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## 400 HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS TO HIT UM CAMPUS FOR MIEA CONVO

Approximately 400 staff members of Montana high school newspapers and year-books will meet at the University of Montana Friday and Saturday (Sept. 16-17) for the 17th annual conference of the Montana Interscholastic Editorial Association, reports Warren J. Bier, MIEA adviser.

The conference is sponsored by the MIEA, an organization comprising 120 state high school publications staffs, and by the University of Montana School of Journalism.

Delegates will hear Dorothy M. Johnson discuss writing as a profession Friday. She is assistant professor of journalism at UM and author of seven books and numerous short stories and articles in leading magazines.

Speakers at sectional meetings Friday will discuss techniques and problems in newspaper and yearbook writing and editing. They are:

Don Zupan, sports editor, the Missoulian-Sentinel.

Roger Megerth, instructor, Billings West High School.

Mrs. Dorothy K. MacDonald, instructor, Whitefish High School.

Jerry Holloron, reporter, the Missoulian-Sentinel.

Warren J. Brier, MIEA adviser and associate professor of journalism.

Mrs. Olive C. Wehr, instructor, St. Ignatius High School.

Robert Amick, graduate assistant at the School of Journalism and former editor of the Choteau Acantha.

Al Darr, reporter-photographer, the Missoulian-Sentinel.

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Prof. Edward Dugan, acting dean of the School of Journalism, will speak Saturday morning.

The group will be welcomed by Warren Smith, instructor at Joliet High School and president of the Montana Association of Journalism Directors.

Business sessions, including election of officers Saturday, will be conducted by students from Missoula Hellgate High, the MIEA president for 1965-66.

The School of Journalism's 19th Gold Key Award will be presented at the final session to an outstanding high school publications adviser.