

REPORT  
of the  
PRESIDENT OF THE COLLEGE  
to the  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
of  
LINDENWOOD COLLEGE

June 24, 1966

It is a pleasure to make this report to the Board of Directors and Advisory Board of Lindenwood College.

COMMENCEMENT

Commencement exercises were held after final examinations for all students so that not a high percentage of students were on campus. Nevertheless, we had a good crowd both at the baccalaureate service and at commencement. The baccalaureate sermon was delivered by The Reverend W. Sherman Skinner, D.D., and the address to the graduates was delivered by the President of the College. Seven seniors have accepted graduate fellowships in various graduate schools, and two of them were married in the Lindenwood College Chapel the afternoon after commencement.

Honorary degrees of Doctor of Laws were conferred on Admiral Sidney W. Souers and on the President of the College, and the honorary degree of Doctor of Divinity on The Reverend T. Chalmers Henderson, father of one of the graduates, and Executive of the Synod of Arkansas of the Presbyterian Church in the United States. The President of the College is grateful both for the honorary degree and for the honor of being made President Emeritus.

The Lindenwood Fellowships for graduate study were won by Karen Ell, of St. Charles, and Linda Hoffmaster, of Copley, Ohio. An announcement was made

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that the Lindenwood Faculty Lecture will be given by Dr. James F. Hood, Professor in the Department of History and Government, on November 16, 1966.

### PUBLIC EVENTS AND PUBLIC RELATIONS

During the spring the college community has enjoyed a number of significant public events. The dedication of Parker Hall was held the afternoon of Alumnae Day, May 7. The address was delivered by Dr. Elizabeth Isaacs, who was a colleague of Dr. Parker at Lindenwood some years ago. She is now Chairman of the Department of English at Cornell College, in Iowa.

The dedication of the Howard I. Young Hall of Science was held on the campus in front of the building. A tribute to Mr. Young was delivered by Mr. Richmond Coburn, of St. Louis, and the address, "Science in Its Place," was delivered by John Anthony Brown, Jr., President-elect of Lindenwood College.

At each of the dedications John M. Black, President of the Board, received the building from the architect and delivered it to the Administration of the College.

We had an excellent crowd for the dedication of Young Hall and a record number of alumnae present for Alumnae Day. At the alumnae program in the morning Alumnae Certificates of Merit were awarded to Patsy Price Bailey and Frances L. Ware. The program, "Stairway to the Stars," was presented by six gifted alumnae in piano, voice, organ, and reading.

Perhaps it is worthy to note that Miss Wainright, as Director of the News Bureau, has succeeded in placing a considerable number of interesting stories in metropolitan papers in St. Louis and Kansas City.



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RELATIONS WITH THE CHURCH

Of 45 colleges related to the United Presbyterian Church, 32 operated this last year with a net surplus. We were 7th from the top in the size of the surplus. We were 21st from the top in the amount of over-all expenditures; 6th below the median in percentage of expenditures for administration and general expenses; 8th from the top in percentage devoted to faculty salaries. The percentage of educational and general income derived from student fees is 66.07%. The median point among the 45 colleges is at 76.84%. The percentage of educational and general income from endowment is 24.68% - 4th from the top of the list. The median is 6.94%. On salaries paid to professors we rank 16th on the mean, 14th on the median, 12th on the minimum, and 10th on the maximum.

The committee of the Synod has been making a study of the Presbyterian colleges in Missouri. This committee visited each of the colleges, and the chairman is making a somewhat detailed report to Synod the latter part of this month. A copy of the committee's report to Synod will be placed in your hands, but, in the meantime, I call attention to the following paragraphs taken from this report:

"The Board of Christian Education is finding no new money available for our colleges. There may even be a decrease in funds. A more selective distribution of their funds may become necessary. Whatever changes that are made by the Board will be done gradually so that adjustments can be made.

"Our Synod funds have increased over the last few years, but they are pitifully inadequate. When the \$50,000,000 fund has been completed, we need to make a strong effort to raise a scholarship fund that will continue from year to year. In the meantime every church is asked to use Christian College Sunday to receive an offering for scholarships for Presbyterian students in our Synod's colleges.

"Our General Assembly stands clearly in the conviction that Christian Colleges have an essential place to play in the witness of the church. In 1961 the General Assembly adopted a statement concerning the needs for and the character of our colleges. We would direct our colleges as well as the Synod to study this statement and all later actions of the Church concerning higher education as guides for our purpose and action."



