

STUDENTS HOLD OPEN HOUSE IN J. H. NEFF HALL

Many Attend Formal Opening of Home of School of Journalism Last Night.

VISITORS SEE BUILDING

Extra Edition of Evening Missourian Published—Testimonial to Dean Walter Williams.

(Reprinted from Last Night's Extra Missourian.)

University students, faculty members, and townspeople all were represented in the throngs who had reached Jay H. Neff Hall at 8 o'clock this evening to attend the housewarming of the new home of the School of Journalism. The crowds filled every inch of space on the two rooms containing the news and advertising departments and class rooms, while the corridors running alongside the composing room on the lower floor was packed with interested sight-seers.

Guests were still arriving in increased numbers at 8 and the guides conducting their parties through the building were having difficulty getting through the jammed corridors.

At the south entrance of the building the guests were welcomed by the student officers of the school, who formed the receiving line. The officers are James McClain, all-department president; Harry Mann, senior president; John R. Morris, junior president, and Miss Alfreda Halligan, president of the Women's Journalism Club.

Proceeding into the lobby of the main floor, the visitors were divided into

parties and each party conducted through the building by a guide. The guides, who are pre-journalists, were: Misses Elizabeth Handley, Katherine Pontius, Susanne Dickson, Mildred Gutz, Catherine Campbell and Martha McLendon; Nathan Jacobs, Frank Rea, Mark Benaman, T. R. Keller, Raymond Carroll and Wallace Roberts.

First to attract the attention of the journalists' guests was the bronze tablet of the late Jay Holcomb Neff, whose son, Ward A. Neff, gave the school of Journalism its new home in memory of his father. A brief inscription describing the staunch character and high ideals of the journalist for whom the hall is named appears on the tablet, which has not yet been placed in its permanent position on the wall facing the main entrance.

Floral decorations surrounded the tablet, and the visitors on turning into the several rooms found flowers, ferns, and palms on every side. The students in the School of Journalism all were wearing white carnations.

Passing along the corridor to the right, the sight-seers were shown the council room and the mahogany council table there. This beautiful piece of furniture is a gift of the students of the school. Committee and club meetings are held regularly in the council room.

At the end of the corridor is the journalism library, a steadily growing institution where books of particular interest to newspaper men and women can be found. There also are filed the daily newspapers of the principal cities of the world, and most of the newspapers, daily and weekly, published in Missouri.

Journalistic trade magazines, of which there are a great number, are an important part of the library.

WHERE "COPY" IS MADE

The office of Prof. Frank L. Martin, of the news department of the Columbia Evening Missourian, is next to the library and directly across the corridor from the council room. The news room, the laboratory of Prof. Martin, is the large room next to his office. At the typewriters in the news room, the Missourian reporters prepare the "copy" for the Evening Missourian. The city editor sits at the desk by the mechanical copy carrier connecting with the composing room below.

The copy reading room was reached through a corridor on which is located the office of Prof. Robert S. Mann, associate professor of journalism. Prof. Mann is in charge of the copy-readers who sit around the U-shaped table. There copy is carefully corrected, made to conform to the style of the Evening Missourian, and the headlines are written.

Dean Walter Williams' office is directly across the corridor from the copy-reading room. Attention of the guests was called to Dean Williams' desk, a gift from the graduating class of 1920.

The business office of the Evening Missourian is separated from the corridor by glass windows, behind which Miss Carrie R. Quinn, presides over the accounts of the paper. Alfonso Johnson, the business manager, has the office separated from Miss Quinn's by a frosted glass partition.

After this circuit through the departments of the main floor, the guides and their parties ascended to the second floor. The journalism auditorium, as yet uncompleted, is entered at two doors on either side of the stairs. The plans for this large room call for furnishings better arranged and more attractive in appearance than are to be found in any other lecture room of the University.

