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SOLBERG NAMED DEAN OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

MISSOULA-- Dr. Richard A. Solberg, associate professor of botany and director of the Yellow Bay Biological Station on Flathead Lake, will become the associate dean of the College of Arts and Sciences July 1, at the University of Montana.

In making the announcement, President Robert T. Pantzer, noted Solberg's science background would be an asset to the administration of the University's largest school.

The College, headed by Dean Robert Coonrod, offers bachelor degrees in more than 20 science and art disciplines and graduate degrees in 21 fields of study. It also offers core curriculum subjects for six of the seven professional schools on campus.

Dr. Solberg joined the University faculty in 1962 as an assistant professor, but he was no stranger to the Missoula campus. He is a member of the UM class of '54 and holds degrees from Washington State Univer., M.S. in 1956, and the University of California at Los Angeles, Ph.D. in 1961.

His research endeavors have centered on air pollution and plant pathology. A skiing enthusiast, Solberg is assistant director of the Snow Bowl Ski School at Missoula. He is married to the former Elizabeth Jane Seely of Whitefish and the couple has four children.

Dr. Solberg's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin L. Solberg, reside in Helena.