2nd newsmen's seminar May 2 at UM

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MISSOULA--

Two nationally known editorial writers and a journalism professor will give the principal talks at the second annual Seminar for Montana Newsmen May 2 at the University of Montana.

The seminar, sponsored by the UM School of Journalism, will be devoted to editorial pages and editorial writing.

The two visiting speakers will be Ira B. Harkey Jr., recipient of the Pulitzer Prize for editorial writing in 1963, and Robert B. Frazier, editorial-page editor of the Eugene (Ore.) Register-Guard and former editor of The Masthead, official publication of the National Conference of Editorial Writers.

Robert C. McGiffert, an associate professor of journalism at UM, will analyze the writing and editing of Montana daily and weekly editorial pages. McGiffert has been a member of the Montana journalism faculty since 1966 and for 16 years he was a reporter and city editor of the Easton (Pa.) Daily Express.

Also planned is an afternoon panel discussion by former Montana Kaimin editors Dan Foley, Dan Vichorek, Ken Robertson and Ben Hansen; the present editor, T.J. Gilles, and former managing editor Rick Foote. They will discuss editorial pages in the Kaimin and in Montana daily and weekly newspapers.

Harkey, 52, of Columbus, Ohio, won the Pulitzer Prize when he was editor of the Pascagoula (Miss.) Chronicle. His book, "The Smell of Burning Crosses," describes his experiences as editor of the Chronicle. In 1963 he also received the Sidney Hillman Foundation Award, the Sigma Delta Chi Award for distinguished public service in newspaper journalism and the Brotherhood Award of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

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Harkey worked as a reporter and feature writer for the New Orleans Times-Picayune from 1939-42 and 1946-49. He earned a bachelor's degree at Tulane University, where he was a Phi Beta Kappa, and a master's degree at Ohio State University, where he taught journalism in 1965-66.

Last year he served as the Carnegie Visiting Professor of Journalism at the University of Alaska. Harkey also will address the 14th annual Dean Stone Night banquet April 30 at the University Center.

Frazer, 49, is a graduate of the University of Oregon, where he was a Phi Beta Kappa. He has worked for the Bend (Ore.) Bulletin, the Eugene (Ore.) Daily News and the Aberdeen (Wash.) World and in 1952 studied under a Nieman Fellowship at Harvard University. He became associate editor of the Register-Guard in 1954 and editorial page editor in March, 1969.

McGiffert, 47, taught for four years at the Ohio State University journalism school before joining the Montana journalism faculty. He has worked for the Washington (D.C.) Post and for several years has served with the American Dental Association as a consultant on writing.

Registration forms were sent last week to all Montana daily and weekly editors.

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