THERE'S A G.O.

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Departments Alter Staff Of School

This term, departments have announced new faculty additions as well as a retirement and two resignations.

Among the new faculty members are Miss Ruth Kneeter, who is teaching Latin, Miss Florence Myers of the Mathematics department, Mrs. Jane Faggen Steckler, a Hunter alumna now in the Physics department, Mrs. Esther Birsch, a new member of the Biology department and Bio Bulletin adviser, and Miss Solange Grassin of the French depart-

Hunter also welcomes the return of Mrs. Harriet Schueler of the German department, Miss Emma Schweppe of the Social Studies department, who is the new Junior Advisor to the General Organization, Miss Yvonne Bruyere of the French department, Mrs. Anne M. Leadley of the Mathematics department, and Mrs. Elsie E. Kahan of the Latin department.

The Latin department and the English department announce the resignations of Miss Geraldine Salamon and Mrs. Silas Peavy, whom we knew as Dr. Leah Jonas.

Miss Delaney Retires

Miss Josephine Delaney, chairman of the Physics department, has retired after teaching fortytwo years here at the high school.

On leave this year are Mrs. Eileen Fitzgerald, Miss Estelle Kelly, Mrs. Geraldine Simon, and Dr. Rose Marie Daele. Miss Charlotte Hochman, who teaches German as well as music, is continuing her leave of absence another

Sigma Invests 15 At Gala Initiation

Hunter's honor society, Sigma Gamma Pi, initiated its 15 new members Saturday night, October 16th. From sixth term the eager novices were Irene Greenberg, Phyllis LeKashman, and Diana Skaletsky. Seniors included were Vera Blass, Diane Danziger, Debby Furth, Gloria Gross, Eva Hauser, Rosalind Steinhardt, Diana Taylor, Carol Trencher, and Yvonne Naum from seventh term, and Pauline Dryden, Martha Fontek, and Myra Hurwitz from eighth term.

Initiations were held in the high school building where the girls, dressed as nursery rhyme characters, were put through a series of "loyalty tests". In addition, each was required to compose an essay on the subject, "Why Sigma Was Right In Choosing Me".

The elder Sisters served refreshments after officially investing the tried and proven initiates.

Students Hold Assembly Today

Today's assembly will feature a forum discussion on the topic of socialized medicine and health insurance. The speakers, chosen from the senior year, have gathered their information under the title "Sickness Costs Money."

Fall Assemblies

What's

In addition to the annual Grace B. Beach Poetry Recital, the tentative assembly schedule will include three more programs announced by the G.O. Assembly Committee, under the guidance of Mrs. Olive Davis.

On November 16 the committee hopes to entertain a speaker. The Senior Day assembly will be on December 3.

On December 14 the Grace B. Beach Recital, a Tuesday evening performance, is part of the assembly schedule. Poetry, drama, and music recitations will be part of the program.

Stump speaking will be the main event of the January 11th assembly after which ballots will be cast for G.O. and A.A. officers.

Honors and awards will be presented at the last assembly of the term on January 31st.

Council Elects Committee

The G.O. Assembly Committee includes Vivian Lober and Alice Trommer of eighth term, Debby Furth and Judy Kramer of seventh term, Alice Mulhall and Elaine Ginsbourger of sixth term, Elaine Brooks and Shirley Schlanger of fifth term, Gloria Fleisher and Joanne La Belle of fourth term, Dolores Messinger and Eileen O'Connor of third term, Bernice Cohen and Laura Levine of second term, Ruth Shatsky and Louise Weiss of first term, and Lillian Polstein and Beatrice Younin of Junior High.

Fashion Writer Gives Timely Tips On Teens' Clothes

by Elaine Sherman

Miss Emily Wilkins, well known fashion designer and author of the new book, Here's Looking At You, was guest of honor at a reception in Macy's Junior Deb Department Saturday afternoon, September 25. She was interviewed by several representatives of New York high schools.

Miss Wilkins' book is especially designed to give teen-agers valuable hints which will improve their grooming and health habits. On the cover of the book is pictured a chart which shows girls the clothes and accessories that complement each other. The reader may fill out the chart, and, in that way, discover what articles are missing from her wardrobe.

