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DEDICATION OF IRWIN HALL

TO-MORROW'S EXERCISES.

The dedication of Irwin Hall will take place tomorrow morning, October 24, at ten o'clock. The officers of administration will march from Sibley Hall to Roemer Auditorium in academic gowns. Rev. E. W. McClusky of Lebanon, Ill., a son-in-law of the late Dr. Irwin, will lead in prayer. The dedication address will be delivered by the Rev. W. Francis Irwin, D. D., a son of Dr. Irwin and Presbyterian pastor at Irvington-on-the-Hudson, N. Y.

This will also be the occasion for Lindenwood to confer its first honorary degree, that of LL. D., upon Judge Lois Dale, of Texarkana, Ark., a former Lindenwood student.

After the exercises in chapel, the student body will march to Irwin Hall where the Rev. W. F. Jones, D. D., of Carlinville, Ill., a son-in-law of the late president, will lead in prayer. This will be followed with an anthem by the choir. There will be a solo by Miss Caro Edwards, with violin obligato by Miss Agnes Gray, whose accompanist will be Miss Mildred Gravely. Visitors will then inspect the building. In the afternoon, there will be a meeting of the Lindenwood College Club of St. Louis in Roemer Auditorium, after which there will be exercises on the campus by the physical education department.

In the evening, there will be a dance in the gymnasium under the auspices of the girls of Irwin Hall.

APPEARANCE OF BUILDING

Irwin Hall harmonizes in architecture with Roemer Hall which it faces across the Campus, being an early Tudor-Gothic style, especially distinguished by its pointed gables. The Gothic entrance resembles a turreted tower of mediaeval times, and above it bay windows rise to the top floor, and are topped by a little balcony.

The rooms in Irwin are beautifully furnished in French walnut, with individual beds, a table with individual drawers and a roomy dresser. Each room is provided with a hard-wood

FOR WHOM IT WAS NAMED.

Irwin Hall is named for Dr. Robert Irwin, President of Lindenwood College from 1880 to 1893. This term of thirteen years was the crowning work of his life. In two years after Dr. Irwin took charge of the college the number of students grew from twenty to eighty girls. The crowded conditions made more room necessary. Dr. Irwin built the south wing of Sibley Hall in the early '80's. Later, in 1886 through extremely careful management of finances, Dr. Irwin managed to build the north wing of Sibley Hall. His first purpose was to make Christians of his own children and the students. It was a common saying of his time that a student rarely left Lindenwood who had not accepted Christ.

IRWIN INHABITANTS

Among the seventy-three Freshman and Sophomore girls living in Irwin Hall there are fourteen States represented. Missouri leads with 19 of its loyal daughters there. Eight of these are from Kansas City, and one is from St. Louis. Illinois is a close second with 16 representatives; Arkansas claims 12; Oklahoma 9; Kansas 6; Texas, Nebraska, and Arizona 2; while Indiana, Iowa, Wisconsin, and New Mexico are each represented by one student.

West Virginia has the honor of claiming the house-mother, Miss Edna Hough who for three years was the house-mother of Sibley Hall. Her suite of three rooms, tastefully furnished, is on the first floor, to the left of the entrance hall, on the front side of the building.

floor, two large closets, and several windows. There is a side-light in each room, as well as the ceiling connection.

In the basement there is a home-like recreation room, and a well equipped kitchen for the girls' use. On the second and third floors there are cozy fudge kitchens.

PARLORS AND GUEST ROOMS

The parlors of Irwin Hall are one of the outstanding beauty spots of Lindenwood. The walls are artistically carved and are a soft, cream-like shade. The drapes and curtains correspond with trimmings of a dark brown. In each end of the room is a large, picturesque fire-place and the mantels above are adorned with vases of fall flowers. Four huge overstuffed divans and seven chairs, some tapestry and others mohair, are arranged about the room. A heavy walnut table on which sits a gorgeous lamp is in front of the windows. A soft velvety rug covers the highly polished floor. What "date" would not prefer to come to Irwin Parlors?

To picture a guest-room of Irwin Hall, imagine a comfortable-sized room, with its white walls, set off by woodwork of a dark walnut finish, oak floors of a rich brown, and with three windows which reveal a lovely landscape, now one of scarlet and purple autumn, later to be of white, drifted snow, and still later of fresh greenery; a room in which comfort and beauty have been emphasized.

