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Chicago's general superintendent of schools and a member of the Washington State Board of Education will be the featured speakers at an Administrators Conference at the University of Montana July 7-9.

Dr. Benjamin Willis of Chicago and Mrs. Helen Radke of Port Angeles, Wash., will speak to an estimated 125 school administrators and school board members at the conference.

The topic for the conference will be "School Board-Superintendent Relations." Registration for the conference will be from 1:30 to 2 p.m., Wednesday in the Yellowstone Room of the University Lodge, according to Dean James M. Thrasher of the School of Education.

C. R. Anderson, president of the Montana School Administrators Association will preside at a banquet meeting Thursday.

Dr. Willis has been superintendent of schools in Chicago since 1953. Before that he was superintendent of schools in Buffalo and Yonkers, N.Y., and principal and county superintendent in Maryland. He is a member of numerous education organizations and was president of the American Association of School Administrators in 1961-1962.

Mrs. Radke has been a member of the Port Angeles School Board since 1948 and the Washington State Board of Education and the Washington State Board for Vocational Education since 1955. She served on the National School Boards Association board of directors for eight years and was NSBA president in 1963-1964. She was the chief author of NSBA's "Reference Manual on Written School Board Policies" which has gained national recognition as the definitive work in this field and has been one of the most popular materials provided by NSBA to school boards throughout the country.

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