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The Presentation Ceremonies

The twenty-first annual presentation of the Missouri Honor Awards for Distinguished Service in Journalism occurred on Friday afternoon of the forty-first annual Journalism Week, May 2-6, 1950.

Before a company of students, faculty, editors and publishers, and friends of the School of Journalism and the University of Missouri, assembled in the auditorium of Jay H. Neff Hall, awards were presented to the following medalists:

NIEUWE ROTTERDAMSE COURANT
THE ST. LOUIS STAR-TIMES
OVETA CULP HOBBY
JOE ALEX MORRIS
ARTHUR HAYS SULZBERGER
JAMES TODD

The Missouri Honor Awards for Distinguished Service in Journalism are based upon records of performance over many years, rather than upon particular instances of journalistic brilliance. A special committee of the faculty each year submits a list of journalists, newspapers and magazines to a confidential Advisory Council made up of leaders in various departments of journalism, and in many cases special committees are set up to consider special problems that may arise in connection with the choosing of the medalists of that year. The nominees presented by this faculty committee upon the advice of the council are voted upon by the faculty and the elections are certified by the Board of Curators of the University of Missouri.

Nominations for the 1951 awards may be addressed to the Dean of the Faculty at any time prior to February 1, 1951.

1950 Medalists, left to right: Dean Mott, James Todd, Elzey Roberts (for The St. Louis Star-Times), Arthur Hays Sulzberger, Arnold Ross Dias (for the Nieuwe Rotterdamse Courant), Oveta Culp Hobby, and Joe Alex Morris.

Nieuwe Rotterdamse Courant

Citation

NIEUWE ROTTERDAMSE COURANT *in recognition of*

Its high standing for more than a century as a leader of public opinion in The Netherlands, and its present position as one of the most respected newspapers in Europe; Its remarkable adherence to a policy of editorial independence;

Its traditional devotion to objective reporting, especially in the field of international news; and

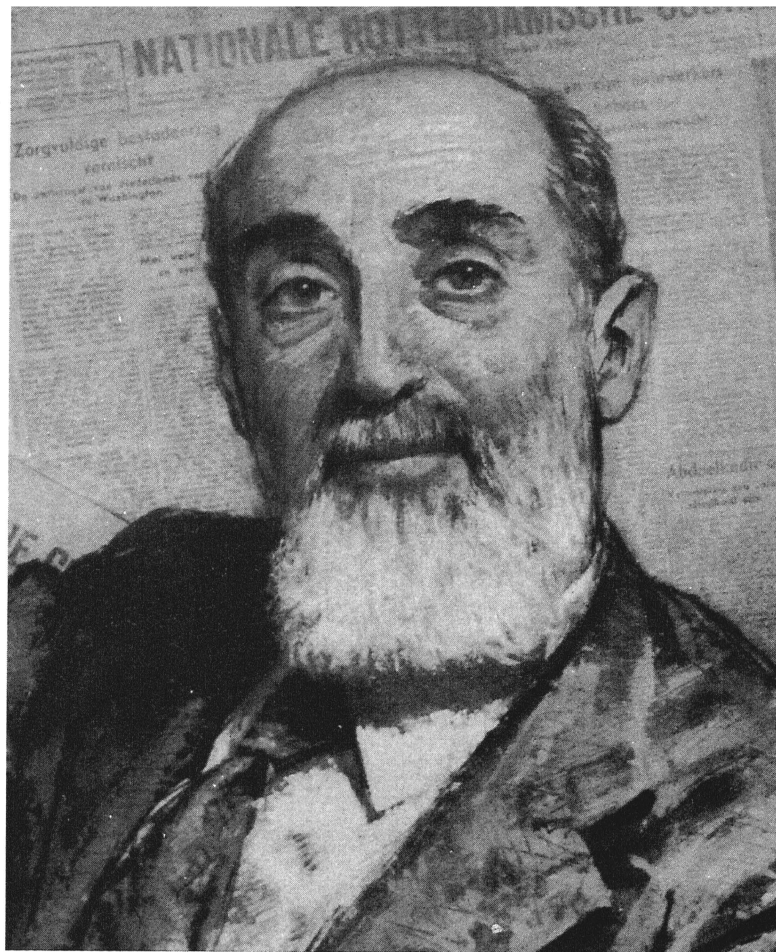
Its editorial advocacy of freedom and democracy.