There are two such rooms, a single and a double one connected by a bathroom, equally attractive in its whiteness and tiling. The furniture in these two rooms is the same, beautifully matched white walnut. Besides the usual furniture found in a bedroom, a dresser, bed and chairs, there is a cushioned bench of just the right height for one to pack or unpack her luggage. In the double room, there is a little table between the twin beds; a light over each dresser. Nothing has been forgotten which might add to the luxury of the room and the comfort and pleasure of the guest. The windows are hung with white, open-mesh curtains, over which are drapes of rose colored silk.

Irwin has been called, perhaps fittingly, "the Statler of Lindenwood".

The Junior Class has elected as President, Betty Bramlitt; Vice President, Helen Lee Maupin, Secretary and Treasurer, Ida Hoefflin. Miss Schaper was chosen Sponsor.

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The Linden Bark:

"Laugh where we must, be candid if we can, but vindicate the laws of God to man."

Pope.

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What Do You Think?

Well; what do you think of Lindenwood by this time? Now, be frank about it, because that's a pretty good indication of what Lindenwood thinks of you. In spite of everything everybody can do, Getting Started is a discouraging task, but a task worth doing with all your heart, mind, soul, and strength. If you want to be ahead on the Home Stretch you can't start off with a stumble of a half-hearted enthusiasm. But you all know that! Perhaps, though, you don't know, or just haven't thought about the one little remedy for all the trials of the first few weeks. Here's the prescription: TAKE A LOOK AT YOUR ATTITUDE!

If you expect to be bored to death at all the lectures, you will be; if you think all rules are annoying things to be despised, you'll despise them and they'll annoy you; if you don't like your room-mate, she can't like you; if you are here to get out of everything you can, you won't get anything out of everything. If you think parties without boys are tiresome you will be exceedingly tiresome to everybody at such parties; if you think you are always hampered by some unnecessary rule, more rules will probably have to be made. If you're here to do just what you have to you won't have to do much that's interesting; if you let Lindenwood see your BEST, it will give you its BEST and oh, what a wonderful year it will be here together!

Then, there is Sophomore Week. If you think the Sophomores are 'impossible' and don't intend to do any-

thing they suggest, they will probably be impossible, suggest twice as much, and make you do it. If you are a GOOD SPORT, they will be ashamed not to be GOOD SPORTS to you.

On the other hand, Sophomores, if you think YOUR WEEK is a chance to show off, and 'lord it over' everybody until they all hate you, you will show off a terrible misconception, and Sophomore Week will be a failure.

Take an inventory of your attitudes toward things in general around here and see if things in general don't reflect what you feel toward them.

College Girls as Citizens

Lindenwood's campus is literally agog with politicians! They lustily proclaim their beliefs in determined tones, while party buttons boldly adorn their chests. The halls, bulletin-boards, and rooms of the students are plastered with pictures of favorite candidates, placards and political slogans. Political notices are read in Chapel, and partisan speakers are secured by the Democratic and Republican organizations. "Keep Cool With Coolidge", merrily chant the Republicans, while the Democrats promptly retaliate with the prolonged cry of "Oil, Oil!" The Independents, though small in number, undauntedly and with great determination defy all in their cry of "Flop With La-Follette!" Faculty as well as students have taken sides in the matter. Dr. Roemer has lined up with the G. O. P.'s, while Mrs. Roemer staunchly declares her Democracy. Mr. Guy C. Motley, College Secretary, is rabidly Democratic while Dr. R. S. Calder and Dr. Kurt Stumberg stand firmly on their Republican principles.

What changes are wrought by Time! How different it was fifty years ago when young women hardly knew that we elected a president every four years! It is a new era, and we are glad to see our girls take such a great interest in politics. It broadens their minds and fits them to fight the battles and raise the standards of modern womanhood.

LINDENWOOD'S VIEW OF THE VEILED PROPHET.

The colored waiter in the hotel served an elaborate second course to a party of girls and grinned broadly at drifts of conversation he caught—"Don't pour the water Helen, even if you are a Freshman, you are also at a hotel", "Celery hearts? I had forgotten that they existed"—"Don't tell me this is a chicken breast, I thought they only had legs and wings these days".

No, not on their first visit to the city, but a crowd of Lindenwood girls in for the Veiled Prophet Parade and a general good time. For one evening they were to forget that they had

10 Trig problems to do, and pages of History and Government, that they left their rooms in a regular turmoil, and would never get to bed till an assortment of clothes, shoes and books were removed from the beds; that rising bell rang at 6:30 as usual and that Wednesday morning breakfast was always hard toast. They only were to remember that for one evening they would eat in state and miss the Tuesday dinner of fried liver and bacon at school;—to see the talked of parade and a show, eat again late of indigestible dainties—chicken, hot tamales and chocolate pecan parfaits that they always crave at night, and to ride home by moonlight.

