

# LINDEN BARK

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## JAUNTING AT EASTER.

**"Freshmen Always Did Have a Good Time".**

Many members of the Freshman class did not go home but spent their Easter vacation visiting friends or relatives. Mabel Blair and Emma Monier were guests at the homes of Nellie Ruth Don Carlos and Meredith Groom of Liberty, Missouri.

Betty Gee visited in Fayetteville, Arkansas, with Mildred Guisinger.

Laura Johns visited Dorothy Fairchild and Kathryn Staley visited Martha Shortridge in Sedalia, Missouri.

Frances De Lozier was in Springfield, Missouri, with Helen Smith.

Jerry Curreathers went to Fayetteville with her sister Maxine where they met their parents.

Cecil Batson was at the home of Posie Brown in Oscola, Arkansas.

Dorothy Williams was the guest of Helen Morris in Hannibal, Missouri.

Wilma Sanderson visited in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma.

Charlotte Gasaway was in Illinois visiting relatives.

Ruth Foster was at the home of Rose Parmelee in Leavenworth, Kansas.

Janet Hood was the guest of Mary Banks, of Liberty, Missouri.

Louise Wampold was at the home of Roslyn Cohen in St. Louis.

Carmelita Hoffman, as well as Erma Levy and Lillian Nachlas were visiting in St. Louis.

Harriet Collins spent the vacation with Mary Carr in Kansas City.

Audrey Richert was with Kathryn Porter in Dahlgreen, Ill.

Quite a number of the girls stayed at college including Nellie Lee Brecht, Imogene Campbell, Marie Nelson, Lucille Emery, Louise Richter, Katherine Richter, Norma Erdworm, Virginia Brown and Katherine Rankin.

The Sophomores will entertain the faculty and student body with a dance tomorrow night, Friday, in Butler Gym. A record attendance is expected, as this is one of the best annual events.

## TIME TO DUST

### YOUR BIBLES OFF.

What's this that's heard about the lack of spirit in the Freshman class?

The Freshman will soon have an opportunity to still this scandalous talk by means of the approaching Bible contest for the Dorothy Holtcamp Badgett prize.

An award of twenty-five dollars (just think of it) will be given to the member of the Freshman class who best recites the greatest number of Bible verses. No one may enter with fewer than 50 verses committed to memory. The names of all contestants must be handed to the committee by the last week of April.

Mrs. Dorothy Holtcamp Badgett, daughter of Judge Holtcamp of St. Louis, was a student at Lindenwood College until her marriage to Mr. Badgett. A short time after her marriage she died, and Judge Holtcamp established the Dorothy Holtcamp Badgett Bible Memory Verse Award.

Last year Miss Pauline Davis was the winner. It is hoped that this year the Freshman class will create lively competition for the winner. This is a Freshman project and it is up to the class to show an interest; then of course, there is the twenty-five dollars.

## AT THE GABLES.

Dr. and Mrs. J. L. Roemer intended to spend their Easter vacation at the Gables, but in reality they spent very little time at that eminent residence. Teas, parties, theaters, and dinners in St. Louis occupied the greater part of their time. It is rumored that the Roemers were invited out for every meal during the entire vacation, which only reassures us that their popularity also extends outside the borders of Lindenwood College.

It is reported that Linn and Cort behaved themselves perfectly and spent a very enjoyable vacation right here at college.

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## COMPREHENSIVE ADDRESS

BY DEAN GIPSON

**Players Receive Benefit of Her Research in the Drama.**

At a meeting of the Lindenwood Players, Wednesday April 8, Dean Alice Gipson gave an informal lecture on "Drama". Since Miss Gipson has done her graduate work on the drama, she knows her subject thoroughly and can give the result of her study to others in interesting and compact bits.

Dean Gipson first gave a short sketch of the drama of Shakespeare and Shakespearian times. She pointed out the characteristic plot developments and the individual characters that make the plays of that period live. Next she discovered at some length the growth and change in staging and stage sets used in different times for different plays.

Dean Gipson pointed out the large range for variation between the Shakespearian setting, which consisted of a single tree stump labeled to represent a forest, and the most modernistic sets that are so beautiful, gaudy or striking (it all depends on what you think) that they detract from the play itself.

"The modern plays that will last", was the next division of the Dean's lecture. In this discussion she pointed out the marks of a lasting drama, and showed why most of the modern "so-called" drama would soon be forgotten. Among the modern playwrights that Dean Gipson enumerated as writing lasting drama were Shaw, Barrie and Drinkwater.