Response

By Arnold Vas Dias

U. S. and U. N. Correspondent

Thank you very much, Dean Mott. I also want to thank you in the name of the editor of my paper, Mr. Rooy, and all my colleagues who esteem this honor conferred upon my paper very highly. We shall try to keep up those standards which you have set forth in your citation and to show ourselves worthy of this honor.



Arnold Vas Dias

The St. Louis Star-Times

Citation

THE ST. LOUIS STAR-TIMES *in recognition of*
Its editorial incisiveness, independence, and thoughtfulness;
Its alert news service, intelligently designed to serve the
people of its city and region; and
Its outstanding record of enterprise in the production of a
modern newspaper.

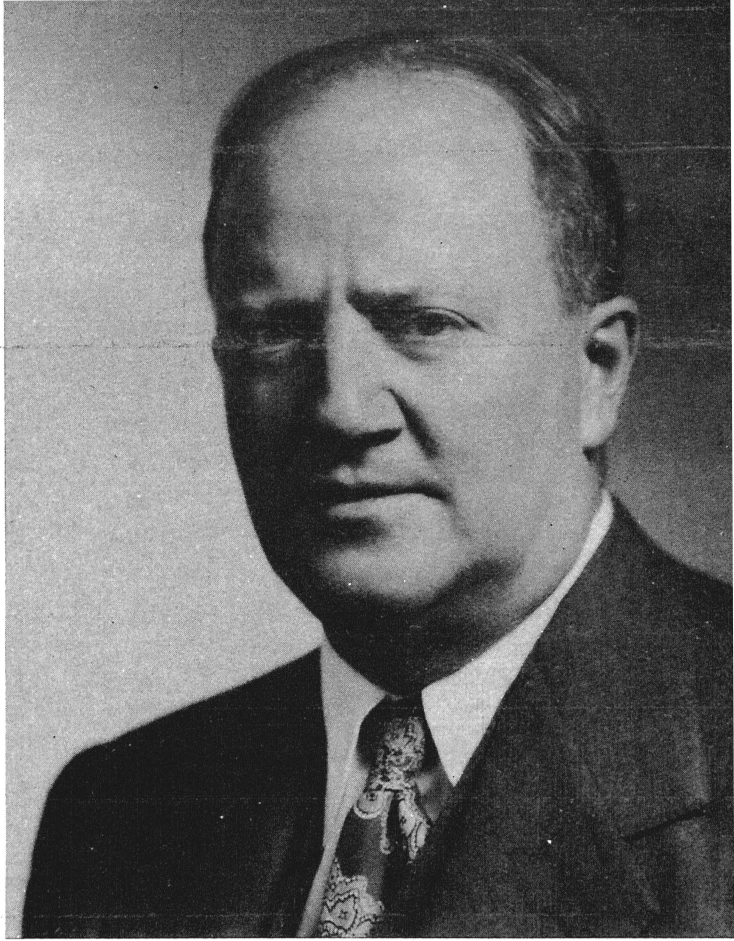
Response

By Elzey Roberts

Publisher

Dean Mott, ladies and gentlemen: It is indeed an honor to accept on behalf of *The St. Louis Star-Times* the University of Missouri medal for distinguished service in journalism.

During a third of a century I have devoted my business life to *The Star-Times*. We on its staff have experienced its triumphs and defeats. We have tasted its frustrations and its satisfactions. Therefore it is highly gratifying to us to receive this award today.



Elzey Roberts

Oveta Culp Hobby

Executive Vice President, Houston Post

Citation

OVETA CULP HOBBY *in recognition of*

Her share in the direction of a great American newspaper, The Houston Post;

Her outstanding work in newspaper organizations, particularly as president of the Southern Newspaper Publishers' Association; and

Her services to her country in many capacities, and especially as Director of the Women's Army Corps of the United States Army in the Second World War.

Response

By Mrs. Hobby

Dean Mott, distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen, thank you very much. This medal shall always be one of my most cherished treasures, and in the years to come, I shall set my journalistic sights by it in an effort to meet its continuing requirements, and never shall I look upon it without remembrance of your faith, your confidence and your generosity. I am truly your debtor.



Oveta Culp Hobby

Joe Alex Morris

Citation

JOE ALEX MORRIS *in recognition of*

His notable career as a reporter, and as a manager of news bureaus and news desks of great newspapers and news-gathering organizations;

His distinguished record as a magazine editor and contributor; and

His loyalty to his Alma Mater, the University of Missouri.