Miss Wilkins stressed simplicity of dress, remarking, "The most expensive clothes are the ones we never wear." She also suggested that girls match their clothes to their accessories. A basic wardrobe for a teen-ager should include, Miss Wilkins continued, "an overall coat for day and evening wear, a suit with several blouses, one day dress with accessories for afternoon wear, a date dress, an informal evening dress (long skirt and off-the-shoulder blouse) and matching sets of accessories."

In conclusion Miss Wilkins stated, "A well dressed girl always has her head, her hands, and her legs covered."

Students Plan G.O. Names Carnival As Project; Elects Committees, Manages Exchange

Two major activities of the G.O. have gotten under way with the establishment of a new service, the basement Student Exchange, and the choice of a Carnival December 17 as this term's G.O. project, after approval by the faculty at a meeting Thursday. The Central Project Committee, elected last week, will work under the chairmanship of Margaret Adlersberg.



"What's What" photographer catches the first meeting of the G.O. At left, the council votes on a resolution. At right, the new officers of the G.O.

School Changes Midterm Value As Result Of Faculty Study

by Vera Blass

The midterm grade, in all major subjects, now will be equal to one third of the total term grade, the faculty has announced. This change, approved last summer, abolishes the process of counting the midterm mark as one-half the final

The customary midterm examinations will continue to be held, but in recognition of the fact that in many subjects more advanced material is covered during the second half of the semester, the faculty has decided to give more credit to work done during the last part of the term.

The plan is the result of a year's careful study of the examination system by a faculty committee which consisted of Miss Dorothy Bunker, Miss Agnes Benedix, and Mrs. Margaret Koch. The project is an attempt to solve the difficulty of the student who has done well during the second marking period, but who is prevented from getting correspondingly good marks on the final report card because of a low record during the

W.W. To Test School Opinion

Unable to record their votes in the national election, students will register their choice of presidential candidates in a poll conducted by What's What in coordination with the Institute of Public Opinion. Hunterites will also be asked about their movie - going habits.

Class presidents will receive forms on which they will be asked to record the number of students voting for each choice.

The results of the voting will be announced at the next assembly.

first part of the term. The plan is one of the several discussed by the committee, including a proposal to abolish midterms alto-

The faculty hopes that the new system will be successful and that it will help those girls who were at a disadvantage under the former marking system.

26 Grads Receive State Scholarships

Twenty-six of Hunter's 1948 graduates won four-year college scholarships in the annual N.Y. Regents Scholarship examination held last May. This honor put Hunter in fourth place among the city schools which received the awards, and in top place among girls' schools.

From New York County the winners were Lillian Christie, Miriam Schapiro, Carol Rosenfield, Pearl Sobel, Nina Ratszerdorfer, Ruth Kahn, Ruth Schacter, Ethel Schmid, Jeanne Silver, Judith Chatfield, Gloria Jolly, Ruth Herzberg, Julia Moros, Myrna Knopf, June Devak, Nancy Steiner, Pauline Colson, Jeanette Hovsepian, Helen Ostoia, Esther Gordon, and Irene Wolfsohn. From Bronx County those receiving awards were Hannabelle Shenkin, Mildred Spiewak and Lorna Langer; from Queens County, Nina Raginsky; from Kings County, Joan Greensberg.

The scholarships entitle the winners to an annual grant of \$350 for four years if they attend an accredited New York State colG.O. vice-president.

The Student Exchange, managed by G.O. member, Cathy Russo, will continue to sell school supplies and novelties at the basement lunch counter on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. The business is conducted as a school service and does not provide any profit for the G.O.

At an early meeting this term, the Council, with Cynthia Tyor, president, in the chair, elected Erika Lenz, Chairman of Clubs; Bunny Worman, House Committee leader; Diana Skaletsky, Jewelry Manager; and Marilyn Johnson, student member of the Board of Governors.

Florence Rief has been chosen P.T.A. Chairman. Two new Dance Committee members are Rosalind Egelka and Edna Greenberg.

The agenda for the next meeting, October 22, will be scholarship awards and Gold H's. All meetings are open to the school. although only Student Council members may vote.

Big Sisters Hold Welcoming Parties For New Classes

The Big Sisters sponsored three successful parties for the Junior High, first, and third terms on September 20, 22, and 23.

