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A mathematician active in the current revamping of the mathematics curriculum in the United States has been named chairman of the Montana State University Mathematics Department, MSU President H. K. Newburn announced.

Dr. Arthur E. Livingston comes to MSU from the University of Washington where, for the past seven years, he served successively as teacher, supervisor of mathematics extension classes and assistant executive officer. At MSU he succeeds Dr. T. G. Ostrom, who resigned to accept a post at Washington State University.

Dr. Livingston was a member of the School Mathematics Study Group writing team that spent two months last summer at the University of Colorado studying the high school and junior high school curriculum and writing textbooks for these grades. He also served last year as college consultant to the Seattle SMSG 9th grade center. The SMSG work in curriculum revision is subsidized by the National Science Foundation.

Before joining the Washington faculty in 1955, Dr. Livingston was a research associate at the University of Oregon, where he held an Atomic Energy Commission predoctoral fellowship. After receiving the Ph. D. degree at Oregon in 1952, he attended the Institute for Advanced Study at Princeton under a National Science Foundation postdoctoral fellowship.

The new chairman earned a B. A. degree at Fresno State College, Calif., and M. A. and Ph. D. degrees at the University of Oregon. He is a member of professional societies and the author of articles in technical journals.

Dr. Livingston, who has arrived on campus, said his wife and two children will join him in Missoula about the middle of August.

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