J. A. Tidyman to receive a Gold Key from the Montana State University School of Journalism

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Mrs. J. A. Tidyman, Valier teacher, Saturday became the 13th Montana publications adviser to receive a Gold Key from the Montana State University School of Journalism. The award recognizes the service of high school journalism teachers and is given annually at the final session of the Montana Interscholastic Editorial Association convention.

The two-day meeting that drew 325 delegates from 40 schools this year was the 11th in the association's 35-year history, according to Prof. E. B. Dugan, MIEA adviser.

Mrs. Tidyman was graduated from MSU in 1923, taught English, Latin, and Spanish in Conrad, in Townsend, and for the past 20 years, in Valier. Presentation was made by Dean Nathan B. Blumberg of the School of Journalism.

The 1960 award winner is publications adviser to the Northern Lights, Valier yearbook, and The Panther, school newspaper, both of which have rated high in annual evaluations. The 1960 yearbook is All-State, highest rating given by MIEA.

The Tidyman's four sons have been or are MSU students. Jim, Jack and Tom have degrees from the University, and Bill is a sophomore.

Other winners of Gold Keys from the start of the program in 1948 are Faye Kirkpatrick, Helena; John Linn, Missoula; Irving Andreasen, Medicine Lake; Sarah McNelis, Butte; Alice Follansbee, Simms; Donald R. Boslaugh, Eureka; Lois Elda Larson, Laurel; E. B. McCurdy, Charlo; Lloyd L. DeWitt, Colstrip; Joseph Maitin, Ennis; Noel Furlong, Kalispell, and Sister M. Giswalda, Mission High School, Hays.