

# LINDEN BARK

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## What the Sibley Memorial Means In Lindenwood's History

### HOW THE COLLEGE WAS FOUNDED.

Mary Easton Sibley was the daughter of Judge Rufus Easton who was sent to this district from New York in 1803 by President Jefferson to investigate the Aaron Burr conspiracy. From that time on, Judge Easton, who became the first postmaster of St. Louis, and his descendants, have lived in St. Louis. When fifteen years old, Mary Easton was married to Maj. George Sibley of the United States Army. She was a very pretty woman, not only as a young lady, but she was a pretty old lady.

In 1827 Maj. George C. Sibley, then stationed at St. Charles, the first capitol of the commonwealth, and his wife, Mary Easton Sibley, were impressed with the need of a school in the sparsely settled southwest for the higher education of women. The present beautiful site was selected overlooking the Missouri river, in a forest of Linden trees—hence the name Lindenwood.

In 1885 Major and Mrs. Sibley executed a deed to one hundred and twenty acres of land for the college. The school was ever to be maintained in the interest of all who sought its privileges, regardless of their church affiliations. Its purpose in the educational world is to train young women for a useful life, giving them distinctive training for leadership in every sphere of a woman's world.

Mary Easton Sibley was a very original, dominant character who always looked to the objective. She never took up any side issue, and what she determined upon, she accomplished. Gracious and graceful, with a purposive mind, Mary Easton Sibley's character stands out clearly today, as an ever guiding light to lead Lindenwood girls forward.

Get an introduction to the "Intimate Strangers" in Roemer Auditorium, tomorrow night. The Lindenwood Players will present them.



MARY EASTON SIBLEY, 1800-1878

The drive for the Mary Easton Sibley Memorial Fund was started by the Lindenwood alumnae. The idea originated two or three years ago and the plan is to raise \$100,000 by 1927, when Lindenwood will celebrate its centennial. It is to be in the nature of an endowment, a permanent fund raised and invested and the income spent for scholarships.

There are twenty-three clubs working on this movement, and the student body of Lindenwood is going to have a chance to back these clubs by also giving some contribution of its own to the cause. In the near future, small pledge cards will be distributed among the students to be signed by them,

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"Only 7 Days Until Christmas Vacation."

The Linden Bark: "If I supply you a thought you may remember it and you may not. But if I can make you think a thought for yourself, I have indeed added to your stature."  
 —Elbert Hubbard.

### A Friend of Girls

Mary Easton Sibley deserves the lasting gratitude of Lindenwood girls of all times, not only for her invaluable personal service, but also for the example of American womanhood she has given us. Inspired by the need of education for young women in this part of the country, she founded Lindenwood in 1827, and for 25 years, she personally conducted it, continuing after that, an active interest up to her death in 1878. Since that time Lindenwood has grown enormously in material ways, but we can never hope to improve upon the spirit which she gave the school so long ago.

Her distinguished position as a pioneer in the education of women was well recognized, a few years ago, when the Daughters of the American Revolution chose her as a character to represent Missouri, in their pageant at Washington, which later became a motion picture film.

In every way, Mrs. Sibley was an enlightened and admirable woman, and through her extensive services along educational lines, has earned the appreciation of all the women of the great Middle-West, as well as the personal gratitude of all Lindenwood girls, past, present, and future.

### A New Year for Service

Have you ever seen that little flower called "edelweiss" which grows over the precipital edge of the Alpine mountains in Switzerland? Dainty,

delicate and beautiful withal, it raises its starlike bloom where all can see it, but just far enough out of reach to involve great risk in attempting to gratify that human whim of wanting everything ones sees. The fact that men risk their lives to be suspended over the edge of forbidding rock ledges to procure bits of this rarity for souvenirs, seems to be rather as a matter of course. Would that a little of this same zealous energy might be expended during the coming season to gratify the normal wants of the multitudes of travelers in this sphere of ours!

After all, we are on our journey to God and any little act we perform on our way, not only lightens the fellow traveler's journey, but makes our own heart a wee bit lighter for the distance yet to be traveled. Many things that we can get for others with little or no effort on our part, may mean more happiness in their life and more beauty to their lives, than we can ever imagine. Therefore why not consider the other fellow as an essential part of this world's happiness?