The last material brought up considered the modern actors and actresses, and the kinds of plays they are forced to appear in if they wish to become known. The Dean brought in here some interesting personal investigation which she had made which showed that the majority of New York actresses appear once or twice and are lost.

## Pins Distributed.

The new Lindenwood Players' pins

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### The Linden Bark:

"Doth this offend you?—the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit and they are life."—Jesus.

### Butler Day

To-day the twenty-third of April, is Butler Day, the day set aside for us to honor the memory of the man who made Lindenwood the large and thriving college we have today.

Surely, then, it will not be amiss for us to learn or recall some of the principles and ideals for which Colonel James Gay Butler stood. These we can summarize, to some extent, from his sayings and doings, which live in the memories of those who loved him.

"I am interested in colleges because they help develop useful lives," he once said.

"It's an easy thing to make money, but it's hard to give it away properly," was one of his frequent statements, and in it we find the cause for his interest in a girl's school. He found, in his extensive charity work, that women were better administrators than were men and he determined that he should devote some of his wealth in the promotion of their education.

At the opening of the school seasons he would come out and talk to the girls, and if he discovered a homesick one, he would invite her "to wet the lapel of his coat."

From these simple remarks we can discern that Colonel Butler was, primarily, a sympathetic man, a lover of his fellow-men, one who did not allow material gain to make him lose sight of spiritual needs. Keen foresight, sympathetic understanding, and Christian generosity are the qualities easily perceived by even a most superficial study of his character—a

trio of traits hard to match.

Colonel Butler, who was a resident of St. Louis, became interested in Lindenwood during the administration of the late Dr. Ayers, and from that time until his death it was his purpose to make Lindenwood an important factor in the education of young women.

His wife, Mrs. Margaret Leggat Butler, was also deeply interested in the welfare of the school.

When Colonel Butler began the excavation for what is known to us as Butler Hall on Commencement Day, June 9, 1914, the school, which then consisted of Sibley and Jubilee, was a very different place from the Lindenwood we know today. Thanks to him, we now have Butler, Niccolls, Roemer, and Irwin, besides our large campus, modern equipment in all departments, and other notable improvements. Were he alive today, he would see the fulfillment of one of his dreams, and in his stead, we must appreciate for him the reality, which, though prosaic enough to us, is God's answer to his efforts.

Surely, then, we cannot be too thoughtful of the memory of Colonel James Gay Butler on the day dedicated to him, for the school's greatest and most valued assets—namely, Dr. and Mrs. Roemer who came here in answer to his urgent desire; our financial stability, which we owe largely to his generous endowment; and our spiritual resources, which finds an example in the nobility of his character. "All Lindenwood today" to quote Dr. Roemer, "reflects Colonel Butler."

### After Vacation

Well, we're back! On the very last lap of the school year at Lindenwood! The Easter Vacation is over and teachers are having a strenuous task in getting the thoughts of the students back into the narrow channels of their studies. Situations like this one have been known to arise:

It was in Bible class. Dr. Calder had made the statement that he would like to get a few ideas as to the approximate date of Jesus' early teachings. "And what date have you in mind, Virginia?" he inquired. "The one Saturday night with the little Sigma Nu," listlessly replied the dreaming Virginia.

But there is one consolation in the thought that we just have a little over a month left to struggle through our classes during this balmy spring weather. And then again, there are the "finals" to look forward to, and better still, the practicing for May Day.

Attacks of Spring Fever are very much in evidence on every hand. Groups of girls here and there, spread

### COLLEGE CALENDAR.

April 23,

11 a. m., Butler Day Exercises, Roemer Auditorium.

4 p. m., Indoor Athletic Exhibition.

Friday, April 24:

8 p. m., Sophomore Dance.

Sunday, April 26:

6:30 p. m., Vesper Service.

out under trees, lolling in the swings, or strolling around the drives, is the condition which inspires the student-who - thinks - she'll - work-tonight-but doesn't, to join her friends on the campus.

Yes, our vacation has helped us lots. It has given those nervous overworked wrecks a chance to recuperate, it has given the typical student just the rest needed so that all that back work can be made up, and it has given every one a little visit with friends and relatives that will back them up to withstand whatever work is now thrust upon them.

### "THE GHOST STORY"

The following was the cast of characters in a play, "The Ghost Story", by Booth Tarkington, which the new members of the Lindenwood Players presented as part of their initiation, at an opening meeting.

