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FOR RELEASE THURSDAY, MAY 5

Flathead County High School, Kalispell, took double honors with the highest individual score and the highest team score in a mathematics contest sponsored by the Mathematical Association of America and the Society of Actuaries.

Dr. T. G. Ostrom, chairman of the Montana State University Mathematics Department and state contest chairman, announced that Douglas Hoylman of Flathead County High School, with a score of 107.75, was the only Montana contestant to score above 80.

The Kalispell team led the other 18 Montana teams with a score of 187.25. William Hanchett placed second on the team, and Gloria Wheeler and John Chidley tied for third place.

The 19 participating schools selected their three-member teams in elimination tests preceding the nationwide test that was administered March 10, Dr. Ostrum said. The team score is the sum of the scores of the three members of the team, he explained. The highest individual scorer on each team was awarded a pin, he added.

Five other teams made scores above 100. They are Billings Senior High, 175; Dawson County High, Sidney, 137; Custer County High, Miles City, 114.75; Helena Senior High, 104, and Forsyth High, 101.25.

Students who received pins as high scorers at these schools are Dean McCullough, Billings; Donald Hurd, Sidney; Gene Carlson, Miles City; John Young, Helena, and James Phillips, Forsyth.

Top individual scorers at other participating schools are Leslie Gibbs, Billings Central; Bill Elliot, Billings West; Patrick Kryawa, Butte Boys' Central; Sharon Feeney, Butte Girls' Central; Donald Higby, Helena Cathedral.

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John Barclay, Dawson County; James Hill, Havre; Jerry Tinker, Libby; Murray Brown, Lodge Grass; Edward Neidhart, Shelby; Andrea Rostad, Sweet Grass County; Alvin Geske, Whitefish, and Curtis Ingebretson, Wolf Point.

Complete regional and national test results are not yet available for determining Montana's comparative standing, Dr. Ostrum said.

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