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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Members:

I bring you greetings from the members of the Los Angeles Chapter of our Alumni Association.

On October 22, Sherry Stone, a member of our Board of Directors, and I had lunch with them. About forty women members of the chapter and two young men who were graduated from Hunter in 1955 were present.

We Easterners were very warmly received. We soon saw that despite the variance in age the Los Angeles group is a homogeneous one, working very effectively.

They had invited me to speak, and I told them of the innovations introduced at home and of the furtherance of our special activities in New York, particularly our Scholarship and Welfare Funds project. The Los Angeles Chapter is planning a function to raise money for the Funds.

The principal speaker at the Los Angeles luncheon was Mrs. Marie Briehl, a Hunter graduate, who is working in psychoanalysis with children. After her address, I asked Mrs. Briehl whether she was a member of our Association, and was surprised to find that although she had always felt a very strong loyalty to Hunter she had never formally joined us. At this writing I am glad to report that she is now one of our Contributing Members. As President Shuster has pointed out, there are Hunter "girls", and now "boys", all over our country and all over the world.

Perhaps you can find a Hunter graduate in some remote town or village and persuade her—or him—to join us. In this way we can reach our goal—3000 *new* members during the year 1955-56.

May the coming holidays bring joy to us all; may the New Year bring further growth to our Association and peace to the world.

Sincerely,

FRANCES R. ABRAMS
President, Alumni Association

INVITATIONS WANTED

Once again the Luncheon Committee is asking for contributions to the Special Fund for supplying tickets to the Luncheon for some of our older Alumni Association members who have always attended but are now unable to do so because of financial pressure. Checks for any amount, however small or large, may be sent in with your own reservation or directly to the undersigned, who will acknowledge every contribution. The cheerful and generous response to this appeal in former years, added to the happiness of our guests, makes this assigned task a genuine pleasure.

ROSE SIGAL GOLOMB (Mrs. Joseph)
1840 Grand Concourse, New York 57, N. Y.

SING EXHIBIT

The Statistics Committee is planning a special Sing exhibit, tracing the history of the Sing from its inception. Sing booklets, *Bulletin* or *Arrow* accounts of Sing performances, original manuscripts of songs used, pictures of classes or groups—in short, any Sing memorabilia of any sort—will be welcomed by the Committee. Permanent possession of this material is desired, but material on loan will also be welcomed, and will be carefully guarded and returned if addressed to Rose Sigal Golomb (Mrs. Joseph) either at Roosevelt House or 1840 Grand Concourse, New York 57, N. Y.
R. S. G.

COLLEGE NOTES

Professor Jacques Maritain, distinguished scholar, will present a course in the theory of values next semester. Professor Maritain, who is serving as Research Professor at Hunter College, was Ambassador to the Holy See for three years and Visiting Professor at Princeton and Columbia Universities. This term he is giving three lectures on the theory of art.

Elizabeth Schwartzkopf opened the thirteenth concert series of Hunter College with a recital on October 22. An evening of grand opera was presented on November 5 and a Mozart festival on November 12. Robert Casadesu, pianist, will perform on December 10. On January 14 the program will feature *Virtuosi Di Roma*; on January 28 Erica Morini, violinist, will be heard; on February 11 William Backhaus will give a piano recital; and on March 17 Zino Francescatti will be featured. The season will close on March 24 with a program by Irmgard Seefried of the Vienna State Opera. Inquiries about tickets should be addressed to the Hunter College Concert Bureau.

A graduate program to provide training in laboratory techniques will begin in February under the auspices of the Departments of Biology and Physiology. The requirements are a B.A. or B.S. degree from an accredited college or university; a major in biology, physiology, or chemistry; one year of inorganic chemistry; one year of physics; and a reading knowledge of a foreign language, preferably French or German. Two grants of \$750 each will be offered as well as several tuition scholarships.

A graduate program in art is also being initiated. Students may enroll for the M.A. degree or take individual courses for credit. The courses will include creative art as well as the theory and history of art. Tuition will be \$10 a credit.

