

ANNUAL REPORT

of the

President of Lindenwood College

to the

Board of Directors

June 20, 1921

In presenting this, the Seventh Annual report of the President of the College, to the Board of Directors only a brief summary of the work will be given the detail being left to the appended reports of the Dean of Education and the Financial statement of the Bursar.

The enrollment for the year was up to capacity; the health of the student body was above the average; the spirit of the school most encouraging. Some few cases of discipline called for severe penalties, but the general deportment of the students was good. Student Government was emphasized and fine results followed.

The Scholarship for the year was the highest in our history, the standard for admission to the honorary societies having been raised to keep within the limits of the number permitted to be received during the year.

In October the Missouri College Union admitted Lindenwood to its membership, which practically standardized the four year courses offered. Accrediting is given us by the best colleges and universities of the country. For the first time a four year college degree was awarded at the last Commencement, Miss Pauline Weissgerber of Lebanon, Missouri, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Science. The degree of Associate in Arts is still conferred upon those completing the Junior College work of Freshman and Sophomore years. The Academy had a comparatively smaller enrollment than ever before, the College enrollment being about four to one.

The Y. W. C. A. among student activities was most flourishing. The Wednesday evening meetings were well attended and the general interest in Y. W. work was greater than every before. The officers of the Association were remarkably efficient which contributed largely to a successful year.

The religious phase of the work is one that gives great concern. We have a splendid course of Bible Study, preaching services are maintained every Sunday evening. At these Vesper Services attendance of all the students is required, as it is at the Chapel exercises at noon each day. Every Sunday morning the students are required to attend the church of their choice in St. Charles, except when the weather is bad and the President holds a preaching service at 11:30 A. M. in the Chapel. The Bible department fills a needed work for the general standardization of Bible departments, but when the time comes and the funds are sufficient an additional worker in religious education and training will add efficiency to the religious side of the College work.

The Faculty of the past year was one of the best ever assembled. We regret that Cupid has taken from us three of our very ablest members - Miss Jesse, Miss Roberts, Miss Weissgerber taking unto themselves a husband each to manage. Several of our faculty having accepted more lucrative positions will not return. The question of teachers' salaries is one that embarrasses the private school. Only a limited portion of the income can be devoted to faculty salaries, unless endowment supplements other revenues. Our salary list compares very favorably with schools of our type. The policy of the present administration is to insist so far as possible in having the expenditures for operation within the revenues received. This I believe can be done. A college of four to five hundred students can maintain an efficient school of the highest type. Our financial report will show that we continue to have more received than expended. As we enter into the large life the coming year our problems will begin to change, but we have faith and courage to keep up the splendid reports of the past in this respect.

The completion of the new administration and educational building will mark the beginning of a new era for us. New problems will confront us. The institution will be transformed from the old time Boarding School to a real up-to-date, modernly equipped College of Arts and Sciences of the highest grade. As we enter upon this new period of history it will require greater zeal, more earnest faith, and an unfailing devotion to the Christ, whose we are and whom we serve.

After presenting the report of the College Dean, Miss Lucinda Templin, and that of the Bursar, Miss Ethel M. Cook, the following recommendations will be presented: -

I. Educational Recommendation.

- (1) That the academy courses be dropped as regular catalogue schedule courses after the completion of the next school year.
- (2) That students of High School standing of above eight units be listed as Special Students.

The purpose of the recommendation is threefold: -

- (1) To present only the College courses in our catalogue.
- (2) To Classify those who are not meeting the College requirements as "Special Students"
- (3) To give a larger liberty in accepting students not fulfilling completely the College requirement.

II. Financial Recommendation

- (1) That the appropriation for Library purposes by the Board be at \$2,500.00 for the coming school year.
- (2) That ~~\$6,000.00~~ be appropriated to cover Student Scholarships for the coming school year.
- (3) That \$2,000.00 be appropriated for the purchase of new practice pianos.
- (4) That \$5,000.00 be appropriated for the purchase of equipment of furniture and rugs for the new rooms being created in Sibley and Jubilee.