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BILL RUSSELL

TO SPEAK AT UM DEC. 3

MISSOULA---

Bill Russell, star basketball player-coach for the Boston Celtics, will speak at the University of Montana Dec. 3.

Russell, the first Negro to manage full-time in a major league of any sport, will lecture in the University Center Ballroom at 8:15 p.m. Dec. 3. His appearance, which is open to the public without charge, is sponsored by the Program Council of the Associated Students at UM.

Russell's interests are not confined to the basketball court. He is concerned with the college generation. "This is the greatest generation in this country's history because it has become involved in people," said the hardcourt giant.

The 6-foot-10-inch Celtic began his career as a star basketball player by sparking the University of San Francisco's Dons to a 60-game winning streak, which netted them two NCAA titles.

After playing center on the U.S. Olympic team that won a gold medal in the 1956 Olympics, Russell joined the Celtics for the 1956-57 season. He led the Celtics to their first NBA title and ten world championships in 12 years.

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