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LINDENWOOD COLLEGE

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT  
to the  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

OCTOBER 17, 1930

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LINDENWOOD COLLEGE

GENTLEMEN:

ENROLLMENT. The opening of schools this Fall disclosed the fact that there is a relation between "hard times" and school enrollment. Questionnaires from other schools indicate that many want to see the proportion of loss that we sustained to their own. The old adage - "Misery loves company" - is well exemplified by the inquiries made of us.

The Fall enrollment shows a decrease in attendance of over 11 %. The greatest loss is in the Freshman Class. The Junior Class shows a gain. The Sophomore Class is nearly the same; while the Senior Class remains unchanged.

THE SCHOLASTIC STANDING of the students admitted was not lowered. 91.8 % of those enrolled for the first time were in the first two-thirds of the classes of the schools from whence they came; 60.1 in the first third; 31.7 % in the second third.

There were two temptations before the Registrar. One was her's to lower the standard of grades to increase the enrollment; the other, the urgent desire of applicants of insufficient preparation to take advantage of the "times" and intense competition of colleges and universities, to be enrolled. The type of student I think is much better than usual. Most of

them realize the sacrifices made for them and are intent on making good in their work.

THE ENROLLMENT BY DEPARTMENTS shows that many of the "Extras" are omitted. Art, Oratory, and Music departments are lowered in their enrollments.

Many patrons had to be accommodated in the method of Payment of tuition and board, and some who have heretofore been sufficiently able to meet all financial requirements were compelled to ask for scholarships.

It is the opinion of the Dean and Faculty that we have one of the most satisfactory schools in recent years. This, however, will not cover the financial needs of the year. We hope that by strict economy we will appear better in the final financial review than we do at present.

#### DEPARTMENTS

Arts & Science and Education .....	250
Music .....	40
Home Economics .....	38
Secretarial .....	32
Physical Education .....	27
Art .....	7
Public Speaking .....	9
Unclassified .....	<u>7</u>
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#### THE ENROLLMENT BY CLASSES:

Seniors .....	27
Juniors .....	42
Sophomores .....	120
Freshmen .....	<u>221</u>
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THE ENROLLMENT BY STATES

Arizona .....	2
Arkansas .....	23
California .....	1
--- Canada .....	1
Colorado .....	3
Illinois .....	52
Indiana .....	8
Iowa .....	24
Kansas .....	46
Louisiana .....	3
Maine .....	1
Maryland .....	1
--- Mexico .....	1
Michigan .....	1
Minnesota .....	2
Mississippi .....	1
Missouri .....	125
Montana .....	1
Nebraska .....	33
New Mexico .....	6
New York .....	2
North Dakota .....	2
Ohio .....	4
Oklahoma .....	32
Oregon .....	1
Pennsylvania .....	3
Texas .....	17
Utah .....	1
Virginia .....	2
Washington .....	1
West Virginia .....	3
Wisconsin .....	3
Wyoming .....	<u>4</u>

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31 States  
 Canada  
 Mexico

THE ENROLLMENT BY CHURCH AFFILIATION

Presbyterian .....	129
Methodist .....	99
Episcopal .....	46
Christian .....	29
Baptist .....	29
Congregational .....	20
Lutheran .....	14
Evangelical .....	12
Catholic .....	10
Christian Science .....	8
Jewish .....	8
Universalist .....	2
Divine Science .....	1
Not indicated .....	<u>5</u>

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The Summer improvements were carried out as planned and approved, but as often occurs in the time of economical need, some necessary additional expenses were incurred. The drouth caused additional campus outlay; the road to the Library showed such strains of wear and tear from use during the building of the Library that a new seal coat was imperative; the drain from the swimming pool to the creek had to be changed, as the property owner over whose land we partially traversed refused longer to give such permission.

The Building and Grounds committee will make a more detailed report.

THE MUSIC DEPARTMENT is pressing for better accommodations. They ask that a Music Studio be provided.

The Presser Foundation informs us that they are in no position to say when we can be considered for an appropriation. Going into Northwestern University with a \$1,250,000 proposition may delay reaching others on the list. The Foundation will insist on a hall being the main feature of the building they would erect for us, while our Music department insists that a Music Studio costing about \$50,000 will give them the needed prestige to advance their department. The building is badly needed. Efforts have been made to interest someone in the building of such an edifice as desired, but to no avail.

RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. That the resignation of Dr. George P. Baity of Kansas City as a member of the Board be accepted with an expression of our appreciation of his many years of service and his assurance of his continued personal interest in the College.

2. That the unanimous recommendation of the committee on selection of members for vacancies on the Board be approved. The names to be presented are - Dr. Arnold H. Lowe of St. Louis to succeed Dr. Leonard V. Buschman, Class of 1931; and Mr. Charles Tweedie of Jefferson City to succeed Dr. Baity, Class of 1933.

3. That the end of the fiscal year as recommended by the Finance Committee be June 15 instead of June 30 each year, and that the Spring meeting of the Board be held the third Monday of May instead of June.