George.....	Frances Baggett
Anna.....	Dorothy Dunseth
Grace.....	Audrey Rickert
Mary.....	Rosalind Douglas
Lennie.....	Dorothy Filliams
Tom.....	Ellen Bradford
Lynn.....	Mildred Grauman
Fred.....	Dorothy Meyer
Floyd.....	Lillian Nachlas

The play is an unusual story of a bashful young man who feels he must propose to "the girl" before he returns to college. He is just in the midst of his proposal, and his is a long affair, when the doorbell rings to admit the usual crowd of young people. Of course this leaves the proposal suspended in mid-air. In desperation "George," suggests that they tell ghost stories, with the intention of frightening them so badly that they will all go home.

As the embarrassed, self-conscious, earnest young man in love with one girl, Frances Baggett presented an excellent characterization, indeed, one readily saw why "Anna" (Dorothy Dunseth) would give "George" a second chance. "Anna" proved by her acting that it is not so much what is said, or how much, but how it is said that makes for effectiveness.

As for the other characters, they seemed very much at home, playing modern flapper girls and dashing young men. Because of the ability displayed, all the students are looking forward with pleasure to the Commencement play.

**SOPHOMORES AND SOCIAL LIFE.**

Most of the Sophomores went to their respective homes and spent the time putting food where it would do the most good, planning spring wardrobes, wasting gasoline, and staying up late at night (just witness the yawns and gapes), but a few did more unusual things.

Dorothee Meyers was the guest of Ethel Landreth, Blanche Fish was with Frances Fitzgerald and Audrey Nixon spent her vacation with Lydia Dodge.

Anabelle Couper and Lillian Hinkle were with friends in St. Louis, as were Dorothy and Elise Rumph, while Margaret Slavens was in the city with her sister.

Adelaide Evans and Nadine Trope spent the holidays in the city, and Jean Johnson visited Helen Towles in Moberly.

**NEGATIVE TEAM****WINS CONTEST.**

The Intercollegiate debate between Washington University and Lindenwood College was held in Roemer Auditorium on April 2. The question under discussion was Resolved: That Congress should be given the power to over-rule by two-thirds vote of both houses Supreme Court decisions which declare acts of Congress unconstitutional.

Washington's team took the affirmative side of the question, and their representatives were Misses Wilma Schwindler, Virginia Sankey and Evelyn Epley. All were talented speakers, but lacked thoroughness of preparation and did not attempt to give their speeches without notes.

Lindenwood's team consisted of Miss Virginia Symms, Miss Margaret Knoop and Miss Helen Lewis with Miss Helen Trusty as alternate. This team upheld the negative in a very capable way. The clear distinct diction and frank manner of these speakers unhindered by notes or uncertainty put over their individual personality in a way that pleased the audience and determined the judges.

The speeches in rebuttal showed the interest of each team in this question and brought more fire from all of them.

Dr. John L. Roemer acted as chairman. The judges were: Mr. Chester B. Curtis, of St. Louis, Judge B. H. Dyer of St. Charles, and Prof. F. L. McCluer of Fulton, Mo., and each gave his decisions in favor of the negative.

Both teams showed good sportsmanship and the debate as a whole was successful. Lindenwood is very proud of the debate squad and their splendid work, which is largely due to the untiring efforts of their coach Miss Carolyn Olsen.

**NEW USE FOR RADIO****Shall Lindenwood Have Air Extension?**

Oh Girls! New York University opened the spring term of its air college on January 5. The first lecture of the second term was given through station WJZ by Professor Marshal Brown, Dean of the Faculties. His subject was "American History". Bruce Carpenter, instructor in English, delivered six lectures on the general subject of "Drama". In response to a very general demand, a course in "Public Speaking" will be given. An experiment in examination of the radio students will be conducted in connection with the American History course. Upon the conclusion of the course, examination papers will be mailed to all students so requesting, to be returned within a limited time for correction and grading.

Emma Monier, president of the Freshman Class, was entranced with the novel idea, and said,

"It would be grand! It gives an opportunity for those who have to work and can't go to college. If they cared enough about it to listen, they would be honorable about taking the examinations. It is a wonderful thing, not only for students, but for business men and women in their homes. It would enable them to keep up on everything."