The Big Sisters entertained with a skit entitled "Nellie" and the Little Sisters reciprocated with group skits and individual singing, piano-playing, and stunts. Refreshments were served at all the parties.

Miss Jessie Benedix, Big Sister faculty advisor, remarked, "The parties are going along very nicely this term. The girls are very talented and their class entertainments very enjoyable". Ina Freidlander, Big Sister Chairman, added that "all the Big Sisters were grateful to Miss Benedix for devoting her time to help make these parties a success,"

The New Big Sisters

The Big Sisters this year are Lee Klausner, 7A1, Pauline Dryden, 7A2, Marlene Feingold, 7A3, and Debby Furth 7A4, from the Junior High term. First term advisers are Cathy Russo, A1; Vera Blass, B1; Abby Gurfein, C1; Lenore Farkas, D1; Ethel Hoffman, E1; and Rosalind Steindhart, F1. Third term Big Sisters include Estelle Lowy, A3 and B3; Goldie Torres, JA3; Laurie Klein, JB3; and Judy Gelb, AG3. Mildred Speiser is Second Term Adviser and Judy Kramer is Junior High Adviser.

A.A. Meets G.O. November 10th

The General Organization and Athletic Association will renew old rivalries November 10th when they meet in a basketball game. The two teams and cheering squads are now practicing for the

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G.O. Needs You Need G.O.

Last Friday afternoon we talked to two seventh termers who were attending their first General Organization meeting since they had entered the school. Their experience offers a lesson every student in Hunter would do well to learn.

These lower seniors were sorry—very sorry—that they have not been active G.O. members the last few terms. Now they are seeing other classmates, who have been regular council attendants, benefit from G.O. participation. Watching this, our seventh termers are able to trace their own inactivity in extra-curricular affairs partly to a lack of interest in Hunter's backbone—the G.O.

As their first meeting progressed, the two students found they knew very few of the girls being discussed, and indeed, very few of the girls discussing. They began to feel that they had missed something else these three years—friends. The G.O. envelops so many fields—projects, dances, and assemblies, besides clubs and terms—that working within any sphere necessitates meeting a great number of girls.

Admittedly, the first G.O. sessions a newcomer attends means sitting through long periods of discussions about candidates, motions, and resolutions that are unfamiliar. But that stage passes quickly, and soon the workings of the council are no longer strange.

Perhaps it is not yet too late for our two friends to find their places in the school government. Certainly it is not too late for any lower termers to become interested. The G.O. needs the support of all, and every instance proves that a student, in order to be well-adjusted, *must* participate in the G.O.

Better Buy Budget Book

You, the reading public, are so often asked to examine the facts of a problem, and with a little guidance, see the solution. In Hunter, ours is a financial problem.

Every term, Budget Books go on sale, but suddenly the buying power of many Hunterites freezes. Bargains are overlooked. The "Penny saved is a penny earned" is distorted in the mind of the impractical, shortsighted Hunterite.

Another aspect of the problem: the Budget Book owner is the automatic recipient of four issues of the school publication. If she were interested in *What's What*, but apparently not in the Budget Book, she would have to pay fifty cents for a separate subscription. Here indeed is false economy. Why pay a greater part of the Budget Book price for just one of its many benefits? And, incidentally, *What's What* optimistically orders 1,400 copies for each issue. About 900 girls buy Budget Books and thus 500 copies are left over to await some scrap paper drive or other.

You are just cheating yourselves by saving your wealth of the moment (the rehashed ninety cents) instead of investing it in a Budget Book which will pay you interest and interest you in school affairs.

Ah! Le Chapeau! Senior Hats Date From Way Back When

After the first assembly of each term, we see a spectacular sight. Every time a bell rings, out into the hall parades Miss Hunter Senior with her badge of honor nestling on her head. By that we mean, of course, her "HAT". Who thought of the

greatest idea in clothing since the invention of the nylon toga? Where did these creations come from? That is what we set out to discover.

We searched in all the most obvious places: Staub's, Gregory Peck's dressing room, etc., but alas, found naught. Then we were reminded of a basic principle always employed by Fearless Fosdick in his relentless crusade against crime: always find the best possible source on the subject. What is the best source on Seniors? *Annals*, of course. Quickly we ran to the library, intent on unearthing all the previously secret facts.

