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Mississippi Maiden Is May Queen

Lindenwood Elects Royal Court Also, Which Is Largest in Years

So now it is all over, and everybody is satisfied. The May Queen will be just the one who was predicted by all at Lindenwood. She might have named (for her musical gifts) Orpheus or Pan, but she is named Allie Mae Bornman, the lovely senior who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Bornman, of Clarksdale, Miss. Not alone is she everywhere in demand because she plays the piano so charmingly and sings in the sextette, but the demeanor of a Queen is hers as she presides over her class. Allie Mae's popularity began early in her four years at Lindenwood. She was elected secretary of the sophomore class. As this class advanced to junior dignity, she was promptly elected to be its president. She guided the junior class so well that when this year they all became seniors, they made her the senior president.

Her election to be May Queen was unanimous. Last year when Miss Margaret Ringer was May Queen, Allie Mae was the junior maid of honor. It is traditional for this to be the stepping-stone to becoming the queen. Likewise there have been "stepping-stones" in music. Year by year she has delighted with her programs, always willing to respond with her service, aside from the more

formal occasions in recital. Alpha Mu Mu (freshmen and sophomores) claimed her in the first two years, and she was vice-president there, besides being treasurer of Delta Phi Delta (public school music honor society). When she became an upperclassman, eligible to the national honorary music sorority, Mu Phi Epsilon, she was elected its secretary in her junior year. This year she is Mu Phi Epsilon's president at Lindenwood.

In Irwin Hall, where she lives, Allie Mae has been house president through the current year. As such she is a member of the Student Council. She belongs, of course, to the Dixie Club, made up of girls from the South.

It is one of those pleasant coincidences which happen once in a while that the Queen's room-mate and close friend, Jean Kirkwood, of Lawrenceville, Ill., should be elected Maid of Honor. This election was by the junior class, which also chose two attendants, as did each of the other classes. The number in the "royal court" is larger than usual this year.

The senior attendants at the coronation ceremony will be Virginia Porter, of McLeansboro, Ill., and Mary Roberts, of Little Rock, Ark. The attendants

from the junior class will be Violet Wipke, of Kirkwood, and Guinivere Wood, of Oakland City, Ind. Sophomore attendants will be two Missouri girls, Jenny Sue Sparks, of Paris, and Dorothy Ball, of Bowling Green, Mo. Freshman attendants will be Evalyn Eberle, of Ft. Collins, Colo., and Jeanette Campbell, of Norfolk, Neb.

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The Sibley Name in History

Dr. Kate Gregg, of Lindenwood's English department, has such an aptitude for finding facts of history hitherto unknown, that the Missouri Historical Society recently levied on her for an address out of the wealth of information her research has gained. From original sources she reconstructed for her hearers, "The First American Fort West of the Mississippi River." This was the old Fort Bellefontaine, built in 1805 on the Missouri River at a point where Coldwater Creek emptied into the river.

Of particular interest to Lindenwood (and the college was well represented in the interested audience which heard this talk at the Jefferson Memorial, under the auspices of the Missouri Historical Society) was the part of Dr. Gregg's address which told of Major Sibley, co-founder of Lindenwood. He was one of those at this early fort, when he was still quite young, ten years or so before he married Mary Easton and settled at "Linden Wood." His part was with the "store," which the troops of Fort Bellefontaine guarded.

This early structure, quoting Dr. Gregg, was "a storehouse of hewn logs, 22 feet by 36 feet, with a gallery all

around the building 10 or 12 feet. In this building, the storehouse for the government goods for Indian trade, Uncle Sam would carry on the conciliation of the red men. Over its counters in one direction would go deer skins, bear skins and beaver pelts. Over its counters in return would go tomahawks, copper kettles and bright colored beads — red and blue and white. Rudolph Tillier, appointed chief factor in May of 1805, came to his post in declining years.

