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PRESBYTERIAN OFFICIALS IN FRONT OF ROEMER HALL

Left to right: Rev. Dr. John W. MacIvor, President of Lindenwood's Board of Directors; Rev. Dr. William Oxley Thompson, Moderator of the General Assembly, and Rev. Dr. John Lincoln Roemer, President of Lindenwood College.

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“Fellowship and Friendship” at M. A. A.

ELABORATE DINNER PARTY FOR ST. LOUIS LINDENWOOD CLUB

Much notice was taken in St. Louis of Lindenwood's gala celebration, ushering in the wide-open hospitality of Centennial Year, by President and Mrs. John Lincoln Roemer, on the night of February 11, at the Missouri Athletic Association. This was an elaborate dinner to the St. Louis Lindenwood College Club—the members, their husbands and their sweethearts. Perhaps there was a psychological connection between the President's middle name and the fact that the beautiful affair took place on the eve of Lincoln's birthday; there was a hint of patriotic memories, and of Valentine's Day, too, in the accessories, but more of Lindenwood, the white and yellow everywhere, in jonquils and other flowers, in Lindenwood's crest on the place cards (100 or more), and in the souvenir, which was a unique Lindenwood doll, carrying the college pennant.

It was the first time that the masculine relatives of the club members had appeared in any club celebration. They made a good showing, including among others Mr. Victor E. Rhodes, husband of the president of the Alumnae Association; Mr. George W. Sutherland, of the Board of Directors, whose wife and daughter both have been Lindenwood girls; Mr. W. K. Roth, husband of the club president; Mr. Harry Montgomery

and Mr. E. G. Blankenmeister, husbands of club officers. There were many other husbands, also some newspaper women. Miss Janet Stine, treasurer of the club, was another who sat at the main table, presided over by Dr. and Mrs. Roemer. Dean Alice E. Gipson and Miss Alice Linnemann were present from the faculty.

Two faculty members helped in the program: Miss Cora B. Edwards, who directed the quartette, and sang several numbers with them; and Miss Lucia Hutchins, whose reading, “Here Comes the Bridegroom,” by Booth Tarkington, made such an impression with its “Muriel” that Mr. G. W. Sutherland, of the Board of Directors, said in a subsequent speech, “Lindenwood gave me my Muriel.”

Dr. Roemer's talk on the Centennial was supplemented by an address by Miss Hutchins, telling of the Centennial pageant, which will be at night, May 29, on the golf course, showing Mrs. Sibley on horseback, and with Indians, a log house, a movers' wagon, all in the setting down through the hundred years, across which practically every girl now in Lindenwood is to appear as an actor.

“I have been asked a number of times,” said Dr. Roemer, “‘Are we really 100 years old?’ There is no doubt of

it. I have often wondered if this community realizes how much it owes to Lindenwood College through its founders for the pioneer work they did in Missouri and the surrounding country." Dr. Roemer told of recent letters from the Louisiana State Historical Society, asking that the Sibley letters and diaries be published, either by that society or by Lindenwood. Mention was made of the Sibley archives held in Kansas, and the Sibley silver at the St. Louis Jefferson Memorial Building.

"If the theory be correct that the date of the founding of a school should be reckoned from the time the land was secured," said he, "Lindenwood may go back as far as 1816. As far back as that year the Sibleys had in mind the founding of Lindenwood.

"Alongside the graves of the Sibleys, in an enclosure in Lindenwood's campus, are the graves of the family of Rufus Easton, her father, an early Federal Judge and the first Postmaster of St. Louis. A street in St. Louis many miles long bears his name.

"The Sibleys had a log house built in 1831. We are told in the Sibley diaries that the girls from St. Louis and from 40 miles around came to school on horseback. Many people there were in those days who doubted that girls should have an education. Mrs. Sibley wrote a letter, which has been preserved, which shows her to have been in advance of her time; more than 100 years ago she said: 'The time is coming when woman will take her place alongside of man, and there is no reason why she should be second to him in education.'

Dr. Roemer told of Mrs. Sibley's exploit in getting the balance of the funds necessary to erect Sibley Building (which now, renewed and redecorated, is called "Old Sibley"). When the St.

Louis Presbytery had declared itself unable to raise any more, Mrs. Sibley went on horseback to Philadelphia and other eastern points, coming back with checks, money and pledges amounting to \$4,000. Intimate views of the lively, happy social life of both Major and Mrs. Sibley in their younger days were presented, with which the sprightly scenes of the Centennial Pageant in May will be in keeping.

The numbers which the quartette sang were: "Four Leaf Clover," "Crying Water," "My Lindy Lou" and "Carry Me Back to Ole Virginny."

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In the same week, on Monday afternoon, February 7, the St. Louis Lindenwood College Club had a glimpse into the school's life in 1838, through a party given by Misses Janet and Adele Stine at their home in Webster Groves. Their great-aunt, Miss Mary Ann Garrett Stine, had been a student at Lindenwood in 1838, and they had preserved her letters and her dresses.

