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Legendary Ladies of Lincoln: Josephine Silone Yates

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LEGENDARY LADIES Of LINCOLN

*Josephine
Silone
Yates*

Josephine Silone Yates was very active at Lincoln University during the late 19th and early 20th centuries. She was one of Lincoln University's best known teachers during this time and was the first woman elected to a professorship with the university. Yates served Lincoln University as the Head of the Department of Natural Science from 1879- 1889 and Head of the Department of English and History from 1902- 1910.

Josephine Silone Yates was also very active outside of Lincoln University being elected the first president of the Kansas City Women's League, which was a women's club that she helped organize in 1893. She also contributed under the pseudonym R.K. Porter to the Boston Herald and the Los Angeles Herald. Yates was involved with and contributed greatly to the National Association of Colored Women's Club serving as President from 1901- 1906.