The first evidence is found in the June '42 issue although reliable sources inform us that Senior hats were a reality as far back as 1938, when the graduating class wore stunning creations made of paper. By 1941 the familiar trench cap was already a tradition and had the honor of being called a "street cleaner's hat" by Christopher Morley in one of his addresses to the school.

Then in January '42, came the revolution. You find gracing the Senior head at this time a little Eton cap, that is, a beanie with a brim. This was the first Different Senior Hat.

Senior Hats are usually selected from a group of styles offered by the manufacturer and modeled at one of the seventh term meetings. The class of January '49 was original. Since none of the customary styles appealed to them, they copied the style of a chapeau worn by sophomore Joan Tyor.

-Rhoda Goodley

Pell-Mell

One Big Sister tells this charming tale of wide-eyed freshmen:

Several days prior to the first G.O. Meeting of the term, she asked her Little Sisters if they expected to attend; they all squirmed in their seats and swallowed hard and told her, "No". Each time she questioned them about their attitude, they blushed harder but refused to answer.

Finally cornering one Little Sister, she insisted upon a reason for the mass refusal. The girl hesitated and then said, "Well, we just weren't invited."

One of the buildings you see from the windows on the east side of Hunter is the New York Hospital, the largest hospital in the world. It's only a stone's throw from school, at 70th and York, and well worth a walk on some warm afternoon. You'll see towers of white brick that will bring out the architectural ability that Sr. Vocational tests have yet to uncover.

How about the Dramatic Club and the Orchestra getting together on some spectacular production? Two attractions are surely better than one.

Just as a matter of interest: There are 54 official classes in the school and 1,327 students. Of course that counts the little Junior Highs as one person each; so the count may not be a fair estimate.

A familiar figure is missing today from the hallowed halls of Hunter High School. Our treasured friend, Jimmy, is banished from our midst to the dark, juvenile infested halls of the Elementary School. Usually reliable sources tell us that he is not at all content with the change and he misses the peace and solitude of the lunch hour rush. Hunterites Arise! Demand the Return of the Native!!! Bring Back Jimmy!!!!

If collecting certain items is too expensive a hobby for spenders of meager allowances, here's the thing to do. Start collecting pictures and articles about same, thus familiarizing yourself with the subject, be it odd coins or television sets.

Ever try converting a single ball of bright, colored wool into a pair of winter ear muffs? Very cute and attractive. Just crochet a band and circular puffs which you sew on at the intervals of head size.

How about a Lost and Found bulletin board? Too often girls catch a glimpse of a piece of clothing, lost for months, when it is being auctioned off to another Hunterite. It had just lain in unpublicized room 105, unclaimed 'til yearly house cleaning came around.

One little skunk said to the other little skunk, "So do you."

Only 66 days to Christmas.

From Columbia... The Male's Mail

by Les Tanzer

EDITOR'S NOTE: This is the first of a series of exchange articles from boys' schools. Les Tanzer, the author, is a Columbia sophomore on the staff of the Columbia Spectator and Jester. He is Columbia's Sports Correspondent for the New York Times.



There is nothing so rare as a day in September, especially if it is a Saturday and Columbia is going to open its football season against Rutgers. Just sitting back and thinking about attending the game with a pretty Hunter girl is one of the real joys in life. And that I was do-

ing all week long.

Then came Saturday.

It was an Indian Summer's day. The sun was shining and clouds drifted lazily through the sky. One cloud took on the shape of a boy rolling a hoop, and, coincidentally enough, in the streets a boy rolling a hoop took on the shape of a cloud.

Seat Trouble

We climbed the numerous stairs to our seats, which were occupied by two bearded characters whom my sharp eye (the blue one) detected to be spies from Harvard up to no good. The pair left goodnaturedly enough after we had flashed our ticket stubs, a squad of well-trained ushers, staged and directed by Agnes de Mille, and a pair of .36 automatics in their faces. Mutterings of "filthy Columbia bourgeoise" did not escape our ears.

Eye-catching Programs

Some ten minutes were left before the game was to start, so we took the time to catch up on reading; she gazed intently at the fashion ads in the football program while I thumbed through my dog-eared copy of "Hunter Girls: Their Care, Cure and Prevention," also available at better bookstores everywhere under the title, "What Every Young Hunter Girl Should No."