Miss Adele Stine came downstairs in one of these gowns of 90 years ago. It was of fawn-colored twilled silk, with drop shoulders and lace collars and cuffs. Miss Janet Stine read some of the letters, which the young lady, then 15 years old, had written home. She took music lessons of Mrs. Sibley. Miss Mary Ann Garrett Stine died at the age of 22, and each little possession of hers has been treasured. Her two younger sisters, Letitia and Ann Lavinia Stine, who were 9 and 11 years of age, were at "Lindenwood" at the same time with herself, in 1838.

At this meeting, Mrs. G. W. Sutherland gave a talk on "China," and two Lindenwood students sang. Dr. and Mrs. Roemer and Miss Alice Linnemann were guests.

General Assembly's Moderator

For the first time in its history, Lindenwood experienced a visit, at chapel on February 17, from the Moderator of the General Assembly, Dr. William O. Thompson. He was attended by two ministers from the city, who took part in the service: Rev. John W. MacIvor, D.D., chairman of the college Board of Directors, and Rev. Edwin C. Nesbit. Dr. Calder made the opening prayer, and the vesper choir of 60 girls sang the processional and other hymns.

Dr. Roemer presented Dr. Thompson, who gave an account of his recent tour of Cuba, Porto Rico, and Haiti, in which he told of the enlightening effect of the Protestant system of education, and the schools and hospitals now under Presbyterian control.

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Passing of Delia Gibbs

An honored life came to a close on the night of February 14, in the death of Miss Delia A. Gibbs, one of the oldest living graduates of Lindenwood College, and probably the only woman left in this generation who attended the institution for so long a time: eight years, from 1856 to 1864.

Miss Gibbs was 78 years of age. For nearly 40 years she was a leading teacher in the St. Louis Cote Brillante School, having started in that school when Cote Brillante was a suburb, and only two rooms were taught. She was promoted to be principal, and gave distinguished service in that capacity for 30 years, retiring about 15 years ago, because of her health. She was greatly crippled in later years by arthritis and rheumatism, and lived in her wheel-chair, with an attendant. But her home at 5259 Northland avenue was a center for the visits of friends. Partic-

ularly in Lindenwood did her affection remain.

One member of the St. Louis Lindenwood Club (Mrs. Frank Koencke) made a point of always visiting Miss Gibbs after every meeting of the club, and telling her of the proceedings. This courtesy was even extended two days before Miss Gibbs' death, as there was much to tell of the dinner to the club, given at the Missouri Athletic Association by Dr. and Mrs. Roemer on February 11, in which Miss Gibbs showed a keen interest.

At her funeral, on February 16, which was conducted by her pastor, Rev. R. R. Biggar, of the Cote Brillante Presbyterian Church, there was a beautiful floral offering from Lindenwood. Miss Ethel B. Cook was a delegated representative of the college.

Dr. Biggar spoke of the fact that Miss Gibbs had helped largely to found the Cote Brillante Church, having promoted the union Sunday school which was started in her own school building, and which eventually became an organized Presbyterian church.

She was the daughter of William Pendleton Gibbs, an early woolen merchant of St. Louis and New York. She was a schoolgirl friend of Miss Clem Cook, of Chester, Ill.

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His Mother's Portrait

Colonel Nicholas Bell's gift of a beautiful portrait in oil, of his mother, the former Caroline Page Harvey, Lindenwood student of 1837-38, has been placed on the wall of the long corridor of Roemer Hall, since the holidays. It contains in one corner the historic "merit card" which she won for her dutiful application to her work. She is dressed in the style of her time. The picture is attractive, and has been much admired.

Memories of Mrs. Moore

The note of sadness in the western trip of Dr. and Mrs. Roemer was the death at her home in Los Angeles of Mrs. Edgar Moore (formerly Miss Mary Henderson, of Callaway County, Missouri), a student graduating at Lindenwood in 1859, who had been an active member of the Southern California Lindenwood Club and was planning to take part in the celebration in the Roemers' honor. Her death occurred December 30. Her son, Alfred F. Moore, of the Smithsonian Institution, has written from Los Angeles since her death, acknowledging a floral tribute and saying: "We were very sorry it was not possible for our dear mother to meet you both and to attend the meeting of the Lindenwood College Club, but we know that in her last conscious hours she was happily making plans in preparation of attending. She was always a loyal alumna of Lindenwood."

Mrs. Moore had lived in California 39 years. She was a member of the First Methodist Church of Los Angeles. She leaves five sons to mourn her loss.

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Heard Lindenwood's Radio

Letters to Miss Cora N. Edwards, of the music faculty, telling of pleasure from radio concerts given by Lindenwood over KMOX have been received from various points.

Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Crabb, of Colby, Kan., whose daughters, Inez and Elaine, are now students at Lindenwood, heard the vesper choir "just as though the singers were in the next room," and they and their three children send expressions of thanks.

Mrs. W. O. Smith, of Davis, Okla., says the chorus singing "came in fine, and there were some beautiful voices."