In a report to the October 24 meeting of the Board of Higher Education President Shuster, who is serving this year as Chairman

NEWS OF DEAN ANTHONY

Dean Anthony's many friends, who have been much concerned over the news of her accident in London, and have been eager for reports as to her condition and hopeful for news of progress, will be much interested in excerpts from two letters received by Mrs. Joseph Golomb (Rose Sigal), June '18, member of our Board of Directors, which the Editor feels should be shared with the Alumni. Fortunately, they arrived in time to be squeezed into the first proof of the December News.

The first letter is from Dr. Oscar Drexler, a physician living in London and a relative of Mrs. Golomb's, whom she requested to visit Dean Anthony.

"9 November, 1955

"Dear Rose,

"Received your letter this morning. Marjorie and I visited Miss Anthony in the afternoon. After some detective work I learned that she arrived from America with a friend of hers, Mary Johnson. She had been sent to the St. Thomas' Hospital, on 22nd October. She was pleasantly surprised to have visitors. We brought her a lovely arrangement of plants which will last a long time—put your card in.

"St. Thomas' Hospital is in the south of London and, besides being well-known and fully equipped, is a lovely hospital. Miss Anthony is in an open ward. I had a long talk with the charge nurse and learnt all about the case. It does appear that she sustained a very bad fracture of the femur. An open reduction was done and she was plated. It is now some two weeks since the accident and patient is doing very well. There is no pain and she is getting about. In fact, progress is so rapid that she is being discharged this weekend from the hospital. Of course, she will come in for follow-up treatment, i.e. Physiotherapy. The patient is very happy, and she feels that she has received the best of attention.

"Marjorie and I sat with Miss Anthony and her friend Miss Johnson, who happened to be there, and we had a very pleasant chat. We learned that she was staying here until some time in January. In fact, Miss Johnson had found a flat near Hyde Park, in a very nice neighborhood. Marjorie and I have reassured Miss Anthony that we would do all we could to entertain her. In fact, I do intend taking her about London, showing her various parts. As for myself, I have offered her any medical facilities she needs.

"Both Marjorie and I were very much impressed by her and we thought her a very nice person. We have invited her to our home when she can make it.

"Cordially,
Oscar."

The second letter is from Dean Anthony herself, expressing appreciation of Mrs. Golomb's thoughtfulness in sending Dr. Drexler to her.

"November 10, 1955

"Dear Rose:

"Your charming letter was brought to me today, and the very next day Dr. Drexler and his charming wife came to the hospital to see me, bearing a floral gift from you that is beautiful. Nurses and patients in this large ward have said it is one of the most beautiful they have ever seen, and I agree with them.

"November 13, 1955

"Please forgive the interruption. Some hospital routine interrupted me, and I was unable to continue until today.

"Although I received excellent care at the hospital, you will never know how much safer I felt when Dr. Drexler came. He came again by himself and spoke to the Sister in charge of the ward.

"Yesterday I came home to a furnished flat which Mary, my friend, had found. It is very tastefully furnished, and has large rooms, so that I may get good experience walking on my crutches. We have rented it until the end of January.

"This morning in came Dr. Drexler. He could not examine me in the hospital, but he gave me a thorough examination here, and prescribed some medicines and therapeutic treatment. He is going to send me a heat lamp from his clinic. He is the personification of thoughtfulness and kindness, and takes my breath away because before I have become aware of a need he has anticipated it and done something about it.

"I am swamped with messages, cards, and letters from my friends. It is all so cheering when you are far away from home.

"The doctors say that if I continue to progress at this speed I should be able to walk without crutches about Christmastime or before. Then I shall have to proceed slowly to exercise walking without them.

"We hope to continue our trip by the end of January. Naturally we shall have to eliminate some of it. We shall spend about seven or eight weeks in France, Spain, and Italy, using their luxury bus trips so that I shall do a minimum of walking. Then we shall pick up our planned and paid-for itinerary in Africa, and return from Capetown to New York some time in June.

"Cordially,
"Ann Anthony"

Dean Anthony's address until the end of January will be: Flat 2, 5 Queensgate Place, London SW. 7, England.

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