Other rooms on the second floor through which the visitors were shown include the advertising solicitors' office, the office of Prof. Herbert W. Smith, head of the advertising department, and class rooms devoted to that phase of newspaper making. Just before descending the stairs the guides pointed out the women's room, furnished for their exclusive use by the women of the School of Journalism.

THE COMPOSING ROOM

Down one flight of stairs from the main floor of the building, the guests found themselves looking through a long plate glass partition forming the upper portion of one wall of the composing room. It is to this room that copy prepared in the editorial department above is sent to be set into type, and here

also is the Duplex web press, on which the Evening Missourian is printed.

The night shift of the mechanical force was completing the preparations for the Housewarming Extra as the crowds lined up in the corridor. Something of the tenseness that accompanies the last few minutes before press time was carried out to the visitors, who were watching with growing interest the rapid work of the linotype operators, the make-up men, and the pressmen preparing for the run.

The linotypists were busy with the final "takes" of the Housewarming story, in order that the extra edition would carry news of the event fresh to the minute of press time. The copy basket was travelling up and down its track carrying interviews with guests who were among the early arrivals. These were to be set, proofed, corrected, and locked in the forms on the make-up table before the edition could go to press.

All this gave the Housewarming guests an opportunity to see in actual operation the various departments of a daily newspaper, following a story from the time a reporter finds the news until the paper is taken fresh from the press.

MAINLY ABOUT PEOPLE

J. A. Gilpin of McBaine was here on business Thursday.

W. B. Hulett went to Huntsdale on business Thursday.

Roy Cunningham was in Columbia on business Thursday.

J. A. Hudson went to McBaine on business Thursday.

John Harvey of McBaine was here on business Thursday.

Mrs. Emma Hammond went to St. Louis yesterday.

Miss May Jones left for St. Louis yesterday for a few days.

Joe Smothers left yesterday for Wellsville where he will visit for a few days.

Mrs. Bertie Hubbell left for Ladonia, Mo., yesterday to visit.

E. T. Linn of Huntsville, who was here on business yesterday, returned to his home Thursday.

Frank Thurman and L. R. Stone returned to Mexico yesterday after a short business visit in Columbia.

L. L. Burnett of Ashland left yesterday for Montgomery City to visit a few days.

Mrs. W. M. Kossman and her son, William, Jr., went to St. Louis yesterday on a shopping trip.

Miss Frances Hale has gone to St. Louis where she will spend the week-end with Mrs. F. A. Burrichter.

Miss Martha Brown, who has been the guest of Mrs. R. H. Gray, left yesterday for her home at Mexico, Mo.

E. R. Davis, who is attending college at St. Joseph, Mo., is at home for a few days.

Davis Elkin left yesterday for Centuria to see his cousin, Mrs. Tom Cartet, who is very ill with blood poisoning.

Miss Laura May Simpson left yesterday for Quincy, Ill., where she will visit over the week-end.

L. A. Vandiver, who has been visiting his daughter, Ruth at Stephens College, returned to his home in Orrick, Mo., yesterday.

Sam Clarke has left for Mokane, Mo. Mr. Clarke spent several days in the city visiting Mr. and Mrs. S. Yost of 108 Willis avenue.

Miss Ella V. Dobbs and C. E. Northcutt, county superintendent of schools, will organize a mothers' club at the Keene School on November 4.

Mr. and Mrs. L. V. Thrower and her daughter Louise left yesterday for a few days' visit with relatives at East Prairie.

Mrs. J. W. Shack, who has been visiting her mother, Mrs. T. Robinson, for the last three months, left yesterday for her home at Centuria.

Mrs. C. H. Allen, who has been visiting Mrs. J. S. Dyart and Mrs. J. Teich for two weeks, has returned to her home in Denver, Colo.

G. L. Cleland has been employed by the Farm Bureau of Montgomery County as county agent. Mr. Cleland will begin his duties November 1. He is a graduate of the agricultural college at University of Kansas and since that time has been the manager of a large farm in Cotton Plant, Miss.

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