K. C. Strong for Centennial

The Kansas City Lindenwood Club has not been idle since the first of the year and as the Centennial celebration draws near there is much enthusiasm expressed over that event and also over the Mary Easton Sibley Scholarship Fund.

For nearly sixteen years the K. C. Club has met once a month for either tea or luncheon, with a program in the afternoon. In order that all Lindenwood girls might be given an opportunity to attend the club meetings, it was decided to have two divisions in the club, so in January a dinner meeting was held at the University Women's Club and about twenty attended: loyal Lindenwooders who have been unable to take an active part because they teach or are employed at other things.

It was decided to alternate with a luncheon one month and a dinner the next. Officers of the two divisions form an executive board that governs the entire club, and Mrs. P. F. Donnelly is president of the club.

The February meeting was a luncheon at the University Women's Club and was well attended. Three separate social affairs to raise money were planned, the luncheon club being responsible for one, the dinner club for one, and both clubs to unite their efforts for a third affair.

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Beginning the Year

Owing to very severe weather, the first meeting of the year of the Lindenwood College Club of Chicago, in January, was small, but the corresponding secretary, Mrs. Martha E. Flanagan, writes that they "missed a delightful meeting." The club met with Mrs. W. J. Malcolmson (Helen Baity) at her home in Riverside.

Lindenwood in New York

The secretary of the Lindenwood College Club of New York writes:

"It will interest the readers of the eagerly looked-for bulletin to learn that Mr. and Mrs. Eskridge Gentry (Ann Whyte), of Chicago, sailed on the S.S. Adriatic, January 5, on the Mediterranean trip. They intend staying in Egypt two months, and will be at the Sheppard Hotel, Cairo. (Mr. Gentry hopes to learn from the Sphinx the secret fascination golf has for a married man.) Then they will go on through the Continent, winding up with a trip through England next fall.

"Mr. and Mrs. Gentry were guests at a dinner given by Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Burritt (Sue Anderson), Riverside Drive, New York, on January 4. Mrs. Burritt also invited a number of Lindenwood 'girls of yesterday' to meet Mr. and Mrs. Gentry at a 4 o'clock tea at the Ritz-Carlton, January 5, to wish them 'bon voyage.' Among those present were Dr. and Mrs. Carter (Alice Kennedy), Mrs. George Pegram (Jessie Crawford), Miss Marie Bruere, and Mrs. Ronald Mustarde (Cornelia Haire)."

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News of the Reasers

The following extracts from a letter received recently by Miss Alice Linne-mann from Mrs. Matthew Howell Reaser will be of interest to the many L. C. girls who knew and loved Dr. and Mrs. Reaser. (Dr. M. H. Reaser was president of Lindenwood for five years, beginning in 1898.)

"We have sold Beechwood, closed our house for the winter, and expect to travel. Have engaged passage on the Panama Mail Line to the Pacific coast, and will stop in Panama and South

American ports. After a month in Los Angeles, we go north as far as Vancouver, and expect to reach home late in the spring.

"Our three daughters are all happily married. Agnes' husband is business manager of Beaver College; Helen's husband is an architect, and Harriet married a contractor and dealer in contractors' supplies. Agnes has two children, a girl of nine and a boy four years old. Harriet has one little girl.

"We always enjoy the Lindenwood College bulletin."

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St. Charles Elects

At a meeting held by the Lindenwood College Club of St. Charles, Friday afternoon, January 21, the following officers were elected, who expect to have great responsibilities for the "home club" during this Centennial year:

President, Miss Theo. McDearmon.

Vice-President, Miss Aimee Becker.

Secretary, Mrs. Francis Rauch (Kathleen Pieper).

Treasurer, Mrs. Paul Blessing (Eunice Willbrand).

A committee of St. Charles citizens has organized to co-operate with the club in giving substantial help toward the Centennial.

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News of Mrs. Kathleen Docking Church's new address, which is Portland, Ore., in care of Mrs. W. B. Lyons, Box 490, has been sent by another "girl of yesterday," Mrs. J. M. King, of Waco, Texas, Mrs. Church's former home.

The Lindenwood faculty "starred" in the play, "Friendly Enemies," on the night of February 4, much to the delight of a large audience, the proceeds being for the Mary Easton Sibley Scholarship Fund.

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Reappearance

Readers of the Bulletin will see an unusually large amount of chronology, in the current of life since last the bulletin appeared, but this is because there was no February number, the annual catalogue taking the place of that edition. The weddings seem more numerous, and there seem to be more new little sons and daughters, just because the period is for two months instead of one.

There is also a change which may be continued, in the introduction of inspirational ideas about the Centennial from the sparkling pen of Mrs. Victor E. Rhodes, President of the Alumnae Association, on the page facing this one.

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Tri-State For Centennial

(From Linden Bark.)

Lindenwood girls, old and new, living in the Tri-State district around Joplin, Mo., had a peppy "get together" at the Connor Hotel in Joplin on December 29. During the luncheon the alumnae had a chance to hear some of the new songs and they seemed quite enthusiastic about them.

