

Lindenwood College

BULLETIN



When the Linden leaves turn golden and the Sassafras blaze in crimson, the memories of Lindenwood's loyal daughters turn to the college campus and Founders' Day. For more than a century, Lindenwood students have watched this huge tree wear a crown of Autumn's flaming jewels.

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Current Comment

By PRESIDENT GAGE

THESE lines are written following the annual faculty conference and the days spent in testing, counseling and assigning courses of instruction to new students. The conference was devoted to reviewing institutional studies made or in process, receiving reports from the seven teachers who were sent to summer workshops, and in a preview of procedure for induction of students.

On arrival newcomers were greeted by fifty students who returned early to the campus. Thereafter freshmen faced batteries of tests. By registration time counselors were in possession of rather complete information concerning abilities and aptitudes. Usually the scores made are useful in making assignment of courses. Slow readers, for instance, are not given two courses requiring much reading. Such readers may be assigned to a course in improvement of reading skill. Scores on tests are usually prophetic of achievement. Sometimes they are disappointing. They are especially so when brilliant prophecy results in mediocre achievement.

The tests indicate only ability and aptitude with some degree of certainty. They do not provide advance knowledge of character qualifications which are also necessary for accurate forecasting of achievement. We do not have available means for measuring stick-to-itiveness, thrift in use of time, ambition, habits of eating, sleeping, and exercise. Whatever ability may be, these things vitally affect a student's rank in class. Those whose rank exceeds expectancy based on tests and previous record remind one of bumblebees. An aviation company by way of publicity has recently reminded us that bumblebees cannot fly. Tested by every known principle of aero-dynamics they can only crawl. The bees themselves, being ignorant of physics, fly busily and

without any inhibition. Some students, unaware of their scores on tests and being industrious as bees, make records which surprise the testers. One may conclude that traits of character are of fundamental importance and that colleges have a character-building mission. A college cannot create native ability and aptitudes. It can, however, promote self-discovery. Most of all it can encourage good habits, honesty in work and raise ideals that are high and inspiring. To do so is supremely worth while. Character is being and it is more to be than either to have or to know.

Of course a college student should know something. He should be good but being good is not enough. He should be good for something. As a student he should have certain well-attested achievements to his credit. First, he should know the English language well enough to speak, read, write and hear ordinary English with intelligence. Knowing that much means hard work for most people. Second, he should know where to find what he may wish to know. He should be familiar with the use of reference works. No college graduate should ever suffer for lack of simple information. Third, he should know the standards of good taste. Such standards are most readily available and most frequently usable in the field of literature. Some other art may make its appeal. A college man is expected to know what is beautiful and what is ugly. Fourth, he should know what is going on in the world. He should be able to read a newspaper and understand it. In other words he should know enough history to enable him to interpret history in the making. Fifth, he should know the simple methods of science, how scientific men regard reality, how our world came to be what it is and how we came to be what we are. These fine things a college graduate should know. With good character they combine to make a rather ideal person.

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Lindenwood Will Commemorate 119th Anniversary on Founders' Day

Dr. Alphonse Schwitalla, Dean of School of Medicine of St. Louis University, to Give Annual Founders' Day Address on October 26

LINDENWOOD, which is today one of the outstanding colleges for women in the nation, will honor the memory of its founders on Friday, October 26. A cordial invitation is extended to all the alumnae of the college to return to the campus on that day.

Always a highlight of the fall program, Founders' Day this year will feature an address by the Rev. Dr. Alphonse M. Schwitalla, S. J. Dean of the School of Medicine at St. Louis University, and a recital by Miss Barbara Troxell, noted soprano.

Dr. Schwitalla will deliver the annual Founders' Day address at a convocation in Roemer Auditorium at 10 a. m. Dr. Schwitalla is recognized as one of the outstanding educators of the country. He received his B. S. and M. S. degrees from St. Louis University and his PH.D. degree from Johns Hopkins University. He also holds honorary degrees from Tulane University and Lawrence College.