The game got under way and I was too excited to see what my pretty companion was doing. Ten exciting minutes later Columbia had scored and the crowd was in an uproar.

"Did the game start already?" she asked, a frown crossing her face as she looked up from the program. "I didn't hear any overture or fanfare."

I was too overjoyed to be bothered with her remark as I planted a firm kiss on her cheek in a moment of weakness. At this display of affection she turned a deep red whereupon two color blind midgets mistook her for a traffic pole and sped by in their toy autos.

Surprise Kick-off

The two teams lined up for the kickoff in the usual wide-spread formation.

"Why are the players so far away from each other? Do they have B.O. or something?" she

"No dear, bad breath probably," I answered, patting her gently on the head, and raising a huge cloud of dust in the process.

Touchdown vs. Fashions

Columbia proceeded to score another pair of touchdowns in the following few minutes delighting me but boring the Hunter girl next to me, who was calmly looking at the clothes of the women seated nearby.

At the very outset of the second half, Rutgers promptly marched the length of the field to score a touchdown. I wiped my forehead, and commented "It's getting pretty hot, isn't it?"

She looked up at the sun and replied "Why doesn't Columbia arrange to block out the sun? It's such a rich school."

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Kaleidoscope

The current topic of conversation among prominent New Yorkers, threatening even the popularity of Freud and the Kinsey Report, is the *shmoo*, as illustrated in Al Capp's comic strip "Li'l Abner".

A shmoo, for the benefit of the illiterate, is a wistful little animal vaguely resembling a hen, whose greatest happiness in life is to provide milk, butter, and eggs to all famished humans. This sensitive animal obligingly dies of joy when confronted with a face that bears the slightest suggestion of hunger. He will then be broiled or roasted depending upon whether the fortunate diner desires a meal that tastes like chicken or steak. Shmoos industriously multiply, even faster than the proverbial rabbit, so that there is no danger of extinction. Nor is there any waste so far as shmoos are concerned, for even their beguiling brown eyes may be used for suspender buttons. If we disregard the last product, which may seem superfluous to many Hunterites, the shmoos, at first glance, seem the ideal solution to all our problems.

Few realize, however, that the shmoo is a potential threat to our economic system. What will happen to the man who ordinarily produces suspender buttons and the workers who are engaged in packing, shipping, and selling them? It was with a sigh of relief that we discovered that Time magazine had considered the problem and had come up with the logical conclusion. So long as people remain fundamentally human they will want something different from chicken and/or a juicy porterhouse steak. Someone will always demand broiled octopus or roast tongue of unicorn. Be that as it may, we'll take a pair of suspenders and a shmoo with catsup any day, and you can keep the filet mignon a la king. -Barbara Kaplan

We Appreciate

the girls who work in the late office, although you'd never know it by the way we look at them as we stroll into school at eight-thirty in the morning. Louise Keller, Ethylyn Stone, Maxine Koenig, and Janet Sherak spend every morning and lunch hour helping Mrs. Reuss and keeping the office files. They get no official credit whatsoever for the job which is purely voluntary. We don't often say it, girls, but we appreciate it.

WeDon't Appreciate

the budding loreleis who sit combing their flaxen-or-otherwise locks in the lunch room while others are eating . . .

the inconsiderate souls who leave their refuse for the next period lunchers to clean up. No matter how often we mention it, they don't seem to realize that we don't appreciate it.

Terms Choose New Officers

Hunterites, influenced by the spirit of election year, have cast their votes for their term officers. Eighth term has elected Rose Reicherson as vice-president and Pauline Dryden, Ethel Hoffman, Vivian Lober, Estelle Jardine and Alice Trommer as G.O. Reps. Joan Cooper is House Committee Leader.

Seventh Term Voters

Seventh term G.O. Reps. are Judy Kramer, Carol Forscher, Diane Danziger, Yvonne Naum, and Elinor Berkman. Alberta Field is Press Rep.

Junior Elections

Elaine Ginsborger is the new secretary for sixth term. Frances Amitary is treasurer, Elaine Davis, P.T.A. Rep, and Mary Paperoni, What's What Rep.

Fifth term completed its elections by choosing Yolanda Astarita as term A.A. Rep, Marion Spelene as P.T.A. Rep, and Lona Flam as What's What Rep.

