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Montana State University announces the closure of the University of Stables

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MISSOULA--Oct. (00)--The pressing need for storage space at Montana State University this week moved MSU authorities to announce the closing of the University Stables to coincide with the end of this academic year.

In the general University construction plan, the area will eventually be developed into a physical plant site, and the large Butler building, currently being used as a stable, will be returned to its original purpose as overflow storage space for Field House and other equipment. According to President H. K. Newburn, the decision was made necessary by the plan to remove some of the temporary campus buildings now used for storage.

The University announced the closure well in advance so that riding enthusiasts would have ample time to seek accommodations elsewhere, Dr. Newburn noted. "I hope that it will be possible for the community to make provision of alternate facilities, and we sincerely regret the necessity for taking this step. However, there is simply no alternative. Currently, we have no adequate storage space for much of our physical plant equipment, and the situation will become more aggravated as we close out some of the temporary structures," he said.

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