"George Champlain Sibley, appointed assistant factor in August, 1805, came to the new storehouse in his 22nd year. Brought up in the Scotch-Presbyterian atmosphere of Fayetteville, North Carolina, and trained by Dr. David Kerr and Dr. William Bingham, he brought to his work at Bellefontaine a Puritan outlook that stickled a bit at the casual bookkeeping of Mr. Rudolph Tillier. That gentleman, disgusted over the righteous airs of his subordinate, after two years dismissed him from government employ. Mr. Sibley mounted a horse and rode away to Washington, D. C., to tell his story into the sympathetic ear of John Mason, head of Indian affairs. And then, like the hero of an Alger romance, George C. Sibley would be appointed chief factor of the new post to be established up the Missouri — the one later known as Fort Osage—would take half of Mr. Tillier's government goods. John Johnson, of Maryland, later Mayor of St. Louis, would take the other half to stock Fort Madison on the Mississippi, and Mr. Rudolph Tillier found himself presiding over empty buildings, in one of which the government said he could live free of rent."

Sermon by Dr. Roemer

Suggestions for the relief of "fret and worry and wrinkled souls" were contained in a sermon which Dr. Roemer gave by special request, at Central Presbyterian Church in St. Louis, Wednesday night, March 13, in a series of "dinner-table evangelism" talks which were arranged at this church on Wednesday nights through March. Dr. Roemer spoke on the unusual theme, "Where Responsibility Ends." His discourse amplified the text, Psalm 115:16, "The heavens are the Lord's, but the earth hath He given to the children of men." He said:

"There can be no doubt that every one of us has responsibility. But is it limitless? Does the thought ennoble and enrich our lives? How far can we go with it? The thought of the Psalmist in our text gives us a new viewpoint. Life may be made happier and better if we know where our responsibility ends.

"The heavens are the Lord's. No man can challenge His authority. Science and statutes cannot change His inviolate laws concerning them. We know about the sun, the moon, the stars and the laws governing them; their distance from the earth, the certainty of their movements, but at best we are only reading God's mind after Him. We cannot suggest any changes. He is the absolute ruler of the heavens.

"But, continues the Psalmist, the earth has He given to the children of men. You can live where you please. You can build your houses to suit your own tastes. You can enact laws that are pleasing to the people, that inhabit the earth. You are the heirs of the earth's wealth. To you is given dominion that Jehovah will not challenge.

"The thought that comes to me from the Psalmist's meditation is the peace of mind that would come to all of us if we could realize when we come to the end of our responsibility.

"The purposes of God are sought to be determined. Who by searching can find them out? Councils have fixed them. Creeds define them. Man is miserable and confused because he has taken upon himself burdens which do not belong to him.

"It is not our business to be examining the golden streets and pearly gates. Ours down here is to walk on brick and granite block and asphalt. Looking after the streets of St. Louis and making them what they should be is a present-day duty.

"Another man's riches are of no avail to us until we fall heir to them. Heaven is a beautiful place but we are not there yet. Today is ours. We end our responsibility with the day. Tomorrow is not ours. We are to live today so as to know how to live when tomorrow is ours. Take no thought for the morrow said our Master. It is not yours to take care of yet.

"To know the end of spiritual responsibility is to know the ministry of the unseen. The machinist understands the ministry of the boiler room as he attends to his assigned task about the moving, whirling wheels before him. The crew know the ministry of the captain as they carry out his commands.

"The earth knows the ministry of the heavens as it experiences the beneficent effects of light, warmth and beauty. The seed germinates in the soil because of the ministry of the heavens—rain, moisture of dew, and animating power of the heavens.

"The sun, the moon, and the stars are ministering angels of the earth. They refuse man-made laws, preferring to work under the control of their Creator. But they do His bidding, and His only, and He bids them be a blessing to the earth. Some plants were placed in a cellar for the winter. The good housewife trimmed them, watered them, stirred up the soil, but they would droop and languish in spite of all her efforts. She finally resolved to expose them to all the light of the sun she could give them. Marvelous the change! They began to pick up, to show signs of life. Water and soil and care unaided could not do the work of the heavens.

