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THE ALUMNÆ BREAKFAST

Arrangements for the Breakfast are progressing. Christopher Morley, author of the much-discussed new novel, "Thunder on the Left", is to be our guest of honor and speaker. Mrs. Ruth Pratt, our only woman alderman, has promised to be with us. And we expect *you* to do your part and help us to have a finer showing than ever.

The date, you know, is February 12th; the place, the Hotel Astor; and the price \$3.00. The Reception will be at 12:30, when you will meet the Officers and Guests.

Please make reservations for your tables *now* and don't fail to send names of your guests.

Important! Arrangements will be made to have a meatless lunch served to those members of the Alumnae who for any religious reasons so wish it. Special tables will be reserved for them, so be sure to make this request clear to the Chairman when applying for tables.

For any information and reservation of tables apply to

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THE FEDERATION OF HUNTER ACTIVITIES

On December 8th at 3:30 in the Music Room, Mrs. Elliott, President of the Associate Alumnae, opened the first meeting of the 1925-6 year of the Federation of Hunter Activities, by reading the letter which she had sent out last year, giving as the purpose of the Federation the discussion of how the clubs can help Hunter. This year the idea is to get strength for the organization.

The question of a paid publicity agent was brought up but laid aside again as impractical for the time being.

It was felt that there ought to be some method to help the Freshmen adjust themselves to college life. The Federation recommended the setting aside of a Freshman Day each semester, a few days before college opens, on which members of the Federation, together with the Junior Class, would acquaint Freshmen with college. The Freshman Day Committee is to consist of Helen Morris, President of the Student Council, Ruth Martin, chairman of the Junior Advisory System, and the present President of the Freshman Class.

A Vocational Guidance Week is also to be established during which Vocational advice will be given to the graduating class by the Alumnae. A list is to be formed of Alumnae

willing to help. This list is to be in Mrs. Lowenstein's hands and the contact is to be made through her.

The matter of the system of faculty advisers was left with Mrs. Elliott, Professor Hahn, Helen Morris, and Anne Boylan.

Concerted efforts for a new building will take definite form in a Letter Week to be held in January. Frances Friedman, Flora Taylor, Sylvia Weinstein, and Mary Soscie will take charge of this.

Mrs. Elliott then asked for suggestions for Alumnae Hall. Among those which seemed most feasible was that we coöperate with the University Women's Club and get a permanent group of rooms there.

SELMA DRELLICH, '26.

VOCATIONAL GUIDANCE

At the semi-annual meeting of the Federation of Hunter College Activities held on December eighth, the question of the great difficulty many of our students face in their choice of a business or a profession was brought up and discussed.

Although the majority of our graduates enter the profession of teaching, it was thought by those who attended the Federation meeting that a part of this number would like to follow some other career if their minds were clarified as to the requirements for different lines of work and their fitness for it.

As a solution of this problem it was suggested that the Alumnae Association initiate what we hope will eventually become a Bureau for Vocational Guidance. The first step is for the President of the Alumnae to assemble a group of women in our organization each of whom is engaged in some specific business or profession and who will be willing to give a few hours in a week selected shortly before Commencement during which any of the Seniors or Juniors who desire to consult with or question them on vocational guidance can be assured of whatever advice they are in a position to offer.

Will any of our members who recognize the great value of such a method for helping our students and who can give a few hours twice a year for this inspiring purpose, send me their names and the profession or business on which they feel qualified to give advice?

If there is any one in the Alumnae who will volunteer to be the Chairman of this group, I shall appreciate it fully and shall be happy to discuss how the proposed plan can be made practical.

MARION R. ELLIOTT, *President*,