G.O. Reps for fourth term include Inez Shapiro, Janice Freeda, Gloria Cuzzocrea, Sheila Weiss and Lore Katz.

Reporters Quiz New Students

We wish to extend a welcome to our 274 new Hunterites. For them the first week of school is the most exciting. With this in mind, we set out to learn about the newcomers' impressions their first days at Hunter.

To get a third termer's opinions we approached Alberta Jones of JB3, who said that "School seems quite wonderful now. I like the idea of private lockers."

Naomi Levy of JH 7A3 exclaimed, "Hunter is wonderful. I've made many friends and have found there are a lot of nice girls here". Joan Pauer of A1 also thinks of Hunter as "a very friendly place. Everyone is helpful." However both girls suggested improvements: cleaner windows and floors and less crowding in the elevators.

The enthusiastic Junior High entrants were willing to to give their opinions. Susan Margulies of JH 7A2 said that she liked the idea of having a Big Sister. She also mentioned that the departmental system and the election of officers were new experiences for her.

It is evident that the new students are a lively and pleasant girls who will be active participants in all the school doings.

Publications Admit Eager Aspirants

14 Enter What's What

What's What proudly announces the addition of fourteen "cubs" to the Reportorial staff: Frances Amitary, Jacqueline Braun, Dorothea Behrens, Helen Feirstein, Murial Gold, Ruth Gordon, Evangeline Hooper, Masha Kabakow, Elga Kron, Kathe Landau, Daniela Libson, Dalia Rojansky, Gloria Riley, and Marianne Schuelein.

Argus Accepts 17

The school magazine, Argus, has added seventeen members to its staffs. Those new on the art staff are Patsy McGullough, Carole Schwartz, Elinor Voss, Janice Powell, Cynthia Sherr, Judy Steele, Judith Miller, Nancy Fisch, Theresa Wintsler, Jenne Newbirfl. The literary staff members are Evelyn Compton, Alberta Field, and Blossom Steinberg.

Coming Events

November 1, 3, 4-Midterm

exams
November 2—Election Day
November 11—Armistice
Day
November 16—Midterm

cards distributed
November 17—Midterm
cards collected
Open School Day
November 18—Candidates
exam—(Official and

first periods only)
November 19—Correction
Day (no school)
November 25, 26—Thanksgiving holiday

Seniorater



What's What offers some advice to those who are assigned to interview a G.O. president: have foresight and patience; above all, supply yourself with a bloodhound, a sleeping bag, and a

few good books to while away the time you spend waiting for her.

Even after such preparations, you may snatch only a few facts about a girl who is always busy, always on-the-go, and yet always considerate enough to want to help you.

A Late President

Although she has held the office of chief-executive for only a little over a month, Cynthia Tyor is already haunted by the desire for perfection and the realization that it is impossible to attain. She is still overwhelmed by her new task, for she confided, with a mischievious gleam in her eye, that she never attended a G.O. meeting until she was a second termer.

Barefoot Girl

We're not sure, but it's probable that Cyn instigated the plan of the Seniors to have all lower termers remove their shoes at the council meetings in order to "avoid unnecessary noise." Besides wanting to have the sessions quiet, Cynthia, quite naturally, might wish to have others keep her company while she indulges in her weakness. At home she kicks off her shoes, wiggles her toes, and then walks around barefoot. Of course, she is followed by maternal cries of: "Cynthia, put on some shoes."

Cyn vs. Yellow

Cyn reached the Senior stage with an extra measure of joy in her heart. She no longer had to wear the seventh term's brand—the yellow blouse. Yellow is not, to say the least, her favorite color. Unfortunately, however, her room is a glaring maize.

Notwithstanding all the things occupying her days now, Cynthia finds a little time for daydreaming. She wants a happy marriage and a home in the wide open spaces where the two little blonde children she hopes to have may walk around barefooted as much as they please.

And Last But Not Least

On a final note, we'd like to add that interviewing Cyn was worth the trouble of the bloodhound and sleeping bag. After all, you don't meet a girl like her every day.

Spirit Of France Still Remains As Valiant Nation Rebuilds

French Teachers Marvel at Courage Shown By Spirited, War-Torn Folk

by Joyce Garskof

How many of us think of France as a country of gay cities, good food, and nothing else? This impression is entirely wrong, as two members of the French department who travelled in France this summer can testify. Although no one can deny the existence of the Louvre and the Eiffel Tower, and other attractions, Madame Brodin and Miss Bruyere saw something more essential — the spirit of France.

