

TENTH ANNUAL REPORT

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LINDENWOOD COLLEGE

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TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF LINDENWOOD COLLEGE:

Gentlemen:

This tenth annual report of the present administration of the College is necessarily brief, owing to the great pressure of duties requiring me to be absent from the office almost to the day of our annual meeting. I have the pleasure, however, of presenting to you a brief report of the best year in the last ten, - in the total of enrollment, in financial condition of the operating department and in the general work of the year.

The total number of students enrolled for the year was 429, divided as follows:

Sub-Freshman	23	
Freshman	245	
Sophomore	74	
Junior	17	
Senior	28	
Special	37	
Extension	<u>5</u>	429

The religious statistics of the year indicate that the following number were in attendance on the various denominations:

Presbyterian	183	
Methodist	107	
Christian	20	
Episcopal	21	
Baptist	19	
Roman Catholic	17	
Lutheran	17	
Jewish	14	
Congregational	13	
Christian Science	5	
Evangelical	9	
Church of the Brethren .	1	
No affiliation	<u>3</u>	429

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The scholarship for the year (as will be presented in the Dean's report) was probably among the best that we have had. Students coming from high schools entering with few conditions and accomplishing during the year very satisfactory results.

The health of the students has been good. The number of cases of appendicitis was above the normal; but the usual list of seriously ill was very small, if not nil.

The spirit of the students seemed to be of a higher order. The religious interest was well maintained, both in the classes in Bible study and in the religious activities as conducted by the Y. W. C. A.

The faculty were loyal and co-operative and did much to advance the educational side of the work. During the year one of our teachers, Miss Szumlanska of the French department, was compelled to leave in the early Fall on account of ill health. It was with great sorrow that we lost by death Professor Roy S. Dailey, who as the head of the Education department for the past four years, did a very significant work. We regret that with the close of her contract on July 1, 1925 we will lose Dean Templin, she leaving to complete her work for the degree of doctor of philosophy. In her place for the coming year will be Dr. Alice E. Gipson, who will act as Dean and as Head of the English department. She comes to us as a graduate of the University of Idaho and of Yale University. In recent years she has been professor of English in Wheaton College at Norton, Massachusetts. A number of new names will be found in the faculty for next year, supplanting those who leave us by resignation and a desire to be near their homes. An unusual number of our faculty are pursuing study during the Summer in Europe. This is especially noticeable in the departments of Romance Languages and Music. Nearly all of our teachers lived off the campus during the year, and this departure seemed to be very satisfactory to all parties concerned. The teachers seemed to enjoy the cash basis upon which we have placed them. Opportunity is given any who may desire to have table board at the College, to do so during the school year, and many will probably avail themselves of this opportunity.

There is general interest among our various Clubs throughout the country in the Mary Easton Sibley Scholarship Fund. While we have not been able to give it the attention it should have, there is an interest that augurs well both in the Fund and in the expression of loyalty to the College.

The new dormitory is going on to completion under satisfactory conditions, and we hope that with the opening of school it will be ready for occupancy. Every room in the new building has already been taken.

The dining room improvements have been delayed for two causes, - one, that it was impossible to dig the foundation until the hot water pipes leading into Butler Hall were disconnected; this was impossible until the close of school. Since then, we have been harassed by rain to such an extent that it has been impossible to make much progress. We hope, however, that from now on we will be able to push the building to completion and have it ready for occupancy in ample time.