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Dr. Roemer Will Give "The New Direction" for Lindenwood

Auspicious Outlook for the Dawning of the 108th Year of the Useful Life

Lindenwood's campus is "rested." Refreshing rains have followed the drouth, and "ilka blade" of the emerald grass is now getting "its ain drop of dew," as the Scottish proverb goes. Nature is providing bountiful charms in the landscape, and the bounty of better times is giving a large enrollment of students.

Dr. Roemer, buoyant and thoroughly rested by his ideal trip through Canada, has announced as his theme for the opening Convocation this month, "The New Direction." This service in Roemer Auditorium Sunday evening, September 23, will bring the girls together, freshmen with their "Big Sisters," newcomers and upperclassmen, for the first vespers of the college year. "Convocation" always does much to orient the girls for the winter. The choir will try out its voice, and the teachers will have this hour to collect their thoughts before entering on "line upon line, and precept upon precept" for the classroom.

What is the improvement of the sea-

son which will draw the greatest exclamations of delight from the students? Undoubtedly the sheds and the paddock for Lindenwood's riding horses, to be placed now in the rear of the campus, of equal dignity with the famed golf links. Here again is seen the advantage of possessing 140 acres. Horseback riding, which has grown so rapidly in popularity, will be practiced more easily, and the girls will come to be better acquainted with the horses.

"The large enrollment justifies the improvements," says the administration. One visits the acreage of kitchens in Ayres Hall. A cooling room, 9 by 20 feet, is newly equipped with two large Kelvinator apparatuses of coil and fan, which makes frigid all the meats, vegetables and shelves placed on the ventilated shelves or suspended from huge hooks.

At the opposite end of the kitchen is a new gleaming white refrigerator, 10 feet long and correspondingly deep and wide, in which countless shelves give space for salads, day by day, crisp and fresh for the vitamin service of Lindenwood's big population.

A new concrete floor replaces the hardwood floor from the kitchens to the freezing room.

Music Hall, which originally was a residence, has added improvements in drainage to meet its larger needs. With zinnia beds adjoining and the grass well grown to the driveway, Music Hall in a year has indubitably taken on "the Lindenwood spirit," and has the appearance of having been originally built for the purposes to which the teachers of the music department find it exactly adapted.

The customary renovation of each of the buildings has proceeded through the summer months, with the addition of new decorations and new furnishings when needed. Attractive benches, chairs and swings invite to the campus lawns. Small trees of recent planting fill any vacancies, and the rose garden has saved its best big blooms for the fall. All is in readiness for the registrations, to begin Monday, September 17.

"Lindenwood Verse," edited by Kappa Beta chapter of Sigma Tau Delta and the Lindenwood chapter of the College Poetry Society of America, has appeared in a neat brown cover. the first volume of original poems ever published in book form by the college. Those whose poems appear, selected from both present students and alumnae, are Elizabeth Austin, Evelyn Brown, Mary Louise Burch, Helen Calder, Elizabeth Ann Combs, Nancy Culbertson, Ruth Dawson, Jane Duvall. Julia Ferguson, Kathryn Fox, Sarah Louise Greer, Betty Hart. Edna

Hickey, Catherine Marsh, Mary Mason, Betty Palmer, Josephine Peck, Helen Petty, Dorothy Rendlen, Mary Norman Rinehart, Frances Stumberg, Marjorie Taylor, Dorothy Tull, Margaret Jean Wilhoit, and Carmen Sylvia Woodson.

Heads Central Committee

Maybe everyone doesn't know it — for he never talks much! — but Mr. Guy Motley, Secretary of Lindenwood College, is a regular member of the Democratic party. To those who have unearthed this fact concerning him, it is no great surprise that he has been honored by his party. To others who might maybe have thought Mr. Motley was a Republican (not knowing anything about election bets he has fulfilled, and the like) it will be a surprise. But then some people are always getting surprised.

