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A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

My dear Alumnae:

By this time you will have received our "Administration Report" and will have congratulated yourselves on our progress during the past two years. Again may I urge upon you the importance of increasing the membership of the Alumnae Association, for a larger number of members should attract a greater attention to the scholastic standing of our Alma Mater. The Journalism Club last year secured in the newspapers fifty-eight items concerning the Alumnae. This year they have volunteered to send a reporter to all our meetings, and in addition to reporting events of interest, will try to publish from time to time biographies of outstanding graduates and the history of class deeds in and out of Hunter. We also hope to have some of our distinguished graduates address the students on various occasions with the hope of stimulating their interest in the work of the Alumnae Association.

My best wishes to each and every one for the ensuing year.

Fraternally yours.

MARION RHOADS ELLIOTT

September 15, 1930.

A NOTEWORTHY OCCASION

On Saturday afternoon, October 18th, at 3:30 o'clock, a tree is to be dedicated in the Honor Grove at Central Park (near the West 81st Street entrance) as a tribute to the outstanding service of our President, Mrs. Maxwell Hall Elliott. All our alumnae and their friends are cordially invited to be present.

The function is arranged by Mrs. William Albert Lewis, founder of the Honor Grove.

Those who will address the assemblage are President Kieran, representing the College; Dr. Swift, for the Board of Trustees; Dr. Blanche Colton Williams, on behalf of the Faculty; and Mrs. Otto Hahn, representing the Associate Alumnae.

To Miss Helaine Newstead of the College has been delegated the assembling of a body of students who will add to the harmony of the affair by their songs.

ALUMNÆ HALL

Hunter Alumnae Hall Committee extends a cordial invitation to all Hunter College graduates to use Alumnae Hall, 204 West 55th Street, now open every week day from ten to five. Cards every Tuesday afternoon.

E. G. VALET, *Chairman*

OUR YOUNGEST TRUSTEE

Dr. Ruth Lewinson was sworn in on July first for a second term as a Trustee of her Alma Mater.

Miss Lewinson was originally appointed a Trustee of Hunter College by Mayor Hylan on July 1st, 1921; at the time she was the youngest College Trustee in the country. She is a graduate of Hunter College and a Doctor Juris of the Law School of New York University. She practices law in partnership with her father, Benno Lewinson; is a member of the American Bar Association (Committee on Legislation), the New York County Lawyers' Association (member of its Legal Education and of its Surrogates Court Committees), the National Women Lawyers' Association; and is Chairman of the Division of Adult Education of the New York City Federation of Women's Clubs.

In the Board of Higher Education she is a member of the Executive Committee as well as the Chairman of its Committee on Trust Funds.

Letters recommending the reappointment were sent to the Mayor by a number of representative citizens; among them John W. Davis, Senator Robert F. Wagner, William Nelson Cromwell, Samuel Seabury, George Gordon Battle, Henry W. Taft, Martin Conboy, Judge Levine, Franklin Simon, Morgan J. O'Brien, District Attorney Crain, Lieutenant Governor Lehman, Michael Friedsam, and Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler.

CALENDAR—1930-1931

Sat., Oct. 18	Tree Planting
Sat., Nov. 1	Northrop Camp Movies
Wed., Nov. 5	Officers and Directors
Sat., Nov. 8	Vergil Play
Wed., Nov. 12	Executive Council
Sat., Nov. 22	Alumnae Day
Tues., Dec. 2	Finance Committee
Wed., Jan. 7	Officers and Directors
Wed., Jan. 14	Executive Council
Tues., Feb. 3	Finance Committee
Thurs., Feb. 12	Alumnae Breakfast
Wed., Feb. 18	Birthday Celebration
Wed., March 4	Officers and Directors
Wed., March 11	Executive Council
Tues., April 7	Finance Committee
Wed., May 6	Officers and Directors
Wed., May 13	Executive Council
Sat., May 16	Reunion; Election
Thurs., June 11 or 18	Commencement Day

THE VERGILIAN BIMILLENNIUM

During the year 1930-1931, the whole civilized world is uniting in celebrating the two thousandth anniversary of Vergil's birth, on October 15, 70 B. C.