"A young man came to Christ. He was handsome and rich. Christ was attracted by him. He wanted to know about the getting of life—life eternal. He had kept all the commandments from his youth up. He had the law and his riches. A diagnosis was made of his case. He was trying to grow life in a bag of gold.

"How much we annoy ourselves by failing to understand there is a limit to our responsibility. When we do our part we must leave something for God to do through us.

"Moffat in his translation of our text reads it thus:

'Your blessing comes from the Eternal
Who made heaven and earth,
The heaven that the Eternal holds Him-
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The earth he has assigned to men.' "

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Mrs. Joseph Magnone, of Aguilar, Colo., writes that she "enjoys everything in the Bulletin" and she "looks forward to each month's issue."

Miss Sawtelle in Personnel

Miss Mary Elizabeth Sawtelle (A. B. 1929), who has concentrated on personnel study since leaving Lindenwood, has now a position in Omaha as Assistant Manager of the National Re-employment Service. From an Omaha newspaper comes an account of an informing address which Miss Sawtelle gave recently at the Omaha First Presbyterian Church. The writer of the article takes time off from the research and statistics presented to tell a little about the speaker herself, as follows:

"Miss Sawtelle," this Omaha writer says, "is a slender little brunette with classic features and a warm gracious personality. She is understanding and sympathetic without being effusive or patronizing, and very fittingly cast for the role she has to fill. After attending Lindenwood College, Miss Sawtelle took her graduate work at the New York University, specializing in personnel administration."

Miss Sawtelle's bureau, which takes in Douglas County, Neb., where there has been a total of 15,000 persons on its lists to be helped, is seeking, Miss Sawtelle said in her address, to "build for the future." Stricter standards, she said, are being demanded in the field of employment. An employer now-a-days, she said, "has so wide a field to draw from that he need no longer be satisfied with mere technical efficiency. He can be exacting about appearance, personality, dress, speech, manner and intellectual standards of employes." She said classes in adult education are being attended now as never before, and extension work of colleges and universities is becoming increasingly popular.

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Burying the Hatchet

Seven colleges in Missouri, church colleges, are to show how friendly they can be to one another and how their interests are the same, in a pleasant occasion which it is hoped many of the old Lindenwood girls will share, on the evening of Tuesday, April 2. This will be a dinner at the Jefferson Hotel, St. Louis, with speeches by two leading attorneys of the city, Mr. John B. Edwards and Mr. C. M. Hay.

Besides Lindenwood, the colleges participating will be: Park College, Missouri Valley and Westminster; William Jewell, Culver-Stockton, and Drury College. One-half the group, it is seen, is Presbyterian.

A magnanimous plan has caught the imagination of these seven colleges. They will have six such meetings, each near to one or more of the colleges. After the first program at the Jefferson Hotel, there is to be a similar meeting at Kansas City, then at Mexico, Mo., at Joplin, Cape Girardeau and St. Joseph, Mo. Lindenwood and all the rest will be represented at each dinner. Everyone expects to be happier and more harmonious day by day, as the dinners proceed, and it is Lindenwood's earnest desire that alumnae and old students, coming as they can, will share in the good will of the movement.

Death

Sympathy is felt by many Lindenwood friends for Mrs. Henry B. Betts (Marguerite Denise, 1925-27) in the death of her husband, March 11, at their home in New Rochelle, N. Y. He passed away very suddenly, his death being due to heart failure. Besides Mrs. Betts, he is survived by a son, Henry, Jr., 6 years of age, and a daughter Marguerite, who is four years old.

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Personals

Dr. David M. Skilling, Lindenwood's vice-president of the Board of Directors, has resigned his pastorate at Webster Groves, after serving there 33 years. It is not effective until October 1.

The second term of the Lindenwood College leadership training school is now in progress on Monday nights at the college. Dr. Case is the Dean, and he and Rev. Lewis McColgan of the First Presbyterian Church of St. Charles are the instructors.

