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\$5,000 MEMORIAL RITTENOUR GIFT TO BE USED FOR UM BIOLOGICAL STATION BOAT

MISSOULA ---

A memorial gift of \$5,000 recently was given to the University of Montana Biological Station at Yellow Bay on Flathead Lake for the purchase of a \$12,000 boat to be used for research and class work.

The donation is a gift from the estate of the late Lydia Jimmie Rittenour of Missoula, who died on May 30, 1973. She graduated from UM in 1901 with a degree in biology and was a member of the first Biological Station class in 1899.

Ms. Rittenour studied under Prof. M.J. Elrod, founder of the station, and she visited the station regularly.

Balance of the funding for the boat will come from other sources, said Dr. John F. Tibbs, UM Biological Station director. The boat will be named the "Jimmie R" in memory of Ms. Rittenour.

She is well remembered in much of Montana for her active participation in community affairs and for her financial support of a medical clinic in <u>Plains</u>, built as a memorial to her husband.

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