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## COLONEL BUTLER'S VISIT.

It was a beautiful fall day. The weather conditions September 24th were ideal. At Chapel it was rumored that such a day might bring Col. Butler to Lindenwood. The College had been opened and going for nine days and the Patron Saint of Lindenwood had not been seen on the grounds. The president assured everybody that "some day", just as soon as Col. Butler felt a little better from the effects of a brief illness, he would certainly be out. Such assurances would not satisfy. "He just must come out to see us or we will go in to see him and shake hands with him." Seldom is such heart devotion manifest as that which exists in Lindenwood for Col. Butler. When his auto came into the campus and a lady was seen in it, there was still greater joy for one girl declared that Mrs. Butler was here with the Colonel. The Margaret Hall contingent own a very handsome picture of Mrs. Butler and it was proposed to welcome both in the dining room with their pictures conspicuously before them. This was discouraged, for it was soon learned it was not Mrs. Butler, but her niece. Everybody was glad to see Mrs. Eattlake and she was cordially welcomed. If she belonged to the family she was their friend, too. When Col. Butler greeted each girl with a pleasant word and a friendly hand-shake after luncheon in the dining room there was a hearty response with best wishes to him and his wife.

The coming of Col. Butler to Lindenwood is not an incident, it is an event. Called upon to make a speech he referred to the absence of his speech maker. "Dr. Nicholls and I have been friends for 48 years. He does the talking. I do the practicing of the lessons taught. He insists upon faith being dead without works and I keep faith alive. Chasing dollars has been my occupation for a long time, now it is transmuting them into life." After referring to the new gymnasium, natatorium and dormitory which is to be known as Butler Hall, he laid it upon the heart and conscience of every student to use her influence to make Lindenwood the great school he had in mind for it, in future years and generations to come. As a peroration to the address Col. Butler gave \$25 to each one who had brought back another girl to Lindenwood. At two o'clock the auto and its party started homeward. When it disappeared

down Butler Way one remark was the sentiment of all—"Let's just keep him out here the next time he comes."

## ST. LOUIS BOOSTERS.

The St. Louis friends of Lindenwood are getting very busy. More than 50 gathered at the home of Mrs. Patterson Bain Friday afternoon, September 25, and effected an organization which includes members of the Alumnae, former students and friends of the College. It was a great meeting, filled with cheer and courage to take up the work of helping make the New Lindenwood the "Wellesley of the West".

We copy the account of the meeting as given by the reporter of the Globe-Democrat:

At a meeting of the Lindenwood College Club, yesterday, at the residence of Mrs. Patterson Bain, 5727 Von Versen avenue, officers were elected as follows: President, Mrs. Mary J. McDearmon; vice-president, Mrs. H. B. Botticher, secretary, Miss Sara Elizabeth Edwards; treasurer, Mrs. A. C. Trueblood; invitation chairman, Mrs. W. K. Roth; Plans Committee chairman, Mrs. McDearmon.

The club accepted an invitation to visit Lindenwood College October 9, leaving Wellston in a special car at 11 o'clock. Alumnae were present from Edwardsville, Waterloo, Alton, De Soto, St. Charles, Belleville and other towns besides St. Louis. There was also a fraternal delegate from the Kansas City Lindenwood Club, Miss Leonora Anthony.

A resolution of best wishes to Col. James Gay Butler was extended, with congratulations on the work he is doing for Lindenwood. Col. Butler visited Lindenwood Thursday, bestowing prizes of \$25 on more than twenty girls, students who had brought in new students to the college. He also distributed a number of scholarships.

President John L. Roemer reported that Lindenwood is opening with increased attendance, the capacity of the school being taxed until the new building is ready for occupancy. The second new fraternity hall is being erected on the college campus. The builders are members of the Sigma Iota Chi, the structure costing \$3200.

Lindenwood Club will have special accommodations at the San Francisco world's fair next year, and is already arranging for a special train to take the delegation.

