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Montana State University Weekly News Roundup

TREE DISEASE STUDIED AT MSU

Dr. Charles W. Waters, professor of botany at Montana State University, has received a grant of \$800 from the U. S. Forest Service to continue research on a disease affecting the Ponderosa pine, MSU officials announced.

Dr. Waters is studying the life history and host-parasite relations of *Elytroderma deformans*, which attacks the Ponderosa pine and kills many of the valuable trees each year. His research, carried on under a cooperative agreement between MSU and the USFS, will increase basic knowledge of the life history of the disease and will have practical applications of economic importance.

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MSU DEPARTMENT HEAD INVITED TO WISCONSIN

Dr. Oscar J. Hammen, chairman of the Montana State University Dept. of History and Political Science, has been granted a leave of absence from February 1 to June 15, 1959 to serve as visiting professor at the University of Wisconsin.

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MSU STUDENTS WIN CASH AWARDS

Lloyd Wilson, Woodland, Calif., and Carson Vehrs, Jr., Condon, Ore., seniors majoring in food service management at Montana State University, have each won \$25 from Institutions Magazine for their ideas on the use of aluminum foil in large quantity food preparation, according to Dr. Lendal H. Kotschevar, professor of home economics and food service consultant at the University. Their ideas will be used in an article to be published in the January issue of the magazine.

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