After the last crumb of the delicious little cakes that were topped by yellow candles, "just like a Lindenwood birthday party," had been eaten, a varied and interesting program was enjoyed. Miss Mildred Kennedy, of Galena, Kan., welcomed the present students who were

guests of the alumnae; Annavere Brookshire spoke of plans for the Centennial and assured the old girls of their welcome at this great event in the spring; Iris Fleischaker sang "By My Fireside" charmingly, and Pauline Shafer played a lovely piano solo.

The alumnae are so enthused over the Centennial and just "can't wait" to see old Sibley in her new dress and all the other things that have changed. Nineteen of the possible twenty-two from the Tri-State Club were at this lovely affair.

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Three in Florida

Mrs. H. S. Carney (Rebecca Graham, graduate, 1917), whose home is in Tampa, Fla., writes of two others: "Mary Frances Baines (Mrs. G. H. Doss) lived here in Tampa until last summer, and we surely enjoyed being together. Corinne Southard (Mrs. W. H. Hutsell) visited us last June, and we three Lindenwood girls had one time together, talking over old times.

"We three would like to come back to the Centennial, so you might see us there. I don't know of anything I'd rather do. If possible, I will surely be there. I shall not ever forget my happy years at Lindenwood. I am so pleased to receive the bulletin, and always 'devour' every line."

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College Playwright

For the second year, Betty Birch, who is now in the junior class, has written the accepted play for the Lindenwood Athletic Association. The selection was made in open competition, on the merit of the plays submitted. Her production last year was entitled "Patricia, How Could You?" This year's play will be a musical comedy, to be given March 4. Betty is the daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Chester Birch, of Toledo, Ohio.

All Out For the Centennial!

MRS. RHODES SEES THE CHARM OF THE CENTURY

February 11, 1927, 10:30 p. m.

Dear Girls of Yesterday:

I just want to tell you how sorry I am for those of you who live so far from Lindenwood that you have not had the joy of seeing her growth and development in the last fifteen years, nay, I will go further back than that, the last twenty-five years. For the Lindenwood of today dates back to Dr. Ayers' time. He it was who gained the interest of Mr. Holmes, whose generous contribution made Jubilee Hall possible (and, by the way, I think that building should be renamed "Ayers Hall").

Dr. Ayers also caught the attention of Colonel Butler and paved the way for the follow-up work of Dr. Roemer, who has not only dreamed wonderful dreams, but has been able to make them realities, and I believe, in his realization is the culmination of the dreams, not only of Maj. and Mrs. Sibley but of the various presidents who have followed them during the years that have passed.

It is truly a beautiful and inspiring place; and those of us who are near love to visit it. To be sure, time and storms have taken some of its beautiful trees, the stately armies of evergreens no longer lead to the point, but in their places are flower bordered walks and handsome buildings, chief of which is old Sibley, transformed for the Centennial party, and I doubt if those of you who have not seen the transformation will recognize her.

After all, perhaps those of you who have not seen it through the years—maybe forty, maybe twenty or maybe only ten—will have a greater thrill than if you had watched its development.

I am in a reminiscent mood tonight, for we have just returned from a beautiful dinner which Dr. and Mrs. Roemer gave in honor of the St. Louis Lindenwood College Club where he reviewed some of the early struggles of the school and told of Mrs. Sibley's aims, and of her desire that no girl in the years to come should be turned away from Lindenwood for lack of funds. He also told us that over 500 girls have asked for help in the last fifteen years.

We were told of the beautiful pageant, setting forth the 100 years of her history, that is being prepared for our delight at the Centennial celebration.

You know, Dr. Roemer is inviting us all to be the guests of Lindenwood for the last four days of May, and I hope we will all be there. The trip will be a summer vacation in itself, the days will be so full of interesting things, of good times and happy recollections. This Centennial celebration is going to be a beautiful memory as we journey down the vale of life, and it will also be a blessed, hallowed memory if we catch the vision of what the Sibley Endowment Fund will mean to some girl of the future. It may be one of our daughters, or maybe a granddaughter, who will wish to avail herself of its generosity. I just know, girls of yesterday, it is going to add to our joy in the celebration if we each have a part in that \$100,000 Sibley Scholarship Fund. It may be the widow's mite—it may be the price of your new spring hat or some other self-denial, even greater than this—and then there are some, I am sure, to whom a gift will mean no denial.

Some there be who can touch the generous heart of a friend, or a father or

husband—or it might be a free will offering for the Lindenwood magazine that comes so generously each month. It seems to me we might send that thank offering in addition to our other gifts. Don't you want to have a part in it? Your Alumnae President has faith that you will and hopes to meet you all at dear old Lindenwood.

Sincerely, your President,

(Signed) (Mrs. Victor J.)

Maud Reid Rhodes.

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Double Celebration by Southern California

Full accounts of the unprecedented celebration of the Lindenwood girls of Los Angeles and Southern California have been received from the club, supplementing all the enthusiastic reports of the trip made by Dr. and Mrs. Roemer themselves. The story follows (which came by air mail):

All the club's hopes and expectations were fully realized when the old Santa Fe rolled into Pasadena at 11 a. m. Monday, December 21, bringing Dr. and Mrs. Roemer from Lindenwood to Los Angeles. They were met at the station by Mrs. Ross W. Eastlick, Mrs. Chas. W. Baker, Mrs. A. J. Brier and Mrs. Har- old Herlihy.