Response

By Mr. Morris

Thank you, Dean Mott. I am grateful for this honor from my University, and I am especially pleased because a few years ago this same medal was awarded to my brother, who so successfully devoted his life to putting into practice the principles on which this School of Journalism was founded.



Joe Alex Morris

Arthur Hays Sulzberger

Publisher, The New York Times

Citation

ARTHUR HAYS SULZBERGER *in recognition of*

His thirty years of devotion to both the business of newspaper publishing and the profession of journalism;

His services to American journalism in general, to scholarship, and to philanthropy; and

His outstanding achievement in maintaining the position of The New York Times as a national newspaper with wide coverage, a sense of responsibility as a historian of the present, and reliability in taste and in judgment.

Response

By Mr. Sulzberger

Dean Mott, thank you very much. As the Dean told you, *The New York Times* was honored twenty years ago, and I was delegated at that time by Mr. Ochs to come here to receive the award. This time I am happy to come and get one on my own. Thank you very much.



Arthur Hays Sulzberger

James Todd

Publisher, The Moberly Monitor-Index

Citation

JAMES TODD *in recognition of*

His lifetime devotion to the production of an outstanding small city newspaper, The Moberly Monitor-Index;

His long service to the Missouri Press Association and other newspaper organizations; and

That kindly and helpful influence in his own community, state and nation which has made him a good citizen and a beloved member of the editorial brotherhood.

Response

By Mr. Todd

Thank you very much, Dean Mott. I am honored to receive this recognition from the School of Journalism from the University of Missouri. I hope it will always be an inspiration and a challenge to me to strive for greater service in my profession. May I always be worthy of this award and what it represents.



James Todd

Medalists of Former Years

IN 1930

THE NEW YORK TIMES
LA PRENSA, OF BUENOS AIRES
WARD A. NEFF, CORN BELT FARM DAILIES
PERCY S. BULLEN, LONDON DAILY TELEGRAPH
E. W. STEPHENS, COLUMBIA (MO.) HERALD

IN 1931

THE BALTIMORE SUN
THE MANCHESTER GUARDIAN
ROBERT P. SCRIPPS, SCRIPPS-HOWARD NEWSPAPERS
HOUSTON HARTE, SAN ANGELO (TEX.) STANDARD TIMES
HENRY F. CHILDERS, TROY (MO.) FREE PRESS

IN 1932

THE ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH
THE FRANKFURTER ZEITUNG
CASPER S. YOST, ST. LOUIS GLOBE-DEMOCRAT
FRANK W. RUCKER, INDEPENDENCE (MO.) EXAMINER

IN 1933

THE KANSAS CITY STAR
THE JAPAN ADVERTISER
THE TIMES, OF LONDON
MALVINA LINDSAY, WASHINGTON (D. C.) POST
CHARLES G. ROSS, ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH
HARRY J. GRANT, MILWAUKEE JOURNAL
J. P. TUCKER, PARKVILLE (MO.) GAZETTE

IN 1934

THE DES MOINES REGISTER AND TRIBUNE
THE MELBOURNE ARGUS, OF MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA
THE CHURCHMAN, OF NEW YORK CITY
HERBERT W. WALKER, NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSOCIATION
ROBERT M. WHITE, MEXICO (MO.) LEDGER

IN 1935

THE DALLAS, TEXAS, NEWS
THE MONTREAL STAR
JAMES WRIGHT BROWN, EDITOR & PUBLISHER, NEW YORK
HARRY E. TAYLOR, JR., TRAEER (IOWA) STAR-CLIPPER
WILLIAM SOUTHERN, JR., INDEPENDENCE (MO.) EXAMINER

IN 1936

THE NEW YORK HERALD-TRIBUNE
THE TOKYO ASAHI
FRANK W. TAYLOR, JR., ST. LOUIS STAR-TIMES
EARLE PEARSON, ADVERTISING FEDERATION OF AMERICA
WILLIAM R. PAINTER, CARROLLTON (MO.) DEMOCRAT

IN 1937

THE NEW ORLEANS TIMES-PICAYUNE
DIETRICK LAMADE, GRIT, WILLIAMSPORT, PA.
HARRY E. RASMUSSEN, AUSTIN (MINN.) DAILY HERALD
W. J. SEWALL, CARTHAGE (MO.) PRESS

IN 1938

THE NEW YORK SUN
THE TORONTO STAR
MARY MARGARET MCBRIDE, COLUMBIA BROADCASTING SYSTEM
E. E. SWAIN, KIRKSVILLE (MO.) DAILY PRESS