"The facts," as Thomas Babington Macaulay would say, "are these:" our own Mr. Motley, with his gifts at presiding as Governor of the Rotary Club, is now made chairman of the Democratic Central Committee of St. Charles County. The selection was announced at the party organization meeting on August 21. And now if any girl is stumped by the Baltimore Sun's query, "What is a Democrat?" it will be so easy. She can just "ask Mr. Motley."

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Miss Cook, college bursar, with her sister and a friend, Mrs. Hall, enjoyed a motor tour of 2400 miles through Wisconsin. Miss Cook did all the "teaming" for this expedition, as she is a skilled driver, and they experienced a delightful two weeks. Miss Waye spent two weeks in Michigan.

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Lindenwood's Increase

Obviously the alumnae and "old girls" have helped! Dr. Roemer and Mr. Motley are wearing smiles unaffected by perspiration, humidity or drouth. Lindenwood is on the up-andup. Its outlook is splendid! Parents are realizing that in such times as these, their daughters need a wellrounded education more than ever, an armor and a weapon against difficulties which may beset one in the world. Whatever it be, surely Lindenwood's loval former students have had a share in this making of the enrollment for the coming college year larger than it has been at this time in a number of years. The school is just "one month ahead," and one knows what that means. Already the names have come merrily in, from 35 States. More upperclassmen are coming back than have ever been known in Lindenwood's history. How that will keep up the morale of the school! Junior and senior classes will be large.

Improvements are keeping pace with the expectations. The "Lindenwood spirit" is aglow, and all the administrative staff are saying kind words of the loving girls of years ago whose hopes are with the college.

Death

The sad news is received from Alameda, Calif., of the recent death of perhaps the oldest alumna of Lindenwood, Mrs. H. G. Hamilton, formerly Miss Mattie Salter, of the class of 1878. She began her studies at Lindenwood in 1874, and continued for four years. Mrs. Hamilton was the mother of two sons and five daughters.

Personals

Dean Gipson spent her vacation in the Northwest, with a few days "camping among the great pine trees, by the side of a lovely lake."

Miss Louise Scott (1932-34) recently suffered an auto accident, as a result of which she is a patient in the Baptist Hospital at Muskogee, Okla., where the visits of her friends help to while away the season of convalescence. Louise would like to have a letter or two from her friends.

Compliments on the work of Miss Elizabeth Ann Combs (1931-33) who is now with an advertising firm in St. Louis, are sent by one of the editors of her home city newspaper at Chariton, Iowa, who says of this and of "Lindenwood Verse" in general: "For one who struggled through college literature with an agony that at times was very intense, I have found the book very enjoyable."

Miss Walter, Lindenwood's dietitian, motored to Canada with a friend, a woman teacher in the Chicago schools. Their terminal was Quebec.



Betty Butler, freshman of the last year, who returns this fall to Lindenwood, from Des Moines, Iowa, was winner of the Mississippi Valley Singles title at a tennis tournament at Iowa City, Iowa, in late July. She also played in the Mid-west Tennis Tournament at Cedar Rapids, Iowa, and the National Tennis Tournament at Minneapolis, Minn.

A romantic bit of family history connected with one of the Lindenwood brides of the season is clipped from a recent "Church Forum" column in the St. Louis Globe-Democrat, as follows:

"When Mrs. Bruce Henry Thomas, who was Miss Betty Birch, a Lindenwood College graduate and former May queen, goes to housekeeping at her bridal home in Mound City, Mo., she will have as an "antique" a gift which was made by admiring St. Louisans to her father, the late Rev. Chester Birch. a silver cornet with which he made melody. Rev. Mr. Birch was a pastor and evangelist of note, resident in St. Louis and 20 years or so ago he would precede his sermons with some accompaniment to a hymn or some solo which he rendered with facility on his cornet. So attractive was his playing, supplementing his sermons, that a beautiful silver cornet was presented to him as the gift of St. Louis. His daughter never was known to play the cornet, but she has written several plays with musical setting."

Miss Ruth E. Rathert (1930-31), of Red Bud, Ill., has been appointed instructor in home economics at the high school of Chester, Ill., for the coming school year. She intends, she says, to "boost Lindenwood whenever possible." She "enjoys the Bulletin, and is looking forward to a visit to Lindenwood in a short time."

