

JAY H. NEFF HALL IS DEDICATED AT M. U. CONVOCATION

Ward A. Neff, the Donor, Presents Building to State—H. J. Blanton Makes the Speech of Acceptance.

DR. HILL UNVEILS A BRONZE TABLET

Dr. Talcott Williams, Formerly of Columbia University, and John T. Harding Are Speakers.

Jay H. Neff Hall, the new home of the School of Journalism, was dedicated at the opening convocation of the University at 10:30 o'clock this morning in the University Auditorium. Ward A. Neff, '13, University of Missouri, donor of the new building in memory of his father, the late Jay H. Neff, presented the building to the University. H. J. Blanton, editor of the Paris Appeal and a member of the Board of Curators, gave the address of acceptance.

John T. Harding of Kansas City, a close personal friend of Jay H. Neff touched upon reminiscences of his student life here and told of the life and character of Mr. Neff in whose memory the building was given.

Dr. Talcott Williams, dean emeritus of the Pulitzer School of Journalism of Columbia University, delivered the dedicatory address on "The Newspaper Man's New Task." President A. Ross Hill of the University unveiled the bronze tablet containing a bust of Jay H. Neff and an inscription. This tablet will be placed in a panel on the first floor of Jay H. Neff Hall.

Accepted by Mr. Blanton. Mr. Neff said that he was realizing an ideal in giving the building to the University. He expressed the wish that faith, duty and loyalty to the profession of journalism should endure. Mr. Blanton in receiving the gift dwelt upon the power of thought and said that this building was the result of a thought which was placed in the mind of Ward A. Neff. He praised the work the school had done in Switzer Hall and pledged that journalism might never be prostituted to financial and personal fortune. He characterized the building as a monument to thought and received the gift in the name of the state, the governor, curators and all those having an interest in the University.

JAY H. NEFF A THINKER

Mr. Harding Tells of His Friend's Character and Attributes.

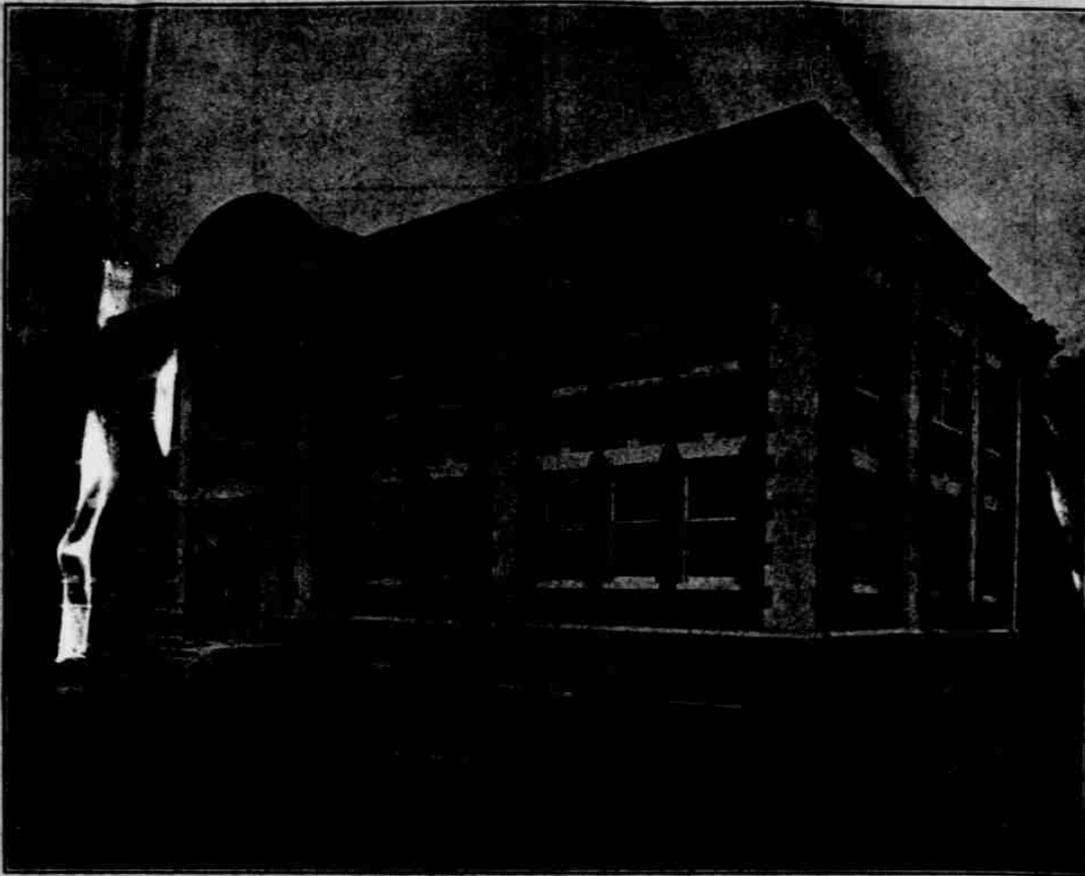
Following is part of the speech made by John T. Harding:

"It is an unearned credit to speak on this occasion and pay my thin tribute to the rich memory of my neighbor and friend. Jay Neff's home was a stone's fling from mine. His path sometimes ran parallel to mine. I enjoyed his friendship; I sought his counsel; I prospered by his example. I have sat with him at the banquet board where weighty matters were forbidden, and heard his speech exempt from care. I have knelt with him in the sanctuary of the Thirty-Third Degree and listened to his voice in solemn import. When his light went out in the big West, we laid his kingly head down gently, very gently, on the sleeve of Mother Earth!

"I will refrain from the facts and figures that go to make up the sum of his public life. They tell the story of a strong, successful man, but he was more than that,—infinitely more than that. I shall attempt to sketch his strong calm face and portray the high lights that index and interpret his great spirit. That is the big profit. For, after all, when the last figure is forgotten and the last word said and all is done—this radiant, everlasting truth remains; it is the spirit that quickeneth.

Jay H. Neff, Thinker. Thoughts are things, and thinking is a habit. Wrong thinking is leprosy and he who continues in it will become a leper. The difference between a lofty man and the low browed felon, grousing in his restraining cell is the result of their contrary habits of thinking. Jay Neff was a habitual right thinker. He kept a porter at the door of thought and admitted no unwelcome guest, and his face was the face of an upright man. He was just and generous and charitable and these three graces set their confirming seal upon his forehead. He had no envy, no hate, no fear, no and in his countenance there was no track nor trace nor hint of that guilty triad. He thought definitely, accurately and forcefully, and clear, decisive lines gave evidence of that habit. He had faith in himself. He trusted himself. He was the master of his Fate! He was the Captain of his Soul! And his strong features strong as chiselled

JAY H. NEFF HALL, WHICH WAS DEDICATED TODAY



marble manifested his strength. He was—to say it all at once—he was an American gentleman who trusted men, honored women and worshipped God.

When I was a boy it was taught that there is a recording angel who writes down in a book all the good we do and all the wrong we do, and that book is the Judgment Book of God. That is true. There is an angel who writes down in a book all the good we do and all the bad we do, and that book is the human face. Jay Neff's face was his passport into Paradise.

A Man of Big Affairs. He was a journalist of the first degree and his publications were as dependable as his character. No guilty nor unclean thing ever passed through his presses. He was a busy man with big affairs yet he stopped and stooped down to lift the people's loads. He sought privacy and was drafted to high office. He hated the spotlight, but the public turned it on him. He was reserved but compelling prominence was his because of a force which he could not conceal. He outlived the Lusitania only three months, but after the Kaiser committed that crime, that stupefying crime, he recognized no twilight zone between loyalty and disloyalty and had nothing to offer Germany but the iron heel.

And now comes his worthy son, a journalist too, striding in his father's tracks, with his father's face and his father's force; with his father's big heart and wide vision, and in his father's name, makes his Alma Mater this princely gift. He could have done no wiser thing. He could serve his country in no nobler way but his presence prohibits more my heart is full.

I am a devotee of the School of Journalism. I believe in its mission. I have faith in its future. I love its founder. I have followed him all the way from devil to Dean. I know his faith, his devotion, his mission, and I believe in the belief that this school is a public necessity. It is not overstatement to say that curing these restless times a greater responsibility rests on journalists than on any other profession. Why? Because he thinks for the public. He makes public opinion and public opinion turns the multitudinous wheels of the world."

MUST FORESEE FUTURE

Dr. Williams Sets the Task of the Newspaperman as That of Reform.

The following is part of the speech made by Dr. Talcott Williams:

The newspaper man no longer reports only the past, he has been. He has become the watchman of the Republic on the walls of the future. The new home of the School of Journalism in the University of Missouri, we dedicate today, is a Watch-tower of Journalism in which the watchmen of the State will be trained. Who can better discharge the task of training these watchmen of the future than our prophet of the Journalism of today, Dean Walter Williams. Twelve years ago he foresaw the need and demand for the training of journalism. Six years before he began the task. Joseph Pulitzer, indismissible as he was, sadly reached the conclusion that the great gift he offered to Columbia University was premature. He

postponed its use until a year after his death. His gift had met with widespread condemnation from many newspapers and ridicule from some. The public of education was incredulous. President Eliot said that academic training was better preparation for journalism than a school devoted to technical training. In the face of all this, Dean Williams took up the task, he led the way, he organized the first School of Journalism and this building is the fruit of his teaching, the gift of his pupil, Ward A. Neff who comes back today

With laurels on his brow To pay his vow

Alike to the father who gave him life and example and the great teacher in journalism who inspired and trained his mind.

