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Annual Report of Lindenwood College to the Synod of Missouri.

Lindenwood presents its Annual Report to the Syhod of Missouri with the spirit of buoyant hopefulness because of its ability to report progress all along the line.

PROPERTY.

The property of Lindenwood is growing nicely. On the fourth of the current month Col. James Gay Butler, Vice President of our Board of Trustees and one of the largest givers to Lindenwood pledged the President Ten Thousand Dollars toward a Thirty Thousand Dollar School Building, to be built this year. Our beloved President, Dr. NicColls has another pledge of some ten or fifteen thousand dollars for this same purpose, and Dr. McKittrick of the First Presbyterian Church has pledged his efforts to make up the deficit. This means that in the early spring we will break ground for a modern school building and that when school opens a year from this fall we can take the school entirely out of our residences and devote them as they were intended to be entirely to living purposes. The removing the school from Sibley Hall will enable us to increase the capacity of that Hall at least fifteen boarders. We will then have a comfortable capacity of one hundred and twenty five boarders.

INCREASED EFFICIENCY.

At an expenditure of between five hundred and a thousand dollars the Board has fixed up modern quarters for Domestic Science, comprehending both cooking and sewing. For the first time in the history of the institution, the whole time of a competant teacher is now taken for the cooking school, and an assistant is employed in the sewing department. Already this

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fall at least twenty young women have enrolled in the Domestic Science department and we anticipate that when it becomes generally known that we are equipped to give a thorough course in cooking and sewing we shall have all that we will be able to take care of.

ENROLLMENT.

The enrollment of this year represents the fullest possible increase with the present plant. If the enrollment is to be enlarged a new dormitory will have to be built. When this report is made we will have enrolled one hundred and twenty two pupils, one hundred and fourteen of which are boarders and eight are day pupils. We reported to the Synod in 1909 a total enrollment of one hundred and fifteen, one hundred and eight of which were boarders, and seven day pupils. This means an increase of six boarders and one day pupil over the enrollment of last year. This apparent small increase must be interpreted in the light of what was said above, viz; that we have reached our present capacity. If we had had sufficient quarters we could have made as large an increase this year as we did last.

TEACHERS.

The teaching force of the school remains practically the same as it was last year with the two following exceptions: Miss Roter found it impossible to return and take charge of the Domestic Science and Miss Esther Branch, a graduate of the ^{College} Albion literary and domestic science departments has been placed in charge of this department. Miss Lorena Wylie has been retained to assist her in the sewing department. At the close of the last school year, Miss Anne W. Raynor, of the modern language department resigned to take a similar position in a Southern school. Miss Elizabeth Ort of Springfield Ohio, has been engaged to take her place. Miss Ort comes from

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one of Ohio's finest German-American families. She is a full graduate of Wittenberg College of which her father was President for seventeen years. Mrs. C. S. Coombs of Brunswick, Maine is added to the force as Proctress of the Margaret Hall, having complete charge of the home life of the eleven young women who are housed in this elegant new dormitory.

EDUCATIONAL STANDARDS.

Since our report of last year this school has been admitted into full membership of the North Central States' Association of Colleges and High Schools. The graduates of our academy are now admitted to the Freshman class of Wellesley College on certificate. The Committee on accredited schools of the University of Missouri is planning to make Lindenwood College an accredited school to the Junior class of the University. There ~~xxx~~ is an increased number of high school graduates and a larger number pursuing our two years' college course.

RELIGIOUS.

The religious interests of the young women are looked after by the faculty and a prosperous chapter of the Y. W. C. A. The college opened at least a week later this year than last and the Synod is also meeting somewhat earlier. Because of this fact it is impossible to give figures with regard to the membership of the Association this year. The Association has started its regular Sunday evening meetings and they have been very largely attended by the students. The officers of the Association are actively engaged in the canvass for new members, and as the religious sensus of the ^{shows} school that a large part of the young ladies are church members, there is no doubt but that the membership of the Association will reach at least as large a number as last year. Seventy nine of the one hundred and twenty two enrolled are

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either members or adherents of the Presbyterian Church. This is hardly as large a percent of Presbyterians as we reached last year but it is still gratifyingly ahead of former years.

NEEDS.

Lindenwood College needs in addition to the modern school building which it will have at the close of the year, a music hall, an additional dormitory, a gymnasium and a Library building.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES.

The term of office of the following trustees expires at this meeting of Synod: Robert Ranken, James Gay Butler, Rev. J.F. Hendy D.D., Rev. W.T. Rogers D.D. It is respectfully suggested that all of these trustees with the exception of Dr. Rogers be re-elected for the following term of three years, and that _____ be substituted for Dr. Rogers, all of which is respectfully submitted,