He joined the faculty of the School of Medicine at St. Louis University in 1921 and six years later became its dean. He is a past president of the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and of the Catholic Hospital Association of the United States and Canada. He is a Fellow of the American Medical Association and during the war served as a member of the Medical Council for National Defense.

Miss Troxell's recital will be given at 8 p. m. in Roemer Auditorium.

Continuing a custom of many years, the students will again decorate the graves of Lindenwood's founders on the campus. Officers of the Lindenwood Alumnae Association, who join the college in extending a cordial invitation to all alumnae to join in the celebration of the 119th anniversary of the college's founding are: Mrs. A. Jackson Clay, president; Mrs. H. K. Stumberg, vice president; Mrs. Kermit Westerfeld, secretary and Mrs. Orville Denning, treasurer.

Because of rationing and help difficulties, the annual alumnae luncheon on the campus will not be held this year. A meeting of the Lindenwood Alumnae Association will be held in the afternoon.

It was in 1827, six years after Missouri was admitted to the Union, that Major George C. Sibley and his wife, Mary Easton Sibley, founded the first school for women west of the Mississippi River. Major Sibley died in 1863. His wife, who was known

Founders' Day Speaker



Dr. Alphonse M. Schwitalla, S. J.

affectionately to her students as "Aunt Mary", died in 1878.

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Lindenwood Too Has Postwar Problems

Lindenwood regrets that its own war and postwar problems have made it impossible for the college to invite alumnae and guests to have meals in the dining room. Every day the college faces the difficult problem of finding sufficient ration points and adequate help to provide service for 500 students and faculty members who are dependent upon the dining room for their meals.

The college has been subjected to some criticism, but in all fairness we are faced with the problem at every meal of obtaining sufficient ration points and help.

We hope as reconversion progresses we shall have relief from some of these problems. Until that time, we ask the friends of the college to be patient. We are looking forward to the time when we can return to the hospitality of the prewar period.

Second Installment of Roll Call of Class of 1921

By KATHRYN HANKINS, *Alumnae Secretary*

THIS month we complete the roll call of the Class of 1921. The following members have responded to the Alumnae Office's request for news about themselves and their activities:

Pauline French (Mrs. William G. Maier) 560 North Blvd., Cape Girardeau, Mo.: "After teaching in my home town, I married and have lived in Cape Girardeau for 20 years. I have a daughter, Dorothy Ann, now in high school. I have been a substitute in the Cape Girardeau schools since I came here and last year I filled in as a full time teacher to help relieve the teacher shortage. My hobby is flower gardens. My activities in Church, Red Cross and clubs are the usual ones."

Marian M. Ehlers (Mrs. Morris Coover) Kinsley, Kan.: "I am the owner and manager of a men's department store in Kinsley. I have two boys and a daughter. My oldest son is in the 191st General Hospital in France as a medical technician, my daughter is attending Boulder University and my youngest son is in the Navy V-5 training at Monticello, Ark."

Vesta A. Mudd (Mrs. Ben Gnaegy), 425 Summit St., Webster Groves, Mo.: "I am just a homemaker, but have been quite busy at that job. My husband is a druggist, which means long hours these days. We have a family of three—two boys and a girl. Dorothy, the oldest, just finished her second year at Lindenwood this year. The oldest boy, Maurice, is 17 and going to Senior High. Robert is 15 and also attends high school. When the boys were younger, I helped with the Cubs and had a Den for a while. I've been active in my church circle. My mother has lived with us for several years so our house is quite an 'active' one."

Mary Olivia Nyberg (Mrs. A. M. Decker), 7419 Van Buren St., Hammond, Ind.: "After leaving Lindenwood, I studied at Illinois University and also at Washington University in St. Louis. Then I taught for four years. Since my marriage 16 years ago, I have resided in Hammond, Ind., where my husband is connected with band work in the city schools. We have two daughters, Janellen, age 15, a high school Sophomore; and Barbara Ann, age 13, a junior high student. Both are good Lindenwood prospects. My best wishes to all classmates."

