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GREAT FALLS TEACHER
WINS 19TH GOLD KEY

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William E. Spahr, journalism instructor at Great Falls Senior High School, was awarded the University of Montana School of Journalism's 19th Gold Key Saturday (Sept. 17) for distinguished service as a school publications adviser.

Prof. Edward Dugan, acting dean of the journalism school, presented the key at the final session of the annual Montana Interscholastic Editorial Association conference on the UM campus.

Spahr, a teacher at Great Falls High since 1958, advises the school newspaper, the Iniwa, and the yearbook, the Roundup. Both publications consistently have won top ratings in Montana and national evaluations.

A graduate of Western Montana College, Spahr has done advanced study at the University of Montana and the University of Washington. He has taught in Butte and Dillon.

From 1950 to 1955 he was director of radio programming at the University of Montana and assistant to the director of the University News Service. He was assistant to the manager of KFBB Radio-TV in Great Falls from 1955-1958.

Spahr served in the Montana House of Representatives from Cascade County in 1961 and 1963. From 1963-1965, he was a Great Falls councilman.

During the 1965-1966 academic year, Spahr was president of the Montana Association of Journalism Directors, an organization of high school journalism teachers and publications advisers. He now is chairman of the association's scholarship committee.