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HUNTER ALUMNAE PLAYERS

Curtain going up! Curtain going up! Yes ma'am, curtain's going up on April 3, 4, and 5 for the Hunter Alumnae Players' first production, "Fashion, or Life in New York", featuring Dr. George N. Shuster, President of Hunter College.

Here's a production to show that talent isn't confined to Broadway, and we hope it will have the 100% support of the Alumnae. When we organized the Hunter Alumnae Players, we felt that many more graduates would be interested in joining the Associate Alumnae if to the association's many activities we added dramatics for all those young and old alumnae who had never quite gotten the glare of the footlights out of their eyes. And here's a low bow in the direction of the Board of Directors who shared this belief with us.

We felt too that the Alumnae Players could help the undergraduates in their dramatics work by contributing some of the proceeds from our plays to a Henrietta Prentiss Fund which the students could draw upon to help pay the expenses entailed in their dramatic productions.

And lastly, we thought we could help give Hunter College the kind of dramatic prestige its position in New York City entitled it to. So we are presenting "Fashion, or Life in New York" on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evening, April 3, 4, and 5. In addition to President Shuster, who plays T. Tennyson Twinkle, a poet, our all-star cast includes three members of our Speech and Dramatics Department, Professor Woehl, Chairman of the Department, Dr. Plugge, and Dr. Spadino; and outstanding players in former Varsities, Claire Danchig, Lucille Isaacson, and Janice Weinstein Kamholtz. Miss Nancy Ferguson, Varsity Director, is directing "Fashion", which was written by the great-aunt of Academic Dean Eleanor H. Grady.

You'll want to see the début of President Shuster and of the Hunter Alumnae Players, you'll want to revive the excitement you felt when you saw Sing and Varsity, you'll want to meet your classmates again (why not make up a theater party?), and you'll want to have a hand in an exciting event which marks a milestone in the development and growth of the Associate Alumnae.

Tickets are \$.50, \$.75, \$1.00, and \$1.50. Make your reservations immediately by writing or telephoning Frances Balgley, 25 E. 99th St., Sacramento 2-8316, or by writing the Hunter Alumnae Players, Hunter College, 695 Park Avenue.

CLAIRE GLASSBURG.

HOME FOR SPRING REUNION

Our dreams have come true! After many years of wishful waiting we are going home for the Alumnae Spring Reunion and Tea. Is there anything that fills our hearts more with joy than the thought of going home!

Heretofore, it has been our custom to celebrate the reunion at some hotel, usually the Hotel Astor; but with the completion of the new building, it was suggested and unanimously voted that this Maytime we return to our Alma Mater for our annual party.

With enthusiasm high, therefore, we begin program plans, and look forward with eager anticipation to Saturday afternoon, May seventeenth. It is our hope that every loyal Hunter daughter, from the Class of 1871 to the Class of January 1941 inclusive, will share in this the jolliest reunion ever.

Again I invite all class representatives to serve on my committee as hostesses for their respective classes. Bless your hearts! It is only with your fine spirit of friendly helpfulness that the Reunion will be the success we wish it to be. Begin at once to gather together your class members. Search out our "prodigal" sister-graduates—this is an opportune time to obtain new members for the Association. Let us, every one, become membership conscious! There is a drive on for new members, you know. Alumnae are also invited to bring guests—but they will be required to pay a small fee for guest tickets.

Alumnae and guests will meet at two o'clock in the Assembly Hall for our program of entertainment. An interesting program is planned, keyed to spring, varied but brief so that the better part of the afternoon may be given to the Tea and Social Hour to be held in the Commons after the program.

Undergraduates of the Dean's Committee, under the very able supervision of Mrs. Shmerler, have generously offered to wait upon the alumnae as ushers and guides. They will direct you to the places reserved for you at your class tables; and after the Tea, if it be your pleasure, they will take you on a tour through the building. Surely you will not want to forgo such a treat!

There's music and fun and room and welcome for all in the beautiful and modernly appointed "Palace on Park Avenue". There is new gladness and joy and well-being. Come join in the merriment. You are invited. Once inside the welcoming doors the old Hunter spirit will recapture you. Happy familiar faces, gay voices will bring back all the memories you hold dear. This year of all years, let us make our Reunion a never-to-be-forgotten one.

MARY ABBOTT CURTIN, Chairman.

## THE LAO G. SIMONS SCHOLARSHIP FUND

On the retirement of Professor Lao G. Simons last June after forty-five years of teaching at Hunter College, the Mathematics Department and Pi Mu Epsilon, the honorary fraternity of the Department, inaugurated a campaign to establish a fund to be known as the Lao G. Simons Scholarship Fund. The Committee has endeavored to reach all graduates who would be interested. We hope through the pages of the ALUMNAE NEWS to reach some who have not heard directly from us. Contributions, payable to the fund, may be sent to Dr. Mary K. Landers, 695 Park Ave., New York, N. Y., or to any other member of the Department.

ISABEL C. McLAUGHLIN.