

L I N D E N W O O D C O L L E G E

REPORT OF THE PRESIDENT
to the
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

NOVEMBER 4, 1929

TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF LINDENWOOD COLLEGE

GENTLEMEN:

THE STUDENT BODY. The Fall term of the College opened with a student enrollment of 454, distributed as follows:

Geographically

Arkansas	28
California	2
Canada	1
Colorado	3
Illinois	68
Indiana	8
Iowa	15
Kansas	63
Kentucky	2
Louisiana	6
Maine	1
Maryland	1
Minnesota	3
Missouri	132
Nebraska	27
New Mexico	6
North Dakota	1
Ohio	6
Oklahoma	51
Pennsylvania	3
Tennessee	1
Texas	10
Washington	1
West Virginia	1
Wisconsin	8
Wyoming	6

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25 States and Canada

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Denominationally

Presbyterian	146
Methodist	112
Episcopal	38
Baptist	32
Christian	30
Congregational	26
Catholic	15
Lutheran	13
Jewish	12
Christian Science	10
Evangelical	9
Unitarian	2
Universalist	1
Divine Science	1
Advent Christian	1
Not indicated	6

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Classes

Seniors	27
Juniors	33
Sophomores	124
Freshmen	270

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We were not able to observe the suggestion of the Board at the June meeting to keep down the enrollment of the Freshman Class. You will observe that the Freshman Class is larger than usual. Many applications had to be turned down for the lack of room. The disparity between the Freshman-Sophomore and Junior-Senior years is intensified by the present condition. In admitting students to the Freshman Class a strict rule was made, regarding requirements, and no one was accepted who did not fill in detail the maximum requirements for admission. The Registrar reports that of those received approximately 71% came from the upper tier of the first third of the classes of the schools from whence they came; 22% from the lower half of the first third, and the first half of the second third; and the remaining 7% scattering. This we consider one of the best enrollments we have ever had as regards scholastic standing. We doubt if there is any school that will excel this most excellent record.

STUDENT ACTIVITIES . That you may be familiar with the many activities in the school, am submitting a summarized statement of the Student Activities Committee;

Organizations

Total number of organizations	36
Student Council	1
Young Women's Christian Association	1
College Classes	4
Annual Board	1
Linden Bark Staff	1
State and Sectional Clubs	12
Local Departmental Clubs	4
Latin	
Spanish	
Commercial	
Art	
League of Women Voters	1
National Honorary Departmental Sororities	9
Beta Pi Theta (French)	
Sigma Tau Delta (English)	
Kappa Pi (Art)	
Home Economics	
Pi Gamma Mu (Social Sciences)	
Alpha Psi Omega (Dramatic)	
Delta Phi Delta (Public School Music)	
International Relations (History)	
Athletic Association (Physical Education)	
College Honorary Sororities	2
Alpha Sigma Tau (Liberal Arts)	
Alpha Mu Mu (Music)	
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Activities

These various organizations sponsor the following activities:

Formal Dinner Parties	9
Informal Parties.....	3
Plays	7
Teas, Banquets	6
Departmental Club Meetings (each club has five meetings a year)	
Offerings	2
(\$100.00 is given to Markham Memorial Ch. and the remainder in gifts to the patients at the St. Charles County Asylum and Emmaus Asylum).	

FELLOWSHIP. The Fellowship awarded to Miss Elizabeth Tracy, after having finished four years of undergraduate work with the highest scholastic standing, was accepted and Miss Tracy is now at the Sorbonne in Paris, to continue advanced work in the French language, which was her major in graduation.

THE FACULTY. All members of the Faculty who were reported for the coming year returned to us except one, - Miss Marian L. Steeve, who late in August was offered a very good position in New York in dramatic art. We were able before the opening of school to secure a very excellent successor, Miss Mary Lucile Cracraft, who is a graduate of the University of Missouri and of the Northwestern University School of Speech.

In our Faculty, as reported to the North Central Association, there are ten having the Ph. D. degree or it's equivalent, seventeen with M. A. degree, and sixteen with B. A. degree.

SUMMER IMPROVEMENTS. The improvements ordered by the Board at it's last meeting have been completed according to instructions, and a supplementary report will be made by the Building and Grounds Committee.

Also, would report the improvements that have been ordered since the last meeting of the Board, and now under way. It was thought advisable by the Buildings and Grounds Committee that an Iron Fireman should be installed in the Boiler House. This necessitated other improvements and our electric light and power facilities had to be changed, three-phased motors taking the place of one-phase motors, and the placing of all wires remaining on poles - underground, and the building of a new apartment for the electric transformers, to avoid accidents that might occur, on account of being in the open.

NEW LIBRARY. The library building is still in course of erection. We are hoping it will be ready for occupancy the early part of the new year. Your inspection of the building will reveal to you one of the finest library buildings of a school of this size that can be found anywhere in the United States. It will be amply large enough to care for our library, and we hope to use some of the rooms for other work of the school. We are thinking of devoting a room on the second floor, that is off by itself, to the Faculty as a sort of club room and place of study. One of the rooms down stairs we hope to use for a museum; and a larger room will probably be for the Y. W. C. A. and other club and sorority meetings. The building is a great addition to the campus.

The Y. W. C. A. has thus far been conducted with a great deal of interest on the part of the students. Every member of the school is eligible to the Association and pays \$1.00 assessment for it's maintenance.

The Vesper Service on Sunday evening is being maintained and we are being favored with the services of some of the local pastors and also some from St. Louis.

The Thursday Assembly is not a religious meeting but most of the preachers who come give us an evangelical talk from one of their old sermons. They have been very helpful and inspiring.

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BOARD OF DIRECTORS. Dr. L. V. Buschman having removed to Buffalo, N. Y., automatically there is created a vacancy in the Board. In his place the President would suggest that Mr. Albert Wenzlick of St. Louis be invited to membership. ✓

Last Spring, Dr. George P. Baity of Kansas City requested the President to have his place on the Board filled by someone who could give more time to the work, as his time is taken largely by the Missouri Valley College at Marshall. The President is loathe to lose Dr. Baity from our Board. Should you desire to accept his voluntary retirement, one should be named to take his place.

LIMITING FRESHMAN CLASS. At the June meeting of the Board it was suggested by some members that we should limit the number of admissions to the Freshman Class in an effort to establish a more equable proportion between the enrollment of upper and lower classmen.

A reduction to 250 would mean a loss of over \$20,000 revenue.
A reduction to 225 would mean a loss of about \$30,000.

For our guidance the Secretary would like to know the definite wishes of the Board as to limitations desired.

Founders Day - Oct. 18 - Largely attended by Lindenwood Club of St. Louis. Feature of afternoon a Play Day in which games were provided for old & young.