

REPORT OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF LINDENWOOD COLLEGE TO
THE SYNOD OF MISSOURI IN SESSION AT BROOKFIELD MISSOURI
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Evidences of the favor of God toward LINDENWOOD, the Synod's College for Young Women, are again abundant. The health of the College family has been most excellent. The patronage of the schools showing a healthy growth, and has been of such a character as to enable the college to do its usual work comfortably, without the incurrence of any debt. The standard is gradually growing better, that is, the course of study is broadening. Quite a number of young women are pursuing a regular college course. The relationship existing between the Board and the management has been of the most cordial character.

ENROLMENT:

The total enrolment for the school year 1904-1905, in all departments was one hundred, distributed as follows:
Seventy-five boarding pupils, and ~~sax~~ twenty-five day pupils. Of this latter number 12 were regular pupils and thirteen special pupils. Twenty-two of these young ladies were graduated from the different schools of the college as follows:
One from the regular college course with the degree of B.L.
Seventeen from the Seminary course A.
One from Seminary course A and Elocution.
Two from Elocution alone.
Two from Piano alone.

The enrolment at the time this report is being made is one hundred and ~~one~~ ⁸², distributed as follows; boarding pupils ~~75~~ ⁸², day pupils 20. ~~We look~~ ^{we look} for one more boarder before this report is read in Synod, which will bring the number up ~~108~~ ¹⁰⁸. These facts indicate an enrolment of ~~115~~ ¹¹⁷ for the entire year. ₂₂

THE FACULTY.

The faculty remains practically the same. The only changes are in the mathematics, and science departments and the Modern language departments.

In the mathematics and Science department, Miss. Grace Irvin succeeds Miss. Flora Harwick. Miss. Irvin is a graduate of Smith College with the degree of B.S. She is ~~xxxxx~~ ^{Bel.} a Presbyterian, a member of the church at Rushville, which a member of the Board, Dr. Palmer served before coming to St. Louis.

In the modern language department, Miss. Helen Mc Donald Burk succeeds Miss. Frances Reubelt. Miss. Burk is a graduate of Ann Arbor University with the degree of B.A. having specialized in German and French.

Miss. Burk is also a Presbyterian. These are distinct gains in Presbyterianism in the school, as the teachers they succeed were not Presbyterians

COURSES OF STUDY:

LINDENWOOD will continue to offer the Seminary course, extending ^{it} some each year until it reaches the dignity of a full college course: the B.L. also extending it until it is equal to the full B. A. course:

There are at present two candidates for graduation this year in this B.L. course and two Juniors in the same course.

FINANCIAL.

LINDENWOOD continues to be prosperous enough in its financial matters to pay its way and do considerable internal improvement. The gifts from churches and the income of the Watson fund have contributed very materially to the improvement funds of the place.

The Total income of the school from all sources was-----\$21,413.50
 The total expenses including salary of Prest.-----\$21,404.69

IMPROVEMENTS.

The internal improvement of the place has continued, until the property is in very fair condition. The Board has built a new laundry and power house at an expense of thirteen hundred dollars. The Board has also had the heating apparatus overhauled and put in good shape at an expense of thirteen hundred dollars, making a total expenditure of twenty six hundred dollars. A firm friend of the College

has had the recitation rooms overhauled at an expense of one hundred and fifty dollars.

The senior class of last year with a little aid from the churches redecorated the chapel at an expense of three hundred dollars. This also included the lighting of the hall with handsome new electroliers.

The choral society of this city placed a handsome drop curtain in the chapel making it in every respect fully fitted for its use.

The management has placed a magnificent new concert grand Steinway piano in the hall.

WORKING CONDITIONS.

We reported that we were cramped for room in which to do our work last year. The Synod can readily realize from the report already submitted that this cramped condition has become intensely acute.

We have taken all but one of the rooms which were formerly used for piano practice rooms and fitted them up for living purposes.

We have this condition: a school with sixty piano pupils and only one practice room. ^{This} is certainly ^{cramped}. This involves the placing of pianos in young women's rooms, to the discomfort of the young women and to the

detriment of discipline. We need at least twenty five additional rooms in order to handle properly the school we have here.

WE MUST HAVE THEM OR THE SURE PROMISE OF THEM BEFORE THE OPENING OF ANOTHER SCHOOL YEAR OR BEGIN THE A RETROGRADE COURSE.

PLACING THE SCHOOL BEFORE THE PUBLIC.

The churches and pastors of the Synod have been friendly and interested in the school. Some of the pastors have spoken to their people directly in the interests of LINDENWOOD, whilst a number of others have freely opened up their ~~pulpits~~ pulpits to the President of the College.

The school has been kept before the public also by paid advertisements in Magazines and Newspapers.

The pres. spent at least two months on the field, all of which time was spent in looking for pupils.

Besides the pres.

Besides the Pres. / The following members of the faculty spent the one three weeks and the other four weeks in the field in the work of increasing the patronage of the school: Mr. James T. Quarles, the Director of Music, and Mrs. M.R. Andrews.

PROSPECTS.

With the property in better shape than ever, with the largest patronage in the history of the Institution, with the good-will of our fellow townsmen, as well as that of the clergy and the synod ~~of the school~~ the prospects of the school are very excellent, PROVIDED, enlarged quarters are furnished for the school. The number of young women who are doing regular college work here is still increasing, tho somewhat slowly

THE MOST PRESSING NEED.

A seventy-five thousand dollar Dormitory building furnished and ready for use, with an ~~xxxx~~ annex to it for the school of music. Something like this we must have or lose the SPLENDID opportunity now within our grasp.

DIAMOND JUBILEE.

The attention of synod is again directed to the fact that next June will mark the completion of the seventy-fifth year of the history of the Institution and ought to be celebrated by the synod in some fitting way. We ask that a committee of synod be appointed ~~to consider the matter~~ consider the matter of a celebration and report at this session of the Synod.

DIRECTORS.

The term of service of the following members of the Board expire at this meeting:

Rev. Drs. Niccolls, Skilling, and Carter, and Dr. Nelson, and H. M. Noel.

It is recommended that these gentlemen be reelected by the synod.