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FROM OUR PRESIDENT

This copy of the NEWS—which we hope you will enjoy—is going to all Hunter graduates for whom we have addresses. You know that *all* Hunter graduates are members of the Alumni Association. We would like to direct to *every* graduate a copy of *every* communication that we send out, but unfortunately we cannot afford to do this until the millennium comes and *every* graduate is an *active* (i.e. dues-paying) member. Speed the millennium! The sum of \$5.00 (\$3.00 for this year's graduates) is not large; and the more members that pay it, the more we can do for the Alumni and for the College.

Meanwhile the active members will receive a separate notice of the Homecoming, but this is the only announcement of it that will be sent to the others, so that we urge them to read the accompanying program with care. We do hope to see many of our graduates, whether active members or not, on this occasion. Those who plan to attend the luncheon are reminded that reservations—and, if necessary—cancellations, *must* be made in advance.

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We also hope to see many of our graduates at the Alumni Luncheon on February 13, when we shall celebrate Hunter's 90th anniversary as an institution, and Dr. Shuster's 20th anniversary as a president. We shall also pay a special tribute to President Shuster in connection with his widely and deeply regretted retirement. We are proud to announce that the speaker of the day will be Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt.

And finally, we hope to see many of our graduates at Alumni headquarters in Roosevelt House. The College has generously granted to the Alumni the use of a large room on the ground floor, so henceforth we shall have pleasant quarters in which to receive you.

E. Adelaide Hahn

Alumni Homecoming Day

Second Annual Homecoming of Alumni Association of Hunter College
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24, at Hunter College, 695 Park Avenue

General Theme:

TODAY'S DEVELOPMENTS AMONG THE ARTS AND SCIENCES

Morning Program

Registration, First Floor Corridor, 10:00 - 10:30

GENERAL GATHERING, Playhouse, 10:30 - 10:50

Greetings — E. Adelaide Hahn, President of Alumni Association

Greetings — George N. Shuster, President of Hunter College

PANEL DISCUSSIONS, 11:00 - 12:45

HUMANITIES PANEL, North Lounge

Moderator, Harry L. Levy, Professor of Latin and Greek, and Dean of Students
Theme, *Some Recent Trends in European Literature*

"French Literature" — Hanna Kurz Charney '51, Instructor of Romance Languages, and Member of Hunter College Humanities Program

"German Literature" — S. Etta Schreiber '29, Assistant Professor of German, and Member of Hunter College Humanities Program

"Russian Literature" — Maurice Friedberg, Instructor of Russian, and Member of Hunter College Humanities Program

SOCIAL SCIENCES PANEL, Playhouse

Moderator, Kathryn L. Hopwood, Professor of Psychology, and Dean of Students
Theme, *Developments in the Social Sciences at Home and Abroad*

"Talent and Achievements in Psychology" — Livingston Welch, Professor of Psychology, Chairman of Department of Psychology and Philosophy, and Senior Psychologist at Payne Whitney Institute

"New Graduate Programs in the Social Sciences" — Ruth G. Weintraub '25, Professor of Political Science, Chairman of Department of Political Science, and Director of Graduate Studies in the Arts and Sciences

"The Professional School in the Liberal Arts College — The First Three Years of the Louis M. Rabinowitz School of Social Work" — Paul Schreiber, Professor of Sociology, and Director of the Louis M. Rabinowitz School of Social Work

"The Social Sciences behind the Iron Curtain" — Theodore Abel, Professor of Sociology, and Chairman of Department of Sociology and Anthropology

SCIENCE PANEL, High School Auditorium

Moderator, Mina S. Rees '23, Professor of Mathematics, and Dean of Faculty
Theme, *Science and Mathematics Curriculum in the Secondary Schools — Hunter's Role in a Period of Change*

"Hunter College High School's Experience with an Experimental Physics Curriculum" — Ray Miller '30, Teacher of Science, Hunter College High School

