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NORTHWEST AUTHOR TO BE FEATURED AT CONFERENCE

Archie Binns, well-known novelist and historian from Washington State, will be on the staff of the 10th annual Writers' Conference at Montana State University from July 21 through 26, according to H. V. Larom, conference director.

Binns is the author of 17 volumes -- novels, history, biography and juveniles -- as well as short stories and magazine articles.

His best known novels include "Lightship", "The Land is Bright", "Mighty Mountain", "You Rolling River", and "The Headwaters". A specialist in the history of the state of Washington, his non-fiction books include "Northwest Gateway", "Sea in the Forest" and "Mrs. Fisk and the American Theatre". Binns has also written four juveniles: "The Radio Imp", "Sleeping River", "Sea Pup", and "The Enchanted Islands", Larom said.

While at the conference, he will specialize in the historical type of non-fiction. "I believe that he will be particularly valuable in helping those who are working with Montana historical material," Larom said. "He knows the Northwest and has written much concerning the lumber industry and other subjects of interest to Montanans."

Binns' books have been popular for many years, Larom added. He has had books selected by The Literary Guild, The Book League, The Children's Book Club, and has won a Herald Tribune Award and the Prix Femina Americane.

Other members of the staff already announced are Albert A. Maisel, who has written over 350 articles in leading magazines, and Bernard Malamud, author of "The Assistant", "The Natural", and "The Magic Barrel", a new volume of short stories that has been receiving favorable reviews in many leading magazines, Larom added.

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