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MOORHEAD BIOLOGY PROFESSOR TEACHES
IN NSF INSTITUTE AT U OF MONTANA

MISSOULA--

A Minnesota professor has returned for the second time to teach teachers at the University of Montana here this summer.

Dr. Oscar W. Johnson, 33, a visiting biology professor from Moorhead State College, Moorhead, Minn., is teaching high school biology teachers participating in a National Science Foundation (NSF) institute. He came to the Missoula campus in the summer of 1967 for the first time.

About 40 teachers from all over the United States are participating in the NSF program, working toward master's degrees in biology by writing theses or earning graduate credits.

Dr. Johnson, a Chicago native, teaches histology and embryology in an effort to update the teachers in these fields.

Besides the pleasure he gains teaching the high school teachers, Dr. Johnson also enjoys the research atmosphere at the University of Montana. The Moorhead professor has had an NSF grant for four years to study the histology of bird kidneys and its relationship to the kidney function. A paper describing some of this work was accepted recently for publication by "The Condor," a national ornithological journal.

Dr. Johnson's wife, the former Patricia McLennon, also of Chicago, and sons, Mark, 10, and Lee, 8 months, are with him this summer in Missoula.

The Moorhead professor and his family visit Montana or South Dakota every year to hunt big game, usually killing a deer around Thanksgiving on fresh autumn snow.

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