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The Missouri College Union has also appointed a committee to make a study of the role of the church related, liberal arts college in the State. The President of Lindenwood is a member of this committee. We are studying the statement of our General Assembly on the subject of "The Church and Higher Education," and the Danforth Foundation study of our church colleges and universities. The Danforth study, which was directed by Dr. Manning M. Pattillo, Jr. and Dr. Donald Mackenzie, faces frankly the fact that church colleges are not all of one kind and need not be. They conclude, however:

"In our judgment the faculties of church colleges are in the most favorable position to provide intellectual leadership in the study of the issues facing the church and the hammering out of proposals for action. The church college lives in both the 'church world' and the 'outside world.' Its faculty, in the aggregate, has the breadth of knowledge required to see the church in perspective. On the faculties of church colleges are historians, philosophers, theologians, psychologists, sociologists, literary critics, political scientists, economists - scholars whose business it is to be sensitive to ideas and to understand the meaning of the world around us. They are in touch with secular thought, but at their best they care about the church and its future. We urge that church college faculties view themselves as scholarly task forces for assessing the status of the Christian Church in the changed and changing world."

There is much in this comment that is significant. It seems to us that the primary concern of the church related college must be teaching. Surely, the colleges will seek to be of service to the church rather than seeking contact with the church only for the purpose of securing funds, but much of this service must be given by individual members of staffs rather than by the institution, or we shall have to reduce teaching loads very substantially.

Our church colleges must be provided with adequate facilities and must measure up to the highest standards of the secular institutions, but they must be unique in commitment to the Christian faith without sectarianism and in unmistakable support of moral standards and values.

Attached is copy of my report to Synod.

FINANCIAL SUPPORT

Perhaps it is significant to review the source of operating gifts and the trend in the last ten years. The tabulation follows:

From the Board of Christian Education

1955-56	\$17,257.05
1956-57	15,671.00
1957-58	18,532.00
1958-59	19,084.00
1959-60	32,953.00
1960-61	24,818.00
1961-62	30,022.00
1962-63	27,200.00
1963-64	28,408.00
1964-65	28,384.00

From the Synod of Missouri

1955-56	\$ 7,085.45
1956-57	7,057.01
1957-58	7,455.00
1958-59	9,809.52
1959-60	11,261.00
1960-61	12,196.18
1961-62	12,612.06
1962-63	11,046.07
1963-64	11,259.34
1964-65	10,542.38

From Missouri College Joint Fund Committee, Inc.

1956	\$ 5,861.86
1957	9,071.39
1958	10,120.42
1959	12,217.34
1960	13,120.40
1961	15,688.92
1962	18,222.07
1963	19,222.43
1964	20,001.98
1965	22,341.70



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From St. Charles Community Support

1963	\$11,050.00
1964	13,915.00
1965	14,520.97

It appears likely that we shall receive less support annually from the national Board of Christian Education after next year although grants may be available for special projects in our colleges. It is likely that we will receive some increased support from the Synod, and a continuing increase in support from corporations in the State through gifts to the Missouri College Joint Fund Committee.

Prior to the launching of our campaign for the science hall, gifts from individuals to the college had risen from a total of \$1,180 in 1951 to a total of \$11,337 in 1961.

In our campaign for funds for the Howard I. Young Hall of Science, 116 corporations, foundations and charitable trusts gave \$254,870. 238 individuals gave \$258,002. Total pledges received prior to June 1, 1966 were \$512,872. Included in these figures are the pledges and gifts of members of the Board, totaling \$187,308, and memorial tributes to Mr. Howard I. Young totaling \$21,105.

Alumnae gifts this year reached a new high of \$21,293.

Gifts from the Fathers' Club total \$41,805, most of which is earmarked for a student recreation center. The Fathers' Club also presented the college with a portrait of the President of the College, accepted by the President of the Board at the reception for seniors and their parents after the baccalaureate service on June 3. Some members of the Fathers' Club are eager to raise money to provide new stables for instruction in horseback riding.

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### PROSPECTIVE ENROLLMENT FOR FALL

Current enrollment figures in colleges and universities across the nation are considerably under the figures for the corresponding date last spring, but enrollments at Lindenwood are running slightly ahead of last year. 763 students were enrolled at Lindenwood on June 14 last year. The number this year is 790.

### VISITING ASIAN PROFESSORS

The cooperative experiment with several colleges and universities in bringing visiting faculty members from Asia to provide instruction in Oriental history and culture has been markedly successful and popular with students. Lindenwood will continue in participation in this program next year. The visiting scholars, each of whom will be with us for one-half a semester, are:

Ahmed Ali, Pakistan  
Jothiya Dhirasekera, Ceylon  
Mrs. Elizabeth T. C. Chang, China  
Tokihiko Shinoda, Japan

### BUDGET

The proposed budget for 1966-67 has been submitted to the Finance Committee of the Board of Directors. After discussing the "make-up" of a number of budget items, Mr. Black moved that tentative approval of the proposed budget be given subject to the conditions stated below and that the proposed budget be submitted to the Board of Directors at its next meeting subject to the same conditions.

1. That a study be made of the basic budgetary and accounting principles and practices with some consideration being given to the possible adoption of a policy which would include the setting up of a depreciation account on the physical properties of the college or a contingency fund for this purpose.
2. That the Finance Committee meet with President=Elect Brown for a review of the proposed budget in order that any recommendations that he might have, could be considered.



