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Alumni, parents, friends of University invited to Billings discussion, reception

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MISSOULA--

Alumni, parents and friends of the University of Montana, Missoula, are invited to attend a UM Alumni College Seminar dealing with the University and higher education, and a reception to follow the seminar Thursday night, Feb. 19, in Billings. The seminar and reception are sponsored by the UM Alumni Association.

The UM Alumni College Seminar, featuring a panel discussion entitled "The University and the State: How Shall We Respond?", will be at 7:30 p.m. Thursday in the Carter Room at the Northern Hotel, Billings. The reception also will be in the Carter Room.

The hotel will serve as headquarters for the annual winter meeting of the UM Alumni Association on Thursday; the annual winter meeting of the University Foundation on Friday and Saturday, Feb. 20-21, and a joint meeting of the UM Alumni Association and Foundation Saturday morning.

Dr. James L. Talbot, acting academic vice president at UM, will be moderator of which will feature a number of UM faculty members. Thursday's panel discussion, Panelists will include Dr. John L. Dayries, professor of health, physical education and recreation; Dr. Harry W. Fritz, associate professor of history; Dr. Louis D. Hayes, chairman of the UM Department of Political Science, a professor; Dr. Patricia P. Douglas, director of the Center for Continuing Education and Summer Programs at UM, who is assistant to UM President Richard C. Bowers, and Dr. John F. Tibbs, an associate professor of zoology, who is director of the UM Biological Station at Yellow Bay on Flathead Lake in northwestern Montana.

The speakers will focus on a variety of topics during Thursday's panel discussion, including the role of the University in modern society; whether the University should reflect the public's expressed needs or act as an architect of ideas and ideals, and how the taxpayer expects the University to respond to demands.

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Those attending Thursday's Alumni College Seminar and reception will include Pres. Bowers; Talbot and members of the panel; A. Dale Tomlinson, UM vice president for fiscal affairs; Thomas J. Collins, director of the UM Foundation; George W. Oechsli, executive director of the UM Alumni Association.

And, C. L. Murphy, Foundation treasurer, who is assistant to the UM vice president for fiscal affairs; Dr. James H. Lowe, associate professor of forestry at UM, who is chairman of the UM Faculty Senate; Deanna Sheriff, assistant director of UM alumni relations, and Gayle W. Walton, administrative assistant for the UM Foundation.

Also on hand for Thursday's reception will be Dorothy R. Powers, Spokane, Wash., award-winning feature writer for The Spokesman-Review, who is a trustee for the UM Foundation; incoming Foundation President Warren Vaughan, Billings, president of Security Bank in the Magic City, who served as the 1975 UM Foundation vice president; the outgoing UM Foundation President, the Hon. George H. Boldt, Tacoma, Wash., senior U.S. District judge for the western district of Washington; Henry F. "Dutch" Dahmer, Great Falls, president of the UM Alumni Association, who is dean of students at Great Falls High School, and Ted M. Delaney, Missoula, owner and manager of Delaney's printing and office supplies in the Garden City, who is vice president of the UM Alumni Association.

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