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September 15 the first Semester of the new year began. The day following registration day every class was being convened for the year's work. Our motto—"Be on Time, Begin on Time" was exemplified by faculty and students. Every teacher was on time ready to start work and only a very few of our enrollment failed to be present the opening day. The 107 now on our roll represent a large area of geographical territory: California, Utah, Oklahoma, Kansas, Missouri, Arkansas, Illinois, Indiana, Wisconsin

It is pleasing to note that St. Louis has a greatly increased proportion over other years. One of the most noticeable features of the student body is the way in which all fraternize and each is interested in helping the other to overcome that "lonely feeling" which just naturally comes to every girl that is worth while when she is far away from home, or not far away from home for that matter. Lindenwood spirit is the spirit of a great family, everybody interested in everybody else. The series of receptions and get-together meetings were just like the meetings of old friends.

### THE CONVOCATION ADDRESS.

Dr. Francis W. Russell delivered the annual Convocation Address September 21. Friends from the Military Academy and citizens of St. Charles helped fill the Chapel. Dr. Russell's address—"The Investment of Life," was a masterpiece of elegance, excellence and exaltation of his subject. His illustrations and exhortations made us all feel that the investment of a life was the most sacred, holy and remunerative business in all the world. A reception was tendered him after the address and Jubilee Parlors were filled with students and friends expressing appreciation of his helpful address.

### SUNDAY VESPERS

Dr. Roemer has established a preaching Service Sunday evening in the chapel which takes the place of the usual vesper services of Scripture reading and prayer. September 20 the topic was, "The Interpretation of Life." September 27, "Human and Divine Limitations." Mrs. Appy and a student choir assist in the music.

## STUDENT SELF-GOVERNMENT.

Student self-government is an established fact at Lindenwood.

The following Governors were selected by the students to act in conjunction with an Advisory Committee of the Faculty—Miss Florence McConnell, Miss Elsie Porth, Miss Elsie Cook, Miss Nellie Orr and Miss Kathryn Gross. The Faculty Advisory Committee is composed of Mrs. Roemer, Miss Porterfield, Miss Ralston, Miss Berry, and Miss Fontaine. On all matters of department not especially committed to the Faculty by parents and trustees is to be entrusted to the students. The honor system is in full vogue. Any infraction of the rules of conduct adopted by the students and approved by the Advisory Committee will be dealt with by the Board of Governors. The conduct of Lindenwood girls is a matter of favorable comment on all sides and student self-government is a success.

### BUTLER HALL.

"Only a question of a short time" is the contractor's answer to the question: "When will Butler Hall be finished?" Everything is under roof. Plasterers are pushing their work to completion. The gymnasium is soon to be ready for occupancy. It is only a short time until the Natatorium will be opened. When Butler Hall is completed and occupied, Lindenwood capacity will be doubled. Everybody must get busy to bring in more students. With an equipment of which few can boast it is not unreasonable to suppose that another one hundred young ladies are ready to go to the best Woman's College in the Southwest.

### THE FIRST SUNDAY AT CHURCH.

Carrying out an old custom, the entire student body attended the same church the first Sunday of the school year. At 10:30 A. M. the line was formed in front of the College Chapel and teachers and students marched to the Jefferson Street Presbyterian Church. One-half of the church was filled with Lindenwood girls and visitors. Rev. S. C. Ely, the pastor, welcomed the College representatives and gave a special sermon, taking as a text Prov. 1:7, "The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge."

### Y. W. C. A.

The first Sunday morning a pleasant surprise awaited us as we came to the breakfast table. At each plate was a beautiful white carnation and attached to the flower a card tied with white ribbon. On the card was the following—"Lindenwood Y. W. C. A. extends a welcome to our first meeting, Sunday evening, September twentieth." The first meeting was well attended and a strong organization effected for the year.

## DR. ROEMER'S AUTO.

Have you had a ride in it? If any one has missed out it is not Dr. Roemer's fault. On bright and beautiful Saturday afternoons, as well as at other times he invites the girls "to get in and go out for fresh air in the country. The teachers assigned to chaperon the auto parties are never lacking enough girls to make up a load.