IN 1939

LOUISVILLE COURIER-JOURNAL
THE TIMES OF INDIA
RAYMOND P. BRANDT, ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH
JOSEPH GLENN BABB, THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
WALLACE CROSSLEY, WARRENSBURG (MO.) STAR-JOURNAL
H. J. BLANTON, MONROE COUNTY APPEAL

IN 1940

THE PORTLAND OREGONIAN
LYLE CAMPBELL WILSON, UNITED PRESS ASSOCIATIONS
JAMES KELLY POOL, JEFFERSON CITY (MO.) CAPITAL-NEWS

IN 1941

THE CHICAGO DAILY NEWS
TA KUNG PAO, CHUNGKING, CHINA
THE SOUTHEAST MISSOURIAN, CAPE GIRARDEAU, MISSOURI
LELAND STOWE, THE CHICAGO DAILY NEWS
FRANK H. KING, THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
RALPH H. TURNER, NEWSPAPER ENTERPRISE ASSOCIATION
H. S. JEWELL, SPRINGFIELD (MO.) NEWSPAPERS, INC.

IN 1942

THE CLEVELAND PLAIN DEALER
HENRY T. EWALD, CAMPBELL-EWALD COMPANY, DETROIT
JOHN B. POWELL, CHINA WEEKLY REVIEW, SHANGHAI
PIERRE J. HUSS, INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE
JOHN DONALD FERGUSON, MILWAUKEE JOURNAL

IN 1943

THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR
EL UNIVERSAL, OF MEXICO CITY
EDWIN L. JAMES, NEW YORK TIMES
DAVID M. WARREN, PANHANDLE (TEXAS) HERALD
L. MITCHELL WHITE, MEXICO (MO.) LEDGER

IN 1944

THE MILWAUKEE JOURNAL
A NOITE, RIO DE JANEIRO, BRAZIL
THE ATLANTIC MONTHLY
FREDERIC WILLIAM GOUDY
JOHN RIPPEY MORRIS, THE UNITED PRESS
CHARLES NUTTER, THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
CLARENCE E. WATKINS, THE CHILlicothe (MO.) CONSTITUTION-TRIBUNE

IN 1945

THE WASHINGTON POST
THE LONDON DAILY EXPRESS
HARPER'S MAGAZINE
ROBERT J. CASEY, CHICAGO DAILY NEWS
FOSTER B. HAILEY, NEW YORK TIMES
WILLIAM E. FREELAND, TANEY COUNTY (MO.) REPUBLICAN

IN 1946

THE PHILADELPHIA EVENING BULLETIN
GOTESBORGS HANDELS- OCH SJOFORTS-TIDNING
THE LADIES' HOME JOURNAL
H. A. BATTEN, N. W. AYER & SON, INC.
E. LANSING RAY, THE ST. LOUIS GLOBE-DEMOCRAT
EDWIN MOSS WILLIAMS, UNITED PRESS ASSOCIATIONS

IN 1947

THE SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE
HAL BOYLE, THE ASSOCIATED PRESS
F. M. FLYNN, THE NEW YORK DAILY NEWS
WILLIAM L. LAURENCE, THE NEW YORK TIMES
JOSEPH PULITZER, THE ST. LOUIS POST-DISPATCH
GEORGE YATES, THE DES MOINES REGISTER AND TRIBUNE

IN 1948

THE ATLANTA JOURNAL
LIFE
DAVID C. H. LU, CENTRAL NEWS AGENCY OF CHINA
DON D. PATTERSON, SCRIPPS-HOWARD NEWSPAPERS
INEZ ROBB, INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE
JACK SHELLEY, WHO, DES MOINES
JOYCE A. SWAN, MINNEAPOLIS STAR AND TRIBUNE

IN 1949
THE MEMPHIS COMMERCIAL APPEAL
THE SATURDAY EVENING POST
ELMER DAVIS
ALFONSO JOHNSON
JOHN S. KNIGHT



This monument situated at the southwest corner of Walter Williams Hall has been inspected and admired by hundreds of students and visitors to the Journalism campus. It bears the following inscription:

TO THE
SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM
UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI
THIS STONE FROM THE
HOUSE OF PARLIAMENT
BIRTHPLACE OF OUR COMMON HERITAGE
— THE FREEDOM OF THE PRESS —
IS PRESENTED BY
R E U T E R S
1937