After lunch they were whisked to the Biltmore Hotel; which they made their headquarters while here. Others of the Lindenwood College Club of Southern California, including the president, Mrs. Robert L. Hubbard, Mrs. Ben Cunliff, Miss Nellie Boal, Mrs. Helen Sorey, Mrs. Smart and Mrs. H. W. Stelle, were at the hotel to extend a welcome. Their suite had previously been adorned with California flowers in all hues.

The club has contacted with Dr. and Mrs. Roemer through the years, but the

contact that personality gives means much more, especially when one is so remote from the object of her zeal.

After greeting and wishing them a happy stay and "Joyeux Noel," the members departed, leaving them to rest from their journey. What finer Christmas gift could the Lindenwood Club have desired, than a visit from Dr. and Mrs. Roemer, the president and his wife, of our Alma Mater? Even though the rain descended the day following their arrival (for this was the rainy season), they smilingly said they felt perfectly at home in the rain. However, every day thereafter during their stay, the sun shone as only the California sun can shine, sending the thermometer to 76 and 78 degrees.

The week was spent in sightseeing and when Sunday came, Dr. Roemer was invited to speak from the pulpit of the First Presbyterian Church.

MRS. EASTLICK'S DINNER LUNCHEON

Three functions were given in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Roemer, the first occurring Tuesday, December 28, being a beautifully appointed luncheon at the Casa del Mar Club, Santa Monica, given by Mrs. Ross W. Eastlick, a niece of Colonel Butler; the members of the Lindenwood Club were invited, and covers were laid for thirty-eight. The table decorations were in white and yellow, college colors, and the soloist was Miss Betty Taggart, a niece of Mr. and Mrs. Eastlick, who has sung much in New York and Cleveland churches.

GUESTS AT CLUB DINNER

Following the luncheon the Lindenwood Club gave a dinner at the new Elks Club, Los Angeles, the night of December 29. The table decorations were designed by Miss Nellie Boal; two huge

pillows carried out the thought of the first century of Lindenwood in figures, one of white and yellow flowers, and the other of a background of green with the college letter done in yellow and white.

The program was arranged by the Roemer Committee, which comprised the following members: Mrs. Charles H. Baker (Nellie Ingram), Mrs. Ben Cunliff (Eve Thurman), Mrs. R. W. Eastlick, Mrs. Harold Herlihy (Marion Henley), Mrs. E. E. Huse (Grace Lawman), Mrs. A. C. Holler (Alma Williams), Mrs. J. R. Kemp (Margaret Maxfield), Misses Alma and Verdin Kincaid, Miss Alice Maxfield, Miss Helen Ogg, Mrs. Mary McDearmon (Mame Irwin), Mrs. W. G. Smart, Mrs. W. Sorey (Helen Chesbrough), Mrs. R. L. Hubbard (Cora Donlin), and Mrs. H. C. Henning (Lillian Gorg).

The guests rose to sing "Blest Be the Tie That Binds," Dr. Roemer pronounced the blessing, and all were then seated for the feast, the "girls" singing college songs between the courses. The dinner over, Dr. and Mrs. Roemer were given a welcome and were introduced by the club president, Mrs. Robert L. Hubbard.

As Dr. Roemer rose to address the guests he was greeted with "How do you do, Dr. Roemer? How do you do?", the singing of which was led by Miss Alma Kincaid.

As Mrs. Roemer rose to speak, again the club broke forth with "Oh, here's to Mrs. Roemer," in which all joined heartily. Mrs. F. H. Colby rendered several vocal numbers, composed by her husband, who was her accompanist. Mr. Le Cuiyer also sang.

Mrs. Hubbard then introduced the "FIRSTS"—she spoke of Mrs. Edgar Moore, the oldest Lindenwood member on the West Coast, of the class of 1859

(Mrs. Moore has since died); Mrs. Ben Cunliff represented the first cap and gown class; Mrs. Minnie Reitz represented the aunt of the first May Queen; the "first wedding," Mrs. Mary McDearmon; the "first century garden," Miss Nellie Boal; and Dr. Roemer, the "first Lindenwood president to visit the Pacific Coast."

Next on the program was the exhibiting of Mrs. Moore's diploma, with other early Lindenwood papers and pictures. Then came the introduction of those who knew Mrs. Sibley personally, namely, Mrs. Moore (who was not able to be present), Miss Nellie Boal and Mrs. Mary McDearmon.

Miss Helen Ogg gave a pianologue, "The Selfish Giant." Miss Ogg is one of the club's most accomplished members and a recent Lindenwood student.

Mr. W. G. Stewart, who was at one time with the Metropolitan Opera Company, sang a bass solo, and responded to an encore.

Mrs. Charles Baker spoke on the financial condition of the club, of which more may be heard at another time.