Tributes Dean Williams. To this place and this occasion I have come to express here as I have often elsewhere my obligation and gratitude to Dean Williams. In the spring of 1912, when I had the honor of being called to serve the Pulitzer School of Journalism as its director I visited every institution where any courses were given in the training of the journalist. Here and here only I found a school in operation as a separate entity, here I saw the recognition both of academic training and of the technical work of the newspaper and here too was a real journalist who knew his job at this great task, successfully achieved by him. He has done more than any other man or all men to change the opinion of journalists in the great central population of America on the teaching of journalism. I think of him as doing this great work, hard by the gathering of the mightier rivers of our Continent on whose banks and in whose valleys his pupils work. For his beatitude I turn to the stately rendering by St. Jerome of a passage in Isaiah: "Blessed are ye who sow besides all waters."

The graduates of this school, equipped by his training, who go out from this building accurately to chronicle yesterday, they will shape, record and reveal the public opinion of the day, they will instruct society in the great school of the newspaper, they will share in the leadership of parties and of parties and of political movements. Two journalists are today the candidates for President, named by the two parties which divide the destiny of the Republic. For years, as editors and proprietors, they have not only been printing the news of the day but considering the broad future of affairs as no men do in any other calling. The newspaper man's new duty is to foresee the future and its issues, to prepare the public for them and like the Prophets of the past to be watchman on the walls of our Israel.

Mr. Neff Foresaw the Future. Such a duty in his field was discharged by Jay H. Neff after whom this building is named. He foresaw the needs of the farmer in the cornbelt. He did not, like his early predecessors in the field of agricultural journalism, follow the routine of the farm, satisfied with the common places of traditional cultivation. He organized knowledge of the market. He met the needs of a specific region. What had been inert scientific discovery, he spread as living inspiration

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MANY NEWSPAPER MEN SEND CONGRATULATIONS

The occasion of the School of Journalism's moving into its new home, Jay H. Neff Hall, has brought telegrams of congratulation from many journalists in this and other countries. A few of them are printed here:

Alfred Charles William Harmsworth, Lord Northcliffe, England's renowned newspaper owner, sends the following:

God speed your great effort for good journalism.

From Frederick Roy Martin of New York City, the acting general manager of the Associated Press, was received today this telegram:

I congratulate the oldest school of journalism in the United States upon obtaining a building to be entirely devoted to the education of journalists. Those of us who have high ideals for our profession recognize the growing importance of your school of journalism and are glad that this notable contribution to your equipment will enable it materially to increase its value and public service.

Arthur Moreland, honorary secretary of the Press Club, Ltd., London, England, says in his telegram:

The committee desires me to wish on behalf of the Press Club, every success to the School of Journalism in its new home.

The following is from Max Pemberton, director of studies of the new London School of Journalism, London, England:

I congratulate you most cordially upon the extension of your famous school and University.

All who are teaching young men and women to express themselves clearly are, in my judgment, engaged in work of profound utility to the human race.

Says W. R. Farrington, publisher and owner of the Honolulu Star-Bulletin, Honolulu, Hawaii:

My intimate relation with schools of journalism has been limited, but I wish especially to commend the policy of your school in making the school publication the laboratory of the schoolroom department. I have had some opportunity to observe the result of the policy of a school of journalism conducting its classroom work under the direction of the head of the school and its instructors, while the daily paper of the university is conducted by the students entirely independently of the school administration. The latter part of the policy is a most unfortunate and serious mistake, both from the standpoint of the students and the institution. My experience and observation lead me to rate the Missouri School of Journalism as a success and also a valuable addition to the sound newspaper training equipment of the country. I like your tone as distinguished from some institutions, whose principal effort seems to be to criticize, present day newspapers by bunching them all under the head of mediums controlled

either from the counting room, the bank, or the department store. My experience is that newspapers so controlled, live a most precarious existence and exercise the minimum degree of influence. I believe the American newspaper, take it by and large, is conducted on a high plane and all have important missions to perform in this great republic of ours.

I wish also through you to congratulate Mr. Neff on his ability to establishing such a memorial.

Dr. Fred Newton Scott, who sends the following, is head of the department of journalism at the University of Michigan:

Please accept my hearty congratulations upon the completion of the new building for your School of Journalism and my best wishes for the continued prosperity of the work which you have so long, so wisely and so successfully directed. I am very sorry that I cannot be present at the dedication.

