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ADVANCE-- Dr. Earl C. Lory has been appointed acting dean of the Montana State University College of Arts and Sciences for one year, effective upon the resignation of Dr. Robert T. Turner on September 1, MSU President H. K. Newburn announced.

Dr. Turner asked to be relieved of his administrative duties in order to devote more time to teaching and research, his major interests, the president said. He will retain his professorship in the Department of History and will continue as acting director of the University Museum.

Dr. Lory agreed to accept the responsibility for a year to allow time for a thorough search for a permanent dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, President Newburn commented. Lory will relinquish his position as acting dean of the faculty when he assumes his new duties. The post of dean of the faculty will not be filled immediately, Dr. Newburn added.

Dean Lory joined the MSU chemistry faculty upon his discharge from the army in March 1946. He was chairman of the Chemistry Department from 1955 until his appointment as acting dean of the faculty in December 1958. He also served as acting academic vice president from April 1959 until July.

He has been active on important University committees and has been faculty athletic adviser since 1952. In this capacity he represents the University administration in matters of control of athletics within the Skyline Conference. He is a former college athlete himself, having played football and starred in track at Colorado A & M.

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The dean earned a B. S. in chemistry from Colorado A & M (now Colorado State University) in 1928 and a Ph. D. in chemistry from Johns Hopkins University in 1932. While working toward the doctorate at Johns Hopkins, he held the H. C. Jones Fellowship in Physical Chemistry.

He is a member of the American Chemical Society, Sigma Xi professional science society, Phi Kappa Phi scholastic honorary, and Kiwanis. He is a lieutenant colonel in the U. S. Army Reserve Medical Service Corps.

Dean and Mrs. Lory have a daughter, Mary Anna, who is a student at MSU, and a son, Earl, who was graduated from MSU in 1957.

Dr. Turner came to MSU in 1943 to fill the vacancy created by the election to Congress of Prof. Mike Mansfield. He was chairman of the Department of History and Political Science from June 1955 until February 1956, when he became dean of the College of Arts and Sciences.

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