to commemorate the noble work of the late Alice R. Northrop, who was President of the Associate Alumnae from 1892 to 1896.

Dr. Davis in his greeting to the Alumnae spoke of the gradual recognition of the college in intercollegiate affairs, and praised the work of the teaching staff and the splendid spirit of the undergraduate body. The Hunter student, President Davis declared, learns in addition to her studies, how to manage and execute affairs.

Miss Theresa Prochazka then offered two charming chansons, after which the speaker, Mr. Christopher Morley, of the *Evening Post*, the author who has given a "Lamb" flavor to American letters, was introduced. Mr. Morley gave a whimsically humorous talk on every subject from the art of dishwashing to the domestic propensities of the *genus homo*, before reading some delightful verses from his "Songs of a Little House", including "Taking Title", "Vesper Song of a Commuter", and other scenes in the "metrical panorama of suburban domesticity" which Mr. Morley presents with the true touch of the poet, and the human touch of the father of three youngsters. Judging by the enthusiastic rush to the platform, after more music by the orchestra and the Alumnae Song, Mr. Morley's address was received most heartily.

Refreshments, daintily served in the gymnasiums of the New Building, concluded the afternoon's program.

Two important business proceedings were voted upon and passed by members present, namely, the acceptance of a constitutional amendment raising dues to \$2.00 beginning May, 1923, and the election of officers for service next year.

Mrs. Popper is to be heartily congratulated on the splendid work of the Alumnae for the past two years under her guidance, and the Spring Reunion stands as a fitting milestone of that work.

Lillian Goldman, '20.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT ADOPTED MAY 19, 1922

WHEREAS: The activities of the Associate Alumnae are more numerous than in its earlier years and the expenses involved are much greater, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED: That Article II, Section 1, of the By-Laws be amended to read as follows:

The annual dues of the Association shall be two dollars, payable in May, *except* that the dues of each member of the graduating class shall be one dollar for the first year immediately following graduation.

Fifteen per cent of the income derived from dues shall be devoted to the support of THE ALUMNÆ NEWS.

This amendment shall go into effect May 1st, 1923.

MEMORIAL RESOLUTIONS ADOPTED MAY 19, 1922

Whereas, we, the Associate Alumnae of Hunter College of the City of New York, have heard with grief of the sudden death of our beloved ex-President, Alice Rich Northrop:

Resolved, That we desire to pay tribute to the rare beauty and force of Mrs. Northrop's character, and the high value of her civic work.

Resolved, That she will live in our memories as a type of perfect sincerity, complete self-effacement, nobility of purpose, thoroughness of method, and a power as deep and as quiet as that of Nature itself—that Nature, which she so earnestly loved, and the great gifts of which she so constantly labored to bring to the growing children of our city.

Resolved, That the foregoing resolutions be preserved in the minutes of the Executive Committee, and published in THE ALUMNÆ NEWS; and that copies be sent by the Secretary to Mrs. Northrop's family.

Committee on Resolutions

Emilie O. Long

Hester A. Roberts

Helen Gray Cone, Chairman.

LET PASS THE YEARS

(Written for the fiftieth anniversary of the
Class of '72.)

Let years that 'twixt the milestones lie
Pass swiftly unrecorded by!
The sages tell us, ageless are
Those who regard their true life star.
With gaze fixed ever on its light,
The way seems shorter and more bright
As nearer we approach the goal
Set by the Master for the Soul.

To waken in His image be
For us so great a destiny,
We ask nor more nor less of fate,
But peaceful on His presence wait.
A century plant hath beauty rare;
In grace of bloom is none more fair.
Youth lives in every living thing,
And in the heart of each doth sing.

Let years like crystal snowflakes fall;
In silence, memories recall;
Or like the patter of the rain,
But gently tap on window pane;
Or best of all, in mystic flow,
Like sunbeams cast a golden glow
That leaves of dark no earthly trace,
But lightens, like the Lord, the place.

Honora McDonough, '72.