Bernard Malamud to teach fiction at annual writers' conference

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A professor of creative writing at Oregon State College, Malamud is the author of two novels, "The Natural," the story of a baseball player published in 1952, and "The Assistant," published in 1957 and one of the runners-up for the National Book Award. He has also published short stories in Harper's Bazaar, Partisan Review, Commentary, and The New Yorker. In 1956 he won a Partisan Review Fellowship (a Rockefeller grant) and spent a year in Rome, Larom said.

This year's conference will include discussions and manuscript readings in the novel, the short story, juvenile fiction, non-fiction and poetry, Larom added, and a brochure covering all details can be had by writing him at Montana State University.

A Montana writers' day will be held on July 26 to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the conference. Well known writers from throughout the state will join with the regular staff to examine, through talks and panel discussions, some of the trends in Northwest writing. A special program honoring Montana writers will take place at the annual Writers' Conference dinner that evening.