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Montana State University's foresters have proven themselves tops in woodsmen's skills in competition among foresters from nine western colleges and universities.

The forestry students competed in woods skills of power sawing, chopping, double and single bucking, ax throwing, log rolling and pulp throwing to wind up the Annual Association of Western Forestry Clubs Conclave at Missoula.

Montana placed first in the double bucking and chopping events, second in log rolling and power sawing and third in ax throwing and single bucking.

Jack Higle of Eureka earned the title, "Bull of the Woods," for the highest individual point total.

The five-man team from the MSU School of Forestry comprised Higle, Larry Holt, Ken Knoche, Warren Osik and Larry Scott.

During the three-day conclave the foresters discussed the forestry profession and visited the Northern Forest Fire Laboratory and the Lubrecht Experimental Forest.

Forestry students from Humboldt State College, Utah State University, Idaho State University, Oregon State University, University of Arizona, Arizona State College, Lassen Junior College and Colorado State University took part in the conclave at MSU.

Forestry schools in the western states play host to the annual conclave in rotation. The conclave originated at MSU in 1936.

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