Kathleen Redburn (Mrs. Mack Palmer), Fort Gibson, Okla.: "I've enjoyed the letters of the different 'years' and have been so anxious for 1921 to arrive

in the Bulletin so that I may learn something of the girls in school with me. My husband, son Bunny, and I live in a small, old historical town and have the pleasure and hard work connected with operating one of America's typical institutions—The Corner Drug Store. Life has been very full for me. I work in the store, try to find time for a little social and spiritual living, make a pretense of running a home by remote control, try to be a good mother to our 12 year old son, and take a man's place in our business with my husband. It's fun! Any of you coming through Ft. Gibson, be sure and stop to see us."

Dorothy E. Taylor (Mrs. Willis G. Haymaker), 302 Beall St., Lenoir, N. C.: "Mr. Haymaker and I have just celebrated our 24th anniversary. We were married in July 1921 soon after I left Lindenwood. These have been such happy years! We have four fine children. Our oldest son, Charles Edward, has been in the South Pacific for 16 months. Our daughter is 20 and a Junior in Bob Jones College, Cleveland, Tenn. My husband is on the staff of Bob Jones College. He is the Superintendent of the building program. Our next son, 15, is in the Culver Summer Naval School at Culver, Ind., having received a full scholarship for the summer school. He is in the Band. The youngest son, Jimmie, 10, is taking music and art. I am a homemaker and that is a big job these days! We have had a big peach crop down here, so I have been busy canning. There are always so many outside activities that I don't stay home very much, what with church choir and Sunday School Class and Junior Children (Christian Cadets) on Sunday eve. Then there's the Woman's Club and our Lenoir Garden Club."

Pauline Weissgerber (Mrs. Staneigh R. Palmer), Lebanon, Mo.: "My life since leaving Lindenwood would not be of particular interest to anyone inasmuch as I am merely a homemaker, which makes very uninteresting reading. We have one son who is a pilot in the Air Corps, a daughter Eleanor (Class of '40) who is a Wave stationed in Honolulu, and the other son just now 18; just an ordinary American family. I was the first and only member of the first four year graduating class."

Evelyn Brownlee (Mrs. Gordon M. Dean) 108 SE. First Ave., Miami, Fla.: "I have been connected with the Y.W.C.A.'s in Omaha, Louisville, Decatur,

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Two More Lindenwood Alumnae Now Serving Overseas

ALTHOUGH the war is over, we are continuing to add stars to the Lindenwood Alumnae Service Flag. Word was received this month of the arrival in Puerto Rico of Miss Sallie Van Buren, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Van Buren, of La Grange, Ill., to serve the armed forces as a Red Cross staff assistant. Miss Van Buren was a member of the Class of '42. Before her appointment in the Red Cross she was employed at the Bielefeld Studio in Chicago and had been a reporter for the Chicago Heights Star.

Miss Genevieve Kniese, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Kniese, of Milton, Ind., and a member of the Class of '41, is now with a USO entertainment unit somewhere in a Forward Area in the Pacific. Miss Kniese left this country in June with a USO string quartet on a six months assignment. The unit was stationed in Hawaii for seven weeks, entertaining wounded men in Army and Navy hospitals. It was the first string quartet ever sent to the Pacific. Its members are all students of the Julliard Graduate School of Music in New York City.

Miss Kniese, who plays the cello, received her master's degree in music from the College of Music in Cincinnati, Ohio and was awarded a scholarship to the Julliard School of Music. She will resume her studies there on her return from the Pacific.

Miss Marie Helene Stumberg, who is a Specialist

Serves in Puerto Rico



Miss Sallie Van Buren, Class of '42, who has arrived in Puerto Rico to serve as a Red Cross Staff Assistant.

Third Class in the Waves, is now stationed in Washington, D. C.

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Mrs. Henrietta H. Eoff, Former Lindenwood Faculty Member, Dies

Mrs. Henrietta H. Eoff, a member of Lindenwood's faculty from 1915 to 1917 and a sister of the late Dr. John L. Roemer, former president of the college, died on August 31 in Kansas City, Mo. She was 86. Mrs. Eoff was for thirty years a loyal friend of Lindenwood. In recent years she maintained her interest through active association with the Lindenwood Club of Kansas City.