Mrs. W. C. Stewart (Pearl Finger, 1905-06), paid a pleasant luncheon visit at the college in mid-March, bringing her mother and her aunt, Mrs. H. J. Finger, of California, who is prominent as a leader of the California Federated Clubs. Mrs. Finger declared she "got such a thrill out of seeing the girls."

Mrs. C. B. Singleton (Adelaide Peabody, A. A. 1925), sending her new address—Trenton, Tenn., at 617 Church Street—says she has a four-year old daughter whom she "hopes to enroll in Lindenwood in about 14 years."

Faith and Courage in Arizona Mountains

"Loving all plant life and finding so much to interest her," Mrs. W. B. Collom (Rose Wilson, 1886-89) has written to Dr. Linneman from her home in Payson, Ariz. Up in the mountains, 90 miles from town and a railroad, she says, "Though living apart from the world, my days are such busy ones, and life is never dull nor lonely." Smithsonian Institute, the Missouri Botanical Gardens, and other nationally known institutions have counted themselves greatly enriched by her sending of specimens. Mrs. Collom says:

"I am still making a study of the flora in this section, and still walking many miles over our mountains and mesas. I collect herbarium specimens for the Smithsonian, and in this past year have furnished herbarium sets to several Botanical Institutions and Universities. We have such a varied and interesting flora here." Mrs. Collom had an article in the November number of "Desert Plant Life," which is published in Pasadena, Calif. She tells amusingly of walking seven miles to post the letter containing that article.

Mrs. Collom's husband is slowly recovering from a severe illness, but she says, "Though the year has been a difficult one, I still have all of my faith and most of my courage. Perhaps as a nation and as individuals we have needed the discipline of 'hard times.' I believe these trying times have made people more thoughtful of others and more considerate in many ways. I also believe that when we swing back to normal, our country will be better and greater than ever." What Mrs. Collom thinks of her alma mater is pleasant to hear.

"I think of you and Lindenwood oftener than you realize," says her letter to Dr. Linneman. "The Bulletin comes every month. I read it carefully and enjoy it.

"I especially like Dr. Roemer's sermons, also those of others given in the Bulletin. Perhaps they mean more to me, for I so seldom have the opportunity of attending church services. It seems to me that Lindenwood is 'measuring up' to a very high standard in every respect. Judging from what I read in the Bulletin, extracts from sermons and talks, and from the general activities, the college 'atmosphere' must be most inspiring and helpful. The girls of today have such wonderful opportunities."

Mrs. Collom adds from her garden: "Many times, when I have cut an armful of lovely pink La France roses, I have thought of you."

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Admires the Viewbook

Miss Mary W. Keith (Collegiate Diploma, 1876), of 4537 McPherson Ave., St. Louis, who is especially linked with Lindenwood through her mother and sister as well as by her personal memories, writes a pleasant letter on receipt of this year's Viewbook.

"The Viewbook certainly is most attractive," Miss Keith says. "I rejoice in the good fortune which has made it possible for Lindenwood to take its place among the leading colleges of the country. When I was a pupil at Lindenwood we thought the campus lovely, with those dear old linden trees standing then, but how beautiful the campus is now and the fine buildings surrounding."

Weddings

One of last year's graduates, Miss Nancy Elizabeth Watson (A. B. 1934), was married on Wednesday, March 6, to Mr. Jack Fontaine McKenna. The bride's parents, Dr. and Mrs. Edmund Lee Watson send cards announcing the ceremony at their home in Camden, Ark., sending also at-home announcements for El Dorado, Ark., in the McDonald Apartments.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Bansbach have sent cards announcing the marriage of their daughter, Margaret Louise (1927-28), to Mr. Charles Blake Miller, on Saturday, March 2, at St. Joseph, Mo.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McCormick sent announcement cards telling of the marriage of their daughter, Hazel (1932-34), to Mr. Charles Dale Ferguson, on Thursday, February 7, at Carmi, Ill. Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson will be at home, it is announced, at 444 North Tenth St., Coshocton, Ohio.