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HIGHER EDUCATION COORDINATING COUNCIL OF METROPOLITAN ST. LOUIS

The Higher Education Coordinating Council of Metropolitan St. Louis initiated the successful effort to secure the establishment of one of the Federally supported educational laboratories in the St. Louis area. During the coming academic year, the Council will seek to accomplish the following goals for colleges and universities through discrete, inter-organizational team projects in education throughout the region:

1. The HECC will help all institutions of higher education in the region initiate as many projects for cooperation in the academic enterprise as time and resources will permit. This effort is of utmost concern to the Council. Inter-institutional team projects will include arrangements for joint use of staff, facilities, tools, and other resources; joint curriculum planning and implementation; clarification of the different operational roles of our several institutions; joint publicity projects to inform the nation about higher educational opportunities in the St. Louis region; and other similar activities.
2. The HECC will help to establish a State Scholarship Plan in Missouri.
3. The HECC will endeavor to secure funding and help to implement a Study of the Academic Information System in Metropolitan St. Louis.
4. The HECC will complete the first Union List of Library Serials and arrange for this project's assignment to an appropriate group for continuing revision and republication.
5. The HECC will help academic library leaders in the region avail themselves of Federal funds for cooperative library projects and for enhancement of medical library resources.
6. The HECC will study and define the problem of lower division undergraduate student credit lost in transfer from one institution in one region to another. The Council, with the help of its Advisory Council on Liberal Arts and General Education Problems, will seek solutions to this problem and will help to implement as many solutions as time and resources permit.



RECOMMENDATIONS TO SYNOD

Synod's Committee on the United Presbyterian Colleges, which is to meet June 27-29 in Fulton, is recommending the re-election of the following members of our Board of Directors to the Class of 1973:

R. Wesley Mellow  
The Reverend W. Davidson McDowell  
The Rt. Reverend George L. Cadigan  
Sidney Studt

It is also being recommended that John M. Wolff, Jr. be elected to this class of the Board of Directors, and that Russell L. Dearmont be made Director Emeritus. At the request of the Board, the Alumnae Council has nominated Mrs. K. K. Barton, of Kansas City, for membership on the Advisory Board, and her election to this board is being recommended by Synod's committee.

RECOMMENDATIONS

It is recommended that Sabbatical leaves for 1967-68 be granted to Dr. Marion Dawson Rechtern and to Harry Hendren, and that the leave previously granted to Harry Hendren for 1966-67 be given to Dr. Agnes Sibley. (This change was suggested by Mr. Hendren, who wished to be here to plan for an art building, and Dr. Sibley had prior claim for a leave but had not applied for it because of the illness of her mother.)

It is recommended that the Administration be authorized to seek a grant and a loan for the proposed addition to the library building, subject to the Buildings and Grounds Committee's approval of the plans and specifications prepared by Mr. Wischmeyer, and subject to the Finance Committee's action in arranging for 25% of the total cost from non-Federal funds, and subject to a total project development cost not to exceed \$750,000.

It is recommended that the major in Christian education be discontinued since the Presbyterian church now requires graduate work for Directors of Religious

Education and no longer certifies Assistant Directors with a B.A. degree. (A strong major is given in Philosophy, and in Philosophy and Religion. There are other areas in the college curriculum, such as home economics and German, in which a small number of majors may justify consideration of the dropping of a major while continuing certain courses within the area.)

The following appointments to the faculty have been submitted to the Faculty and Curriculum Committee for their review and approval:

Bruce M. Buck, as Assistant Professor in the Department of Art, at an annual salary of \$7,000.

Donald R. Friary, as Assistant Professor in the Department of History and Government, at an annual salary of \$7,500.

Karen Johnson, as a Visiting Lecturer in Dramatics for eight weeks the first semester, at a salary of \$2,500.

Robert W. Murdock, as Associate Professor and Chairman of the Department of Mathematics, at an annual salary of \$11,500. If he receives his doctorate degree before September, he is to be promoted to Professor and his salary increased to \$12,000.

Joseph C. Robbins, as Assistant Professor in the Department of Music, at an annual salary of \$7,500.

Molly Jane Schwab, as an Instructor in the Department of English, at an annual salary of \$7,000.

Marian Stoerker, as an Instructor in the Department of Physical Education, at an annual salary of \$6,500.

Mrs. Rosemary H. Thomas, as an Instructor in Modern Languages, at an annual salary of \$6,000.

Mrs. Carolyn Vokoun, as an Instructor in Biological Science, at an annual salary of \$6,300.



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REPORT TO SYMPO  
FROM

The date for the inauguration of President-Elect John Anthony Brown, Jr. has been set for Thursday, October 20, 1966, subject to Board approval. We should like to announce this date during the summer, with announcement to be followed by formal invitation early this fall.

Respectfully submitted,

F. L. McCluer  
President

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