She studied music at the old Academy of Music in New York City, the predecessor of the Metropolitan Opera Company. For a number of years she sang in the choir of the Second Presbyterian Church in Kansas City and she was one of the founders of the Kansas City Musical Club, now one of the outstanding musical clubs of the country.

She is survived by two daughters, Miss Helen W. Eoff, of Kansas City, and Mrs. Maude Roemer Williams of Chicago; a grandson, and four great granddaughters. Lindenwood extends to them its sincere condolences.



Lindenwood Alumna Is Manager of Travel Office

Among Lindenwood's alumnae who have found interesting careers in the business world is Miss Louise Goulding, Class of '31. Miss Goulding, who received a certificate in business at Lindenwood, has been connected with the Foster Travel Service, Inc., for a number of years, and after being assigned to the service's Minneapolis and Chicago offices is now manager of the St. Louis branch office in the Scruggs-Vandervoort-Barney department store. Her home is at 720 Euclid Place, Alton, Ill.

While travel opportunities were restricted during the war, branch managers of the service travel extensively in normal times to acquire a first hand knowledge of the resorts they recommend to their clients. Miss Goulding has been in charge of the St. Louis office since May of this year.

St. Louis Lindenwood Evening Club Gives Tea

Opening its fall season, the St. Louis Lindenwood Evening Club gave a tea at the home of Mrs. Ralph W. George (Sylvia Knothe, Class of '30) 47 South Rockhill Rd., on September 22. A number of members of the faculty, including Dr. and Mrs. Gage were invited.

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Ill., and am now executive director of the Miami Y.W.C.A. I taught school seven years before going into this work. I have been married 14 years. We have no children, but have worked with hundreds of little girls when I was the Louisville Y.W.C.A. camp director."

Mary Maurice Parker (Mrs. Leonard A. Steis) 211 Lawrence Ave., Effingham, Ill.: "After graduation I attended the Art Institute at Chicago. I supervised music and art in the Effingham schools for two years. We have one son, Parker. I followed the usual routine of homemaker until 10 years ago when I affiliated with the Effingham Finance Co. This, with Red Cross, USO and a county community chorus, has kept me busy. Last, but not least, I have been the church organist and choir director for 25 years."

Carol Nickson Gillmor (Mrs. Paul B. Elliott) 1 Hawthorne Place, Independence, Mo.: "After leaving Lindenwood I received my bachelor degree from M.W. I taught in Kansas City the next five years. I was then married and have lived in Independence. I have two daughters, one 12 and the other 8 years old. My activities are my church, Girl Scouting, the Junior Service League and the Woman's City Club.

With USO Overseas



Miss Genevieve Kniese, Class of '41, who is now in the Pacific with a USO entertainment unit for the armed forces.

I hope to spend an afternoon some time at Lindenwood with my daughter who will soon be looking toward college."

Helen Kiser (Mrs. Jameson E. Brinkmeyer) 535 Cornelia Ave., Chicago, Ill.: "Since leaving Lindenwood, my life has been just one thing after another. The one blow mother and I had was the passing of my father in 1939. After my marriage my husband and I had a radio program on a St. Louis station until merchandise became too hard to get. We later moved to Chicago and found our place in radio again. We have two half hour programs now and the prospects of getting more. We have no children, but my spare time is taken up in taking care of us."

Can anyone give the addresses of the following? Stella W. Harris (Mrs. C. D. Kosar), Etta L. Jackson (Mrs. C. F. Mayes), Virginia Keith (Mrs. L. W. Dings), Mildred Ogle (Mrs. Edward Meister), Ida L. Sheppard (Mrs. E. H. Martin), Merle M. Goldsmith (Mrs. L. E. Kottler), Alice Chapman (Mrs. R. L. Campbell).

Deceased members of the class are LeNelle Janice Breckenridge and Marjorie Goodwin.

Any information which arrives after the Bulletin goes to press will be included in the next Roll Call.

Mrs. George M. Powell (Virginia Lou Keck, Class of '33) will return this fall to the Panama Canal Zone where her husband, Col. George M. Powell is Assistant Chief Health Officer.