Mrs. H. Alberstein, who was Miss Jeanette Caplan (1931-33), of St. Charles, sends the new address of herself and her husband—1216 Bellevue, St. Louis. They were married in November.

Dr. Roemer officiated at the marriage, February 20, of Miss Olive Adele Diez (1933-35), grand-daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Diez, and Mr. S. Albert Hanser, son of Dr. and Mrs. Otto C. Hanser, of St. Louis. The ceremony took place at the residence of the bride's grandparents, 3424 Longfellow Boulevard, St. Louis.

Chicago Club Entertains

Dr. and Mrs. Roemer recently took a few days' vacation in Chicago, the main event of which was a much enjoyed luncheon given for them by the Chicago Lindenwood College Club. This and other activities of the club are described in a letter from Mrs. Byron Downing, the Chicago Club president.

Those who have not attended the sessions of the Lindenwood Club of Chicago this winter have missed some interesting meetings. On February 8, the club enjoyed luncheon at the Chicago Beach Hotel. Following a short business meeting, the members were asked to view a collection of pictures by three outstanding south side artists. Mrs. Lenore Conde Lawson, one of the artists, gave a most interesting talk on art, explaining her subjects and the various high lights of her pictures.

On March 8, the meeting was at the Medinah Club. This was the most important meeting of the year, for Dr. and Mrs. Roemer were with us. Just by chance we learned that Miss Ada Belle Files, a former student and opera singer, was located in Chicago. She was gracious enough to favor us with three solos. This was her first attendance at the club. Miss Doris Force, who was awarded Lindenwood's annual Fellowship in 1931, and who is now at Chicago University, arranged a most instructive showing of movies made at the university.

Dr. and Mrs. Roemer brought greetings from the college, telling of the many changes that take place each year. "We are always so happy," Mrs. Downing writes, "to learn of the success of our alma mater, and the Roemers are so nice to tell us about it."

Enjoying Florida

Mrs. Erskine Reed Gentry (Ann Whyte, 1889-90) writes to Dr. Linne-man of how she and her husband have enjoyed the winter at West Palm Beach, Fla. She says it is "a heavenly, sun-drenched place, full of repose and age-old serenity, over the whole an air of refinement. 'Tis a land of 'manana'—little accomplished but the luxurious joy of contentment. Palms, blue skies and hibiscus! There are no dull days, with deep-sea fishing in the Gulf Stream, strolls amid cocoonut trees and exotic flowers, long ocean drives, surf bathing, contract bridge, art exhibits, a gorgeous Russian collection of icons and royal family jeweled objects of art. Many winter guests whom we have met on previous visits add to our pleasure."

Mrs. Gentry says she much prefers Palm Beach to "young, clamorous Miami."

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Miss Winifred Bainbridge, who is teaching art in the schools of Marion, Ill., has had a leave of absence because of illness, and is recuperating at St. Petersburg, Fla., of which she says: "It is delightful. The flowers are unbelievable." She goes in swimming every day. Miss Bainbridge remembers her art studies at Lindenwood, and has been engaged to teach next year also at Marion.

The following were recently announced pledges of Kappa Pi, national honorary art fraternity: Sarabel Pemberton, of Benton, Ill.; Evelyn Eberle, Ft. Collins, Colo.; Mary Sue Kellams, St. Louis; Janet Sage, Augusta, Kans.; Catharine Schroeder, Cheyenne, Wyo.; Mary E. Triebel Springfield, Ill.; and Mary Jane Wishropp, Kansas City, Mo.

Southern California Girls

The Lindenwood College Club of Southern California held its February meeting in the form of a bridge luncheon, Saturday, February 16, at the Adele Lang Tea Shoppe in Los Angeles.