Made Them Forget Their Food.

Glimpses of red torches which heralded the approach of the parade, prompted them to forget light non-senses and hurriedly leave ice cream to melt and coffee to grow cold, while they stood at the windows and watched the floats slowly pass. Some picturesque, some elaborate, some grotesque, and others beautiful, some clever and others simple rolled by, moving some girls to expression and others to silence. One girl took mental note of details for a theme's sake. Another remarked that she bet the man with the long bearded mask on was good looking without it. One didn't think that a diamond "looked a thing like that float," and said "Heavens, but that girl certainly wouldn't take a beauty prize."

One girl went into ecstasies because the cat's eye looked like her Oswald's at home—and one was sure she recognized the Veiled Prophet. The last float passed, and with a final glance and sighs of regret they returned to melted ice cream and icy coffee, and talked it over.

Drooping over a Trig book the next day, with heavy eye and wondering why on earth she ate that last Angel's Delight, some one asks about the parade, and she brightens visibly—"Wonderful—Marvelous floats—Gorgeous time—Delicious food—"

The Veiled Prophet Ball that always follows the parade, this year came on Wednesday, the second night. Dr. and Mrs. Roemer, who have attended every year, went in, also Miss Johnson. It is considered a great honor to be invited and those privileged students who went this year were: Helen Towles, Anabel Couper, Lillian Hinkle, Louise Nicholson, Ruth Alley and Helen Lee Maupin.

TREMBLING FRESHIE

At the faculty reception early in the school year a long line of girls were waiting to be received. Among these was a Freshman, who, nudging the girl beside her, whispered, "Say, honey, what do we do? Shall we say anything, or just shake?"

HONORS IN FRANCE TO MISS ARIEL GROSS

Gains Highest Diplomas At Fontainebleau.

Miss Ariel Gross, of the Lindenwood music faculty, spent an interesting summer studying music at the American Conservatory in France. This school is for Americans only and was organized in New York City under the direction of Mr. Francis Rogers. Before sailing, June 11, on the Transatlantic, "Paris", Miss Gross attended the reception given in New York for the students. After a pleasant crossing, Miss Gross landed at Havre and went directly to Paris where she stopped for a week of sight-seeing and shopping, visiting the Grand Opera House and the Comique before going on to the American Conservatory at Fontainebleau.

A part of the Fontainebleau Palace, favorite home of Napoleon Bonaparte, has been dedicated by the French Government as a school of Music and Fine Arts for American students. The Conservatory, with 125 students, is located in the famous Louis XV wing of the palace that opens into the Oval Court and looks out over the formal French gardens and a beautiful lake. M. Camille Decreux, famous accompanist and coach, and Mrs. Decreux are directors of the Conservatory.

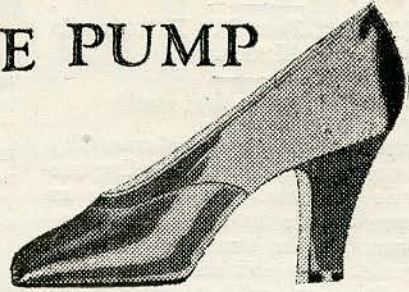
Miss Gross studied under Mr. Isidor Philipp and Miss Helene Chaumont, Professor and Assistant at the National Conservatory at Paris. Miss Gross went to Paris especially to study with Mr. Philipp, whom she considers the greatest living artist of technique. Many composers and famous musicians, among them Maurice Ravel, gave concerts at Fontainebleau for the students.

Miss Gross did her three months' work in two, passing very successfully an oral and written examination and receiving the two highest diplomas given, a performance diploma and a teachers' diploma. Besides Miss Gross, only three others received these diplomas; Miss Claire Rabinovitch, concert artist in Vienna; Mr. Harold Ritchie, Oberlin College, Oberlin, Ohio; and Miss Etta Schmidt of Washington, D. C.

The wing of the palace where the students lived, although very old, has been modernized and made comfortable by electric lights and hot water. The town of Fontainebleau is old and picturesque. There are few motor cars, and for recreation the students hired bicycles and cycled about the country and Forest of Fontainebleau. Many of the faculty lived in Fontainebleau and entertained the students with teas in their high-walled gardens. Miss Gross was also entertained at the house that was Rosa Bonheur's home and the home of Walter Gay, American artist.

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TEACHER VISITS CLUBS.

After spending a very enjoyable summer Miss Alice Linneman has returned to Lindenwood to continue teaching art. This will be her 15th year on the faculty.

