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HOOD SELECTED ACTING UM JOURNALISM DEAN

MISSOULA--

University of Montana President Neil Bucklew announced that Charles E. Hood has been selected acting dean of the UM School of Journalism for 1982-83. The appointment, subject to approval of the Montana Board of Regents, will be effective Sept. 1.

Warren J. Brier, dean since 1968, announced in January that he would return to full-time teaching in September. A national search for his replacement failed to yield an acceptable slate of candidates, so a new search will be undertaken.

Hood has been a full-time member of the UM journalism faculty since 1969.

Academic Vice President Donald Habbe says, "Professor Hood has our complete confidence and support, and we are convinced that he will give excellent leadership to the school during the year."

Hood combines teaching with professional journalism. He spent summers of 1967 through 1979 as a desk editor and a reporter for the Missoula (Mont.) Missoulian. Since 1979, he has been a professional editor of book manuscripts.

He has been on sabbatical leave this academic year to work on a biography of Mike Mansfield, doing research in the Mansfield Library on the UM campus and in Washington, D.C. He will go to Japan next week to continue his research and to confer with Ambassador Mansfield.

Hood is the author of many articles and a book manuscript, "The Man in the Bamboo Cage."

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His honors include the National Headliners Club Award for reporting, newspapers of 50,000 circulation or less, 1974; the American Association of Trial Lawyers reporting award for six-state region, 1974; and the Society of Professional Journalists Inland Empire award for public affairs reporting, 1975.

Hood holds B.A. and M.A. degrees in journalism from the UM and a Ph.D. in American studies from Washington State University.

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