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1968 MISS MASSACHUSETTS  
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AT MISS UM PAGEANT

MISSOULA---

Catherine Monroe, 1968's Miss Massachusetts and first runner-up in last year's Miss America contest, will be mistress of ceremonies at the 1969 Miss University of Montana (UM) pageant April 10-12.

Directed by Tod W. Briggs of Dutton, a UM drama sophomore, and sponsored by the Associated Students at UM, the theme of this year's pageant is "Thoroughly Modern Millie."

Assisting with the pageant direction at the University Theater will be James E. Walker, Chelmsford, Mass., a UM business administration sophomore.

During Saturday night's program, which begins at 8:15 p.m. in the University Theater, each of the nine coeds vying for the Miss UM title will appear in evening gowns and present her three-minute act as the talent portion of the competition.

The excitement Saturday will be highlighted by the coronation of the new Miss UM. On hand to do the honors will be Nancy Lee Irle of Glasgow, the 1968 Miss UM.

Pageant guest of honor will be Karen Frank of Park City, the reigning Miss Montana.

Advising contestants on matters concerning poise and manners is Mrs. Ruth Coffman of the Missoula Mercantile. Mrs. Coffman is a veteran of many similar contests, having served previously as both judge and advisor. Mrs. Coffman is chairman of the fashion board of Seventeen Magazine.

Pageant judges will be Mrs. Cula Kelson of the Missoula Mercantile; Dr. Richard Ormsbee of the Rocky Mountain Biological Station, Hamilton; Missoula Mayor Richard G. Shoup; Mrs. Shirley Smuin, Missoula, and Dale Stapp of Stapp for Fashion, Great Falls.

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Miss UM contestants are Jane Elizabeth Ballard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Ballard, Hardin; Mary Glynn George, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles George, Laurel; Karol Dea Kramer, daughter of Lt. Col. (Ret.) and Mrs. Theodore Kramer, <sup>Jr.</sup> Missoula; Doreen Kay Mahan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wayne Mahan, Laurel.

Also, Sharon Marie Marshall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Marshall, Helena; Mardell Jean Milligan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Milligan, Miles City; Carolyn Grace Powell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Powell, Libby; Diane Faye Snortland, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Selmer Snortland, Valier, and Marcia Jane Wise, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Wise, Jr. Billings.

The lucky coed named Miss UM will receive a \$100 scholarship, a wardrobe for the state pageant from Missoula Mercantile, a Revere Ware bowl, a trophy and the right to compete in the 1969 Miss Montana pageant. First runner-up will receive a \$50 scholarship, trophy and Revere Ware bowl. Second runner-up will receive \$25, a trophy and a Revere Ware bowl.

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