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INDEMNITY EXPERTS SLATED
FOR UM LAW WEEKEND

MISSOULA--

A program featuring five national experts on auto accident reparation will highlight Law Weekend at the University of Montana April 17-18.

Robert E. Sullivan, UM law dean, said Law Weekend activities will include a meeting of the Law School Board of Visitors on April 16; a luncheon April 18 honoring Montana judges, sponsored by the UM Student Bar Association; and the Barristers Awards Banquet and Annual Barristers Ball April 18.

Montana lawyers, including those who did and didn't attend UM, and out-of-state UM law alumni have been invited to the 1970 Law Weekend at UM.

Sullivan said the April conference "will allow Montana lawyers to hear all sides of a very complex problem!"

"Although Montana will not have the opportunity for self-determination in deciding how automobile accident reparations will be channeled in the future," Sullivan said, "we should know a great deal about it in order to evaluate the various approaches."

Sullivan said he feels decisions concerning the legal aspects of auto accident reparation "will be made in the large metropolitan areas where the (reparation) problem is more aggravated than it is in the sparsely populated states."

Arthur C. Mertz, a 1941 alumnus of the UM School of Law, is among the five national experts who will discuss various aspects of the main topic for Law Weekend, "Automobile Accident Reparations."

Mertz is vice president and general counsel of the National Association of Independent Insurers.

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Other speakers will include Leon L. Wolfstone, a Seattle, Wash., attorney who is president of the American Trial Lawyers Association; Jeffrey O'Connell, a law professor at the University of Illinois, Urbana; Nelson C. Barry of the San Francisco, Calif., law firm of Bishop, Murray and Barry; and E. D. Bronson Jr., also of San Francisco, who is with the law firm of Bronson, Bronson and McKinnon.

Barry is a member of the Special Committee of the American Bar Association on Automobile Accident Reparations. Bronson is a regional vice president of the Defense Research Institute.

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