France was not all sweetness and light this year, for sordid reminders of war were everywhere. The country was in ruins. Upon entering the port of Le Havre, all that could be seen were the black, sunken hulls of landing craft. The tanks were still rusting in the wheat fields and heaps of rubble were all that were left of once beautiful cities. Madame Brodin had the grim experience of driving through Saint Nazaire twice without finding it. There were no recognizable landmarks.

Both Madame Brodin and Miss Bruyere were touched by the unconquerable spirit of the French people. Although they drink coffee that does not come from a coffee bean, think of milk and butter as luxuries of a dim past, and do not remember having ever seen an orange, they do not complain.

The True French

Our impression of the French as suave men and husky voiced women is as distorted as their version of "Les Americains." To them America is a land of plenty where people throw their clothes in an electric washing machine, their dishes in an automatic dishwasher, go out and visit a movie or nightclub and return to find their housework miraculously completed. Most French women would give the world for a refrigerator although there is not enough electricity to run one nor enough food to warrant it.

A Strange Experience

Even in the midst of all this devastation, travelers are bound to find amusing situations. Our teachers were no exception.

"We were riding up a seven

Squads Publish Clean-up Rules

The Traffic Squad and House Committee members have organized their squads for a less traffic-jammed and more sanitary school.

Harriet Konstadt, the new captain of the Traffic Squad, is assisted by five lieutenants who supervise the eight traffic officers elected by each term. They have posted the regulations to be followed: at dismissal, all staircases are down except those at the ends of the halls; on the way to the seventh floor cafeteria, the north stairway is for up traffic; in the cafeteria itself a line must be formed in front of the counter; formation on the first floor elevator line stops at 8:20 A.M.

The newly elected House Committee Leader, Bunny Worman, requests that all refuse be thrown into the proper receptacles and that cafeteria trays and dishes be returned to the lunchroom tables. She adds that "just a little cooperation could make Hunter a lot cleaner."

thousand foot mountain," relates Madame Brodin, "in a Ford, on a narrow, tortuous road. In the middle of our ascent the car broke down. Thoroughly dismayed, we were about to give up hope when I spotted a sign. Garage!! Oh, these wonderful French. A garage just when we needed it most. I walked another 100 yards and there was another sign. Another few yards, still another one. Wonderful advertising, but no garage in sight. In this instance a garage was not a repair shop but merely a spot in the road wide enough for two cars to pass."

Miss Bruyere also suffered from a case of mistaken identity. She had been looking forward to seeing the village of Montpellier le Vieux for a long time. Inquiring about the direction, she was told that she'd enjoy hopping from rock to rock. A little puzzled, she continued her drive up a mountain that gradually became more deserted.

"Well," laughed Miss Bruyere,
"I came to a caretaker's hut and
met a old man who sold me
a ticket to see the village.
Imagine my surprise when I discovered that the township I had
expected to see was really a magnificent rock formation that resembled a city in ruins."

The New Country

It seems that no matter how well one knows a country there is always something new. The France that our faculty members saw was a new France, far different from what they had seen before. Her cities with their bright lights seemed dim under the shadow of what had happened. Her rich fields of ripening grain were incongruous with the rows of white crosses so near them.

Our two travellers came home, but something of their hearts remained in France with the people who could laugh in the face of disaster and begin the arduous task of rebuilding their country serenely and without complaint.

From Columbia . . .

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I just looked at her, chuckling until a maniacal gleam crept into my eye, then crept right out again onto the floor where I stamped my foot on it and killed it.

She talked on, displaying her lack of knowledge of the sport, as the game wore on and I wore out.

For a few moments she was silent. Then turning to me with an expression of bewilderment spanning her face, she said, "One thing that's been puzzling me all game long. I know that the fellow who's been throwing the ball is the pitcher, but which one is the first baseman?"

I stared at her, quivered for a short while, and promptly dissolved into a lump of atoms emitting alpha rays, beta rays, x-rays, cosmic rays, and Ray Millands.