"A College Level Summer Course for High School Students" — Henry D. Thompson, Professor of Geology, Hunter College, and Barbara Muller, Student at Hunter College High School

"Designing a New Mathematics Sequence for Junior and Senior High Schools" — Mary P. Dolciani '44, Assistant Professor of Mathematics

EDUCATION PANEL, Room 606 (overflow in 602 and 605)

Moderator, Herbert Schueler, Professor of Education, Chairman of Department of Education, and Director of Teacher Education

Theme, *Closed Circuit Television in Teacher Education*

Demonstration by Professor Schueler

LUNCHEON PERIOD, Student Commons, 1:00 - 2:45

Luncheon, 1:00 - 2:15

Reports by the Moderators, 2:15 - 2:45

Afternoon Program

GENERAL GATHERING, Playhouse, 3:00 - 4:30

Address, "The World Reads" — President George N. Shuster

Piano Solos — Solnie Louria '58

Dances and Excerpts from the Repertory of the May O'Donnell Dance Company—

Nancy Lang, Lecturer of Physical Education

SOCIAL GET-TOGETHER, 4:30 - 5:30

Viewing of Hunter College Art Department Exhibit, Exhibition Room, 15th Floor

Conversation with Friends, Lounges, 3rd Floor

Profile of Professor Harry L. Levy

New Dean of the Bronx Division

by Kathryn L. Hopwood
Dean of Students, Park Avenue

Harry L. Levy, Professor of Classics and dedicated server of Hunter College's good causes for more than a quarter century, became Dean of Students at the Bronx Division on September 1. I am delighted to be invited to write about him, speaking not only of a warm colleague and friend, but of a fine scholar and administrator.

It would indeed be presumptuous for me to "welcome" Dean Levy either to his special responsibility of close contact with students or to any other aspect of Hunter College life. I suppose there is no one who has given of his talents more unstintingly in more kinds of service than Dean Levy.

THE SCHOLAR

He brings to his new appointment the discipline of classical training supplemented by extensive and varied practical experience. His doctorate in Latin and Greek (Columbia) was followed by post-doctoral research at Harvard in Latin and a diploma in Chinese from the U.S. Army Military Intelligence School at Yale.

His list of publications on Latin and Greek literature is impressive and has earned for him recognition by appropriate learned societies. He has been a member of the Legislative Conference for the City Colleges, has directed the Ford Seminar in College Teaching, and has been Chairman of the Trustees of Hunter College Graduate Scholarship Fund.

Through the years he has been a member of numberless committees contributing to the welfare of students, faculty, and college life. In 1951-53 he served as Dean of Students at the Bronx Division in the U.S. Army. He holds the rank of Lieutenant Colonel.

"THE FLAVOR OF THE MAN"

Yet the description of Dean Levy's versatility in scholarship, service, and administrative concerns does not catch the flavor of the man himself. He has a remarkable combination of ebullience and incisiveness which sparks the duller moments of academic discourse. He is capable of warmth without sentimentality and of debate without rancor.



Dean Harry L. Levy

Best of all, he has a great dedication to two "causes": students and Hunter College. He has proved himself in the loyal service of both.

THE EXTRACURRICULAR LEVY

If I had to name the most favorable milieu for a Dean of Students to go home to of an evening, I should select an association of cultural anthropologists. A Dean of Students spends so much of his energy maintaining a balance between the *status quo* pressures of his society and the inner directedness of undergraduates that it is salutary for him to be reminded now and then that his chief responsibility may be something other than encouraging students to conformity.

Dean Levy has the special good fortune to have as his helpmeet a cultural anthropologist of distinction, Dr. Ernestine Friedl of Queens College, a Hunter alumna. With his wife he recently spent a year studying the culture of a modern Greek village, and this summer the Levys have again visited their community.

"Abeunt studia in mores," Sir Francis Bacon reminds us. If this be so, we may expect from Dean Levy in his new responsibility the fulfillment of a consummate challenge to his inquiring mind and his large spirit.