A questionnaire (or "A Class in History"), conducted by Mrs. Hubbard, found the girls of yesterday not wanting in Lindenwood history and facts and funnies.

Mrs. Mary McDearmon's reminiscences of the life of Mrs. Sibley were most interesting.

Mrs. W. G. Stewart followed with a reading, "Old Mother Goose," rendered in artistic style. Mrs. Stewart is a public reader of some note, and also one of Lindenwood's recent young students.

AT MRS. BAKER'S HOME

Mrs. Charles H. Baker, of Pasadena, welcomed in honor of Dr. and Mrs. Roemer, the members of the Lindenwood

Club and other friends on Thursday, December 30, at her home from 2 until 5 p. m. Mrs. Baker's affairs are always "comme il faut," and never was her home more beautifully decorated in the college colors than at this time; reception hall, drawing room, library, dining room and patio, all seeming to say "Long live Lindenwood." Mrs. Baker was radiant in a frock of white with a touch of yellow.

Tall palms, long-stemmed chrysanthemums in majolica jardinières, a diminutive Christmas tree, attractively trimmed in white and yellow, potted plants and wreaths of white and green with long yellow satin streamers over the arched doorways, furnished the setting for the reception hall. The drawing room mantel was ornamented with a candelabrum containing seven candles, as a centerpiece, and single yellow candles in candlesticks on either end of mantel. Small vases here and there were filled with dainty white and yellow flowers and the electric fixtures were trimmed with smilax and capped with yellow and white shades. Tall palms in the dining-room were effective, while a huge floral piece of yellow and white adorned the table, together with tall yellow candles.

Mrs. Baker's program consisted of inspirational talks by Dr. and Mrs. Roemer, Dr. Roemer dwelling on the value of building and constructing our lives along cultural lines; we cannot then fail to impress the world with the outward and visible sign of an inner self-confidence and spiritual grace, crowned with eventual success, no matter what walk in life we may pursue. Mrs. Roemer spoke in the most pleasing manner on her activities in the College. No office can exceed in responsibility the one she assumes in her role of "mother."

The reader of the afternoon was Mrs.

Pearl Aiken Smith of the class of '96. Mrs. Smith is a member of the faculty in the College of Oratory at the University of Southern California. Her subject was "Spectacles."

Two young women artists played a number of Mrs. Baker's favorite selections on the harp and violin. Then followed the singing of Mrs. Baker's own composition, entitled "The Spirit of Lindenwood," printed in gold letters on white paper, to the tune of Auld Lang Syne.

At the close of the program all were invited out on the patio (where stood a most beautiful Christmas tree) for the purpose of converting those present into "camera angels." A dainty collation was then served in the dining-room: ice cream frozen in forms of yellow roses, small cakes and coffee.

Mrs. May Wright Stelle, corresponding secretary, who sends the story, adds the following personal note:

"Let me add that our club has been most happy in working toward a definite end. The playing of a part in the raising of the Mary Easton Sibley Fund has been an honor. To just drift socially along means little gain, but a goal spurs us onward. We feel Dr. and Mrs. Roemer came to Los Angeles to further round out the purpose of the club, and have done so. Former students of Lindenwood, hearing of our activities, have joined our club, many coming from long distances, and for this alone we are pleased. We thank them for coming, wish them "everything," and predict for them a long, happy and successful life. With such environments as youth provides, there at Lindenwood, we are reasonably sure they will live to be a hundred even in the *Middle West*.

"All power to Dr. and Mrs. Roemer!"

Weddings

Announcement cards have been received from Mr. and Mrs. John Clifford Hilliard, of Wynne, Ark., announcing the marriage of their daughter, Miss Lillian Hilliard (1924-25) to Mr. Albert Walter Buford, on Thursday, February 3, at her parents' home in Wynne.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Liles, of Dexter, Mo., have announced the marriage of their daughter, Miss Helen Liles (1920-23) to Mr. Charles Edward Clowe, Jr., on January 23, at Dexter. Mr. and Mrs. Clowe will be at home to friends after February 10, making their home at Dexter.

In the society columns of the Little Rock (Ark.) News appears an account of the wedding, on Saturday night, January 29, at 8:30 o'clock, of Miss Louise Parkin (1920-22) and Mr. Jack Thomas Lynn. The ceremony took place at Christ Church, Little Rock, Bishop James R. Winchester officiating. Announcement cards have been sent by the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Parkin. After a short wedding trip to St. Louis, Mr. and Mrs. Lynn have established their home at 618 Cumberland street, Little Rock.

Announcement has been made by Mrs. Walter Seeva Peck, of Arkansas City, Ark., of the marriage of her daughter, Miss Helen Jewel Peck (1917-19) to Mr. Fred Winslow Zoellner, on Friday, December 31, 1926.

Miss Kathleen Musson (1923-24) was married at her home in Norborne, Mo., on January 1, to Dr. Walter Waldo Armstrong. Cards announcing the event have

been sent by her parents, Dr. and Mrs. Edwin Harrington Musson, together with "At Home" announcements for 5512 Glenwood avenue, Chicago.

