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CEYLON DIPLOMAT TO U.N. WILL SPEAK TO MODEL U.N. DELEGATES AT UM

The counsellor of the Ceylon mission to the United Nations, Bernard P. Tilikaratna, will be the principal speaker during the May 11-13 Montana Model United Nations assembly at the University of Montana.

Mr. Tilikaratna will attend most of the sessions conducted by the high school student delegates and on Friday (May 12) will deliver a public lecture at 11 a.m. in the University Theater.

The counsellor has been a member of the Ceylon Diplomatic Service since 1951. In addition to the United Nations assignment, he has served in Burma, Indonesia, India, Brazil, France and Russia.

The 350 participants in Montana's Model United Nations represent 29 high schools from across Montana. Sharon Browning, chairman of the Montana Model U.N., said the program has been organized to give high school students an opportunity to advance their understanding of the nations of the world, the relations between them, their policies and the nature of the work of the United Nations.

Topics scheduled for discussion include nonproliferation of nuclear weapons, the policies of Apartheid in South Africa, the question of Viet Nam, and the economic and social questions of disarmament.

Miss Browning said similiar programs on the high school level have been sponsored for many years at the universitits of Colorado and Utah and at Washington State Univer-sity. The student government of the University of Montana finances the Montana Model U.N., she explained, and the participating schools pay small registration fees.