Hunter's part in the celebration includes special Chapel exercises on October 22, and the publication of a special Vergil bulletin prepared by the students.

Moreover, Professor Charles Knapp of Columbia, Chairman of the Committee appointed to arrange the New York Classical Club's celebration, has asked Hunter to contribute the main feature of this celebration in the form of a repetition (to be given probably on November 8, both afternoon and evening) of *Sunt Lacrimae Rerum*, the Latin Play based on Books I and IV of the Aeneid which was produced by Hunter students about two years ago. This play was written and directed by Professor Pearl C. Wilson of the College Staff. Other members of the staff who will cooperate with Dr. Wilson are Miss Hazel Dean and Miss Adelaide D. Simpson, in charge of costumes; Miss Viola I. Schmid, in charge of lighting; and Professor E. Adelaide Hahn, in charge of publicity. The last named will be very happy to send further information, as to time and place of performance, price of tickets, etc., to any Alumna or other person interested who requests it.

E. A. H.

NEW HUNTER COURSES

The establishment of commercial and business majors on the same basis as academic majors was recently announced by President Kieran as a new step for the coming year, with the view to satisfying the demands of the students for business training, and relieving the overcrowded teaching field.

Courses in entrepreneurship or business administration and in investments will emphasize the methods of establishing present day enterprises, types of organization, financial policies, methods of administration, and the existing types of securities offered to the investor of to-day. The theory of interest will be developed and applied to life insurance, while a course in elementary mathematical statistics will give special attention to the application of time series analysis to practical business problems.

Combining the practical and cultural, three new art courses in decorative materials and design and advanced design will cover an intensive study of pattern-making for textiles, work in color (*tempora*), design in advertising art, selected materials, rugs, porcelains, and glass.

Purely cultural are the new courses in English, including those in representative prose writers of the 19th century, Middle English language and literature, medieval romances, Poe and Whitman; the new courses in German, including studies in medieval German literature, Gothic, and

masterpieces of German literature in English translation; and the new classics courses, in Livy, and in the Greek Penta-teuch and the Odyssey.

Adaptation to the social problems of modern life is aimed at in history and economics courses: in a course in the history of Europe since 1918, dealing with the progress of international association, with emphasis on the Postal Union, the International Labor Organization, the Permanent Court of International Justice, and the League of Nations; and a course in social legislation, dealing with the economic background of social problems, such as housing, children in industry, poor relief, the hazards of the worker, and the treatment of prisoners.

The Education Department has broadened its curriculum with ten courses, of which four concentrate on problems of teaching the deaf and the hard of hearing by studying the organs of speech and hearing in those born deaf and those deafened. Other courses are in the administration of intelligence testing, mental adjustments, the clinical study of maladjusted children, statistical methods in education, materials and methods of teaching general science in secondary school, and classroom practice in secondary school mathematics.

LAW LECTURES FOR WOMEN

The third series of fifteen lectures on the status, rights, and duties of women under the law will be given by Dr. Ruth Lewinson on Tuesday afternoons, from 4:00 to 5:40 P. M., beginning on September 30 and ending on January 20, in the Trial Room of the Association of the Bar of the City of New York, 36 West 44th Street. The series is intended for non-lawyers, and will provide a basis of understanding in a wide variety of legal problems.

This course has been approved by the City Board of Superintendents for teachers' salary increment credit as a full thirty-hour unit. The fee is \$20.00, payable in advance.

An enrollment blank can be secured from Dr. Ruth Lewinson, 18 East 41st Street.

LECTURES BY M. MAUROIS

The New School for Social Research announces a series of twelve lectures (in French) by André Maurois on *Le roman français moderne et l'évolution des idées: les origines du roman français; le dix-neuvième siècle; Balzac, Stendhal, Flaubert, Zola et les naturalistes, Anatole France, André Gide, Marcel Proust, les jeunes; les idées de notre temps et le roman; la technique du roman moderne.*

The lectures will be given in the New School Rooms, at 66 Fifth Avenue, on Fridays, 5:20—6:50 P. M., from October 10 to January 16.

Single admissions, \$2.00; fee for course, \$20.00.