### Christmas Everywhere

Close on the heels of our spirit of Thanksgiving comes this spirit of Christmas which is now uppermost in every heart of Lindenwood campus "Seventeen, sixteen, fifteen, fourteen days until the holidays," we are all keeping strict account. The announcement of a prolonged holiday set every heart aflutter. The packages that burden St. Louis shoppers after the week-end in the city are not now packages for self, but Christmas gifts for the folks. Every where are signs of preparation for the season of joy. The Art department is preparing for its holiday bazaar the Y. W. C. A. Social Service Committee is hard at work on care of needy families; the Christmas stories for the contest have been submitted; the White Christmas is being planned; Christmas cards are on sale at the Post Office; and the Home Economics and Art departments are veritable Santa Shops.

It is the spirit of thoughtfulness that pervades the campus, and lends a peculiar luster to already bright eyes. It is the spirit of anticipation that pervades the hearts and lends a dreamlike enchantment to the performance of every-day duties. It is the spirit of Christmas which is supreme in the Lindenwood world these days, and all of its manifestations are wholesome. It is truly "Merry Christmas Season" and who does not rejoice that it is so near at hand?

### The Last Bark

This is the last LINDEN BARK for the year 1924. All through the school year it has done its utmost to promote

### COLLEGE CALENDAR.

Thursday, Dec. 11—

11 a. m., Mr. C. A. Blocher's Address.

Friday, Dec. 12—

2 p. m., Art Bazaar.

8 p. m., "The Intimate Strangers"; by the Lindenwood Players.

Wednesday, Dec. 17—

7 p. m., Christmas Concert.

Wednesday, Dec. 17—

9 p. m., Christmas Tree on Campus.

the constructive ideas and tendencies that have existed in Lindenwood during that time. The BARK is run on the same scale and stands for the same ideals and principles as any one of our country's leading metropolitan newspapers. It has stood for high scholastic standards, clean sportsmanship, both in athletics and without, and also for the social side of the college life.

THE LINDEN BARK prides itself in the fact that it always contains the news. Everything that happens or is going to happen can be found in its columns. A member of the administrative staff made the remark not long ago that, "you can hardly know what's going on without reading the BARK." With these things being said it is not at all amiss for us to swell a little with pride and bask in the sunlight of our praise.

On January 8, the publication of our weekly "Bow Wow" will be resumed, and so at this time please accept the heartiest wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from the LINDEN BARK.

### CHALLENGE ACCEPTED

#### FROM WASHINGTON U.

At a meeting of the International Relations Club, November 19, Twenty-four new members were taken in. This organization's purpose is to promote interest and understanding of world affairs and to encourage the girls to keep abreast of present day activities. The officers of the club include Misses Viola Karrenbroch, as president, Margaret Knoop, vice president, Marian Kaufman, secretary and Mary Frances Wertz, treasurer.

The club is under the direction of Miss Mary C. Olson who announced that Lindenwood has been challenged to debate with Washington University. The club will sponsor this, as well as the Triangular debate. The club has charge of chapel exercises on every Monday. It was represented on November 26, by Mary Sue Guthrie, who gave a survey of national and international events including the Child Labor Amendment, Senator Lodge's probable successor, the overthrow of the British Labor party, the crisis in Egypt, and recognition of the Soviet government of Russia by England. Last week Margaret Knoop enlightened the students further.

**THANKSGIVING DINNER.**

"Thanksgiving! What thoughts that word conjures within our minds, turkey, cranberries, pumpkin pie!"

Students who entered the Lindenwood dining room on Thanksgiving were all pepped up by the glorious hockey game of a few hours before, and there was much laughter and much talk; and many congratulations were extended to the winning team, the Kansas Jaykawks. But as they took their places at the tables, so beautifully decorated with yellow and white chrysanthemums; with tiny yellow baskets of nuts, and Thanksgiving menus, and heard the blessing pronounced by the president, they really felt the spirit of thankfulness; thankfulness for the fine sportsmanship of every girl who won or lost with a smile. This unparalleled spirit of fine and true sportsmanship will always be remembered and associated in the mind of every girl with the glorious Thanksgiving meal on November 27, 1924.