Miss Linneman has taken an active part in the organization of Lindenwood Clubs all over the country. About a year ago she started a club in St. Joseph, Mo., which has now developed into a very active society. Last month Miss Linneman organized a Nebraska Club which held its first meeting at Brandise's in Omaha.

Three other clubs were visited by Miss Linneman. In July she was guest of honor at a meeting of the Chicago Club. The next month she was a guest at the bridge luncheon given by the Lindenwood Society of Des Moines, Iowa at the Country Club for the purpose of raising money for the Sibley Memorial Scholarship Fund. In September Miss Linneman attended the St. Louis club meeting, which was held at the Forest Park Hotel.

Miss Linneman reports that all the clubs are taking a very active part in working for the Sibley Memorial Fund.

TWO LANGUAGE TEACHERS

Among new members of the faculty are two in the Romance Language Department, Miss Anna Wurster and Miss Margaret Miles. Miss Miles graduated from the University of Illinois in 1921 with an A. B. degree. She is also a graduate student of the same institution with an M. A. degree, 1924.

Miss Wurster's preparation began in Purdue University, where she obtained B. S. and M. S. degrees. She has also studied in France, where she received a Sorbonne diploma and "L'Alliance Francaise Certificate."

"STRICTLY REPUBLICAN"

The college Republican Club held a dance in the gymnasium on Friday evening, October 10. They featured a Republican orchestra and Republican entertainers. Even the punch was strictly Republican, while an electric fan blew pennants about, bearing the words, "Keep Cool with Coolidge." There was a silhouette in which the G. O. P. elephant came, met, and conquered the Democratic mule to the tune of Mr. Gallagher and Mr. Shean. The night was very warm for the Democrats but the Republicans kept Coolidge and were comfortable.

On Saturday night, the Republicans entertained at dinner the Hon. Samuel A. Baker, the Republican candidate for Governor of Missouri. Mr. Baker spoke in the dining room and made a profound impression.

"ON BUSINESS BENT"

Where is the calm after the storm?

As soon as registration was over and everyone was getting settled in her place and a lull appeared on the horizon, the classes drove Mr. Lull away by electing officers.

Hence, on Thursday, October 2, 1924, the Freshmen met in the assembly, "on business bent". Their primary interest was to find subject and material for the freshman stunt, at the Student Board dance the following night, but, this accomplished, there was sufficient time for their election.

At the adjournment of a snappy session, the freshmen boasted of: Miss Emma Monier, as their president, Miss Helen Smith as vice-president, Miss Margaret Enloe as secretary-treasurer and Miss Jean Johnson as their cheer leader. The officers are still "on business bent".

MISSIONS AND PRISONS.

Miss Barnett Describes Extremes in Mexico.

(Continued from last week)

Paved roads abound in Mexico City and careless driving and speeding are favorite pastimes. As numerous as the speeders are the beggars. Swarms of them line the streets in front of the quaint little pink and green buildings. It is impossible to give to one without being pursued by thousands.

Much praise is due the Presbyterian missionaries in Mexico who have labored so faithfully under the leadership of Mr. Wallace. He has been there thirty-five years. He says that it is only the old missionaries there who are undiscouraged. There is still so much dirt and filth that the case seems hopeless except to those who have seen how much worse it was twenty years ago. The Union Theological Seminary, the Methodist Girls' School, the Industrial School, are all an undeniable testimony to the success of these faithful missionaries. Miss Barnett's own father founded a mission in Cairo, Egypt, in 1844, so this phase of the country's progress is of particular interest to her.

And they have pyramids in Mexico. Just twenty-three miles from Mexico City is found a group of pyramids, the largest of which is greater than those of Egypt. They differ from those of Egypt, however, in that they were not constructed as tombs, but only as temples. One is particularly remarkable for the carving on its massive steps.

Strange as it may seem, Miss Barnett entered the Penitentiary, and was among the hardened criminals. It was, however, to purchase carved nuts, crosses, and similar trinkets which the prisoners make. Bread, coffee, beans, and meat are the prison rations and the people like to come where such good fare is insured.

All Mexico windows are railed, and they are never left open, because of the thieves. The National Pawn Shop is of particular interest as the old 'Thieves' Market.' Here, in the old days, the thieves sold back to the owners the articles they had taken from them.

Bad as this may seem to Americans Mexico is making improvement. According to Miss Barnett, the most wonderful part of the entire trip was what she found out about the Mexican spirit of today. The things they are doing to elevate their country are astonishing. Schools, churches, roads, all indicate a steady struggle on the part of the natives for self-betterment. They want to be the "neighbors, friends, and brothers of the Americans."

