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Communication values discussed by University of Montana, Montana State University professors

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MISSOULA—

Dr. R. Wayne Pace, chairman of the Department of Speech Communication at the University of Montana, recently presented a workshop session on "Communication, Communities, and Change" at a regional Community Development Seminar sponsored by the Billings Area Bureau of Indian Affairs and the Montana State University Cooperative Extension Service.

Working with Dr. Pace was Dr. William R. Lassey, communication specialist in the MSU Department of Sociology. Utilizing projected transparencies, Dr. Pace and Dr. Lassey discussed the ways in which communication contributes to the development of social systems and the effects of social systems on communication.

They then portrayed the characteristics of a bureaucracy and related community deterioration to breakdowns in communication within the social system. They concluded their 2½-hour presentation by discussing characteristics of social change and the prerequisites necessary for bringing about social action in a community.

Dr. Pace and Dr. Lassey will participate in a Workshop on Communication for members of churches in Western Montana to be held at the University of Montana April 30 through May 2 where they will discuss the effects of modern organized life on communication in churches. Information about the workshop may be obtained by contacting Dr. Pace at 243-4331, University of Montana.