Another addition, perhaps, to the Chicago Lindenwood College Club will be the Christmas bride, Miss Charlotte Edith Millikin (1920-21), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Zarah Coston Millikin, who was married at her parents' home in Salina, Kan., on December 25, 1926, to Mr. Ben Hilliard O'Connor, and "At Home" cards are enclosed, giving as their new home address, 207 Kedzie street, Evanston, Ill.

Mr. and Mrs. Crawford Butler Reeder, of Amarillo, Texas, send cards announcing the marriage on December 18, 1926, of their daughter, Miss Martha Pauline (1920-22), to Mr. Jess Carson Dickie, Junior.

Cards are sent by Mr. and Mrs. William R. Erwin, of Fairfax, Mo., announcing their daughter, Miss Josephine Margaret Erwin's marriage, on December 30, to Mr. John Nicholas Carter, Jr. The bride attended Lindenwood, 1920-1923.

On the same day, December 30, in Colorado Springs, Colo., cards from Mr. and Mrs. Carlos W. Bennett announce the marriage of their sister, Miss Dorothy Garth Birdsall, to Mr. Earl Willard Carpenter. They will reside in Denver, Colo., at 1801 Grant street.

From Pueblo, Colo., come announcement cards of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Maxwell, telling of the marriage of their

daughter, Miss Mary Maxwell (1921-22), to Mr. L. Duncan Leininger, on September 18. They have been at home since December 1 at 1239 Lake avenue, Pueblo.

Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Carey, Jr., are to reside in Ithaca, N. Y., so say the wedding cards sent by the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Randolph Slavens, of Hutchinson, Kan. The bride was Miss Mary Margaret Slavens (1923-25), and the wedding took place on December 28, 1926, in the First Presbyterian Church of Hutchinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Franklin Luther Horn, of Toledo, Ohio, have sent cards of their daughter's marriage, Miss Dorothy Helene Horn, on January 15, at Toledo, to Mr. Clyde Hendricks Thompson. The bride was but a little girl at Lindenwood, when her father was Dean, more than 10 years ago.

Announcement comes from Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Hatfield, of Edinburg, Tex., of the wedding on October 10, 1926, of their daughter, Miss Martha Johnson Hatfield (who with her sister, Elizabeth, attended Lindenwood, 1922-23), to Mr. Theodore Roland Mauck.

Two ministerial families are united in the marriage, on January 19, of Miss Olive Townsley (a graduate of 1920), whose mother and stepfather, Rev. and Mrs. Joseph Henry Gauss, have sent announcement, to Mr. Stuart McSpaden Haw, son of a Methodist minister.

Miss Mary E. Larsh (1924-25) was married on October 20, to Mr. Edgar White. They are now at home at 3705 East Central, Wichita, Kan.

Invitations were received to the wedding of Miss Elisabeth Zimmerman Montgomery, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lee Montgomery, to Mr. Wallace Delafield Carr. The ceremony took place in the Broadway Presbyterian Church of Sedalia, Mo., Saturday afternoon, February 5, at 1 o'clock. The bride is a sister of Mrs. R. B. Fowler (Elinor Montgomery), a former Lindenwood student.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles V. Bryson, of Plainview, Tex., sent cards announcing the marriage of their daughter, Miss Ruth Eleanor Bryson (1921-22), to Mr. Ed. Ross Ligon, on December 20, 1926, at the home of the bride. Their new home, after January 1, is in Comanche, Texas.

Announcement has been sent by Mr. and Mrs. Robert R. Hall, telling of the marriage of their daughter, Miss Bertha Hall (1922-25), on December 31, 1926, to Mr. Ralph Waldo Symonds, in the First Presbyterian Church of Corpus Christi. Mr. and Mrs. Symonds will reside in Edinburg, Texas.

Mrs. Worth Carleton Fulbright, who before her marriage in the early part of January was Miss Otha Cargill (1925-26), writes from Stillwater, Okla., that she and her husband hope to be at Lindenwood for the Centennial. Her former home was in Oklahoma City, her father being mayor of that city.

Miss Pauline Shafer, a freshman of the last semester, was married at her home in Joplin, Mo., during the Christmas holidays, to Mr. Howard P. Saunders, and when the rest of the Joplin girls were returning to college, she and

the bridegroom were starting on their honeymoon. Before returning to Joplin, Mr. and Mrs. Saunders came for a short visit to Lindenwood. They will reside in the Gentry Apartments, Joplin.

Miss "Sarah Elizabeth Johnson," whose marriage on December 27 to Mr. Francis Paston Douglas, of St. Louis, is formally announced in cards from her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arch A. Johnson, of Springfield, Mo., is the same "Betty Johnson" who was at Lindenwood in the last year of the war, and who has gained a name as a Sunday magazine writer on the St. Louis Globe-Democrat. Her husband is a newspaper man, holding an executive position on the same paper.

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New Southeast Club

The Lindenwood Club of Southeast Missouri is new since the Christmas holidays, and promises one more influence co-operating in plans for Lindenwood's Centennial.

