Montana State Music Teachers Association to join the MSU Department of Music in observing Montana Music Week

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Montana State University will become the music capital of Montana when the Montana State Music Teachers Association joins the MSU Department of Music in the observance of Montana Music Week, Sunday through Friday.

Special evening programs open to the public are planned in addition to a full schedule of daytime clinics, workshops, master classes and M.S.M.T.A. business meetings, according to Dean Luther A. Richman of the School of Fine Arts.

The week’s activities will get under way with registration in the Music building at 4 p.m. Sunday and will close Friday afternoon. Richard Westenburg of the MSU faculty will open the public events with an organ recital Sunday evening. Students of M.S.M.T.A. members will present a recital Thursday evening.

Dr. Robert Pace of Columbia University, who will conduct master classes in piano, will give a public recital Monday at 8:15 p.m. in the University Theater.

The annual banquet, set for Tuesday, will feature mezzo-soprano Margery Tede. Dr. Alfred Humphreys, music supervisor for the State Department of Public Instruction and visiting professor at MSU, will be the banquet speaker.

"Of Thee I Sing," produced jointly by the MSU Opera Workshop and the Drama Department, will be a highlight of Wednesday’s events. The social satire by George Kaufman and Morrie Ryskind, with music and lyrics by George and Ira Gershwin, will play in the University Theater Monday through Wednesday.

Visiting professors participating in Montana Music Week are Dr. Pace, Roland Johnson of the University of Alabama, William Vennard of the University of Southern California and Dale V. Gilliland of Ohio State University.

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M.S.M.T.A. officers planning the week's activities with MSU faculty members are Mrs. Jean Crockett, Helena, president; Mrs. Leona Marvin, Missoula, first vice president; Mrs. Evelyn Lindblad, Anaconda, second vice president; Miss Helen White, Missoula, secretary, and Mrs. Florence Friedlund, Glasgow, treasurer.

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