Read The Linden Bark.

MR. MOTLEY

ADDRESSES LEAGUE.

Mr. Guy C. Motley, secretary of Lindenwood, addressed the St. Charles League of Women Voters on "Why we are Democrats" at their meeting in the City Hall on the afternoon of October 8. Mr. Bloebaum followed Mr. Motley with a talk on "Why we are Republicans."

Those who are Democrats will find Mr. Motley's statements particularly good and to the point. Those who uphold Republican standards will find them educational and enlightening. Mr. Motley began with the statement: "We know that our doctrines are stable so we are not afraid to set them forth in public forum." The story of the twelve Republican pups was definitely applied to politics. The owner returned after some weeks and exclaimed over the beauty of his Democratic pups. "And why are they no longer Republicans?" was the inquiry. "Oh, you see, they have their eyes open now."

A short history of the growth and development of parties in America was taken up, with particular reference to the Democratic Party. The two ancient doctrines of a Citizen Soldier and a Tariff for Revenue only, were justified as part of a sensible platform. Mr. Motley said that all owe tribute and admiration to the Republicans of Lincoln's time, but the party has sadly wandered from Lincoln's policy.

"The potent reason for the return of the Democrats this year is their successes of from 1912-1920," continued the upholder of the party in question. "I am proud of Wilson's accomplishments."

Answers and Sidelights

Mr. Bloebaum next spoke on, "Why we are Republicans." His story was that of an Iowa man, a red-hot Republican who was an ardent admirer of W. J. Bryan. The man had read Bryan's "Prince of Peace", and had been greatly impressed. Consequently when Bryan came to Iowa to make a political speech this Republican was among those present, to hear him. At the conclusion of the speech his only remark was, "Well, I can't see how such a smart man can be such a fool in politics." Mr. Bloebaum characterized Bryan by his initials: W. J. Bryan, Wind Jammer Bryan.

"Davis is a big man but he can't win; nobody would have cause to weep if he did. Even La Follette is honest and sincere, but he will not be elected. Hence, it is 'Coolidge or Chaos.'"

During the most heated of the discussions it was interesting to note in the audience whispers such as these:

"Aw, there's no sense to that."

"He has the wrong idea of us."

"Well, that's a good speech if he is on the wrong side of the fence."

Does one ask about the outcome of the arguments? But it was a political discussion! One did not expect anybody to change his or her mind, surely? They never do.

FIRST 1924 GRADUATE

TO BE MARRIED.

Miss Keo Richards of Hutchinson, Kansas, who graduated from Lindenwood last spring, was married to Mr. Earl Sutton of the same city, at the home of the bride on Tuesday, September 16.

Five bridesmaids, Misses Gertrude Bird, Frieda Riepma, Martha Porter, Mabel Hultz, and Mrs. Tripler Child were beautifully gowned in chiffon in different pastel colors, with headbands to match their dresses. They carried contrasting bouquets of carnations tied with wide satin ribbon.

The bride wore a white satin dress trimmed in rosepoint lace and made on straight lines, with a short train from the shoulders. Her head-dress was a gorgeous affair of pearls and lace, while her feet were daintily clad in white satin operas with silver patterns and rhinestone heels. The bridesmaid, Miss Ruth Richards, sister of the bride, was lovely in a silver and orchid dress, and carried a bouquet of orchids, white tea-roses and lilies-of-the-valley.

The groomsmen were Mr. Robert Richards, brother of the bride, and Mr. Harold Gragg. The best man was Mr. Tripler Child.

The bride came on the arm of her father to the beautifully adorned altar, which was wreathed in smilax, white roses and chrysanthemums. Directly in front of the altar was a white satin pillow where knelt the bride and groom. The ceremony was performed by a Presbyterian minister.

The house was decorated in chrysanthemums and roses, and after the ceremony a reception was given for the 200 guests present.

Mr. and Mrs. Sutton spent their honey-moon in the Ozarks and at Excelsior Springs, Mo. They are now at home to their friends in Kansas City, Mo.

Many Lindenwood girls will be interested in hearing the announcement of Miss Mary C. Nye's marriage to Mr. Frank Hayes in Minneapolis on September 24. Miss Nye has been the head of the Home Economics department for the past two years.

Miss Julia Slack who is now visiting relatives in the east around Massachusetts and Vermont, is to be married in November to Mr. Ross Sherwood of Syracuse, Kansas. Miss Slack was assistant dietitian while at Lindenwood.