## THINGS MUSICAL.

The high standard of our Musical Department has ever been an acknowledged fact among those who know the history of our College. It is not disparaging to the past to say that the present is the best. Foundations are enriched by the superstructure. The excellence of our standard will admit of nothing short of the best.

Dean Harrison Williams is an acknowledged master on the piano, being trained by such musicians as Barth, Godousky and Lherwinne. Miss Edna Hanna, his first assistant was a private pupil of Frau Oscar Raif and Hugo Kaun. Miss Alla Wright is fresh from Vienna, where she has for four years been an assistant to the world famous pianist, Leschetizsky, and comes with the highest commendation as one of the best American artists in Vienna. Prof. Hugo Olk, concert master of the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra needs no introduction to the American Musical public as a master in violin music. Mrs. Florence Appy, as a teacher of voice, is known for thoroughness in voice culture and like the rest of our Music Department, was selected from the best trained schools and students of the masters. The standing of all our music teachers is an assurance that the highest claims we make for our Conservatory are well founded in fact.

During the year a series of concerts and recitals will be given, to which students and friends may well look forward to with interest.

From a St. Louis daily paper we clip the following:

The ill wind in Austria has blown an unusually gifted piano teacher to Lindenwood College. Miss Alla Wright, of Vienna, first assistant to the noted Leschetizsky, found herself in the great European army of helpless women at a season when engagements were not being made by colleges or conservatories. With the greatest difficulty she escaped from the country.

Rev. Dr. John L. Roemer, president of Lindenwood College, anticipating the fact that many European instructors in music must be stranded, telegraphed an agency in New York, and Miss Wright's willingness to teach at St. Charles was telegraphed back. She has been for four years an assistant to Leschetizky, having studied under him for one year

previously. Miss Wright is a Kentucky girl, but has lived abroad so long that French and German are almost more familiar to her than her native tongue.

It may be of interest to Lindenwood friends to know that it is proposed, just as soon as Butler Hall is completed, to turn Margaret Hall into a Conservatory of Music.

Miss Hanna is now giving piano lessons in Margaret Hall and Miss Fontaine is conducting private expression classes.

Fifteen Friday afternoon concerts will be given by the St. Louis Symphony Orchestra. Lindenwood students will avail themselves of the privilege of attendance during the year. The cordial invitation to become patrons of these concerts has been accepted by many.

Some of the talent is listed as follows:  
November 13—Marie Sundelius, the charming young Swedish Soprano. November 20—Prof. Carl Friedberg, Pianist from Bingen-on-the-Rhine. December 11—Willy Burmester, who stands among the world's greatest violinists. December 18—Arrigo Serato Italian Violinist. January 1—Olive Fremstad, Opera January 8—Ferruccio Busoni, pianist. January 15—Fritz Kreisler, violinist. February 5—Olga Samaroff, pianiste. February 19—Maggie Teyte, the wonderful Grand Opera Prima Donna. March 5—Leo Slezak, the great Bohemian tenor. March 12—Ossip Gabrilowitsch, the Russian pianist. March 19—Joseph Lherwinne, a protege of Rubinstein.

## THE GIRLS OF YESTERDAY.

Former students receiving our monthly paper are delighted with the opportunity of keeping in touch with the School of today.

We welcome every message they send us, and are never too busy to listen to words of cheer and encouragement: From Owensboro, Ky., Miss V. Mercedes Weber writes—"How I envy all the lucky girls that are with you at dear old Lindenwood this year. I would love to be back. I appreciate the little news bulletin sent me and I hope to receive a copy whenever it is published.

Mrs. Eloise Eyssel Bergmann, of Kansas City, writes: "Am interested in all the splendid improvements that have been made and look forward to the time when I may inspect my dear old Alma Mater in all her glory."

From Glenrock, Wyoming, Beatrice Rollins writes: "The Lindenwood bulletin reached me yesterday and I wish to send my sincere thanks. I did not know that there was such a publication and I enjoyed it so much. I have heard practically no Lindenwood news since I left and therefore the paper was greatly appreciated.

Elizabeth Christy, from Alton, writes: "I am very much interested in everything connected with Lindenwood. I

am so glad to hear of all the improvements. If there is anything I can ever do for Lindenwood, let me know."