The secretary read a letter from Dr. Roemer, thanking the club for its contributions to the Knight chapel fund. After the bridge, Mrs. Elser presented each member with limes and avacadoes grown on her ranch near Carlsbad, Calif.

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A meeting of the Lindenwood College Young People's Conference group was held in St. Louis on the evening of March 21, at the West Presbyterian Church, for the purpose of promoting interest in the conference annually held at the college. This young people's conference, sponsored by three Presbyteries, will meet for its third season, June 22-29. At least two members of the Lindenwood faculty will be among the teachers.

Pi Gamma Mu, the national social science honor society, has received as new members in its Lindenwood chapter the following: Barbara Bennett, Hurst, Ill.; Wilma Hoen, Hinsdale, Ill.; Margaret Hollands, Lamoni, Iowa; Ruth Kelley and Mary Greer, both of St. Louis; Jean Kirkwood, Lawrenceville, Ill.; Mary Long, Leon, Iowa; and Lenore Schierding, St. Charles. This society is open only to upperclassmen in the student body, and admission indicates meritorious interest in the social science studies. One of the national objectives is "to make the scientific study of social questions a life-interest for college graduates."

Club Enjoys Ruth Kohn

The St. Louis Lindenwood College Club met at the home of Mrs. R. R. Wright, 7400 University Drive, February 25. The guest speaker, a former Lindenwood girl, was Miss Ruth Kohn, of the food clinic at Washington University Medical School. Her talk, "Proper Feeding of Children," was informative and well developed. Of interest, also, was Mr. Hudson's discussion of facts in connection with the Flower Show to be held at the Arena in St. Louis, from March 30 to April 7. Mrs. R. C. Morris, club president, appointed Mrs. Vernon Rowe chairman of a committee in charge of the decoration of a children's party table to be entered in a table-setting competition among the various women's clubs in St. Louis, which is sponsored by the Flower Show. Mrs. Kiel and Mrs. Wallace will serve with Mrs. Rowe.

Several new members attended this February meeting. Tea was served to about thirty-five. Assisting hostesses were Mrs. Ackert and Mrs. Rhodes.

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Births

On Washington's birthday, February 22, arrived little Martha Anne, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Chamberlain (Elizabeth Green, 1928-29), at their home in Houstonia, Mo. This baby's name is in line with her birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Robert Moore (Anna Let Wolfe, 1926-27), of Wewoka, Okla., have sent a pretty, pink-ribboned card telling that on February 9, their little daughter, Ann Stafford Moore, arrived. Will this be one more added to the many Oklahoma girls at Lindenwood?

Cards are received from Dr. and Mrs. Elbert H. Shuller (Anita Rudowsky, 1924-26), of McAlester, Okla., saying: "Please meet Edward Paul, Our New Baby, who arrived March 13."

Here is a clever new way to announce a baby's advent. It comes from her small brother in Philadelphia, who writes with pen and ink, without a blot, just so: "dear folks I have a new little sister her name is Anna Louise she came February 17, 1935. With love, Jon E. Simpson. P. S. My mommie and daddy Eleanor and George Simpson send their best wishes too." "Mommie" was at Lindenwood Eleanor Brown (A. B. 1926).

"Our daughter, a future Lindenwoodite," is how Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Willard (Jeannette Schellenbarger, 1932-33), tell of little Shelley Anne, dated October 24, 1934.

Cards from Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Lewis (Dorothy Louise Shirley, 1926-27), of Terre Haute, Ind., say, "Rejoice with us" at the coming of their little daughter, Marilyn Jean, on February 16.

Announcement cards came to Miss Blackwell of a new little son to a former Butler Hall girl. Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Jackson (Margueriete Zimmerman, B. S. 1931), welcomed the young Charles Albert (with a weight of eight and one-half pounds) on February 19, at their home in Carlisle, Ark. His mother writes to Miss Blackwell: "We sure are proud of this fellow. I hope he may marry a Lindenwood girl, so he can fight with the house-mothers like I did."