Miss Helen Massey (1925-27), of Jerseyville, Ill., has been teaching public school music in the grade school at Jerseyville. "I thought I was very busy in the days at Lindenwood," she writes, "but find myself much busier now. But I'm never too busy to read the Bulletin, which I enjoy very much."

Weddings

Miss Betty Birch, A. B. 1928, Lindenwood's May Queen, play-wright, actress and newspaper woman, was married July 11, to Mr. Bruce Henry Thomas, of Mound City, Mo., son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Emmett Thomas of that city. The bride is the daughter of Mrs. Chester Birch (Lura Maud Welty, Lindenwood graduate 1892) of Toledo, Ohio, and of the late Rev. Chester Birch, a well-known Presbyterian minister. The bride for several years has been a feature writer and charming columnist on the Toledo (O.) Times. The wedding took place in the First Presbyterian Church of Evanston, Ill., and a bridal dinner was given in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis K. Frost, of that city, cousins of the bride, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas spent their honeymoon at Lake Geneva, Wis., motoring back for a visit in Toledo with the bride's mother, and then going on to Mound City, Mo., which will be their home. Mr. Thomas is acting head of the Mound City Bank, of which his father is president. bridegroom is a graduate of Nebraska University and of the Harvard School of Business.

Mr. Ralph Oliver Hamacher sent invitations for the marriage of his daughter, Dorothy Magdalen (1930-32) to Mr. Edwin Sharp Wallace, on Wednesday, August 29, at 8:30 o'clock, at the First Presbyterian Church of Richmond, Mo. The bride is well remembered for her remarkable musical gifts, which have been shared by her two sisters, who have followed her in residence at the college.

Miss Doris Oxlev (B. M. 1933), winner of Lindenwood's fellowship which she used for the last year at the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, N. Y., was married, Wednesday, July 18, to Mr. Edward Leeds Spellman. It was a church wedding, in which Miss Verna Bredenbeck of St. Charles. the bride's college friend at Lindenwood, was maid of honor. There was an elaborate train of attendants. Misses Dolores Fisher of Shawnee, and Margaret Cobb of Leavenworth, Kans.. both well identified with Lindenwood, were among the guests. As the bride's father, Mr. John Oxley of Poteau, has been very ill, a home reception which was to have been given was cancelled. Mr. and Mrs. Spellman planned to remain in Poteau until the bride's father became convalescent, then to go on a wedding trip before going to their future home in Fort Dodge, Iowa, Mr. Spellman is the son of Mr. L. L. Spellman of Manila, Philippine Islands, who was present at the wedding. bridegroom is a graduate of the University of Illinois and has a Master's degree from Princeton.

Mrs. Lola H. Hoag has sent cards announcing the marriage of her daughter Helen Elizabeth (1929-30) to Mr. Alan Pinaire, on Monday, June 11, at Wichita, Kans.

Dr. and Mrs. U. S. Smith, of Hannibal, Mo., have sent announcement of the marriage of their daughter, Helen Frances (1930-31) to Mr. Claude Anderson Thomas, of Hannibal, at high

noon Saturday, June 16, at the home of the bride's parents. They will live in Hannibal

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Harding Mc-Fadden, of Little Rock, Ark., have sent cards for the marriage of their daughter Anna May (1925-26) on Thursday, June 28, to Mr. Edwin Joseph Cure. At Home announcements are for 906 West Fifteenth, Pine Bluff, Ark.

Miss Ellen June Jones (1928-29) daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles C. Jones of Champaign, Ill., was married July 19 to Mr. Marc C. Norton of the same city. It was a 4 o'clock wedding, followed by a reception, immediately after which Mr. and Mrs. Norton left by motor for a trip through northern Minnesota. Since August 1, they have been domiciled at 807 South First St., Champaign. Mr. Norton is a graduate of the University of Illinois, and is connected with the First National Bank of Champaign.

Announcement has been received of the marriage of Miss Mary Louise Bellows (1929-31), at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward D. Bellows, of Remington, Ind., to Mr. Leonard L. Stokes of Remington, on July 14. They will reside in their home town, after a wedding trip on Lake Michigan.

