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For students, past & present, and friends of the Department

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Thanks to those of you who sent the postcards with your e-mail addresses and/or new coordinates and names of high-school or academy students who are prospective Physics students! We are approaching the place where we send out hard-copy issues of minor issues of Physics at SC to only half of our alumni and friends.

Moving from Daniells Hall to Hickman, Part XI

The level of activity is again approaching that which we experienced December 30 and 31 when the Physics Department moved.

Here is what has been happening the week just ended:

The surroundings are being landscaped, seeded, and strawed (with an occasional large rock placed here and there);

The sidewalks are being completed;

The electronic sensors are said to have been made ready for our coded faculty ID cards;

The pendulum ball has arrived(!);

The first-floor foyer is being decorated with (very tasteful) plaques honoring contributors to the Building;

The few smudges on the walls, scratches in the floor paint, leaks in the plumbing, and non-functioning electrical outlets are being repaired;

The blackboards and stairwell tackboards are ready to mount;

Some old or non-matching file cabinets are being replaced;

Stuffed office chairs have been distributed.

Building-wide decisions still need to be made or implemented:

Where and how to mount homework-return boxes;

Whether to grant faculty pleas for more bulletin boards and display cases (in the hallways);

Granting us access to the equipment room so we can turn the air compressor on and off.

There is still plenty to be done in the Physics Department:

A short section of cabinets along one wall of the research laboratory has yet to be plumbed, wired, and covered;

The working surfaces have yet to be installed in the shop;

Some of what we did so swiftly during our move has been subject to change (e.g., the editor's collection of file cabinets in three colors was replaced Friday with an ensemble of matching cabinets);

The pendulum has to be mounted.

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