Two Bits

Marilyn Johnson wishes to inform the person who acquired her Schaeffer pen in the gym that it writes only when filled with onion * * *

LET IT BE KNOWN:

The seventh term officers feel it their duty to warn all lower termers that on or about February 1, 1948, the members of the class of June 1949 will become . . .

Because of extenuating circumstances, they no longer wish to be held responsible for the actions, criminal or otherwise, of the class.

To M.P.

Ruskehoy!

To E.B.

You too!

E.B.

The Dramatic Club wishes to congratulate the girls who passed the second tryouts. We know you'll enjoy the Club, but we hope you don't become as mad as we.

Dear B.L.S.

Arma virumque cano.

A.D.

Dear Junior Highs, Don't feel too low Don't feel too sad Six years at Hunter Won't be so bad.

Good luck this term and in the eleven more that follow.

Debby, Lee, Judy, Pauline and Marlene.

Look at the footprints on the ceiling.

Duh!-Patti

SC and JF

Why is C.S. knitting two pairs of argyle socks for shipment to Massachusetts?

The Literary Club has thoughtfully pulled its longhairs and plunged into its program for the term. The meetings are to include writing workshops, playgoing, and discussions.

Dateline: Journalism Club, room

Byline: the club members

Lead: Hunter's Journalism Club invites all students to join its ranks for fun and newspaper training besides.

And how many doodles do you weign

Just one mass of molecules

To M.A.:

You ought to be ashamed of yourself, sneaking around corners on 50th street like that.

Argus says to all of you:

Don't crib, Don't fib, Ad-lib.

Interested in world affairs? Rush to join the club that Can keep you up to date: The International Relations Club

Bequeathed to C.R. of the seventh term: an automatic adding machine.

FIND YOUR CLUB HERE

ORGANIZATION PRESIDENT		ROOM	MEETING DAY	FACULTY ADVISOR	
1)	A.A.	Pat Burke	205	Wednesday	Miss Binnie
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4)	BIBLE	Helen Bagdoin	318	Thursday	Miss Willies
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6)	DRAMATIC	Jane Schwartz	206	Monday	Miss Mac Intosh
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8)	GERMAN				Miss Muth
9)	GLEE	Doris Ismach	111	Wednesday	Miss Koenhke
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12)	JOURNALISM	Marcia Chapman	501	Thursday	Miss Bruton
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20)	SOCIAL SERVICE	Barbara Millstein	* 401	Wednesday	Mrs. Briere
21)	SPANISH	Mary Rauliss	402	Thursday	Miss Wahl

Forum Features Teen-Age Debate

The Hunter Forum, under the leadership of Sheila Weiss, Elaine Sherman, and Vivian Hill, has resumed its weekly discussion meetings.

The theme of the first session, held on Friday, September 24, was "Is This Teen-ager You?", a debate which dealt with the manner in which motion pictures and radio programs depict high school

Journalism Club Drafts Agenda

The Journalism Club's newly elected officers are Marcia Chapman, president; Arlene Copeland, vice-president; Louise Bender, secretary; and Suzanne Elstein, treasurer. In addition to publishing two issues of The Beacon, the club newspaper, the members hope to visit a newspaper plant, entertain several speakers, hold forums, and see a movie on jour-

Miss Jenny Hunter, the daughter of Dr. Thomas Hunter, founder of Hunter College, passed away on Friday, September 17, 1948, at her home on Central Park West. She had been ill for some time.

Miss Hunter, who, because of her interest in Hunter College High School, had established an award to be given at each commencement to the most outstanding student, was loved and respected by both faculty and students.

The school regrets deeply the passing of a friend.

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Thespians Plan Performances

The Dramatic Club has both new plans and new actresses for this "season". On November 10th, in the College Little Theatre, the club will present a one-act play, a fantasy entitled "Jazz and Minuet". The dramatic elective classwill join the program by producing the playlet "So Wonderful in White". The Radio Club plans to take part in the performance also.

The new members of the Dramatic Club are Joan Baker, Murial Gold, Lee Graves, Marilyn Kerles, Helen Kinslow, Diana Klein, Elga Kron, Renee Pickel, Rhoda Silver, Theo Steele, Jeraldine Wagner, Anita Watson, Elise Wechsler, and Penny Wiseltier. They were initiated at a party on September 30th, at which the initiates and old members entertained with skits and poems.

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