Frances B. Strathman, of Wright City, Mo., sends the following: "I have enjoyed the monthly bulletins telling about Lindenwood's progress so much. They are so newsy and like a letter from home. Best wishes for your success."

Mrs. Agnes M. C. Sherburne, of Tacoma, Wash., of the class of '81: "I was so pleased to receive the four page monthly issue from Lindenwood, and to know that it is prospering. I recall with pleasure and appreciation the charm of the few years spent under the wonderful inspiration of Miss Jewell, now Mrs. Mermod, who was filling the chair as President."

### THE GIRLS OF TO-DAY.

Eva Meek was among the first arrivals. She brought with her two new students, Hester Jackson and Hazel Benneson.

The trunk man declared Louise Hudson had lead in her trunk. Louise confessed to excess baggage, but nothing unnecessary among contents.

Helen Chesbrough's coming was announced by express packages preceding her presence. Marjorie Grove soon followed.

Corra and Winona Smith were the long distance travellers, coming direct from Ogden, Utah.

When you see a throng of students being entertained, look for Ione Epstein as the center of attraction.

Fort Scott, Kansas, is again on the Lindenwood map. Grace Thomas is the charming representative from that city.

Missouri leads in the number of students enrolled. Illinois and Kansas are next.

Those 48 bottles on the wall are sung off the wall nearly every week.

The Chapel choir is a great help to the Chapel singing.

St. Charles girls have a room all to themselves. Between classes they are not now compelled to get in wherever they can find a place. It is a great improvement over the old way.

Lindenwood College rooters were in evidence at the football game between the St. Charles Military Academy and the Hamilton Ave. Christian Church team of St. Louis.

The Military boys seemed to be favorites and the soldiers responded to our usty rooters with cheers and yells for the yellow and white ribboned band.

Miss Scrutchfield is busy with outdoor sports. Saturday hikes, tennis and other games are arranged to give the students outdoor exercise during these fine fall days.

Dr. G. F. Ellwanger, of St. Charles, has presented the College with a fine "springing board" for the Natatorium.

Three prizes have been offered of \$2.50 each. One for the best original College song. Another for the best worded College yell. The third for the best short College story.

### AMONG THE TEACHERS.

Miss Alice Linnemann took the Art Department to St. Louis Saturday, September 26. The day was spent in the Art Museum and other places of art interest.

Miss Fontaine never fails when called upon to recite at public gatherings. She is quite a favorite as a teacher of expression.

Miss Porterfield will soon have her Latin play staged. The Latin classes are busily engaged in mastering proper pronunciation and interpretation.

Mrs. Kirby is still "Muddy" to all the girls. The students are entirely too healthy to patronize her hospital, but they have many other demands to make on her time. The trunk problem has kept her busy these troublous days of arrivals.

Miss McDaniels has had the Domestic Science Department carefully gone over with paint and brush. If she has omitted anything in the way of details the President has not noticed it and that is a great recommendation.

Miss Ayres is rejoicing in the prospect of a new Library System, approved by the state department.

Mrs. Roemer finds few idle moments. She is ever on the alert to be of assistance to the students. Her idea of a home life for the girls at College is very popular. In the Lady Principal all the students find a friend and a sympathetic advisor. During the summer she directed all the house improvements, selected the wall paper, superintended the cleaning up of all the dormitories. To Mrs. Roemer credit is due for the most excellent condition of the College home-like appearance.

### COLLEGE IMPROVEMENTS.

It did not look like it could be done in time for the opening of School, but it was. Every dormitory was in readiness after a thorough renovation. The ditches for the new water supply pipes were all filled and the new fire hydrants installed. We were a little behind the schedule in tree trimming but not much. The granitoid walks were completed, the new boiler installed, the campus cleared and cleaned and grass cut.

Two of our patrons who were here during the general "tear up" did not think it possible. They came back September 15 and both declared it was a marvelous feat. Lindenwood certainly had a general overhauling and it looks the better for the treatment. The old has suddenly merged into the New Lindenwood.