

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

May 13, 1958

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

STUDENT ACHIEVEMENT

The year has been a satisfying and rewarding one from the standpoint of the achievement of individual students and from the standpoint of the achievement of many groups within the student body. The LINDEN BARK, for example, won the All-American rating (top rating) by the Associated Collegiate Press. The GRIFFIN, a literary publication including poems, short stories, and essays written by students majoring in English literature, is a very attractive volume.

Again one of our students was a winner in the Young Artists' Contest which is sponsored by the Women's Division of the St. Louis Symphony Society. She is Sally Miller, who won in voice and appeared in concert in St. Louis in April with other winners. Judith Kiger, a sophomore pianist, ranked among the top three in a professional contest for a cash prize. The contest was sponsored by the National Federation of Music Clubs.

A sophomore from Kansas City, Helen Rice, has received a scholarship provided by the Presbyterian Board of Foreign Missions for one year of foreign study at Geneva, Switzerland, and Jean Taylor, a sophomore from Detroit, will be an exchange student.

Perhaps more significant than these are the very fine fellowships won by members of the senior class who are going on for graduate study. Ellen Devlin has won a Woodrow Wilson fellowship, providing tuition and living costs for graduate study in the field of English literature. Ann Stewart has won a graduate assistantship, which provides tuition and living costs, in the field of biochemistry at the University of Illinois. Heather Armour has won a tuition scholarship to Washington University Law School. Elaine Lunt has received a scholarship to study humanities in a German university from the Federation of German-American clubs. Marilyn deBeer has received a scholarship for summer graduate study in dramatics from Northwestern Academy, where she will teach next year. She will study at the University of Minnesota.

ENROLLMENT

We have enrolled 535 students for the coming year. Allowing for the maximum number of cancellations that we have had in the last ten years, this would give us 433 resident students. We think that we shall do better than this and have our dormitories filled.

We have a constant problem with multiple enrollments. Many may have observed in one of the recent Sunday magazine sections of the ST. LOUIS GLOBE-DEMOCRAT an article that called attention to the fact that the anticipation of substantial increase in enrollments by 1970 had somehow led students to believe that colleges were overcrowded in 1957-58. Many, therefore, apply at various institutions and some fail to inform us of the fact that we are second or third choice. Harvard, for instance, enrolled 1800 freshmen last year in order to open with 1100. 150 accredited colleges in the middle-west could have accommodated 10,000 more students this last fall. Of the 1890 colleges and universities in America only 40 last year were overcrowded and had to turn down students because of lack of space.

A sharp upturn in the number of high school graduates will begin in 1960. A substantial increase in enrollments prior to that date will be the result of an attractive program of a particular institution or the result of the increase in the percentage of high school graduates who go on to college.

In the 23 states included in the middle-west area and the south there are 15 four year colleges for women, 10 of which are privately supported. Of the privately supported colleges Mary Hardin - Baylor, in Texas, Agnes Scott, in Georgia, and Lindenwood are the only 3 having more than 450 students.

Competition for students is intensified as we seek to raise the admission requirements and academic standards.

USE OF CHAPEL

We have been much encouraged by the frequent use of the chapel and educational facilities within this building on the part of various student groups. Our regular chapel and vesper services are, of course, held in the sanctuary, and not a week passes but what some student organization uses Fellowship Hall or other facilities in this building.

CHRISTIAN COLLEGE SUNDAY

This year 40 students took part in the worship services in the Presbyterian churches in the St. Louis area on National Christian College Sunday, April 20. Students participated in these services by making short talks on the Christian college, singing solos, leading in prayer, or reading the Scripture. We have received many compliments on the contributions which students made in the churches on this Sunday.

PARENTS' WEEK-END

The May Day and Parents' Day programs brought to the campus 360 persons from the families of our students. While the rain forced us to have the May Day program inside, all programs were carried out and the purposes of the week-end programs were, we believe, accomplished effectively. Identical worship services at 9:30 and 11:00 on Sunday morning, and two seatings for dinner in the dining room were necessary.

FACULTY RECOGNITION DINNER

The dinner held in recognition of five members of the teaching staff, each of whom has served the college for 30 years or more, was appreciated by the honored members of the faculty and their colleagues. The citations were handed to them by the President of the Board of Directors of the College, and the presence of Board members added greatly to the significance of the occasion.

Members of the teaching staff honored were:

Mary E. Lear, 42 years as a member of the Department of Chemistry,

Gertrude Isidor, 33 years as a member of the Department of Music,

Mary Terhune, 32 years as a member of the Department of Modern Languages,

Elizabeth Dawson, 31 years as a member of the Department of English,

Alice Parker, 30 years as a member of the Department of English.

MISSOURI COLLEGE JOINT FUND COMMITTEE, INC.

In spite of the recession, there has been an increase in the number of and in the size of gifts to the privately supported colleges through the Missouri College Joint Fund Committee, Inc. We have been encouraged by this response and are taking this appeal to corporations with headquarters in the smaller

communities of the state, as well as those in St. Louis, Kansas City, and St. Joseph.

The Missouri College Joint Fund Committee, Inc. received a gift from the Lilly Foundation for the purpose of holding conferences for trustees. These conferences were announced to members of the Boards of the several colleges. One conference was held in Kansas City where Dr. Frank H. Sparks was the principal speaker, and one was held in St. Louis where Mr. Milburn P. Akers, Editor of the CHICAGO SUN-TIMES, was the principal speaker. Lindenwood was represented at the Kansas City conference by Mrs. James A. Reed, and at St. Louis by Mr. Howard I. Young, Mrs. Arthur Stockstrom, Mrs. Horton Watkins, Dr. Sherman Skinner, and Dr. W. Davidson McDowell. Minutes of the two meetings will be sent you by Dr. Page, Executive Secretary of the Missouri College Joint Fund Committee, Inc.