This club was organized by Miss Alice Linnemann, on December 29, at Poplar Bluff, Mo., at the residence of Mrs. Fay Bacon. Officers were elected as follows:

President, Mrs. F. D. Bacon (Lucille Greason), Poplar Bluff, Mo.

Vice-President, Helen O. Liles (Mrs. C. E. Clowe), Dexter, Mo.

Recording Secretary, Mrs. J. L. Hawthorth (Irene Greason), Poplar Bluff.

Treasurer, Mrs. J. O. Adams, Poplar Bluff.

Corresponding Secretary, Virginia Liles, Dexter.

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Mrs. Agnes McCormick Sherburne (of the class of 1881), of 37 Orchard Road, Tacoma, Wash., has returned to her home after a two years' sojourn in Europe.

Personals

Mrs. J. E. Barnard, of Lexington, Ill. (Mary Arbogast), writes that she and her husband and their four-year-old son are "certainly planning a visit to Lindenwood in May, and are looking forward to the event with great anticipation."

Mrs. T. Gardner Farmer (Mercedes Weber) gives her new address in Pasadena, Calif. — 973 Catalina avenue — so that she may receive "the newsy little bulletin." She expresses appreciation of "all the news it contains," and also of Lindenwood's calendar.

Mrs. C. A. Lick, Sr. (Carrie Tilles, 1887-88), of Fort Smith, Ark., sailed, on February 9, from California for the South Seas, Australia and New Zealand. She expects to return home about the middle of May, to "join the girls of yesterday" at the Centennial.

Announcement has been received of the death at Long Beach, Calif., of Miss Julia Postal, on July 26, 1926. She was a member of the Lindenwood College Club of Southern California.

An earlier spring recess has been agreed upon for Lindenwood, beginning March 30 and extending to April 6, in order that there may be a longer uninterrupted period for preparation of the memorable pageant of Lindenwood's Centennial.

The French play, "Le Voyage de M. Perrichon," with the German curtain-raiser, "Der Regenschirm," on February 17, was a finished production, the students reflecting much credit on Miss Stone, who directed the affair.

Pledges at St. Joseph

The Lindenwood College Club of St. Joseph, Mo., writes of a handsome gift for the Mary Easton Sibley Scholarship Fund, made individually by Mr. Hugo F. Miller of that city, the father of Virginia Miller, now a student at Lindenwood. This club gave a social entertainment in January, which netted \$250.

During the holidays, on December 30, the club entertained with a luncheon at Mrs. Wachter's Shoppe, at which some of the students on vacation were guests, among whom were Lalla Rookh Varner, Margaret Perrine, Virginia Miller and Frances Beasley, of St. Joseph, and Vivian Nicholas, of Kirkwood, who was being entertained by Miss Vida Gall, of St. Joseph. Twenty-five Lindenwood girls in all were present. Mrs. C. E. Thomas, of Mound City, brought with her, her daughter, who is to enter Lindenwood next fall. Miss Marguerite Young, of Mound City, also attended.

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Interested in Lindenwood

A letter from Mrs. Richard Hurst, of Brooklyn, N. Y., to Miss Alice Linnemann says:

"I shall read the Sibley booklet with interest. I wonder continually, with great admiration, at the high standards maintained and the fine influence spread by the school, as evidenced by its bulletin. Thank you, for keeping me in touch."

Mrs. Hurst, although she has never attended Lindenwood, has for years been interested in, and proven herself a friend of, the college. She is the wife of the president of the Hurst Publishing Company, in New York, and knows personally some of the L. C. girls of former years. Miss Linnemann met Mr. and

Mrs. Hurst on an ocean liner, in 1910. Some years ago, Mr. Hurst presented a number of books to the college library.

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Births

Little William Joseph O'Brien, Jr., sends a blue-ribboned card, dated January 7, from Shreveport, La. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. William Joseph O'Brien (Mae Briant, 1916-18).

"A little stranger arrived," say the stork cards from Dr. and Mrs. H. E. Sieck, of Giddings, Texas, "on January 18, at 11 a. m., weighing eight and one-half pounds." This little daughter's name is Geraldine Manora, preserving the name of her mother, the former Geraldine Wills, who graduated in 1924.

The name of Whitmarsh, well known among Lindenwood girls of Arkansas, is preserved in the name of a little son of the Texarkana Club president. Mr. and Mrs. John Ware Holman, of 608 Pecan street, Texarkana (Marguerite Whitmarsh, 1910-11) announce the advent on November 11, 1926, of little Henry Whitmarsh Schifflin Holman.

Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Henderson (Margaret Ferguson, A. B. 1924) have sent cards, announcing the arrival of John Robert, Jr., on December 6, 1926.

To Mr. and Mrs. C. Ernest Baldwin (Elsie Sue Porth, 1913-16), of Pattonville, St. Louis County, arrived a little daughter, Helen Jane Baldwin, whose pretty card gives the date of January 14.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Rowell (Florence English, 1923-24), of 1102 Carlos, Wichita, Kan., have announced the coming of a son, Monte Hubert.