**GENTLE JUNIORS'****QUIET EASTER.**

The Juniors say they spent their vacation in the "same old way." The usual number of dances, parties, and picnics were attended, without forgetting the age-old and traditional parade on Easter Sunday morning.

Betty Bramlitt, president of the class, spent all her time at home in Malvern, Arkansas.

Helen Lee Maupin and Julia Avers were also at home, the former in Moberly, Mo., and the latter in Kansas City.

Margaret Knoop, the eminent debator, visited her parents in Versailles, Mo., while Eleanor Brown did a brave and noble act by staying here at the dear old school to see that no harm would come to it while her other friends and class-mates were away from its watchful and loving care.

**GIRLS, WE'VE FOUND IT.**

"Paging Mr. Darwin!" Yes, we've found the Missing Link in the form of M. O. Crawley. If you don't believe it ask Doug, Gummey, Soap, and Sudds, about what happened last Saturday, and they will vouch for her being "missing" every time.

Read the Linden Bark.

**EXPLORING CAVERNS,  
VACATION SPORT**

During the Easter vacation, Dr. Kate L. Gregg and Miss Lois Karr of the faculty had a pleasant trip to Leasburg, Mo., about eighty-five miles southwest of Saint Louis, from which place they drove into the country about five miles to visit the Onondaga cave, an interesting spot of rock formation well known throughout the country, to geologists.

"The interior was lovely, perfectly lovely", said Dr. Gregg. "It was a three and a half mile walk into the extreme parts, and a three and a half mile walk in order to get back out of the place, but it was worth it, yes, well worth it. We each carried a lantern and thus were able to examine individually anything of especial interest. Part of the way, we found the streams so wide and deep that we had to go in boats. It was all very interesting.

"The stalactite formations were lovely and the stalagmites were so apparently untouched and unbroken; that it was pleasing to know that the thing had not become commercialized, as is the case so often. When we came out of the cave it was perfectly delightful to see the unusual and beautiful wild flowers that flourish thereabouts."

**PLEASED THEIR AUDIENCE.**

A students' recital was held in Roemer Auditorium, March 26, at eleven A. M. The first two piano numbers on the program were "March Wind" by Mae Dowell and "Etude, F sharp Major" by Arensky both given by Marie Welson. Margaret Cope then played "Sonata (C Major)" by Mozart. "Liebestraum No. 2" by Liszt was very well played by Harriet Shafer.

There were three vocal soloists—first Sharlin Brewster, who sang two short, unusual numbers—"Beyond" and "Nightingale", both by Barnett. Kathryn Sampsell sang two Bayon Songs by Strickland, "Holla!" and "Dreamin' Time". The audience received Miss Sampsell's numbers with a great deal of enthusiasm, and applauded her back to the platform several times.

Emma Monier took the place of Miss Mackecknie and sang two very lovely songs of the 18th century.

Following these vocal numbers two more piano solos—"Impromptu" by Chapin and "Negro Love Poem" by Powell, both numbers were played by Mattalou Marshall. To finish the recital Miss Evelyn Cherry played "Concerto C Major" by Beethoven, Miss Hatch also played at a second piano on this number. The selection was very well played and it was appreciated by the audience.

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were distributed. The club presented Miss Harriet Diven and Miss Lucia Hutchins each with a pin in appreciation of the assistance they have given in sponsoring the club. The pledges then received their pins and became members of the Lindenwood Players.

#### REMEDYING DISCONTENT.

The Y. W. services on Wednesday April 1, were very enjoyable. Miss Betty Birch spoke on 'Discontent and Its Remedy', Miss Emma Monier sang, and Miss Mary Olive Crawley read the scriptures and offered the prayer.

#### "THE BRIDAL SUITE"

One room on second floor Butler has gained considerable fame of late, and is being eagerly spoken for, for the next year. Mr. and Mrs. S. Kaufman, of Fayette, announced the engagement of their daughter Marian to Mr. Edgar M. Lewin of St. Louis, on the twelfth of March, and during the Easter vacation Dr. and Mrs. J. H. Kready, of Sikeston, announced to a group of friends the engagement of their daughter Helen to Mr. Elmer Werner of St. Charles.

The room-mates are both Seniors at Lindenwood this year, both are to be married in the fall, and will live in St. Louis. Miss Kaufman, a vivacious brunette, graduated from Howard Payne before coming here, two years ago, while Miss Kready, a dainty blond, is a 'four year girl.' Both Mr. Lewin and Mr. Werner have studied at Washington University, the former being a graduate of the Alton Military Academy as well. Mr. Werner is a member of the Sigma Nu fraternally.

