

legislature recognize the importance of the building for which Mr. Lord had fought for so long a time.

The rules applying to the girls living at Pemberton Hall during its early years were described to President Dearmont of Cape Girardeau by Miss Mary E. Hawkins, Head of the Hall from 1910 to 1917. In October 1915 Miss Hawkins wrote:

As head of Pemberton Hall they are under my control entirely, with the exception of cases of discipline, and matters of this nature Mr. Lord deals with.

The students are allowed entire freedom during the day until 7:30 P.M. At this time they must be in their rooms for the study hours from 7:30 to 10:00 P.M. From 10:00 to 10:30 they are free to do much as they please. At 10:30 their lights must be out and there must be absolute quiet in the Hall.

Permission to be out after 7:30 must be obtained from me. This is not given except in unusual cases, during study evenings. I allow the students in most cases to go to church on Sunday evening without a chaperone. I require them to have one when going to a dance, the theatre, or on school picnics.

The students are free to go home for week ends if they desire to do so.

They are given the privilege of entertaining guests on Saturday and Sunday evenings until 10:00. A dance is held by the students on Saturday evenings which is chaperoned by members of the faculty.<sup>31</sup>

With the introduction of self-government for the girls at the Hall in 1917 these rules were liberalized, and since then the girls have received additional privileges.

Self-government for the girls at Pemberton Hall was commenced on October 26, 1917, when a president and representatives from each class of the school were chosen. The system had been suggested to the girls by the Head of the Hall, Miss Grace M. Peters, at a "house meeting" on October 23, at which she explained the nature of student government. The first Pemberton Hall student officers were:

President, Loel Zehner of Lawrenceville, class of 1918.

Representatives of Senior Class—

Rachel Risser, of Paris, Class of 1918.

Clara Wright, of Arcola, Class of 1918.

Junior Class—

Clara Ruth Hadden, of Blue Mound, Class of 1919.

Bertha Wills, of Watseka. Did not graduate.

Sophomore Class—

Josephine Berry, of Charleston. Did not graduate.

<sup>31</sup>Letter, Mary E. Hawkins to W. S. Dearmont, Cape Girardeau, Mo., October 27, 1915. Lord Papers, 1915.