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300 STUDENTS EXPECTED FOR BIG SKY INTERCOLLEGIATE SPEECH MEET APRIL 19-21

MISSOULA--

About 300 students from 34 colleges and universities in seven states will participate in the 1973 Big Sky Intercollegiate Speech Tournament April 19-21 at the University of Montana, Missoula.

States represented in the tournament will include Montana, Idaho, Washington, Oregon, Utah, Wyoming and Colorado.

Jeanne Tognetti, <u>Lewistown</u>, a graduate student in speech communication at UM, who is publicity chairman for the 1973 Big Sky meet, said the tournament events will include persuasive speaking, oral interpretation, expository speaking and impromptu speaking, Lincoln-Douglas Debates and team debates.

"Residents of Missoula and vicinity are invited to attend the tournament, which is open to the public without charge," Miss Tognetti said. "Also, businessmen and townspeople are urged to sign up as judges for the tournament by phoning 243-2213 at the University between the hours of 8 p.m. and 10 p.m. weekdays."

Miss Tognetti said UM students who are not official members of the UM forensics squad may participate in the tournament, but the participants from UM who place high in the tournament will receive awards separate from the actual tournament winners, who must be from other college or university campuses.

Tournament participants will register for the speech tourney from 10 a.m.-noon April
19 at the tournament headquarters in the University Center on the Missoula campus.