From J. L. Garvin, the Observer, London, England comes this expression:

Jay H. Neff Hall commemorates a father and his own devotion in a manner every journalist in the world should feel proud. Your University had already the signal distinction of being America's oldest school of journalism and I heartily congratulate you all upon the civic generosity and spirit which have endowed the school with an edifice worthy of it.

With every hope for your long continued success in a work of training which I hold to be vital to the press of every democracy.

Warren G. Harding, Republican candidate for the Presidency, ceases his busy campaign activities to send this message.

It causes me deep regret that I cannot attend your opening and the dedication of Neff Hall. I am honored that you have asked me to send a message to the fellow members of a beloved profession whose only worth must be found in integrity and to young men who seek your splendid preparation for that profession. As the world's affairs become more complex, the power of public opinion must be sustained by the honor and the intelligence of the editor and the reporter. More than ever the world needs, and America needs, the quick, untrammelled distribution of truth in terms of bare facts. We have had too much propaganda, too much unsupported opinion, too much diversion from conclusions based upon facts, to conclusions based upon mere wish, to have us believe. If we are to go on in true progress it will be the honorable and skillful reporter of facts who will show this nation its road.

Many years ago in my early experience in journalism, I pasted up this help to my employees:

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ROCKEFELLER'S GIFTS TO G. O. P. UNDER FIRE

Senate Committee Will Quiz William Barnes About Them

WHITE TAKES STAND

Only \$65,000 Raised, Says Democratic Chairman—\$2,000,000 Needed.

By United Press. CHICAGO, Sept. 1.—William Barnes New York State political leader, will be summoned before the Senate investigating committee to tell of contributions from Rockefeller to the Republican cause and also to defend his book, "Republicanism in 1920" it was announced here today.

George White, chairman of the Democratic national committee, told the investigating committee that the Democratic party has raised only \$65,000 and that they must depend upon small contributors to make up the balance of a needed \$2,000,000.

White painted a picture entirely different from that depicted by Upham and Hays of the Democratic activity. He declared that the Democrats had no plans for collecting funds, that they had no budget and that they had no organization. He said they were unable to allot funds to the various states or sections because there were no funds to be allotted. He declared that they were in serious need.

The Republican members of the committee snapped questions at White in rapid order concerning all the charges which Governor Cox has made regarding the Republican slush fund.

CONNECTICUT IS SUFFRAGE HOPE

Suffragists Declare Action of Tennessee Legislature Illegal.

By United Press.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—Suffrage leaders here today began a campaign to get the state of Connecticut to ratify the nineteenth amendment. They declared that the action of the Tennessee legislature yesterday in rescinding the action of the suffragists in regard to the amendment, was illegal. Governor Holcomb of Connecticut is reported to have called a special session of the Connecticut legislature to pass legislation for the registration of women this fall. Officials of the Tennessee legislature refused to express any opinion whatsoever.

M. U. ENROLLS 2,916

First Two Days Show Increase of 14 Per Cent Over Last Year.

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The enrollment in the University reached a total of 2,916 for the first two days according to figures given out this afternoon by Leslie Cowan, secretary. The total consists of 1,862 men and 954 women. The increase for the first two days of this term is 14 per cent over the same period last year.

BOOSTERS TO ARRIVE

Junior Chamber of Commerce of Kansas City Due Here Tomorrow.

The Junior Chamber of Commerce of Kansas City will arrive here at 7 o'clock tomorrow night if the roads are passable, according to F. B. Rollins, president of the Columbia Commercial Club. A banquet will be given in their honor by the Columbia Commercial Club that night.

The purpose of this tour will be to encourage good fellowship between Missouri towns. To this end members of the Kansas City organizations will give talks and hold social meetings with commercial clubs of the towns on their way. They have with them a twelve-piece orchestra and some vaudeville performers and entertainers, according to Mr. Rollins.

A limited number of tickets, not to exceed forty, are on sale for the banquet and may be obtained from F. R. Rollins for \$1.50 each.

Boone County Farmer Dies

Joseph Roberts Points, a farmer 74 years old, died at his home near Bethlehem Church yesterday morning of typhoid fever. The funeral services will be held at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning at Mount Zion Church near Brown. He is survived by his wife, two sons, L. H. Points of Columbia and William E. Points of Centralia, and a daughter, Mrs. J. H. Alspaw of Boone County.

James L. Shelton Dies Near Ashland. James Lawrence Shelton, 29-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Shelton, died at his home three miles northwest of Ashland yesterday. The funeral services and burial took place at Nashville at 11 o'clock this morning. The services were conducted by the Rev. H. P. Chavens and Rev. G. W. Hatcher of Columbia.