LOVE • BEAUTY • JOY • AND • WORSHIP •
• ARE • FOREVER • BUILDING • UNBUILDING • AND •
• REBUILDING • IN • EACH • MAN'S • SOUL

— Plotinus

TO

RICE UNIVERSITY

IN GRATITUDE RETROSPECT

LINDSEY BLAYNEY

1912-1962
IN MEMORY OF
His Recent Visit as Guest of
RICE UNIVERSITY
At Its Inaugural and Semicentennial Ceremonies

LINDSEY BLAYNEY
Member of the Original Faculty

SENSIBLE OF THE PRIVILEGES SO GENTLY AND GENEROSITY ACCORDED

OF

Being Rewelcomed by RICE in Her full Sculptured Adornment
Hearing the kindly Words of Introduction spoken by the Chancellor
Clasping Hands again with Former Colleagues and Students
Renewing old Friendships and forming New
Revisiting Memorable Scenes of former Civic Activities
Seeing His Dream of 1912 - "An Art Museum near Rice" - come True
Learning that a Clause to Rice in a Will was Activated "For Inviting Him back"
Being made an Honorary Member RICE Alumni Association
Witnessing happily the Dedication of the RAYZOR HALL of Humanities
In which Field in 1912 he was Honored with the First Chair

On this His 88th Anniversary
In the 50th Year since His Happy Call to RICE
And Inaugural Year of Her Third President

WOULD EXPRESS TO

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The deep Appreciation of
Mrs. Blayney and Himself
For Their Gracious Thoughtfulness

AND

From this Lofty Milestone on Life's Journeyings

MAY HE WISH THEM AND THE THIRD PRESIDENT
A LONG TENURE OF WISE VISION
For Holding High that Threefold Symbol
Carven in Marble and Embossed in Bronze

"LETTERS - SCIENCE - ART"
Emblematic of the on-burning of a tiny Flame once lit in Athens
Growing ever Brighter in its Westward Sweep

— PADUA - HEIDELBERG - PARIS - OXFORD - HARVARD —
TO LIGHT A FLAME OF HIGH LEARNING IN THE FAR SOUTHWEST
THUS, THIS BIRTHDAY CELEBRANT
Looking toward the brilliant future of the Institution
He once could call His Intellectual Home
Whose Cloistered Courts guard the Ever-living Soul of great Ages
As well as Minister to Man’s ceaseless Search after Truth

REJOICES IN THE CONVICTION
That the University - free of Church and State Control
But Guarding a Respect for Things Spiritual -
Conscious of Her Responsibilities toward Students of a Democracy
Will continue to Beam-down upon Her Undergraduates
— Citizens and Parents of the Future —
Awakening Messages toward Broader Vision
From out Her Beacon-Towers of Humanistic Learning

TO THE END
That each Graduate - Irrespective of future Field - may Carry
Into a World ceaselessly seeking SPEED - POWER - SIZE - the NEW
A Steadying - Stabilizing - Uplifting Appreciation of

WISDOM - JUSTICE - LOYALTY - HARMONY - SYMPATHY - REVERENCE
THE EVER TRUE

The Recollections of recent warming Words spoken by now graying
Students of what He sought to bring from great Moments in Man’s high
Dreams and Strivings call forth from Memory’s Magic Shrine - that
Classroom in Beautiful LOVETT HALL - Marble - carven Windows
giving on Landscaped Academic Court, the Statue of the Benefactor,
and, ever-on, the Horizon-bounded Prairie - telling of Daring and
Fortitude, the Founding and Defending of a newborn Lone Star
State - A Unique Setting in which to interpret the Undying Past to
the Ever-moving Present! Stimulating Days rendering all the more
distressing that ‘Call to Duty’ in 1924 which bore him away from
Scenes Fond and Unforgettable!

So, from His Northland Home - in Grateful Remembrance of what
RICE has meant to Her former Professor -

On this Happy Day of His life
He would Joyously Raise His Glass
To the Age-old Academic Toast

“RICE UNIVERSITY!”

VIVAT! CRESCAT!! FLOREAT!!!

“Shady Terrace”
Marine-on-St. Croix
Minnesota
XII-III-XIXLXII

[Signature]
Dean Emeritus Carleton