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MISSOULA--

Five students from the University of Montana (UM) in Missoula placed among the six top college division voice students in the student auditions sponsored Friday and Saturday, March 7-8, at Rocky Mountain College (RMC), <u>Billings</u>, by the Big Sky Chapter of the National Association of Teachers of Singing (NATS).

George D. Lewis, professor of music at UM, who is president of the NATS Big Sky Chapter, announced the names of the students finishing in the top three spots among men and women in the college division and boys and girls in the high school division of the competition.

Those placing in the college division and the names of their teachers are:

Women--1, Kathleen Anne Roemer, <u>Missoula</u>, George D. Lewis, UM music professor; 2, Norma Gene Sitton, <u>Billings</u>, RMC, Don Pihlaja, RMC voice professor; 3, Riscilla Louise Bergen, Dutton, UM, Priscilla Chadduck, UM voice instructor.

Men--1, Terry N. Larsen, Fort Benton, UM, George D. Lewis, UM music professor;
2, Timothy J. Campbell, <u>Missoula</u>, UM, Esther England, UM voice instructor; 3, Michael
M. McGill, Stevensville, UM, Priscilla Chadduck, UM voice instructor.

High school division winners and the names of their teachers are:

Girls--1, Mimi Berger, <u>Billings</u>, Elizabeth Rowan; 2, Lynn Klicker, <u>Billings</u>, Margaret Enrico; 3, Toni Hinton, Missoula, Esther England, UM voice instructor.

Boys--1, Robert Dyer, <u>Great Falls</u>, Mary Moore; 2, John Sweeney, <u>Great Falls</u>, Ellene Brandt; 3, Fred Thompson, Great Falls, Mary Moore.