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The Linden Bark:

Then ho! and hey! and whoop-hoory!
Though winter clouds be looming,
Remember an October day
Is merrier than mildest May
With all her blossoms blooming.

James Whitcomb Riley.

NAVY DAY IN U. S.

For the last few years' everything and everybody of importance has had a day set aside for a celebration. So on Oct. 27 of this year will be called Navy Day throughout the entire United States. The whole country will have its attention called to the navy and all American vessels out at sea will try to be reached through the air with a message and greeting from home. It will be an assurance to the sailors to know that the home folks are thinking about them and appreciate their work in carrying the flag to the ends of the earth to represent their country and our country, the beloved United States.

Not many years ago this would have been very inappropriate. For our merchant marine was then made up of a few vessels in the tran-Atlantic and trans-Pacific trade. But now our vessels are known throughout the world and nowhere can one go without encountering or hearing of the ship with the American flag. Not only are they known but they are known as one of the greatest fleets.

Because there are so many vessels and because they are so well distributed throughout the globe, it will be a most wonderful accomplishment to send a message of cheer to all of them at the same time. It will be the greatest test of radio communication ever attempted. However, it is said that it can and will be done and the world will be circled thru air and not only circled but cross-crossed and interlaced. Lindenwood will not celebrate Navy Day formally, but in spirit one can be well assured that every girl on the campus will be with the sailors.

WHEN GHOSTS WALK AND TALK

What is all this talk about that has been frightening the Freshies until they can hardly keep their minds on their lessons? n't Sophomores this week, although that seems to be causing quite a little bit of excitement. But don't you mind Freshies it won't last forever and next spring the mighty Sophs themselves will be the victims and then who will be having all of the fun? You may draw your own conclusions as to that question and there won't be so many different answers given either. But this eerie and spooky talk that has been wafted about by the whispering tongues of Sophs and upperclassmen is that of the queer things that happen around here on the night of October 31.

Everyone knows that that is Halloween. It gets its name as being the eve or vigil of All Saints, or festival of All Saints, which falls on November 1, and is associated in the popular imagination with the prevalence of supernatural influences. It is on this night that the souls of the dead are supposed to revisit their old homes, to warm themselves by the fireside and to take part in the good cheer that is provided. Witches fly through the air on broomsticks and black cats are seen everywhere. How many of us knew when we were children and were arrayed in costumes that we were following pagan ideas and customs? But what of it? We certainly had lots of fun and that really is the biggest thing that counts. Though it is sometimes neglected by modern practice, the essential part of Halloween ritual seems to consist in the lighting by each household of a bonfire at nightfall. This points to the very ancient custom of kindling sacred fires at certain seasons of the year.

We of Lindenwood have our own ghostly visitor. This is no other than the ghost of Mrs. Sibley. She should be especially lively this year for she too must indeed want to participate in the celebration of the centennial of the college and what other time would be more appropriate than the spooky night of Halloween. What could be more spooky than hearing the organ in Sibley Chapel being played by clammy hands on that night at twelve o'clock? As Sibley is not what it used to be the ghostly visitor may not exactly be able to find the usual places she will go but might visit some of the rooms in her attempt to get to the chapel to play her yearly etude. All girls in Sibley, especially the Freshmen, should look forward eagerly to a call from this visitor of the spirit world.

COLLEGE CALENDAR

Tuesday, October 26.
Inmates of the Asylum let loose.
Thursday, October 28, 11 o'clock.
Mr. Lansing F. Smith of St. Louis.
4 o'clock. Tea given by the Lindenwood Players.
Friday, October 29.
Hallowe'en Party given by the Y. W. C. A.
Saturday, October 31.
6:30, Sunday Night Vespers.

EXCHANGES

"The Glory of Greece" was the title which headed the Roman Tatler last week. This flashy title caused quite a bit of attention not only from the girls taking courses that require their interest, but from girls who have nothing to do with any of the subjects which would naturally arouse their interest. The pictures which illustrated the subject helped much to the effect that it had. The largest on the board was a view of the immense columns of the Parthenon. Others illustrated the Front of the Parthenon, the Temple of Paeonon, which is considered the most beautiful spot in Greece, Mount Olympus, the Athena Parthenas and a picture of the celebrated Parthenon, looking down from the Acropolis upon classic Athens—the most perfect building known to architecture.

At the head of a long interesting article was this streamer: "Parthenon Shines anew at Nashville. Glory of Ancient Greece has been Reproduced to enrich Modern Life with Beauty of a Past Age." This article was exceedingly interesting.

Other things of interest on the board were The Old Scrap Book, Uncle Ray's Corner and an ad for a Journal of a arts namely "Apologia". The Old Scrap Book contained two items which were very clever and entertaining. "Kneeling on Wood" was the first which represented the ways of Superstition. It was by H. Irving King. The second was "Still Learning" by Walt Mason. It was an article worth reading for it gave one something to think about as well as something to be entertained with. Uncle Ray's Corner this time was very, very interesting as it concerned the story of Damon and Pythias.

WEDDING OF INTEREST TO
LINDENWOOD GIRLS

Coming as a surprise to many of the girls of last year is the marriage of Rosa Hofeisom, which took place on October 12, at high noon in St. Paul's Evangelical Church, St. Louis, she becoming the bride of David E. Owen.

Lenore Schofield, a freshman of this year was maid of honor, while Mr. Owen's best man was his brother.