A larger building was needed for the school that was so very popular. Judge

John Samuel Wesson and his wife were close friends of Major and Mary Sibley. He was President of the School Board of Directors. They were rich and had no children and they devoted their lives and money to the education of women. They donated $5,000 for the erection of a new building to be named Sibley Hall, that was dedicated in 1860. They added $4,000 for the furnishings of the building. That brick building is the building you see today. The south wing was added in

1891 and the north wing was added in 1897. The entrance has been changed several times but the charm of old Sibley Hall is still there.

A few of the pieces of the original furniture of the Sibley's is in the parlor. Five chairs of the original dining room chairs are there. An octagonal sewing table that had been a wedding present, revoloves and has secret drawers where Mary Sibley hid her money. The lovely old organ that Mary Sibley loved so, was her "joy" and she used to play it. At Fort Osage to entertain the Indians. Her pupils at Lindenwood loved to hear

her play this organ. Old pictures of this organ are in the Sibley Hall, minus the original drum attachments and the like.

Major Sibley and his wife were members of the Old Blue Presbyterian Church. On Feb. 9, 1833, a committee was appointed to have the church built and Major Sibley was a member of that committee. It was located on third Street between Madison and Clay Streets.

Mary Sibley died on June 20, 1878, active till the last in her beloved school. So passed a remarkable pioneer woman, one of great strength and a wonderful teacher. She had a moral, physical, and intellectual strength and energy. She gave her time and her money to her school where the Holy Bible always had a prominent place.

Today Lindenwood College is memorial. Today it is an accredited college and Dr. L. P. McGuiter is the President. The campus has 140 acres. There are an enrollment of 550 college students, and maintain a staff of 55 credentialed teachers. It has a golf course, a riding stable with fine horses, a swimming pool, and a green house. Mr. Charles is proud of Lindenwood College and proud of his mother, Mary Easton Sibley.