ALUMNAE NEWS FROM FAR AND NEAR

MORE OR LESS PERSONAL

Mrs. Frank Wirth, Jr., who was Beverly Hamilton, is now living at 1141 North Lawler St., Chicago, Ill. Mrs. Wirth, who was married last April, attended Lindenwood in 1943-44.

Miss Johnnie Riner, who attended Lindenwood in 1928-31, has been elected librarian of the Jefferson City, Mo., Library and assumed her new duties on September 1. Miss Riner attended the Illinois Library School after leaving Lindenwood and served as assistant librarian at Central College, Fayette, Mo. Her address is 427 East McCarthy St., Jefferson City.

WEDDINGS

Miss Jacqueline Schwab, Lindenwood's 1945 May Queen, chose August 15 as the date of her marriage to Lieut. Albert C. Hunt, Jr., of the United States Army, at Oklahoma City. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christ G. Schwab, of Oklahoma City.

On August 29 at Belleville, Kan., Miss Nance Ann Bell, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. H. O. Bell, of York, Neb., was married to Lieut. Robert W. Fennig of the United States Army Air Corps. The bride attended Lindenwood in 1938-40.

Miss Charlotte Yvonne Williams, a Lieutenant (j. g.) in the Waves, and a member of the Class of '36, was married on August 17 at Little Rock, Ark., to Lieut. Marcus Ralph Tower, of the United States Army. Mrs. Tower is the daughter of Mrs. Kathleen K. Williams, of Little Rock.

Miss Nancy Knott, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Harry Knott, of Plymouth, Ind., was married to Nathaniel J. Skarin, Jr., at Plymouth on July 8. Mr. and Mrs. Skarin are now at home at 26 Hazelwood Street, Newark, Ohio. Mrs. Skarin attended Lindenwood in 1942-43.

A June bride was Miss Nancy Ann Tapp, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Jefferson Tapp, of Denver, Colo. Miss Tapp, who attended Lindenwood in 1941-43, chose June 10 as the date of her marriage to Charles L. Ward in Memphis, Tenn. They are now at home at 3008 Pike Rd., Birmingham, Ala.

Lindenwood Children



Mrs. J. W. Schiermeier, of 4539 Red Bud Ave., St. Louis, and her two attractive children, Mary Katherine, 4, at the left, and John Riley 10 months old. Mary Katherine is a prospective Lindenwood girl. Her mother, who was Virginia Jean Stormont, is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. R. M. Stormont, of Webb City, Mo., and attended Lindenwood in 1938-39. She was a member of the swimming team which won the University of Missouri swimming meet for Lindenwood in 1939. Mrs. Schiermeier's sister, Miss Katherine Stormont, who attended Lindenwood in 1936-37, is now head of the Commercial Department in the Webb City High School.

Miss Irene Marie Altheide, daughter of Mrs. George Altheide, of New Haven, Mo., and a member of the Class of '41, was married to Lieut. Don Walker Korte, of the United States Navy, on July 2 at New Haven.

On June 15 at Dallas, Texas, Miss Lois Elaine White, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Walter White, of Dallas, was married to Raymond Stanley Covall. The bride attended Lindenwood in 1932-33.

On August 17 at St. Louis, Miss Abigail Holmes, who attended Lindenwood in 1926-28, was married to Victor B. Harris. For a number of years, Miss Holmes has been a member of the faculty of the Normandy, Mo., High School.

BIRTHS

A daughter, who has been named Sarah Lee, was born on August 1 to Dr. and Mrs. Ceylon Smith Lewis, Jr., of 723 Sixth Ave., Salt Lake City, Utah. Mrs. Lewis was Margie Dearmont, Class of '41. Sarah Lee's grandfather is Russell L. Dearmont, of St. Louis, a member of Lindenwood's Board of Directors, and her aunt is Sarah Lee Dearmont, Class of '44 and Lindenwood's May Queen for that year.