The brides-to-be are prominent members of the Senior class, Miss Kready being secretary of the Student Council and the Senior class, and a member of the Alpha Sigma Tau, while Miss Kaufman is secretary of the International Relations Club and Vice-President of the Missouri Club.

The Lindenwood luncheon given Saturday, April 12, at the Kansas City Club, Kansas City, Mo., was attended by a large number of girls who are students at Lindenwood now as well as many who will be enrolled at the school in the future. A delicious luncheon was followed by a delightful program which consisted of a reading by Mary Louise Blocher, a piano selection by Susan Wright, and several songs by Caroline Sheetz. A few short speeches were made and the girls sang a number of college songs. Every one pronounced the affair a great success.

## Doings and Dones

The spring has come  
The winter's went.  
It was not did  
By ac-ci-dent.

The snow has snowed  
As you have saw;  
It was all did  
By nature's law.

The Modern Hamletess, approaching the mail box which was owned jointly with her room-mate, said "To be or not to be, that is the question." There was a special in the box and our heroine had a cold.

Miss Margaret Miles and Miss Marjorie Weber toured to Chicago, where Miss Miles spent the vacation at home in La Grange, and Miss Weber attended a national physical education directors' meeting.

The Lindenwood College Club of St. Louis met last Tuesday at the Forest Park Hotel. At a previous meeting which occurred on March 17, the club held a short business session preceding the guest day meeting, and voted to change a section of the by-laws, which will now permit the St. Louis Lindenwood College Club to include as associate members all the present students of the college whose homes are in the St. Louis district. These new members will be most welcome at any of the meetings.

Miss Mary Bryan was unable to return to school until Friday after the Easter vacation, because of an attack of rheumatism.

#### STARTING SPRING SPORTS

In about one week (after Easter) the season for spring sports will open. These will include base ball, track and field, tennis, swimming, dancing, and a course in golf will be started.

A great amount of good material is to be had for all of the above mentioned sports. An excellent array of base ball "timber" has been presented and many enthusiastic stars of former years are to be seen on the field "warming up", batting, fielding, and hitting, in such a manner that George Sisler and "Pep" Hornsby will have to look to their laurels for the coming season.

The track athletes are also busy, and such clauses as, "I shot a 34 today", are being wafted about the campus.

Spring always inspires the athlete.

#### "KNOCKING" WOMEN IS THIS SCIENTISTS' SPECIALTY

Dr. Hrdlicka, an eminent scientist, has made a very bold, surprising, and somewhat remarkable statement. At any rate he has created a very debatable question.

Following after the custom of most men he has written an article on women, this time on their efficiency in the arts of handling tools, running, jumping, and throwing, and, naturally, has marked them away down on the scale.

He has said that women cannot run, that they waddle, that they cannot throw a base ball, and that their only tools are the hair pin and the needle.

It is true that women have not the physical endurance of men, but how can Dr. Hrdlicka account for the expert women track athletes? Should he come to Lindenwood in a few weeks his arguments on the throwing of a base ball would be refuted, for the college boasts several stars, both in accuracy and long distance throwing.

Wouldn't it bring joy to the hearts of hundreds of American women whom Dr. Hrdlicka has so severely criticised to be able to challenge the Doctor to nine holes of golf or a race in a swimming pool? Perhaps he would change his mind as to the skill with which they handle their "golf tools" and conduct themselves in the water.

These aren't the only tools which women can use. Miss Sara Shomberg, Spring Festival Queen, says that she finds the screw driver very effective for putting the clamp on wayward Y. W. C. A. members who neglect to pay their dues.

Miss Margaret Boss, a Senior at Lindenwood, says she can find nothing to take the place of her favorite crow-bar to pry an extra allowance out of "Dad", while Miss Oda Wentworth is partial to the shovel and vows that every girl should be equipped with each of them in the modern profession of "gold-digging."

Miss Julia Ayres, president of the Y. W. C. A., says she could never get along without her knife. She finds it suitable to use on all occasions, except when eating peas, and then she partly overcomes this difficulty by using two knives.

So Lindenwood College girls dispute the statement that women are not efficient tool users. They admit, however, that Dr. Hrdlicka wins all honors when it comes to using a hammer. It is truly his favorite instrument!

Helen James and Mary Louise Blocher spent the holidays in Kansas City.