

THE ALUMNÆ NEWS

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SUGGESTIONS WANTED

There will be a special meeting of the Board of Directors called for the purpose of filling the vacancy existing in the Second Vice-Presidency. The suggestions of all members will be welcome any time before February 15, 1943. Please address them to the Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. Harold N. Moldenke, Hunter Alumnae Hall, 204 West 55th Street.

HELEN L. SIMIS.

THE ALUMNAE BREAKFAST

Time is marching swiftly on! Have you made your reservation yet? Breakfast Time will soon be here, and your plans should be made as soon as possible for gathering your friends and arranging a good old-fashioned party.

Our Breakfast is one of our most cherished occasions. Other people of other countries have only the memories of their beautiful traditions. Let us make the effort, especially this year, to appreciate and carry on this happy custom.

Our singer is one of the leading baritones of the Metropolitan Company—Gerhart Pechner, accompanied by a famous pianist. We are most grateful to Mr. Lee, at College, for this contact. The Hunter College Trio—Fay Terris, Marcia Neukrug, and Florence Reicher—will play during the Breakfast. The speaker will be Walter O'Keefe, noted radio star. MARY LOUISE DRADDY, Chairman. 547 West 142nd Street, Edgecomb 4-5348.

BOOKED FOR BREAKFAST

It has been said that "good books are ammunition; good ideas are bullets". Let us have abundant "ammunition" on February 13th in support of the 1943 Victory Book Campaign now in enthusiastic progress. It is an easy matter for every person who attends our February festivity to bring a book to the Hotel Astor. We know the kind of books the alumnae and their guests will bring will be books that count, and may there be many to count on February 13th!

ELEONORE F. HAHN,
Member Women's Committee
1943 Victory Book Campaign,
Representing Associate Alumnae
of Hunter College.

TO THE CLASS OF 1893

This will be the Golden Jubilee year for our class at the Alumnae Breakfast, Saturday, February 13—surely, one of the events of a lifetime for all of us. We want to make it a real party—big, friendly, happy, reminiscent of old days. We want to show our love for Hunter by surpassing, if possible, the wonderful showing of a Golden Jubilee class a few years ago.

Can you help get us all together—Classical and Normal, members and non-members of the Alumnae? Not every one will see this notice; we have lost contact with some old friends. Can you pass the word along from one to another? Will you surely come yourself—even if it means rearranging your affairs—and bring others with you?

Checks should be mailed at once (\$2.58 each) to our class president, Mrs. Fanny Gillet MacLean, 1729 Caton Ave., Brooklyn.

Let's all work hard and sit down together that day to a long table, of old, reunited friends.

THE COMMITTEE.

HUNTER GOES TO WAR

The Waves and Spars have taken over the four Bronx Buildings of Hunter College for the duration. So far, ours is the only one of the municipal colleges chosen for such service by the armed forces.

The surrender of our buildings, our campus, and a considerable part of our equipment to meet a momentarily even more pressing need than that of academic education, will mean many inconveniences and burdens, amounting at times to actual hardships, for our staff and students. But when President Shuster asked the Faculty Council whether it was willing to face these handicaps, the response was unanimously and enthusiastically in the affirmative.

About 2500 students, with a proportionate number of instructors, have been dispossessed. Room will be found for them by greater crowding in the College Building; by the utilization during the afternoon hours of the rooms in the Lexington Avenue Building, occupied in the morning by the High School (which will now have to have earlier and shorter class-periods); and by the taking over of P. S. 76 diagonally opposite the College (which had coincidentally been scheduled to be vacated in any case in February, as its population is moving to a more up-to-date structure at 66th Street and York Avenue). Further economy in the use of space will be provided by the omission of the noon recess, instructors and students being expected to lunch during some free period instead (this will unfortunately mean a considerable curtailment of student club activities), and by the introduction of many more late classes, so that periods from 4 to 5 will be the rule instead of the exception, and there will even be some from 5 to 6.

These measures are not pleasant, but Hunter is comforted by the thought that they are only for the duration, and that the sacrifices entailed are perhaps playing a little part in shortening that same duration. And how happy we shall all be when Peace with Victory finally arrives!

E. A. H.

NEEDED AT ONCE

YOUR CIVILIAN DEFENSE RECORD

Hunter graduates, stop in your Civilian Defense activities long enough to fill out and return the short questionnaire below. By so doing you will enable our association to take its proper place in the master file of all volunteers in all organizations, which file is now being kept in the Civilian Defense Volunteer Office of Greater New York. The purpose of such a file is to enable that office to give recognition to organizations having members who have done and are doing outstanding work in Civilian Defense. We likewise wish to have our membership inducted into the United Citizens Service Corps. This survey will also be used for that purpose. May I expect each member of our association to respond? Please answer the questions below and return the insert to me (Mrs. Ephraim Berliner, 365 West End Avenue, New York).

1. Name

2. Address

3. Are you working for Civilian Defense?
In what capacity?

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4. What work have you at any time done for
Civilian Defense?

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5. Are you engaged in war effort for the Red
Cross, A.W.V.S., or any other organization?
In what capacity?

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6. Do you wish to give any other information
concerning your part in the war effort?

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S. L. B.