As the meal progressed every one became imbued with the pep so valiantly displayed at the game, and Kansas and Missouri vied with each other in singing their very peppy songs. This merriment was climaxed by Mr. Guy Motley, who opportunely started the two forces to giving their yells and led a grand march of first all Missouri girls and then all Kansas girls around the dining room, singing and cheering. Then, by request, Mr. Motley sang his famous solo entitled "By the Seaside." The text follows in full:

"By the seaside, by the seaside,  
There are lots of things there  
Besides the fresh air.  
By the seaside."

Th applause was so loud and extended that the famous tenor was forced to still the multitude with his return appearance from the lofty position of a chair provided for him by the president.

But although the spirit was high and fine they certainly found an inspiration in the greatest of all Miss Cora V. Walter's famed dinners, which consisted of the most delectable food. The first course was fruit cocktail, topped with a tempting red cherry, and with it were served olives and celery. Then came the turkey, amid many "Ah's" and "Um's". Very delicious it was, too, with oyster dressing, giblet sauce, mashed potatoes, early June peas, cranberry sauce, puffy hot rolls.

There followed iceberg lettuce, thousand island dressing, and Saratoga wafers. But best of all these was the pumpkin pie, the essence of the season, topped with snowy whipped cream, dainty dishes of candy and nuts followed. In communion sweet, they quaffed immortality and joy.

**KANSAS WINS!**

"Best Hockey Game Ever Played at Lindenwood"

"Rock Chalk, Jay Hawk!"  
"Bully for Old Mizzou!"

and other snatches of yells came distinctly to the ears of the onlooker from the jumbled, incoherent roar which surrounded the Kansas-Missouri hockey players on the Lindenwood College campus, Thanksgiving morning. The weather was ideal; it was clear and brisk and everyone pronounced it "just right". And what a game! It was said by many to have been the best hockey game ever played at Lindenwood College. The field was in good shape, and the two teams in fine trim. Both teams played a remarkably fine game, and there were numerous examples of fine stick work. Those that stood out for exceptional playing were Gertrude Bird as wing, often dribbling half the length of the field and sending the ball toward goal with remarkable accuracy. Betty Birch did some fine dribbling and Marie Laney as Half-back stood out for her long shots and swift passing. The final score was 3 to 1 in favor of Kansas.

Both teams were aided and encouraged by the hearty support of their rooters, led by the Kansas Jayhawks and the Missouri Razzers. The Jayhawks wore red sweaters and dark blue skirts, while the Razzers wore white sweaters and skirts topped by jaunty white sailors caps.

**HOW TO SPEND CHRISTMAS**

A number of students and teachers are planning to spend their Christmas vacation in places other than at their respective homes. Dean Alice Gipson expects to divide her time between guests in Chicago and her brother's home in Pennsylvania. Miss Diven will spend her vacation with friends in Kansas City.

Miss Laura Margaret Mellette is going to New York City, to be with her aunt. Miss Eleanor Brown is planning to stop in Lawrence, Kans., on her way home.

**SIBLEY SCHOLARSHIP BENEFIT**

An Art Bazaar Benefit for the Mary Easton Sibley Scholarship Fund, tomorrow will be one of the most important events of the before vacation season. For days the girls have been at work early and late in the art rooms creating the dainty, clever and attractive articles for sale. All of the proceeds of the sale will be used for the Sibley Memorial Scholarship Fund, so the enterprise is a worthy one from more than one point of view. Miss Alice Linneman who is head of the art department has been active in Lindenwood alumnae and Lindenwood clubs, being College Secretary of the Alumnae Association and Clubs.

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**THANKSGIVING TEA-DANCE**

The Missouri Club entertained with its annual tea-dance in Butler Gym. from 3 to 5 o'clock Thanksgiving afternoon. The place was artistically decorated with southern smilax that hung from the windows and wound around the lattice work of the orchestra section, and with palms and ferns that banked the end of the hall. Bunches of gold and silver balloons hung from the lights.