WOMANPOWER STUDY

The National Manpower Council has issued a significant volume on the subject of "Womanpower". The study describes the changing role in paid employment in the lives of American women. The number of working women has increased from approximately 5,000,000 in 1900 to 22,000,000 today. More than one-half of the 22,000,000 employed women are married, and nearly 30% of all married women in the country hold jobs.

The Manpower Council's study throws consider light on the extent to which employed women are an essential part of our national economy and on the unique role which is theirs in providing health, educational, and other vital services.

We believe it will have implications both in the immediate future and in the long range planning of colleges for women. We have attempted to take these implications into account in our counseling program. We have also arranged for an assembly program for freshmen during Orientation Week in which Miss

Lichliter will discuss career possibilities, fields open to women in which there are shortages, and the importance of general liberal arts education in relation to career opportunities. We also plan to emphasize these implications in Miss Lichliter's letter to new students and to parents. We hope we may add to the Parents' Day program a convocation for parents in which we would discuss opportunities for their daughters. Departments of the college are encouraged to carry on meetings on a voluntary basis to discuss career opportunities in their fields.

The long range implication of this study of womanpower and of the American Council of Women's Colleges justify a very careful study of our own curriculum and program in the light of changing expectations of women and changing needs in our world. Several colleges for women have become co-educational, and others are considering this as the way to be of the best service to women in the modern world. I am inclined to think this movement grows out of a desire to attract students rather than a considered decision that separate education for women will not meet their needs so adequately as co-education. Co-education is more popular with high school graduates.

It might be that a foundation grant to study the needs and problems in the education of women could be secured. Whether the study be made on this basis or not, we at Lindenwood must face some general questions about higher education in the next ten years, and some specific questions about the relationship of our curriculum to the needs of young women.

For example, will the program of liberal education change in any major ways? It now consists pretty largely of two years of introductory courses in various fields, and two years of specialized study. The demand for vocational preparation seems to support this program, but it is possible, and I think likely, that liberal education may become a four year course without specialization.

The pressure for understanding cultures of other areas and languages other than our own in the modern world support the movement to continue a broad education for four years and to provide graduate education for specialization.

Other questions that we have to face in the next decade are: Can we continue to operate on a nine month calendar? Shall we continue to limit the size of classes to 25? What use can be made of television and other devices to aid the teacher? What use shall we make of retreats for college teachers during summer months and sabbaticals? To what extent will teacher education become graduate in character? What specific building and financial needs do we see for our own program in the next 10 or 15 years, and for the next 50? For our church there is the question, "Shall we maintain our colleges as a part of our missionary effort, or shall we endorse and support from our national benevolences institutions of high quality only?"

LINDENWOOD COLLEGE AND ST. CHARLES PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH CORPORATION

Attached is a copy of the Treasurer's report of the Lindenwood College and St. Charles Presbyterian Church Corporation.

REGOMENDATIONS

The Finance Committee joins in recommending that the attached consolidated budget for 1958-59 be approved.

It is recommended that subject to the satisfactory completion of required work the indicated degree be awarded to the following students:

Bachelor of Arts

Heather Armour
Gul Atal
Nancy Kay Bowser
Yolanda Lou Breeden
Martha Joann Burgin
Maria Cherner
Alyce Faye Chevalier
Sally Wood Cox

Bachelor of Arts (Continued)

Marilyn Joyce deBear
Dorothea Ellen Devlin
Nedra Louise Durham
Carol Geneva Gardner
Mary Lucille Goodnick
Roxie Clara Greene
Donald Lee Grimas
James Wayne Hodges
Nori Kotta
Janet Marcia Jones
Cleo Joan LeClaire
Barbara Eugenia Lee
Margaret Elizabeth Miller
Shirley May Noland
Sarah Nan Nordyke
Frances Sue Potter
Carol Roberta Punt
Grete Lucinda Rehg
Nancy Maria Roberts
Matta Steve Roussalis
Julia Spickelmier Schildmeyer
Lois Ann Stewart
Sandra Alice Taylor
Edwin Dutton Van Woert
Jane Havenhill Winter
Carolyn Joy Wood

Bachelor of Science

Joan Margaret Broeckelmann
Mary Anne Carr
Ann Clevenger
Mildred Elizabeth Devlin
Mariva Sara Dorman
Sydney Anna Finks
Olive Constance Gibson
Nancy Sue Hulse
Janet Sue Johnson
Sondra Rose Jupin
Doris Edna Langeneckert
Phyllis Henderson Layton
Wanda Bullard Lesley
Frances Elizabeth McClintock
Suzanne Hiltenbrandt Penzler
June Eloise Schmidt
Dorothy Louise Shippey

Bachelor of Music

Barbara Josephine Koeller

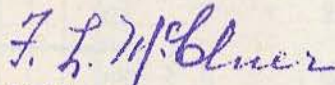
Bachelor of Music Education

Mary Ann Gatchell
Lois Elaine Lunt

Diplomas

Mary Ann Gatchell - Piano
Karen McKee Glaser - Piano
Judith Ann Kiger - Piano
Barbara Josephine Koeller - Organ

Respectfully submitted,



F. L. McCluer
President