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Advanced registrations indicate record turn-out for Tax Institute

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Advanced registration for the 12th Tax Institute, sponsored by the University of Montana Law School in Missoula, indicates a record number of participants will attend this year's two-day session.

Lester R. Rusoff, UM law professor and Institute Director, said 29 attorneys, 12 accountants and certified public accountants, 11 bankers and 11 insurance company representatives and life underwriters have registered as of Tuesday morning.

Rusoff said registration may be accomplished in person at the Florence Hotel Thursday, Friday and Saturday. Applications will be accepted at a social hour sponsored by the Union Bank and Trust Co. of Helena from 5:30 to 7:30 Thursday evening. Registrants may also sign in between 8:15 and 9 Friday morning and on Saturday morning. Registration fee is $17.

Fifteen certified public accountants, underwriters and attorneys have accepted invitations to speak during the Institute's several sessions at the Florence Hotel.

Among them are John D. Stephenson, a Harvard University graduate and Great Falls attorney who will tell of Thin Corporations. He has participated in several previous tax institutes.

Everit A. Sliter, a certified public accountant from Kalispell, will discuss some recent taxation cases and rulings. Sliter is a 1966 graduate of the University of Montana with a degree in accounting.

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Attorney Ben Forbes of Billings, a 1951 UM Law School graduate and 1957 New York University graduate with a master of laws in taxation, will describe the re-acquisition of land and Section 1038.

Another Billings attorney, Sid P. Kurth, will discuss obtaining and relying on private rulings. Kurth holds degrees in law and business administration from UM and is also a New York University graduate with a Master of Laws in taxation.

George N. Wright, Jr. and William A. Ovrom will discuss split dollar life insurance. Both men are chartered life underwriters from Great Falls. Wright, a graduate of the American College of Life Underwriters, is with Northern Life Insurance Co. Ovrom represents Equitable Life Assurance Co. and is a 1939 graduate of the University of Minnesota.