Miss Dorothy Burke and Miss Helen Morris, dressed in the bright colors of an Italian flower-vender, presented the guests with dance programs and dainty favors from little baskets carried around their necks in the Italian manner. The St. Charles orchestra played through the afternoon.

Tea was served from 4 to 5 o'clock in Butler parlors. Smilax was woven around the banisters of the stairway leading up to the parlors, which were dimly lighted by several floor lamps. Cut flowers decorated the room and the two tea-tables, one at each end of the room, held a silver tea service, over which Miss Helen Lee Maupin in a coral chiffon, and Miss Sara Shomberg in a rose-pink gown, presided. They were assisted in serving by Miss Louise Nicholson, the president of the Missouri Club, who was dressed in white crepe.

Others who assisted during the afternoon were Miss Helen Tolles in a blue brocade dress; Miss Margaret Enloe in orchid velvet trimmed with rhinestones; Miss Ellen Boyce in black velvet; Miss Lillian Hinkle in a flowered georgette; Miss Elizabeth Arveson in tan lace; and Miss Edwards in pink.

At the close of the afternoon, a prize dance was held for the best "waltzes". Miss Gertrude Wallrich was presented the prize, a corsage of violets. With her partner, Mr. Wright, father of Miss Page Wright, she waltzed for all the guests.

In addition to the parents who were guests, Miss Janet Robinson and her sister came from their home in Iowa; and there were also present, Miss Carolyn Sheetz of Kansas City, Miss Birdie Feist of St. Louis; and Miss Pauline George.

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pledging themselves to give a certain amount by April 1. The particular desire here is to make it 100%. There is no certain amount that must be given, nor is there a limit to what will be received, but the hope expressed is that the girls will feel that the college has done so much for them that they will want to pass it on.

#### Lindenwood Has Never Had Drives

"Lindenwood has been more fortunate than most colleges", said Mr. C. A. Blocher, field representative of Lindenwood, to a Linden Bark reporter, "It has never asked the students for funds. This is unusual, for since the war practically every woman's college in the United States has had a drive for funds except Lindenwood. Vassar, Smith, Wellesley, Bryn Mawr and also the leading men's colleges, Harvard, Yale, Princeton have put on drives to raise funds. The war left all the schools in a bad shape, but Lindenwood was able to survive without calling on her students for aid."

Taking these things into consideration and realizing the good fortune of this college, surely every student in Lindenwood will respond to the call for this small contribution to the Sibley Scholarship Fund.

#### ENTERTAINED THIMBLE CLUB.

Mrs. John L. Roemer was hostess Friday, November 21 to the Thimble Club of St. Louis. The members were entertained at a dainty luncheon, and, after looking over the buildings, devoted the afternoon to fancy work.

The guests were: Mesdames Goodall, Sutherland, Thompson, Hain, Sharp, Smith, Wenzlick, Trautman, Prack, and Koken.

The club meets once a month, and has been meeting for the last fifteen years.

#### MOO! MOO!

The hockey classes have begun a new sport, Soccer in which the players hit the ball with their heads or kick it—a sort of lady-like foot ball. Even the cows pastured near the field are so interested that they line up along the fence to watch the queer antics, lowing loudly when a particularly brilliant kick is made. Indeed, one player was heard to say, as she sat down on the ball, "Well, there are cows and cows!"

#### IOWA CLUB

The Iowa Club has twelve members, as follows: Ellen Day, president; Rolla Gammon, Vice President; Alice Ethell, Treasurer and Secretary; Fayetta Wright, Louisa Cochrene, Mary Louise Bird, Mary Collisson, Gertrude Bird, Mary Hook, Harriet Liddel, Martha Lowderbaugh and Margaret Sanderson.

## Doings and Donos

After Christmas doings everybody is liable to be entirely done for.

This would be the advice of the Lindenwood student body to the next speaker who wants to know how long he shall speak. We shall tell him to make his subject coincide with women's skirts as to length. When he asks what we mean, which he must do or spoil the joke, we shall say, "Long enough to cover the subject, but short enough to hold attention."