St. Louis young people who were delegates to the Lindenwood young people's conference have formed a conference club for occasional meetings. Delegates from the Arcadia conference are included in the membership.

Miss Arametha McFadden, A. B. 1933, will be primary teacher for the coming year in the public schools at Linwood, Neb. Her residence is now in Lincoln, Neb., at 3841 Dudley street.

St. Louis Bridge Party

Under its new president, Mrs. R. C. Morris (Bertha Eastin), the St. Louis Lindenwood College Club will make its first meeting of the season a festal affair. It is to be a bridge party Monday afternoon, September 24, at 2 o'clock, at the Coca-Cola Plant. The club members hope to have a good many of the girls out who have not been coming to club meetings heretofore.

A cordial invitation is given to all former Lindenwood College students who may be visiting in the city, or whose names and addresses may not be known to the club officers. With this earnest spirit, much activity is hoped for, this winter.

Births

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Beck (Mildred Aylor, 1921-23), of Oceanside, San Diego County, Calif., are parents, since July 11, of a little daughter. As her father is business manager of the Oceanside "Blade-Tribune," a most amusing account of the little child, describing her after the manner of an automobile, appears in that newspaper. Among the "points" it is stated of the baby girl: "color, customary pink; weight, 7 pounds, 6 ounces; engine, a powerful two-lunger! lighting, blue lamps with automatic dimmers; body,

well insulated, no squeaks but plenty of squawks; easy to park, easy to handle."

Mr. and Mrs. Earl F. Klippel (Willmina Achelpohl, 1925-26), of Coatesville, Pa., have sent a card in orchid and gold for their new daughter, Charlotte Kathryn, of date July 21. The card is a cunning presentation of "baby" in a parachute, with the words, "See what landed at our house."

Cards announcing Allen Seymour Davis, III., new son of Mr. and Mrs. A. Seymour Davis (Gwendolyn Levers, 1928-29), of Stillwater, Okla., have been received. In merry phrasing he is announced as a "magician, now featuring the vanishing bottle of milk." His "first performance" is listed as July 25 (his date of birth).

Little Charles Richard, a son weighing 8 pounds, 11 ounces, coming to Mr. and Mrs. Vaughn Knott (Helen Tilford, 1929-30) on June 23 at their home in Oak Park, Ill., is announced in a circle of woolly sheep toys on tinted rice-paper. His card carries also the news: "Warren, Jr., my big brother, is 14 months old now."

"Can't ever go to L. C. as a student, but he'll be seeing them," is written on the cards of Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Acebo (Gwen Holcomb, 1923-24 and 1925-26), of Muskogee, Okla., announcing their new son, Joseph Leon, born on July 11.

A pink-and-white baby, Elizabeth, gleams through the lattice in a card from Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Morton, Jr. Ruth Elizabeth Wertz, (1923-25), of Evanston, Ind., to whom this little daughter came on July 28, weighing seven and three-fourths pounds.

Anybody would know this baby's father is a lawyer from the complete "legalistic" setting in which is announced the advent on July 14 of young Walter Weldon Burton, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter G. Burton, (Florence Hanna, 1922-24), of Princeton, W. Va., who becomes "Schedule B" in this interesting family. "Schedule A" is his two-and-a-half year old sister. Lavone Hanna Burton, described with "red head, brown eyes and fair complexion." "Assets" and "Liabilities" of these two children are arranged in a most laughable way in an "Amended Petition" which their parents seem to present "In the United States Juvenile Court for the Southern District of West Virginia." Prominent among the baby's "assets" are "scream-lined lungs," while his "liabilities" include "debts due doctors, nurses and hospitals; obligations for defense, maintenance and sustenance; secured claims for educational development, and physical and mental tax on caretakers, which will be everlasting."

From Indianapolis, Ind., come the little pink shoes, "Here I Am!" announcing the advent of John Robert on July 31, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Weaver (Roberta Moehlenkamp, A. B. 1925).