

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

November 17, 1964

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

OPENING OF COLLEGE

The enrollment of 694 students and 24 special students provides the college with a substantial increase in enrollment over last year, and the largest enrollment in the history of the institution. These students are drawn from 39 states and 9 foreign countries. There are 349 students in the freshman class.

A substantial increase in enrollment had been anticipated and the Board had authorized the administration to look for housing in the immediate vicinity of the college that might take care of the overflow. We were unable to find such rental properties in satisfactory locations, but we did make provision for some additional students by allowing some of our upperclass students to live in the home management house. This house had been used as a recreation center for students last year since there were no students enrolled in home management. This year the course will be offered the second semester. We should have space for the students in our dormitories second semester.

In making the budget for this year we had estimated that our total income from students would be \$1,280,200. As of October 15, the income due from students who have enrolled was \$1,355,366, giving an increase in income from this source of \$75,166.

It should be pointed out, however, that the income from endowment will be somewhat less than was estimated since we shall have to borrow from our capital surplus in order to meet our obligation to the contractor for the erection of the science teaching center. It is also clear that the substantial increase in enrollment involves us in increased expenditures for housing, dining room, and in the Physical Education Department and the English Department for additional part-time teachers.

The increased income, however, together with the budgeted estimate of \$74,766 surplus on operations gives us assurance that we shall operate for the year within our income.

In connection with our expectation of financial support, it should be noted that while the support from the Board of Christian Education of the United Presbyterian Church has been constant the last few years, after an increase several years ago, the rate of increased giving to the General Mission Causes to the church has been dropping sharply. From 1953 to 1956 it went up sharply. Some years ago we looked forward to a time when we might have more substantial support from the Board of Christian Education, but with what appears to be a 2% increase in overall giving to the church in 1963 over 1962, and with the expectation that this increase will be no more than 1%, we cannot expect any increase in our support from this source. This "decrease in the increase" has followed a decrease in the number of new members coming into our church. In 1954 there were 50,000 additions to the Presbyterian Church across the country, and in 1963 14,000.

Nevertheless, the General Assembly has been making plans for a capital funds campaign. The colleges are not included in this drive for any substantial grants. The 46 colleges are included for \$5,200,000 on the basis of building

needs, estimated at \$110,000,000. Gifts to this capital funds drive may be designated for a specific purpose or for a particular college, and perhaps we should make that clear to friends of the college in churches where the campaign is being carried on. Lists will be published in the campaign literature indicating the total dollar amount needed for additional buildings and the maximum gift that may be designated for this purpose through the national capital funds campaign.

FALL EVENTS

Outstanding events on the campus this fall have been the program for the parents on Parents' Day, a conference for secondary school counselors, and a Latin American Symposium.

Something over 500 fathers and mothers attended our Parents' Day program. Some were here for the whole program and some left before evening. Opportunity was given them to see the facilities of the college and to meet with the teachers of their daughters. Luncheon for the women was served in the dining room, and luncheon for the men was served in Fellowship Hall. Supper was served buffet style using the gymnasium and the dining room. It was an exceedingly satisfactory day for the college and for our guests. The Fathers' Club, which was organized last year, elected an Executive Council and at a meeting of those present decided to solicit the membership for gifts for a student union building. They hope to raise \$200,000 among their own membership for this purpose, and some of them have made gifts also to the science teaching center. Dr. Max Goldenberg, of Belleville, Illinois, was elected President of the Fathers' Club.

About 100 counselors attended the Conference for Secondary School Counselors for two and one-half days on the campus. The counselors came from some of the

best high schools in various part of the country with a concentration in the New York area and the Middle West. The visiting speakers were Mrs. Jean Reiss and Mrs. Alice J. Irby, of the Educational Testing Service, Princeton, New Jersey, Dr. Edwin Fenton, of the Carnegie Institute of Technology, Mr. Ben F. Cameron, Jr., of the College Entrance Examination Board, and The Reverend L. F. Cervantes, S.J., Director of the Family Research Center at St. Louis University. Members of the Lindenwood faculty also spoke at one session. Arrangements for the conference were made by our Admissions Department and the whole thing moved along very smoothly. We have received high praise of it from our guests, and I am sure it was good for them and good for the college.

The symposium on Latin American affairs was concentrated in two days and classes were dismissed after 11:00 on Thursday. The featured speakers were Professor Hubert Herring, formerly of the faculty of Pomona College and Claremont Graduate School, Ambassador Gonzalo Facio, of Costa Rica, Virginia Prewett, of New York, a syndicated columnist on Latin America, Ambassador Sergio Gutierrez, of Chile, Mr. Hewson Ryan, of the United States Information Agency, and Mr. William D. Rogers, Jr., Deputy Coordinator of the Alliance for Progress. This was a stimulating program for the entire college community.

A special conference of deans of students, admissions officers, and presidents of the colleges of the Presbyterian College Union was held in St. Louis last month. The conference dealt with problems of student life and attitudes. Since we were so close, a number of our head residents were in attendance, as well as administrative officers.

CURRICULUM

It will be recalled that last spring a special committee of the faculty was appointed to work with the Dean and the President during the summer months and early fall to make recommendations to the faculty growing out of our study of the curriculum and our decision last year to consider the adoption of the 3 - 3 calendar.

The report of this committee was made to the faculty on September 11 and 12 and adopted. The report included a recommendation for the general education requirements for all candidates for the Bachelor of Arts degree. The new calendar is to be adopted for the fall of 1966.

During this winter the various departments of instruction will schedule their courses on the 3 - 3 program so that the new program may be announced in the forthcoming catalog.

The report follows on the next five pages.

Total courses in General Education Requirements in Humanities Division 10

II. Science and Mathematics

- 1. One term course in Mathematics
- 2. Three term course sequence in Natural Science, including both biological and physical science

Total courses in General Education Requirements in Science and Mathematics Division 4

Specific courses available to meet these requirements to be determined after consultation with departments.