Miss Janet Stine of the class of 1920, Miss Adele Stine of the class of 1922, and Mrs. W. A. Stine, all of Webster Groves, have gone to Beverly Hills, Los Angeles, Calif., for the winter.

Not to be outdone by the artists on the third floor of Roemer the girls of the Home Economics department displayed their skill by a sale for the Mary Easton Sibley Fund last Thursday. Candy went like hot-cakes, and its superior quality proved that cooking is not a lost art at Lindenwood.

Misses Lynn Brown and Georgia Belle Donaldson celebrated December 5 to 7 as a Homecoming Week-End, and spent it with old friends at Lindenwood. Both girls were Freshmen here last year.

Last Friday was a red letter day for the Journalism department. Dr. and Mrs. John L. Roemer were hosts at a delightful dinner at the Missouri Athletic Association after which the girls made a tour of the Globe-Democrat Offices. Hooray for the Roemers! Hooray for the Globe! Hooray for the trip!

#### BOXES FROM HOME

The truck was full, the Post Office was full, Miss Anna Jeck's hands were full, Post Office boxes were full, and later,—Lindenwood girls were full,—all on account of the thousands of boxes from home which came on Thanksgiving day. Little red package slips were the holiday decorations in post office boxes all day Wednesday and Thursday of Thanksgiving week-end. If one's box was not thus adorned it was framed with the little tokens of thoughtfulness of homefolks in surrounding boxes. Frank worked over-time in delivering the goodies; Miss Anna Jeck and Miss Amy Mutert worked over-time in parceling out the goodies; mothers must have worked over-time in preparing the appetizing feasts; and girls worked over-time in devouring all these Thanksgiving boxes.

#### THANKSGIVING GUESTS.

Many girls were made happy on Thanksgiving Day by the presence of guests. Of course there were the "wonderful dates," but some were fortunate enough to have members of their families here, also. Mrs. C. G. Symms, of Nevada, and Mrs. J. F. Martin, of Joplin, were among the mothers present. Sisters were very much in evidence on third floor Butler, as Miss Martha Rodda, Blanche Day, Carolyn Hoeker, and Elizabeth Cooper were guests of their big sisters.

During the week-end the guests were augmented by other parents and friends, including a number of 'old girls'. Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Timmonds, of Lamar, were the guests of their daughter Carroll, while among the 'old girls' were numbered Aline Guthrie, Mildred Carpenter, Catherine Weiss, and Pauline George.

All the girls were delighted to see Miss Lucinda Templin, Lindenwood's former Dean who visited the college for a short time on Monday and Tuesday, December 1 and 2. She was the guest of Miss Dorritt Stumberg, and Miss Stumberg's mother and sisters. After an urgent demand on the part of the students Miss Templin reluctantly consented to give what she called a "Sermonette" in Student Meeting Tuesday morning. Miss Templin left Tuesday for Columbia, Mo., to resume her duties there.

#### HOW IT ALL HAPPENED.

Friday morning, Nov. 28, at 12:12 o'clock Dr. Roemer took the center of the stage. A rustle of apprehension and then a breathless silence, "Well girls, this year (a pause) I am going to let you go home Thursday, "Oooo" "Eceeee!" Hurray!! The sides of the auditorium must have bulged from the outbursts of 500 healthy throats.

But an apologetic "Now girls" was finally heard above the bedlam, "I don't want you to get too much excited, for our program is very crowded this year and we have to make everything up. You will not have to come back until noon on Jan. 6." More hoi polloi, but this quickly died for it was evident that he was not through. "That will mean two Saturdays that we will have school, following the vacation. Now this is merely a proposition which I am putting before you girls and the faculty. You may have your choice of the original plan or this. Those in favor of the new plan say aye." Five hundred eyes rose heavenward loud enough to have jarred the stars out of place. With a happy and "I knew it" smile he said, "Let us have a college song girls and march out.

The chattering march out to a looker-on might have sounded like five jumbled words, "Christmas! Home! and Dr. Roemer's a prince."