Martha Lee is the name chosen for the daughter born on April 16 to Lieut. and Mrs. James Field Boynton, of 313 Vine St., Carthage, Mo. Martha Lee's mother was Margaret Pyle, who attended Lindenwood in 1929-30.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Hope, of Richmond, Mo., have named their son, born on July 25, William Doniphan. Mr. Hope is now in the United States Army. Mrs. Hope was Georgann Garner, who attended Lindenwood in 1935-36.

A son, who has been named Christopher Richard, was born on May 1 to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Miller, of 6432 North Seeley St., Chicago, Ill. Mrs. Miller was Rebecca Rath, who attended Lindenwood in 1939-41.

A son, who has been named Robert Roy Arseneau, II, was born on July 7 to Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Arseneau, of 1726 Elm St., St. Charles. Mrs. Arseneau was Grace Earline Gray, Class of '44.

From Hawaii comes the news of the birth of a son, who has been named Kramer Barnes, on July 11 to Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Klaban, of 2979 Makalei Place, Honolulu. Mrs. Klaban was Betty Barnes, Class of '32.

A son, who has been named Scott Albert, was born on August 3 to Mr. and Mrs. Albert Matthews, of 219 High St., Augusta, Kan. Mrs. Matthews was Janet Sage, Class of '36.

Carol Ann is the name of the daughter born on August 11 to Mr. and Mrs. John W. Terrill, of 339 N. Catherine St., La Grange, Ill. Carol Ann has a brother, Jack, 10 years-old. Mrs. Terrill was Virginia Cramer, who attended Lindenwood in 1929-30.

On August 1, a son who has been named Christopher Loren was born to Dr. and Mrs. John Francis Coyle, of 275 S. Lake St., Los Angeles, Calif. Mrs. Coyle was Winifred Vrooman and attended Lindenwood in 1937-39.

From England comes the news of the arrival of Virginia Ann to Lieut. and Mrs. Derek S. Rooke on June 20. Their address is Ivy Cottage, Bentham, Yorkshire, England. Mrs. Rooke was Louise Pankey, who attended Lindenwood in 1941-42.

A daughter, who has been named Carole Ann, was born on June 9 to Capt. and Mrs. Wallace R. Bishop, Jr., at Orlando, Fla. Carole Ann has a brother, Careron David, who is 3. Mrs. Bishop was Vina Merrifield and attended Lindenwood in 1936-37. Capt. Bishop has been discharged from the United States Army and they are now living at 406 N. Ninth St., Rocky Ford, Colo.

Ronald Montgomery is the name of the son born on July 3 to Mr. and Mrs. William Turner Campbell, of 1232 S. Darlington St., Tulsa, Okla. Ronald has a brother, Stephen, who is 19 months old. Mrs. Campbell was Mary Belle Montgomery, who attended Lindenwood in 1935-36.

IN MEMORIAM

We record with deep regret the death of Mrs. Homer Hunt, of Conway Springs, Kan., on September 1. Mrs. Hunt was Mildred Wallingford, who attended Lindenwood in 1921-22. Lindenwood extends its sincere condolences to her husband and her daughters, Mary Ann and Millicent.

Lindenwood extends its deepest sympathy to Mrs. John Colton, whose husband, Lieut. John O. Colton of the United States Army Air Corps, was killed in action over Germany on May 22, 1944. Mrs. Colton was Josephine Trice, who attended Lindenwood in 1937-39. A son, John Colton, Jr., 5, also survives.

With deep regret we record the death of Miss D. Genevieve Jarvis, of Troy, Ill., on September 4. Miss Jarvis attended Lindenwood in 1890-93. Lindenwood extends its sincere condolences to her sister, Mrs. R. M. Keller.

Lindenwood extends its deepest sympathy to Miss Mildred L. Enns, of Evanston, Ill., whose mother, Mrs. H. J. Enns, died on September 6. Miss Enns attended Lindenwood in 1925-26.

The deepest sympathy of Lindenwood's alumnae and faculty are extended to Mrs. Vern Keester, of 7300 Melrose St., St. Louis, whose husband died recently. Mrs. Keester was Louise Nicholson, Class of '25.